Student dies on HW 1

By Michelle Hatfield
MUSTANG DAILY NEWS EDITOR

A Cal Poly student was killed early Saturday morning after he tried to cross Highway 1, according to the California Highway Patrol.

Lee Harbor Preston, 20, was allegedly struck by a 2001 Toyota Tundra 2:15 a.m. Saturday, according to a CHP press release. He was walking on the right shoulder of the southbound lane along Highway 1 north of San Simeon.

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Lecturer fools audience

By Whitney Kobrin
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

With a goal of easing the financing strain of higher education in California, the College of Science and Mathematics, were two of nine members of Cal Poly's Associated Students Inc. participating in a first of a series of lobbying trips to the state capital.

Angie Hacker, ASI president, and Veronica Shippy, vice president of state affairs, were two of nine students from the CSU system in attendance at the annual CSU Alumni Legislative Lobby day.

Shippy said the purpose of the lobby trips, which began Feb. 20, is to communicate the students' wishes and ask that California legislators rearrange their priorities to accommodate the requests of CSU students. This means not increasing state fees and refraining from making budget cuts for the CSU.

We have scheduled six meetings with legislators to help them to understand the Cal Poly student perspective," Shippy said. "Our goal is 20 meetings."

Hacker said the agenda each day includes looking at the proposed state budget, paying attention to influential information and participating in small group discussions.

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Cal Poly tops list of CSU fund-raisers for 2000-2001

By Sarah E. Thien
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Cal Poly has set another record: the university's latest achievement is for most money raised by any California State University in a single year.

During the fiscal year 2000-01, Cal Poly raised $43.5 million in gifts from individuals, corporations and foundations. The largest single gift came from Kinko's founder Paul Orfalea and his wife Natalie, who donated approximately $16 million to the Orfalea College of Business and the Orfalea Family and Associated Inc. Children's Center.

Though the Orfalea gift has been well publicized, it is not the only large gift Cal Poly has received in the last year. The J. G. Bowell Foundation gave a total of $1.2 million to the College of Agriculture to create an endowed professorship in plant biotechnology. Omar and Claudia King also pledged $1.5 million to the college. Omer King graduated from Cal Poly in 1956 with a degree in Soil Science.

The College of Engineering received a total of $5 million. Bert and Candace Forbes gave $3 million and Paul and Sandra Bonderson gave $2 million.

The largest gift is the Uncal Per in Avila Beach, which was given to the College of Science and Mathematics. The legal transaction that would make the $18 million per officially Cal Poly's will probably occur this week, said Dean Phillip Bailey.

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**NEWS**

**Students begin run for ASI positions**

By Whitney Kohlin  
**MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER**

With Associated Students Inc. elections packets now ready for students to pick up, this year's elections are officially off and running. But these packets, which were released on Feb. 4, have a slightly different twist from years past.

For the first time, students interested in the Chair of the Board position are not required to pick up election packets, because the board members will now elect the position, said Pat Harris, assistant director of student life and leadership. Because ASI presidential candidates and vice presidential candidates will run as a ticket, only one election packet will be picked up for each pair, she said.

Though some details pertaining to the ASI elections have changed, the criteria candidates must fulfill remain the same.

To qualify for participation in ASI elections, students must be regularly enrolled, have a cumulative GPA of 2.3, have completed no fewer than 21 units in the last 12 months, be enrolled in at least nine units during the term of elections and maintain a 2.0 GPA during the same term. Harris said board representatives must be members of the colleges they are elected to represent, she said.

Currently five election packets have been picked up for the presidential and vice presidential positions, but the count is not yet official. Harris said.

"We don’t have an official list yet because grade checks have not been completed, and students who pick up the packets don’t always run," Harris said.

Chen Madsen, chair of the board, said that elections packets undergo minor revisions by the board each year, but this year, packets were printed without a section to allow a thorough revision.

The disciplinary section of the packet was omitted from the earliest distributed packets so the board could revise the section that explains repercussions, Madsen said. Currently, the packets are printed in different colors, she said.

"Students who picked up the early version of the packets were notified by e-mail of the changes to the section," Madsen said.

Harris said that disciplinary section in relation to the ASI elections now requires an appearance before the campus judicial board, which is in charge of club and organization discipline.

To pick up a packet, stop by Harris' office, 65, room 217K.

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**Department emerges to produce new major**

By Bryan Dickerson  
**MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER**

The soil science department has changed its name to the earth and soil sciences department to reflect their new major, earth sciences.

Spouting from the department after a germination period of several years, the new earth sciences program allows students to incorporate soil science, geography and geology.

"This is unique in that it combines three program areas," said Thomas Rice, chair of the newly named department. "Most universities offer them as three separate majors.

Rice said the program emphasizes many disciplines in natural resources and offers students a chance to shape their majors according to interests. A student can have their concentration in geography, land and water resources or other tailored courses of study. Rice offered this analogy to illustrate the relevance of the new major: "The zone between the hard bedrock and the weathered rock zone, or saprolite," he said. "Both geologists and soil scientists study this area, while geographers provide the human element, the human interaction with the earth. That’s why it’s such a popular major.

