Nuclear waste dilemma gets local attention

By Steven Fairfield
Daily Staff Writer

A local group wants to protect us from the threat of nuclear contamination.

By holding public meetings, the Nuclear Waste Management Committee is educating the public on the dangers of having a nuclear power plant in San Luis Obispo County.

"I think most people have the idea that the government will take care of nuclear waste," said Committee Chairman Shirley Bianchi.

"Don't believe it."

The committee's next meeting, scheduled for February, will focus on the transportation of nuclear waste out of the county and the risk of terrorism at Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant.

The committee is made up of public officials, California Highway Patrol officers and professionals in the nuclear industry.

They will be looking at three possible routes out of the county from Diablo Canyon, and the possible threat such transportation poses to the county. One route would bring contaminants through town on trains, another would bring them through town on trucks and onto a train. Another would force trucks to take the contaminants up the Cuesta Grade and over to Ventura County.

A local group wants to keep the entrance to Diablo in Avila Beach, as well as other county roads, safe from the threat of nuclear waste mishaps.

Envirolaw class using space-age technology

By Heidi Laurenzano
Daily Staff Writer

It's similar to waiting in line for Disneyland's Space Mountain - but you're sitting down.

You and 25 others sit at tables, staring straight ahead. You hear an ongoing whir from the more than $200,000 worth of sound and visual equipment. Not a word.

"You're sitting down. "Your instructor readies his lecture material behind his 5-foot-long podium. When he begins talking, it sounds as if he's speaking into a pillow. You take a sip of your water bottle, and the sound of the suction from your lips seems amplified.

This is the experience of stu-
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Call boxes make debut on local highways

County to install 170 boxes on four SLO County highways

By Selena Loy
Daily Staff Writer

There's good news for those who have been stranded on any highway in San Luis Obispo County.

The San Luis Obispo Council of Governments (SLOCOG) and the county board of supervisors approved the installation of call boxes along Highways 101, 1, 46 and 41.

The call boxes are scheduled to be installed in next fall. This program will be funded by an extra $1 vehicle registration fee for those automobiles registered through the county Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV).

Peter Rodgers, SLOCOG's associate transportation planner, said that the DMV was notified last December that they should begin collecting the extra dollar fee.

Before the county decided to add the additional fee, it had to find out if residents would mind paying the extra dollar.

"We did a survey of the whole county," Rodgers said. "And we found that 76 percent of residents supported call boxes."

About 170 call boxes will be installed within the county along the four highways, but Rodgers said he doesn't anticipate those boxes will cover all rural areas.

The county decided to install call boxes because they would increase response time to accidents and other types of motorist assistance, Rodgers said.

According to the Freeway Service Patrol, a state agency aiding distressed motorists, most breakdowns are due to mechanical problems with flat tires ranked as the second reason people pull off highways.

For those who have cellular phones, those types of problems may not cause much concern.

But, for those without cellular phones, it may be comforting to know that you will be on your way to help from a call box nearby.

Mayor Alan Settle said that call boxes would be helpful for people who are stranded in isolated places.

He said that the call boxes are worth the extra dollar fee.

"I think it's a wise move for the price to pay," Settle said.

Kari Tomoska, a social science junior, agreed.

"I think it's a good idea," Tomoska said. "I don't know how to change a tire."

She said that if her car had a flat tire a call box would allow her to call for help.

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"I started walking," Reamer said. "I walked about a mile or so and I ended up hitch-hiking."

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"We will develop a phasing implementation plan," Rodgers said. "The plan will then be reviewed by SLOCOG."

Rodgers said that the phasing plan will be presented to the SLOCOG in May. During this review, the public will be able to voice its idea of which areas should first be installed with call boxes.

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Free party thrown for Cal Poly students

By Brad Davis
Daily Student Writer

A free party in the University Union last night offered fun and amusement for all and the only requirement for admission was to be a Cal Poly student.

This was no ordinary party and no alcohol was being served. What is a party without alcohol, you say? A Cal Poly student.

The event was hosted by the Cal Poly Violence Intervention Program (VIP). This new program focuses on preventing violence by reducing alcohol abuse among college students.

"A survey indicated that virtually every incident with crime on campus involved alcohol," said Sean Banks, director of Campus Relations and Judicial Affairs. He also said that VIP is meant to educate people about the effects of alcohol abuse.

"This is not an abstinence program," Banks said. "But we really want (VIP) to be a student-run project."

VIP Training Committee Member Shumao Moss said she is dedicated to making a difference on campus.

VIP comprised of 60 students who were nominated from 12 campus groups like ASI, athletics and Week of Welcome.

