Poly student headed to White House

Daniel Seguin
MUSTANG DAILY

Journalism senior Colin Rizzo is just one week from graduation. While Rizzo has done much to be proud of while at Cal Poly, he said he intends to do much more after he graduates.

One of those goals involves acquiring a master's degree, said Rizzo, who has been admitted to Columbia University's, School of International and Public Affairs in New York City.

"But I have deferred grad school so that I can gain a year or two of professional political experience," Rizzo said.

The words "political" and "experience" are terms that Rizzo has had more than a passing acquaintance with over the past year or two.

Each spring, Cal Poly accepts applications in the "Learn by Doing" internship program. Rizzo promptly submitted his application to attend the Leon and Sylvia Panetta Institute for Public Policy. Following a lengthy process, he was chosen by President Warren Baker and a selection committee to represent Cal Poly for the full 2006 internship program.

Rizzo said the course at the Panetta Institute is intense but also satisfying.

"We attend the Panetta Institute for two rigorous weeks beginning in September," Rizzo said. "Then we go to D.C. from mid-September to the end of December. It really prepares you for the political world of Washington."

Daniel Howard-Greene, Baker's chief of staff and a member of the selection committee, said Rizzo was an immediate stand-out in the field of applicants.

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Long wait for counseling

Isaiah Narciso
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Mechanical engineering junior Erick Serrano used the Counseling Services in the Cal Poly Health Center twice as a freshman for personal reasons. He said that waiting times were much shorter when he needed counseling back in 2005.

"Depending on when appointments were available, it took about a day for a complete turnaround," Serrano said. "It was also during the middle of the quarter when not many people (used it)."

Now, students like Serrano may have to wait up to two or three weeks just to be seen by a professional through Counseling Services.

Serrano thought that counseling was especially needed at this time of year, since this is the last week before finals.

"It's a time of year (when) people get overwhelmed by different things," Serrano said. "Before they know it, everything snowballs and then they screw it over."

Cal Poly has measures in place if a student feels like he or she is at the breaking point, said psychologist Elie Axelroth, the interim head of counseling psychology at the Health Center.

"There are a couple of different ways that students could get counseling here," she said. "They could call in, or they could stop by and they could say, 'I'd like to make an appointment,' and we'll schedule them with the first available appointment."

Normally, students can use Counseling Services anytime Mondays through Fridays from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

"When we did have some extended hours, students didn't use the service anymore than they would during the day," she said.

While the long waits just to see a counselor may be inconvenient for students, Axelroth said there are factors that result in delayed appointments.

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Seniors build bridge on golf course

Samantha Freitas
MUSTANG DAILY

A group of six architectural engineering students built something different for their senior project. Rather than an ordinary paper model project, they found a way to give back to San Luis Obispo County, the place they've called home for the past five years.

The seniors pulled their skills together to engineer and construct a bridge worth $100,000 at the Dairy Creek Golf Course run by the county.
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tement times at the health centers across the entire California State University system. "The wait time for this service is a different matter. It is the time it takes for people to be seen at the health centers for counseling. It is the time it takes for people to be seen to find out what they need.

Axelroth stated that appointments are now made two weeks after the student calls in or stops at the Health Center. While she asserted that most students find that procedure "fine," she also said that there were emergency procedures in place. "If we have any indication that a student is in some kind of crisis, emergency, or highly distressed we have a form that we have them fill out," Axelroth said. "You meet with them immediately, and we make an assessment of the situation." Axelroth said that in Counseling Services, there is a difference between a real emergency and "crisis." She defined a crisis as "something that happens unexpectedly."

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"We were all quite impressed with his qualifications," Howard-Greene said. "Colin was subsequently selected to represent Cal Poly." Howard-Greene said that the internship program is great experience for any student who has the opportunity to become involved.

"It’s a very valuable program in terms of workshop seminars, training seminars that students receive," Howard-Greene said. "The opportunity to meet with state leaders from both governmental and academic sectors and the hands-on experience received in an office of a member of Congress while in residence in Washington, D.C., are valuable as well." Rizzo added that the position was placed in Speaker Nancy Pelosi’s office while he was in D.C.

