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**Ben Stein Appearance at Cal Poly Sold Out;
VIP Reception Tickets Still Available**

SAN LUIS OBISPO - The Ben Stein appearance at 6 p.m. June 4, 2003 at 6:00 pm in the Cal Poly Performing Arts Center's Christopher Cohan Center is now SOLD OUT. The last of the almost 1,300 free tickets were given out to students and community members May 28, five days after they were made available.

The Cal Poly College Republicans, with the help of ASI Events, ASI, and Young America's Foundation, sponsored the event so that students and the community could hear Ben Stein's informational and inspirational speech, "How to Ruin Your Life" at no charge, said College Republicans President Robert Yates.

However, tickets still remain for a fund-raising reception after Stein's appearance; tickets include admission to the Performing Arts Center event as well as a private reception and dessert with Stein after the performance at the Madonna Inn.

The Cal Poly College Republicans are hosting the reception, which begins at 8:15 pm. Tickets for the reception are still available, and are \$40 per person or \$75 per couple. Wine and dessert will be served and Ben Stein will be available for conversation and questions.

Anyone interested in purchasing reception tickets should call Yates at (805) 541-4011.

The media will be offered exclusive and uninterrupted "one-on-one" time with Ben Stein Between 5:30-5:50 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center Lobby. The press is also invited to attend the speech, and to photograph or video portions of the speech. A direct audio feed is available from the front-of-house console for camera crews. The private reception following the event is closed to the press. If you plan to cover this important event, please contact Rob Yates at (805) 541-4011.

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The Cal Poly College Republicans is a non-profit student organization whose purpose is to increase student participation in the democratic process, and to increase the conservative voice on campus.

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