New off-campus housing Bella Montaña is at the end of its first phase with two available units left and the second phase will start in mid-June.

While the other 19 homes have been signed off and sold, two more remain and the Cal Poly Housing Corp. has expanded the eligibility restrictions for prospective buyers. The two available condos have two bedrooms and one bath, individually priced at $323,000 and $327,000.

"We have applications, (and prospective buyers) are currently undergoing loan prequalification," said Jim Reinhart, managing director of the Cal Poly Housing Corp. "Once they're qualified, they can reserve a unit through our realtors, who are offering condos to show the units by appointment."

"Priority was initially given to new faculty recruits, then extended to a retention group that consisted of faculty hired in the past six years. Once Cal Poly knew that it had met the demand for those employees, it opened eligibility to all Cal Poly employees."

"We don't have the waiting list that we expected when we broke ground in April 2005, but sales are progressing well in light of a soft real estate market," Reinhart said.

Phase two of the project will be ready June 19 and half of the homes are already in escrow. The third and final phase is set for completion in September, which will introduce 30 more units.

"We are now offering the remaining homes in phases one, two and three to all Cal Poly faculty, management, staff, lecturers and coaches," Reinhart said.

The housing corporation has also included a new type of eligible buyer: the individual colleges so they would be able to see the housing opportunities available for their faculty.

"Some decided that they would like to buy a unit to house long-term visiting faculty," Reinhart said.

The Orfalea College of Business was the first to purchase a unit and is now using it to house a visiting professor from Israel.

This also directly benefits Cal Poly when it comes to attracting faculty and staff to the area. "The project is helping the university with recruitment efforts. The high prices in the San see Condominiums, page 2

Downtown art store makes way for surf shop

Law's Hobby Center on Marsh Street downsized to less than half its size, a move completed in the beginning of May.

Local students, especially architecture and art students, give Law's a lot of its business. However, the store didn't always have what they needed, said co-owner Christine Ahern, who has worked there since she moved to San Luis Obispo 10 years ago.

"There would be frustration on their faces, and we don't want that to happen again," she said. "We want to fine-tune more into what students need."

It now specializes in supplies for fine art, project building, jewelry making and graphic designers. It still has the gallery and framing services, and has lines of paints, pastels and other things that aren't available at the chain stores.

While the store's inventory has lost most of its party supplies, models and general craft, those things are available at other stores downtown, Ahern said.

She and other owners Bobbie Vasquez and Sharon Gove decided to see Law's, page 2
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Luís Obispo real estate market are a deterrent to attracting faculty from the rest of the country with lower housing costs," he said. "Bella Montana aims to provide a new outlet for faculty who wish to move here and buy a home."

To buy or not to buy

As with any big purchase, there are many factors to consider.

Location, brand-new conditions, financial benefits, employer community and more fill the pros side of living in the new complex.

"The project is brand new. It's built to the highest standards and it is all owner-occupied, with the exception of the few college-owned units," Reinhart said. "Many of the condominiums (in San Luis Obispo) are investor-owned and rented to students so it's a different environment when you have mostly student residents versus owners. For the faculty it's a nice environment where they can share the collegiality with their neighbors as they are all members of the Cal Poly community."

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State

SANTA CRUZ (AP) — A falcon chick hatched from an egg rescued from the Bay Bridge was initially reluctant to take flight. Researchers with the University of California, Santa Cruz, hatched the chick, dubbed "Little C," and raised her after snatching her egg from her parent's precarious nest under the bridge.

... SANTA ANA (AP) — Prosecutors in Orange County have used a voter-approved law allowing juveniles to be tried in adult court more than any other county in California, according to a newspaper report published Sunday. Since 2000, the law has been used on more than 261 youths, the Orange County Register said.

Orange County prosecuted teens as adults nine times more than Los Angeles County from 2003 to 2005, state data show, and it has the highest proportional use of the "direct file" law among the state's 15 largest counties.