"I worked in the press office and then in the speaker’s private office," Rizzo said. "I worked very closely with Speaker Pelosi on many matters.

One good thing led to another, he said. "Rizzo was able to do some brief work with presidential candidate Sen. Hillary Clinton during spring break. "I was traveling with the senator doing advancement work for the campaign," Rizzo said.

He added, "Advanced means you travel with the candidate, walk through the event premises and assist with the event plan." Rizzo said that work he did afforded him some valuable knowledge and experience.

"I worked in Boston, New Hampshire and New York," Rizzo said. "While in Boston and New Hampshire, we were working on public events.

For the public events, Rizzo was part of taking care of the sound, lighting and the media and helping out with the senator’s speech. "I was responsible for the mapping of the senator’s address, which gives his steps to follow during the speech.”
Immigration compromise suffers crushing blow in Senate, could be dead for the year

Julie Hirschfeld Davis
ASSOCIATE PRESS

WASHINGTON — A broad immigration bill to legalize millions of people in the U.S. unlawfully suffered a stunning setback in the Senate Thursday, costing President Bush perhaps his best opportunity to win a top domestic priority.

The bipartisan compromise championed by the president failed a crucial test when it could not attract even a simple majority for an effort to speed its passage.

Intense public concern over immigration across the country conspired with high political stakes to produce a roliling debate on the issue. Ultimately, those forces overwhelmed a painstakingly forged liberal-to-conservative alliance that sought to insulate their compromise from partisanship.

Supporters could muster only 45 votes to limit debate and speed the bill to final passage, 15 short of what was needed on the procedural maneuver. Fifty senators voted against cutting off debate.

Most Republicans voted to block Democrat efforts to advance the measure.

Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., who had made no secret of his distaste for parts of the bill, quickly pulled it from the floor and moved on to other business, leaving its future uncertain.

He insisted that the bill was not dead, but a crowded Senate calendar complicates its prospects. "I, even though disappointed, look forward to passing this bill," Reid said. "I have every desire to complete this legislation, and we all have to work — the president included — to figure out a way to get this bill passed."

The measure's chances are even murkier in the House, where Democratic leaders don't plan to act on the divisive issue until the Senate has finished work on it.

Sen. Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., the minority leader, said Democrats tried to rush the bill. "I think we're giving up on this bill too soon," McConnell said.

The legislation would tighten borders and institute a new system to prevent employers from hiring undocumented workers, in addition to giving up to 12 million illegal immigrants a pathway to legal status. Conceived by an improbable coalition that nicknamed the deal a grand bargain, the measure exposes deep rifts within both parties and rips apart borders and institute a new system to prevent employers from hiring undocumented workers, in addition to giving up to 12 million illegal immigrants a pathway to legal status. Conceived by an improbable coalition that nicknamed the deal a grand bargain, the measure exposes deep rifts within both parties and rips apart families by prioritizing employability over blood ties in future immigration.

Thirty-seven Democrats and Sen. Joseph Lieberman, a Connecticut independent, voted to advance the measure. Proponents had argued that the bill, on balance, was worth advancing.

"We can all find different aspects of this legislation that we differ with," said Sen. Edward M. Kennedy of Massachusetts, the leading Democrat architect of the bill.

He held out hope after the vote for reconstructing the bipartisan coalition that fashioned the agreement, siding with Republicans who said they hadn't gotten enough chances to toughen the bill.

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Liberal groups, which had pressed hard for the measure's passage despite their many complaints about its elements, were dismayed at Thursday's result.

Frank Sharry, the executive director of the National Immigration Forum, called the vote "a huge disappointment to immigrant communities and those seeking a solution to the dysfunctional immigration system in America."
Assembly passes bill banning trans fat foods

Samantha Young

SACRAMENTO — The Assembly on Thursday passed legislation that would ban restaurants from preparing food in oils, margarine and shortening that contain trans fats, despite objections that Californians should be allowed to make their own food choices.

The bill by Assemblyman Tony Mendoza, D-Arleta, would ban the artery-clogging substance in restau­rants and delicatessens by 2010 in a host of processed foods.