Banks said VIP asked the clubs to nominate members who they thought would be most approachable for advice.

"The idea came from administration," Banks said. "But we really want (VIP) to be a student-run project."

"We're interested in creating an environment that's aware of how alcohol leads to violence," Moss said. "We want to make the Cal Poly community more aware through education."

Money for the program comes from a federal grant called the Fund for Improvement in Post Secondary Education, allocated by the U.S. Department of Education. A total of $40,000 was granted to Cal Poly to fund VIP for the next two years. To comply with the specifications of the grant, VIP must put on at least one event each month.

Moss, an English senior, said VIP is tentatively planning athletic events, competitions and dances.

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Dents enrolled in environmental law, a class taught in the distance learning room. On one of the screens, two lonely students from CSU Bakersfield stare at the class. On another screen, either the backs or the faces of the members sitting in the room appear, depending on which button the teacher pushes.

"It's kind of distracting, because of the media equipment," said Debi Applegate, an ecology and systematic biology junior. "I don't sit in the main classroom. I sit next door. It's not as noisy."

The adjacent room has screens that show just the professor, giving the viewer the perspective of a satellite student.

For this class, Applegate said she had no idea it would meet in the distance learning room until the first day of instruction.

"I was very surprised to find this is how our class would be set up," she said.

While environmental city and regional planning graduate student Mark Berlin said the concept is interesting, he also finds media equipment gets in the way.

"It affects the flow of the class," Berlin pointed out. "It destroys the personal aspect between teacher and student when the instructor's up there trying to figure out which button to push next."

Some of the faculty finds fault with the technology, also.

"Traditionally, it's a divisive issue," said Pete Woodworth, the media production specialist whose job it is to keep the system up and running. "Instructors don't get paid extra for teaching the other students at the satellite location."

The instructors also have to adjust their teaching methods.

"The pacing and the presentation with lesson plans are a lot different than they are with traditional teaching," Woodworth said.

Other teachers feel quite differently. They're excited about the whole concept.

"I'm proud of the teachers that have jumped in and worked with the technology," Woodworth said. "One such teacher is Norman Pillsbury, head of the natural resources department.

Pillsbury has big plans for using the capability in upcoming classes. Pillsbury wants 1998 incoming forestry and natural resource management freshmen to spend a quarter at Swanton Pacific Ranch, near Santa Cruz. This technology will enable those students to take courses offered at Cal Poly without having to commute.

"This will be an incredible use of the ranch and the business learning facility," Pillsbury said with enthusiasm.

Cal Poly's administration has found a use for the technology, too. A video conferencing room is placed in the administration building. Personnel use it to conduct meetings with the chancellor and other administrators.

Woodworth said this capability ends up saving the university's system money in travel costs.

Video conferencing and distance learning are technologically the same. The only difference is the name and the use of the facilities.

Traveling costs are also cut for students who are on the Rose Float Committee. With the video conferencing technology available, they don't have to drive down to CSU Pomona for meetings.

All the CSUs campuses have this technology, thanks to a recent grant from the chancellor. From a business standpoint, Cal Poly makes a little money with the equipment.

Arroyo Grande High School, Caltrans and other organizations pay up to $100 per hour to use the facilities.

Cal Poly and the other CSUs also want to help get California's community colleges hooked up, Woodworth said, due to all the transferring taking place from two-year colleges to four-year universities.

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Graves updated board members on the results of two student forums on mass transit.

The board voiced questions and concerns that Trent could not address, so they decided to invite transportation experts to their meeting next week.

"There are a lot of questions being asked. But there are no crisp answers," said Juan Gonzalez, vice president for Student Affairs.

"We've danced this dance over and over and over again," he said.

Gonzalez made it clear that bus service has never been free. For more than a decade Cal Poly has subsidized the SLO Transit bus service through revenues from campus parking citations and meters.

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Protesters arrested after disrupting Berkeley chancellor's speech

By Ryan Tote and Rob Zazueta
The Daily Californian (UC Berkeley)

(U-WIRE) BERKELEY, Calif. -- Four pro-affirmative action protesters were arrested Monday night after interrupting a speech by Chancellor Chang-Lin Tien at Zellerbach Hall.

The demonstrators, including members of the Coalition to Defend Affirmative Action By Any Means Necessary, shouted at Tien for not defying a move by the UC Board of Regents to end affirmative action policies in university hiring and admissions. One of the protesters was a student, according to police.

The coalition started picketing outside Zellerbach over the preferences issue before Tien's speech.