National

NEW YORK (AP) — A convicted drug dealer who agreed to pose as a wannabe terrorist among a shadowy group now accused of plotting to blow up John F. Kennedy International Airport recently fed information to federal investigators in exchange for a lighter sentence. His surveillance trips to the airport with the suspects, travels abroad to meet with supporters and assurances he wanted to die as a martyr in an attack on an underground jet fuel pipeline gave counterterrorism agents insight and evidence that experts say was otherwise untouchable.

... AURORA, Ill. (AP) — A high school senior accused of starting a massive food fight that left a police officer injured was among three students arrested in the prank.

Aurora police said at least 200 students were in West Aurora High School's cafeteria when french fries, milk, sandwichwiches and pizza slices were hurled in a free-for-all, authorities said.

The alleged instigator, Demetrias Oglesby, 18, faces a felony charge of resisting arrest after authorities said he ran from a police officer.

International

BERLIN (AP) — Just days before hosting a Group of Eight summit that has already drawn violent protests, German Chancellor Angela Merkel on Sunday described President Bush's new initiative on global warming as "very welcome," but insisted it must fall within the framework of United Nations treaty negotiations. Bush on Thursday proposed the 15 biggest emitters of greenhouse gases hold meetings and set an emissions goal. But he would let each country — including the U.S., China, India and the major European countries — decide independently whether to implement it.

... BAGHDAD (AP) — The U.S. military announced Sunday that 14 American soldiers were killed over the past three days, including four in a single roadside bombing and another who was struck by a suicide bomber while on a foot patrol. The blast that killed the four U.S. soldiers occurred Sunday as the troops were conducting a cordon and search operation northwest of Baghdad, according to a statement. Two other soldiers were killed and five were wounded along with an Iraqi interpreter in two separate roadside bombings on Sunday, the military said.

THE BIZARRE

Family finds time capsule in garden

MANTON, Mich. (AP) — It wasn't buried treasure, but a boy working in his grandmother's garden pulled from the ground a wooden box that contained a Chrysler emblem, a talismant candle and newspapers from 1952, among other items.

Cole Ordway, 13, discovered the box on Memorial Day at the home of his grandmother, Betty Dowell. Cole's mother, his 17-year-old sister and a neighbor also were on hand for the discovery.

Inside, family members also found feathers, a pair of pliers, a jackknife with a colorful bear image on the handle and a container.

It wasn't clear when the box was buried because although the newspapers were 55 years old, some of the other items appeared newer, Dowell said.

Dowell has lived at the home in Wexford County for about two years. She plans to try and find who owned the property in 1952 for clues.

She said she will add items to the box, including a Beanie Baby, a DVD and grocery receipts, then rebury the box.

"I hope nobody finds it for another 50 years," Dowell said.

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‘Pirates’ audience will be ‘at wits end’
Confusing and trite plotlines make third time definitely not the charm

Jared Cleaver

When going to watch the third movie in a trilogy it is inevitable that you would have preconceived expectations or prejudices regarding the film. That was definitely the case when I saw “Pirates of the Caribbean: At World’s End.”

I enjoyed the first movie in the trilogy. It’s not one of my all-time favorites or anything, but I was definitely entertained.

The problem arose with the second movie. It seemed like a forced sequel to me. I waited for hours and hours, but never got to see the conclusion I was fighting to stay awake for.

By the end of the movie, I was thrilled to see the lights in the theater turn back on so I could get the hell out of there.

So, with the memory of last year’s “Pirates” movie fresh in my mind, I wasn’t too excited to hear about the trilogy’s finale coming to theaters.

However, when I saw the previews during a commercial break last week, I convinced myself that it might actually exceed my expectations. Dumb idea.

The movie starts where the last one ended. Only problem was, I couldn’t remember how the last movie ended. I impatiently waited for a few lines of reminder dialogue like in most sequels, but it didn’t come.

I had to wait until after the movie to Google a synopsis of the last movie just to remember the origin of certain feuds. Honestly, if someone hadn’t seen the first two movies, I doubt that they’d have a clue as to what’s going on in this one.

I felt completely lost through the entire movie, like I wasn’t quite getting the whole picture. Turns out, I was indeed following the one.