"What's next, a ban on ice cream, sugar and chocolate cake?" asked Assemblyman Alan Nakanishi, R-Santa Monica.

Studies have shown that trans fats raise bad cholesterol and lower the good kind. Partially hydrogenated vegetable oil, the main form of arti­ficial trans fats, is used for frying and baking and turns up in a host of processed foods.

Assemblywoman Bonnie Garcia, R-Cathedral City, said the bill fell short because it did not eliminate trans-fats from meals served in pub­lic schools. Lawmakers passed the bill 42-27.

It was among 400 bills approved this week by the Assembly in a meet­Ing Friday deadline to send legislation to the Senate. Lawmakers approved bills designed to extend health care coverage to uninsured Californians, better label alcohol products and boost the California film industry.

In the Senate, meanwhile, bills to create independent commissions to draw legislative districts, ban smok­ing in cars and expand health care for children and the uninsured passed on Thursday and were sent to the Assembly.

Among the bills considered Thursday by the Assembly:

ALCOHOL LABELS Alcohol beverages must clearly be labeled to identify bottles and cans from non-alkoholic drinks that do not have the word "alcohol" on the label. Bill author Assemblyman Jim Beall, D-San Jose, said better labeling is needed to help store clerks, parents and teachers ensure that children do not confuse beer and alcohol.

Supporters said many malt alcohol drinks on store shelves now appear in cans or bottles similar to sodas, energy and fruit drinks.

CALIFORNIA FILMS Lawmakers extended legislation that created a grant program to encourage motion picture and commercial filming in California. Although half of all motion pictures are filmed in California, production companies and independent movie makers have relocated to other states and countries considered more friendly to the industry.


SMOKING BAN — It would be a traffic infraction to smoke in a vehicle where minor children are present, under a bill by Sen. Jenny Oropeza, D-Long Beach. SB7 passed 22-16, without debate. Oropeza argued that children needed to help store clerks, parents and teachers ensure that children do not confuse beer and alcohol.

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REDISTRICTING The Senate approved two competing constitutional amend­ments, SC9 (a 29-5 vote) by Sen. Roy Ashburn, R-Bakersfield, and SC10 (a 34-0 vote) by Sen. Alan Lowenthal, D-Long Beach. Each would set up independent, 11­member commissions to draw legis­lative and Board of Equalization boundary lines, instead of leaving the decision to lawmakers who have a vested interest. SC9 goes further by also halting lawmakers' pay­checks if they don't pass the state budget on time. Senate President Pro-Tem Don Perata, D-Oakland, and Senate Appropriations Chairman Darrell Steinberg, D-Sacramento, which would expand eligibility for Medi­cal and Healthy Families programs to include children of families with incomes under 300 percent of the federal poverty level. Steinberg said the expansion means virtually every child in California could be insured. His measure was sent to the Assembly on a 25-13 vote.

HEALTH CARE — The Senate approved SB32, by Sen. Darrell Steinberg, D-Sacramento, which would set up independent, 11­member commissions to draw legis­lative and Board of Equalization boundary lines, instead of leaving the decision to lawmakers who have a vested interest. SC9 goes further by also halting lawmakers' pay­checks if they don't pass the state budget on time. Senate President Pro-Tem Don Perata, D-Oakland, and Senate Appropriations Chairman Darrell Steinberg, D-Sacramento, which would expand eligibility for Medi­cal and Healthy Families programs to include children of families with incomes under 300 percent of the federal poverty level. Steinberg said the expansion means virtually every child in California could be insured. His measure was sent to the Assembly on a 25-13 vote.

POISON: California would ban the food flaw­ing agent diacetyl under SB456, proposed by Sens. Benjamin Allen, D-Pacoima. The bill, approved on a 22-18 vote, blames the chemical used to artifi­cially flavor popcorn for a respirato­ry disease known as "popcorn lung." Last year, the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health reported that employees at a Missouri microwave popcorn factory who were exposed to diacetyl developed obstructive lung disease after inhaling the butter flavoring. A similar measure has passed the Assembly.