"I was depressed for a week or two," Tien said. "I was debating whether to resign. But after two weeks, I said No, I have to do everything I can to maintain excellence and diversity at UC Berkeley."

The demonstrators were arrested by UC police at 8:40 p.m. and cited for refusing to leave university property and for disturbing the peace.

Members of the coalition said they want Tien to refuse to comply with the regents' decision and with Proposition 209, a ballot measure approved in November that bars public institutions from using race and gender preferences in hiring and admissions.

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He said trees will be needed more in the future for building furniture and shelter. Non-wood fibers will be a very important supplement for the production of paper products.

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Professor says he can turn hemp into paper

By Lea Delicio
The Technician (N.C. State)

(U-WIRE) RALEIGH, N.C. -- An answer to the imminent problem of tree shortage for the production of paper products may be close at hand.

According to Medwick V. Byrd, director of applied research in wood and paper science at N.C. State, advances are being made in the conversion of non-wood fibers, like corn stalks, rice straw and industrial hemp, into paper products.

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Byrd said these are advantageous because they are virtually free.

The second, and more controversial category, is the fiber crops. These are grown primarily to be harvested and made into paper products. Kenaf, a relative of the African Hibiscus, falls into this category. So does industrial hemp, the low THC cousin of marijuana.

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OOPS! Corrections from Mustang Daily
(hey, we're only human).

Mustang Daily regrets an error in the article on enrollment projections for fall of 1997, which was published in Monday's edition. The number of students planned to be accepted to the College of Business is 376 and the College of Science and Math plans to admit 271 students. An error was also made in Thursday's article about the Harmony Post Office. The town was last bought for $750,000 not $75,000.

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**NATHAN PONTIOUS**

Hey, you there, I'm talking to you! The one standing on the bus with this shiny black-light t-shirt, a few minutes ago? Date Rave: Environmental damage from sports complex ignored by administration

RICHARD KRANDORF

While it is true, as the Mustang Daily of January 27 stated, that "The Cal Poly Sports Complex (has been) modified in response to environmental concerns raised in the draft environmental impact report," the present plan, if brought to fruition, will still do serious environmental damage.

The final EIR should be forthcoming any day and it will suggest that while there are several impacts that cannot be mitigated, especially in the area of air quality, such impacts are few in number and in the big picture, insignifcant.

The athletic department is claiming that it listens closely, that it has therefore eliminated one playing field and put buffers around wetlands. And so that department, the university administration, the student body president, Steve McElhaney and some people down at city hall have joined with community boosters in calling for construction of a lighted baseball stadium, a lighted softball stadium and two or three parking lots, ancillary structures, new roads and 11 lighted sports fields where now there is unobstructed greenery or at least unimpeded views of magnificent countryside.

As you may recall, on the evening of Jan. 14 the city of San Luis Obispo solicited input on budgetary matters. Since I had a night class I didn't get to the session until close to 8:30 p.m. when many in attendance had already spoken. When I got to the microphone I briefly talked about the "State of the World" mentioned above and then said that as a practicing political scientist at Cal Poly I was there to speak for two items of interest to the campus community and against one, all on environmental grounds with special attention to air pollution.

I urged that the City Council not cut its bus subsidy for Cal Poly and Cuesta students for that surely would increase traffic, oil consumption, parking facilities, etc. I also urged that the city work with the university in moving towards creative, on-campus housing communities, again with an eye to lessening local commuting. On the orher hand, I said I continued to have "serious qualms" about the sports complex.

The only other person from Cal Poly to later address the City Council was the student body president, Steve McElhaney. In his official capacity he spoke about only one possible budget item: the complex (in other words, not on a word for the need for open space or bus subsidies for students or campus parking).

Rather, he turned to the audience and asked that those who were there to champion the sports facilities including the playing fields to please raise. And so he led the call for this one issue. I do not disagree all other fiscal and quality-of-life matters which might be of concern to yourselves.

Where do we go from here? As I said earlier, the final EIR will be out shortly. There is an alliance of many groups on and off campus calling for the playing fields and the stadiums at Cal Poly. It is in part past your time to raise your fee by $7 a quarter for the complex (unlike the upcoming vote in the spring quarter for the Cal Poly Plan, you were not given the opportunity to decide the matter for yourselves). What kind of university do you want? What kind of world do you want? What means more: concrete or land sins? Someone do you want? Different visions of our future are being presented. What's your vision?