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Once again, I found myself trapped in a never-ending movie full of men with bad teeth and eyeliner. The only character I truly liked was the monkey that rides aboard the Black Pearl.

The movie started at 10:45 p.m., and I was half expecting it to be light outside when I left. Amazingly, it turns out that it was only about three hours long.

As Cinematical.com writer Ryan Stewart puts it, “About seven hours into ‘Pirates of the Caribbean: At World’s End,’ someone stuffs a monkey into a cannon, lights the fuse, and sends it shooting across the deck to crash into another character.

Captain Jack Sparrow (Johnny Depp, right), Will Turner (Orlando Bloom) and the rest of the motley crew are back in action with “Pirates of the Caribbean: At World’s End.” As its title suggests, the film scales several wonders of the world while following the captain and his crew in their quest for fortune and romance.

That monkey is like us, the audience — bruised, confused, and unsure what it did to deserve this punishment.” I couldn’t have expressed my feelings more perfectly.

I was thrilled to hear that this was supposed to be the final movie in the series. However, I hate to inform you that the ending of this movie makes a fourth movie frighteningly possible.

For those of you who loved the first two movies, and even this one, I apologize. Walking out of the theater, I overheard several people discussing how much they enjoyed the film, but I just don’t get what you guys see in it. However, I will admit that monkey was awesome.
I fear upgrading to a ‘real person’

Brittney Ross
THE CALIFORNIA ALICE (QC-DIV.

The other day I went to see my major adviser, just to check in and make sure I’d signed up for the right classes for next fall. It all started benign enough, until she opened my file and said, “So you’re a senior, right?”

“No. I’m a third-year.” I replied.

“Well, technically you’re a senior. You only need nine more units to graduate.”

Nine units? Nine! There are only nine units standing between me and the vast uncharted wilds of the real world.

Luckily, the assured me that I didn’t have to graduate after nine units. If I wanted to, I could put another year between me and the real world. And I plan to because, you know, the real world is scary.

In my mind, there are three categories of people. First, there are kids — those short, child-like people who run around being alternately cute and obnoxious, and somehow manage to be sticky most of the time. Second there are students. Will I still be allowed to dress sensibly? Can I still listen to my iPods, yet they don’t mean for-real different, not just because I’ve been out of high school long enough to feel superior.

And then there are real people, more commonly known as “grown-ups.” Usually they have careers and pay their bills, and usually they have furniture that they bought instead of being sold by the curb or dumpster. They eat different things for dinner every night, and I don’t mean for-real different, not just shrimp ramen instead of chicken ramen.

Real people flow. I am firmly convinced of this fact. If I ever manage to become a real person, I will know because I will own some dental floss, and even use it. And while I’m pretty sure my dentist will still be around, I will be glad.

All of this has been weighing on me because of those nine stupid units. But I know when the time comes, it won’t be too bad, even though most of me is going, “Oh crap, I’ve only got one year left!”

So to those of you who don’t have the nine-unit safety zone and are actually making the leap into the real world in a few weeks, congrats and good luck, and I think you won’t need it.

But if you’re graduating from grad school, I guess. You’ve got to find a job and place to live, and when and when you do something stupid, people won’t just pshaw and chuck it up to you being a dumb college kid who will grow out of doing stupid things.

I don’t have a feeling that the real world is one of those places that’s really cool once you’re there, even though the part just before it is scary. Kind of like how on a roller coaster it’s really nerve wracking when you go up the big hill, but once you get over it, all the fun makes those suspicious clacking sounds and the vertigo worth it.

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“This one took a lot of thought,” Campbell said. “We had to examine the medical. We had to examine the play. It wasn’t an easy one. But there were some simple aspects to it. A blow to the head with the elbow that resulted in a concussion.”

In Campbell’s nine years on the job following an NHL coaching career, he has supervised three players in the finals. Pronger is the third to be banned twice in one playoff year and the third to sit out a finals game for an act committed in the championship round. The 4-foot-6, 226-pounder has been suspended seven times, including one-one-game ban for leaving the bench for an alteration.