Bush calls Putin's idea for system interesting

Terence Hart

ROSTOCK, Germany — Vladimir Putin, bitterly opposed to a U.S. missile shield in Europe, pre­sented his own sur­prise counterproposal Thursday built around a Soviet-era radar sys­tem in Azerbaijan rather than new defenses in Poland and the Czech Republic, Bush said it was an inter­esting suggestion and promised to consider it.

Putin's formula would create a major rethinking of U.S. plans for defending Europe against attack from bases in Poland or the Ukraine. While outright accep­tance of Putin's idea appeared doubtful, the White House said it was eager to avoid further inflaming tensions by giving it short shrift.

The Russian leader said Putin would abandon his threat to retaliate with missiles on Europe — if Bush accepted Putin's Kremlin's missile-defense proposal.

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New study bemoans high textbook prices

Rebecca Kaplan

PHILADELPHIA — Many students and parents — especially those from low- and moderate-income families — have felt the pain of fork-
ing over hundreds of dollars each semester for textbooks that are often underused and difficult to sell back.

The Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance found that textbook prices are rising to unaffordable levels and in a report released last Friday entitled "Turn the Page: Making College Textbooks More Affordable," the committee offered solutions to this problem.

The report identified the funda-
mental problem of the textbook mar-
ket as the fact that it is "supply-driven, not demand-driven." Students are forced to buy whatever textbooks their professors choose and cannot shop around for the cheapest ones available.

Some states are taking short-term steps to alleviate the problem — such as creating textbook rental programs, strengthening the market for used textbooks and setting guidelines for professors to use when selecting required course materials — but the ACSFA insists that a long-term solu-
tion is necessary.

The group proposes the creation of a national digital marketplace, which ACSFA vice chairman Claude Pressnell defined as a "marketplace containing the full range of teaching and learning materials — a one-stop-shopping-marketplace where a professor ... could find a full range of textbooks, lessons, lectures and lesson supplements." Such a system is already available.

Panelists at the hearing also clashed on the issue of used textbooks.

State

SACRAMENTO (AP) — The proposal sounds crazy at first: Ask experienced scientists and engineers near the end of their professional careers to take a sub-
stantial pay cut and face a class-size-
room full of teenagers in a public school.

But that's what Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger is betting on to help ease a critical shortage of qualified math and science teach-
ers in California schools.

The $12 million initiative, part of his 2007-08 budget proposal, would be a small step toward addressing the state's acute teacher shortage. California is expected to need as many as 100,000 new teachers over the next decade as baby boomers retire — about a third of them in math and sci-
ence.

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Police arrested a 16-year-old Belmont boy and accused him of placing three explosive devices that resembled pipe bombs around San Francisco General Hospital, authorities said Thursday.

The term, whose name was not released because of his age, was taken into custody Wednesday at his Belmont home, according to San Francisco police.

FACT: a special graduations

 edition of the Mustang Daily will be waiting for you next weekend.
Spotlight asked some Cal Poly poetry classes to submit their most promising work for our contest. Here's the cream of the crop:

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**Point of Turn**
— Kimberly Stasney, English sophomore

Look at her, she's disgusting. The goose bumps crawling up her skin, masked only by the hair that grows frantically, futilely trying to keep her warm.

Those arms, creviced, rising up to her stiffly baring the bone barely covered by skin. Flexing muscle, unnatural and weak, tears a little more with every pounding beat of her terrified heart.

The abyss of a barren stomach framed by jutting bones and bulging-eyed with a stretched, half-stare. She can't even control her own lips.

How could someone ever love this?

Turning from the mirror, she rests her head back near her shoulders. Lifting her arms, she spins in a wobbly circle, spitting her reflection out not to fall. The first spin, she is located in the pristine glass. Spinning again, she sharply recognizes her back — reddled with sweat. She quickly lowers her arms, stills. Legs cracking from exhaustion, she slacks, then

and her eyes start our way once again.

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**SHEshell**
— Jade Song, econ/soc sophomore

And they come crashing in
A stampede of liquid hills,
shouting singing. Senses break, listeners matter.
And it bursts back into itself
A stampede of liquid hills,
a rush of jagged needles. And it becomes its heart.

No it's cold, only it's cold
A rush of jagged needles.
My feet are disappearing.