The City Council will choose its priority goals tomorrow. The session takes place at the city library (995 Palm) from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Final public input might possibly be invited between about 10 a.m. and 11 a.m. A huge public relations campaign is being mounted to make the sports complex the city's highest budget priority: Dare to take a different stand. Your earth and generations to come will thank you.
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trucks, clearly marked with four radioactive signs, in drums or in mushroom like containers. Although no high level material is being transported from Diablo, it is common for the military to transport it under many regulations to ensure the public’s safety. The committee will also discuss the threat of terrorism and the role of law enforcement agencies to counter terrorism. Sommerville contended that the only people who would take hostage of a nuclear waste vehicle would be those trying to “create a spill to show it can actually happen.” He said that the material isn’t suitable for making bombs and would require very sophisticated processing to get any nuclear product from it. Sommerville is supportive of the committee’s efforts to bring the issue out in the open, but said they have “done a good job in selecting professionals who only know pieces of the puzzle.”

Can’t get into our interview schedule? Call us and we’ll interview you anyway on Sunday, February 2.

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9:00 Keynote Address: Pat Morrison, columnist, LA Times and co-host, Life & Times, KCET, Los Angeles.
10:00 Break
10:15 Starting a Career & Getting that First Job: “The Basics” (Panel Discussion): Andy Lipsman, Bureau Chief, The Associated Press, Los Angeles; Mark Austin Thomas, News Director, KFI, Los Angeles; Steve Moss, Publisher and Editor in Chief, New Times, San Luis Obispo; Bob Krauter, California Farm Bureau Federation, Claire Wolfenden, Independent P.R. Consultant, San Francisco.
11:00 Individual Sessions (Interviewing, Clips, Tapes, etc.)

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Tomara Kato, Editor, Orange County Register
John Moore, Editor, Telegram-Tribune, San Luis Obispo

C. Public Relations

Claire Wolfenden, Independent P.R. Consultant, San Francisco
John Lockhart, President, Hillard Communications, Ventura
Stephen Galy, Manager, Client Communications Group, PG&E, San Francisco

D. Photography

Susan Sterner, Associated Press

E. Ag Journalism

Bob Krauter, California Farm Bureau Federation
Jamie Harbord, Freelance Writer

12:15 Luncheon Speaker: Tammie Katay, Editor, 1996 Pulitzer Prize-Winning Orange County Register

1:15 A. Speaker: Hope Enger, Former Editor of Thomson Newspapers in California & Consultant: “New & Alternative Media”

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Kim Maus, Anchor, KSBY-TV, San Luis Obispo

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Women’s hoops ready for ‘Pack

By Megan Lehtonen
Daily Staff Writer

The women’s basketball team has one more game to go before heading to the road.

Cal Poly will conclude a brief three-game homestand Sunday when the University of Nevada Wolf Pack rolls into town for a Big West Conference match up at 2 p.m. The Mustangs (3-14, 2-4 Big West) are coming off a crucial win over Long Beach State. In the game last Saturday, Cal Poly led by as much as 13 points with nine minutes remaining, but withheld a 16-0 run by the 49ers to hold on to the win, 70-67. Long Beach did tie the game at 64-64 with 4:25 remaining, but a couple of three-pointers by Mustang Stephanie Osorio in the final minutes sealed the win. Osorio finished the game with a team-high 15 points, all coming from three-pointers.

As for Nevada, the Wolf Pack (7-9, 3-2 BW) is currently tied for second in the Big West Eastern Division. They are coming off an 80-52 win over UC Irvine last Saturday. Guard Jelena Zrnic “This game may be one of our biggest challenges as far as we’ve been able to do so far this season. We’re excited to see what we can do as a team.”

First pitch today for Mustangs’

By Kellie Kahoons
Daily Staff Writer

The rain has stopped for now, the sun is shining and it’s time to watch America’s favorite pastime: baseball. The Cal Poly baseball team hosts the St. Mary’s Gaels in their first series this weekend.

The season looks good for the team with a veteran infield, solid pitching staff and strong hitting. Head coach Ritch Price said, “The team is really solid-up the middle.”

Price said that the experience comes from catcher Matt Prasce, a four-year starter, Scott Kidd at second base and Taber Maier at shortstop. The players are ready to play and excited to meet an opponent. Price said they have been practicing everyday during the week and have been playing inter-squad games on the weekends.

Kidd said the team prepares the same for every game by working on their defense, practicing fielding, batting and taking ground balls.

St. Mary’s College is coming off of two losses to top-ranked Stanford. St. Mary’s coach Bob Ingram said that they had a young team with only three seniors. He said that due to their experience, the team has a great respect for Whom, as they are a young player against six outs. The Customs’ starting pitcher tonight is Ken Dolan. Mike Zerilli will pitch on Saturday and Chad Snowden will go on Sunday.

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