This will be the 14th game Pronger has missed because of suspensions — two for elbows to the head, four for high-sticking, another four for slashing, two for cross-checking and one for kicking.

“I’ve been in front of them and before now and I’m a repeat offender,” the 32-year-old Pronger said at a news conference, dressed in a warmup suit and wearing a baseball cap. “I’m sure that plays into it as it normally does in any situations. “They did the right thing here. It’s a situation where there was a head blow. That’s obviously something that the league’s trying to crack down on. I don’t blame them in any way.”

“The Ducks lost Game 3 to Detroit, but started with the contest in which Pronger sat out the game. McAmmond said. “It wasn’t incidental. It’s not like that couldn’t have been avoided.”

His stats for Game 4 is undetermined.

“T’m feeling pretty much the same,” he said. “A little bit headachy, not feeling quite right. I’m going to do everything I can, or as little as I can, to feel good today. I want to play but at this point in time, I’m not sure enough to beat him.”

Reid won by a mere three-hundredths of a second. He led the race from the gun and learned a valuable lesson about not letting up at the end of races.

“T’ll never make that mistake again,” Reid said.

Conover said coaching Reid the last four years has been a joy because of his work ethic and leadership abilities.

“He never wavered through the injuries and used that time to understand how much he loves running,” conover said.

Up next for Reid will be the NCAA Championships, which begin Wednesday through Saturday at Sacramento State, where he will chase another All-American award.

Reid has the potential to run after college professionally and has already camed as Olympic Trials “B” standard time in the 1,500.

“He’s really just starting out,” Conover said. “He’s got a lot to look forward to.”
Mustangs heading to the NCAA Championships at Sacramento State from Wednesday through Saturday.

Despite losing several players to injuries early in the season, the Cal Poly Rugby Football club team ended the season 12-6 overall and sixth in the nation.

The team was first in the Southern California Rugby Football Union for the second year in a row. The Mustangs played nine league games with only one loss to San Diego State.

"Last year we lost league and this year we lost to USD, but I think that was disappointing," Cal Poly sophomore Ryan Kaut said.

It was only a small disappointment, though, as Cal Poly went on to win in playoff opener 34-10 over Montana at Cal. The win set the team to the round of eight, where it lost to BYU for the second year in a row.

Last year, the Mustangs' loss to BYU ended their undefeated season. BYU won again this year by a score of 33-3 and went on to the national title game, where it lost to Cal.

"Next year we're looking forward to winning another big championship and progressing further in playoff than we did," Cal Poly senior Gabe Escalera said.

"We had a young group this year, so it can only get progressively better," Cal Poly junior Thomas Ramirez said.

Because of the injuries in the beginning of the season, freshmen had to fill in last year. "Our team began with 11 returning starters, but had only two by the end of the season.

"Everybody was put on the spot to perform," he said. "We have high hopes for next year because we have a lot of young guys returning and that should help us play a lot better together.

One of the team's favorite games was when it played at UC Santa Barbara and won 34-11 in front of a loud, supportive crowd.

"It was such a big rivalry between the both of us and we were able to keep the crowd quiet by hearing them," Escalera said.

While the team had trouble playing on the same page early in the season as the roster changed, it stepped up to win the league championship against the University of San Diego by a score of 76-17.

The biggest win by far was when we beat USD to clinch the league championship," Kaut said. "We really came together to play as a unit.

Over spring break, the team toured in Wales to prepare for the playoffs playing against Caernarvon and Pontypool. The Mustangs, playing at SLO 1:23, lost their first game against Yowash and then beat Pontypool.

While there, the team was also able to train with professional coaches and watch a match between Newport Wales and Brive France.

The rugby team is divided into two sides, which are comparable to varsity and junior varsity squads. Each side plays the same amount of games during the regular season, but only the first side is eligible to reach the playoffs.

The season started in the middle of October and ended in April. At the end of the season, some of Cal Poly's players were asked to join the league team, the SoCal Griffins.