No it's cold, only it's cold
White bubbles kiss my calves now.

My feet are disappearing.

A gust of wind, my spine turns crest.
White bubbles kiss my calves now.
My hands wing backwards, catch my balance.

A gust of wind, my spine turns crest.
She runs to catch me, eyelids clenched. My hands wing backwards, catch my balance.

Her palms, my chest, my pulse turns upward.
We rush to catch me, eyelids clenched.
I turn to face her, nose crumpled. Her palms, hands, chest, my pulse turns upward. And they come cracking in.

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**Ten-Minute Spill**
— Shannon Brown, liberal studies junior

Plopping the plumpest blackberry
Biting down as juice squirts in a smile.
Licking sweetened lips —
Gurgling voices of summer nourishment
Whirring of vanilla late foam clouds as

Grandma's needle threads blue throughout.
Giggles and flutters that below
Cuffs silent, as whisperers clamb to reach us
Severen things like eagles
Mother waiting at home, keys in hand
Ignorance is this.

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**Internet Ghosts**
— Megan Ray, visual senior

Fingers fly, races the keys.
Call forth words withostul ease.

Communications strange, and weird.

Spin, now, stop, like ravish wamp.
I'd, who thought upon a thing?

We type our lives on Internet blogs,
Us and Xanga and dig-

What happened to phone calls everyday?
What is all I can say.

This growing web, a spider's trap.
And within it we all are wrapped.
Thousands of prey, feeling the beat.
Clashing in, into cleaning but ghosts.

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Music department concert to feature performances from students and professors

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The Cal Poly Wind Orchestra and Wind Ensemble will be performing “A Season Finals” Saturday at 8 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center.

Graduating music senior Mark Miller will be featured in Jailand composition professor Eric Ewazen’s “Concerto for Bass Trombone and Wind Ensemble.”

Another graduating senior, Neil Jansen, a mechanical engineering major, is the Wind Ensemble’s principal euphonium player and will perform Edwin Franko Goldman’s “Scherzo for Euphonium and Band.”

Music junior Amanda Yoshimizu, a principal trombonist, will conduct the Wind Ensemble in Howard Hanson’s original work for the wind band titled “Chorale and Alleluia” as a principal trombonist, will conduct and “Awayday” by Adam Gorb.

Jansen and Yoshimizu, both music seniors, are planning careers as professional musicians and conductors, and while Jansen will be playing the trombone in the Wind Ensemble in Howard Hanson’s “A Moorside Suite” by Gustav Holst, “Watchman Tell us of the Night” by Mark Camphouse, “Scherzo for Euphonium and Band” by Eric Ewazen and perform Edwin Franko Goldman’s “Scherzo for Euphonium and Band.”

Unfortunately, Holst passed away on March 7.

The bands are under the direction of professors and conductors William Johnson and Christopher Woodruff, who teach the year-long lab.

“They’re really top flight musicians,” said Johnson of the featured performers. “This is a chance for them to be soloists with us and play.”

The class performs five concerts per year, starting with Band Fest where Wind Ensemble and Wind Orchestra unite and perform together and the Winter Concert where their performance opened a conference for the American Band Masters Association.

During spring quarter they perform in three more concerts including an Open House concert, this Saturday’s concert and a performance at Cal Poly’s commencement ceremonies at the end of the quarter.

“Most of the students have played since fifth or sixth grade and will continue to play for the rest of their lives,” Johnson said.

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Tickets for the performance are $8 to $19 and can be purchased at the PAC box office or at the door.

The concert is sponsored by Cal Poly’s College of Liberal Arts, music department and Instructionally Related Activities program.
LOS ANGELES — Hours after Paris Hilton was sent home under house arrest Thursday the judge who originally put her in jail on a reckless driving probation violation ordered her back to court to determine whether she should return to jail.

Superior Court Judge Michael T. Sauer issued his order after the city attorney filed a petition late Thursday afternoon demanding to show cause why Sheriff Lee Baca should not be held in contempt of court for releasing Hilton Thursday morning and demanding that Hilton be held in custody.

Hilton was ordered to report to court at 9 a.m. Friday, Superior Court spokesman Allan Farachini told The Associated Press.

"My understanding is she will be brought in in a sheriff's vehicle from her home," Parachini said, adding that although Hilton is at home she is technically in custody because she is under house arrest.

Baca does not have to be in court, Parachini said.

Hilton, who reported to jail Sunday night after attending the MTV Movie Awards in a strapless designer dress, was fitted with an electronic monitoring ankle bracelet and sent home about 2 a.m. Thursday, sheriff's spokesman Steve Whitmore told The Associated Press.

"The sheriff's action was met almost immediately with outrage from City Attorney Rocky Delgadillo, the sheriff's deputy union, members of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, civil rights leaders, defense attorneys and others.

"What transpired here is outrageous," county Supervisor Don Knabe told The Associated Press, adding he received more than 400 angry e-mails and hundreds more phone calls from around the country.

Hilton's return home "gives the impression of ... celebrity justice being handed out," he said.

Another supervisor, Yvonne Brathwaite Burke, called for an investigation, as did Steve Renage, who heads the Association for Los Angeles Deputy Sheriffs.

"The sheriff needs to be held accountable for this," Remige said.

Delgadillo, who filed the motion to show cause, instructed him to distribute to the deputies union the list of the calls of outrage from around the country.

Delgadillo's office indicated, however, that when he learned Hilton was released, he immediately asked to return to court.

Parachini told The Associated Press before Delgadillo asked that Hilton be returned to court.

But, Parachini said at the time, it is the sheriff and not the judge who decides when inmates are released from jail.

The Los Angeles County jail system is so overcrowded that attorneys and jail officials have said it is not unusual for nonviolent offenders like Hilton to be released after serving a little as 10 percent of their sentences.

Delgadillo's office indicated, however, that it would argue that the Sheriff's Department violated Sauer's May 4 sentencing order.

Meanwhile, in the hours after Hilton's release it was a madcap scene outside her house with a supply of cupcakes she said she had instructed him to distribute to the hungry media horde.

Her parents also arrived at one point and briefly entered, then left, the home.

Shortly before noon, Hilton issued a statement through her attorney

"I want to thank the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department and staff of the Century Regional Detention Center for treating me fairly and professionally," she said. "I am going to serve the remaining 40 days of my sentence. I have learned a great deal from this ordeal and hope that others have learned from my mistakes."

A large segment of the public and legal community wasn't satisfied, however.

New York lawyer Pamela D. Hayes complained that Hilton's release had made members of the legal system "look like idiots."

"They want to send some poor Joe who smokes a joint to jail for 30 days and she's doing a contempt of court and she gets three days," Hayes said.

### Hotel chain/bieves Paris Hilton was sentenced to serve 45 days in a Los Angeles County jail but never did.

"It is the city attorney's position that the decision on whether or not Ms. Hilton should be released early and placed on electronic monitoring should be made by Judge Sauer and not the Sheriff's Department," said Jeffrey Baacs of Delgadillo's office.

Sauer himself had expressed his impression of ... celebrity justice being handed out," he said.

"The decision on whether or not Ms. Hilton should be released early and placed on electronic monitoring should be made by Judge Sauer and not the Sheriff's Department," said Jeffrey Baacs of Delgadillo's office.

Sauer himself had expressed his unhappiness with Hilton's release before Delgadillo asked him to return her to court. When he sentenced Hilton to 45 days in jail last month he raised specifically that she could not serve her sentence at home under electronic monitoring.

Parachini said.

"I want to thank the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department and staff of the Century Regional Detention Center for treating me fairly and professionally," she said. "I am going to serve the remaining 40 days of my sentence. I have learned a great deal from this ordeal and hope that others have learned from my mistakes."

"They want to send some poor Joe who smokes a joint to jail for 30 days and she's doing a contempt of court and she gets three days," Hayes said.

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Where will you sell your books in June?
What Spanish slip-ups really mean

By Emily Rancer
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Studying abroad is such an intense experience because it fast-forwards your emotional growth. What I mean is, every day you are presented with something new (whether it be a new word, a new food, a new custom, or a new person) and you have to decide how you will react to it. Will you adapt, learn or evolve from it?

I decided to learn from my Spanish slip-ups and because of that, I am not afraid to make mistakes. Since these 11 months here, and I confess that before I left for Chile, I had no interest in studying abroad as another goal to accomplish. And that somehow accomplishing that goal would make me a better person. But what I realize now is that what truly defines me is how I have adapted, learned, and evolved as a person in trying to achieve those goals.

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Desme a Rivals.com 2nd-team All-American

SPORTS INFORMATION REPORT

Cal Poly junior right fielder Grant Desme has been named to the Rivals.com All-America Second Team.

Desme, who received the Cal Poly baseball team's Ozrie Smith Most Valuable Player Award for 2007 earlier this week, earned the best single-season total in school history for wins in a season with a 11-3 record and 3.43 ERA this season, in addition to ringing star Nick Swisher. However, the AV year-to-year turnover and willingness to give young players a chance bodes well for Deunique.

Reed joins a Rangers organization that has been in dire need of pitching since the mid-1990s. Whether Reed remains a starter or reliever, should he reach the majors, there is no doubt he will help a Texas club that has a team ERA of 5.46, second worst in the majors. While former Dodger Eric Gagne is currently anchoring the bullpen, he is coming off two injury-plagued seasons and has already had a stint on the DL this year.

Eager is the fourth left-hander the Rays have taken in the first four rounds. Eager is the fourth left-hander the Rays have taken in the first four rounds. He certainly did that, and then some. Price went 11-1 with a 2.63 ERA and Division I-leading 194 strikeouts in his junior season for the Commodores. He accumulated several awards and about 50 pairs of shoes — size 13 — during his three years at Vanderbilt.

"I like shoes," he said sheepishly. "And the Devil Rays like Price — a lot.

"We think this guy has all the attributes to be a front of the rotation-type pitcher," Tampa Bay scouting director R.J. Harrison said. "Now it's just a matter of getting him signed, getting him in a uniform and getting him along that developmental process."

Price is the fourth left-hander taken with the top pick, and first since Brian Teller went to the New York Yankees in 1994. The first round of the draft was televised live from an actual site for the first time after being held strictly by conference call in previous years.

Tampa Bay has ray of hope in No. 1 pick Price

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defense, who got plenty of help from his 18-game-tall running Cleveland's scoring superstar.

"It is an incredible effort the entire series," Duncan said of keeping James in check. "I know he will come out stronger in the next game." It was the series opener James — or the NBA — had hoped for. His first foray into the finals was hype surrounded by the days leading up to the game as much as the game itself. He could only deliver the way Michael Jordan once did.

But James came nowhere near matching Jordan's first game in the finals when he scored the Los Angeles Lakers for 36 points on June 2, 1991.

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And after their names were called — Thursday, Cal Poly junior right fielder Grant Desme, junior right-hander Evan Reed and redshirt sophomore right-hander Thomas Eager all confirmed they will sign with their respective major-league organizations.

Desme went in the second round (74th overall) to the Oakland Athletics.

Reed was already sporting a blue Rangers cap he had bought soon after learning of Texas’ selection.

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Eager was taken 210th overall by the San Diego Padres.

“Something’s going to get worked out,” Reed said of a contract, adding a Rangers executive told him over the phone that he is likely to open minor-league play with the Spokane Indians, one of the club’s three Class A affiliates. “I’m going to go in there and try to start. I know I have a lot of work to do. I’m looking forward to doing it.”

Reed said he had spoken to the Rangers previously, but was surprised by Texas’ pick because the team “definitely didn’t show the most interest.”

“It was a huge relief,” Reed said. “You don’t want to get your hopes up.”

Desme watched the draft — which was televised for the first time on ESPN2 with family and friends at his home. Reed and Eager followed the selections on the Internet with a combination of family, friends and roommates at their houses.

“I’m real excited,” Eager said in a phone interview. “It’s a dream come true for right now. I’m really happy I get to play with (pitching coach) Gary Dalley. He was drafted by the Cardinals last year. I’m real excited to play with him.”

When asked if he intended to leave the program for St. Louis’ organization, Eager said: “I’m going to sign.”

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