President Warren Baker approved the department name change on Nov. 2, 2001, approximately 20 quarters after the major was first proposed. "It took five years from the time of our first meeting," Rice said. "We had to go through a long process. We had to meet monthly. It took a lot of persistence."

To create a new major, a department must first justify why that major is needed. Once that is established, the curriculum committee of colleges reviews the proposed major before it is passed on to the curriculum committee of the academic senate. It then comes up for review in the academic programs office. Finally, it goes to the chancellors office where it is approved or disapproved.

Ronnie Long, assistant to Provost Paul Zingg, said the process can take several years since any curriculum changes must go through extensive consultation with the college sponsoring the new major.

Rice said that geography professor Bill Preston and soil science professor Ray Tinkey did most of the work, putting in hours of fine tuning and detailed work so that the major was approved.

"The proposal was close to 200 pages, including support letters," Rice said.

The labor has paid off, as the program's first freshmen began taking classes in Fall 2001.

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National Briefs

Hubble Mission so far, so good

STANCE CENTER, Houston — The Hubble Space Telescope was captured early Sunday by the space shuttle Columbia in preparation for a tune-up of the orbiting observatory.

The shuttle closed down the telescope after following it for two days. It was caught 360 miles above the Pacific Ocean southwest of Mexico.

The telescope and the shuttle are traveling at about 17,200 miles per hour. Two pairs of astronauts are scheduled to perform five space walks in five consecutive days, beginning early Monday morning, to install new equipment and parts on the Hubble.

Astronaut Nancy Currie grabbed the telescope from its orbit using the shuttle's 50-foot robotic arm. The Hubble was then moved into a work platform.

Weekend SPACEwalks target mis

Astronauts who had been searching for weeks found the body about 25 miles east of San Diego.

Prosecutors are allowed to seek the death penalty due to the special circumstance of kidnapping in conjunction with murder, but they have yet to say whether they will do so.

Wcenter has also been charged with possession of child pornography. He has no known for

ory of victimizing children. He has
two grown children.

— USA Today

Nine Sept. 11 hijackers under

special security screenings

WASHINGTON — Irregularities in identification documents caused nine of the 19 hijackers who carried out the Sept. 11 attacks on the United States to be selected for special security screenings at airports, according to a report published Sunday.

Of the nine, six were chosen for extra scrutiny by a computerized screening system, The Washington Post reported. The new system's biggest shortcoming, according to the report, is the report said.

Authorities did not indicate whether any of the men were interrogated before boarding the airplanes or if officials noticed the cuts.

cutters that were used in the hijackings. Such knives were allowed on airplanes before Sept. 11.

Law enforcement and aviation officials declined to provide further details on the screenings, including which of the men were chosen and whether they flew on the planes, the newspaper said.

— USA Today

International Briefs

Central America

GUATEMALA CITY, BAYNAVAL, Cuba — A hunger strike that nearly two-thirds of the al-Qaeda and Taliban detainees at the U.S. naval base at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, participated in, began Wednesday in protest to an incident in which a guard allegedly yanked an improvised turban from a detainee while he was praying in his cell, officials said.

An Army guard told the detainee who was praying to remove the sheet that was wrapped around his head. Officials said that the man did not respond. Two guards then entered the cell, restrained the man and removed the turban. The detainee then became angry and threw a shrapnel bottle. Since the incident, several detainees have been seen wearing similar turbans fashioned from bed sheets.

Detainees were told that they would be allowed to wear turbans. Thursday might be the commander of the detention camp, Brig. Gen. Mike Lehnert. But guards may inspect the turban at any time. In the past, tura

nates have been banned due to fears that detainees would hide dangerous objects in them.

At least nine detainees have been given liquids through an intravenous drip, one against his wishes.

FBI director Robert Mueller arrived Sunday afternoon for a tour of the detention camp. He did not comment on the agency's role in the screening of the detainees.

— Associated Press

South America

BOGOTA, Colombia — Senator Martha Carolina Dantin, a member of the upper house of the Colombian parliament has been found dead along, along with a colleague and her dog, inside the capital, Bogota. Their bodies were found with gunshot to the head late Saturday.

Daniela was a member of the opposition Liberal Party, but was not due to stand for re-election at nation­
als polls next weekend. No motive for the killings has been established yet.

The woman traveling with Daniela, Ana Malta Medina, was the wife of a politician being held by the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia (FARC). The three left the senator's home early Saturday morning, apparently in a humanitarian mission.

Dantin served 12 years as a mem­ber of the Colombian Congress. She is the seventh member of Congress to be killed in four years. Another five are allegedly being held as hostages of the FARC.

— BBC News

Europe

GENEVA — Despite Switzerland's centuries-old tradition of neutrality, Swiss voters approved joining the United Nations on Sunday. The country will become the United Nation's 190th member.

Only the Vatican remains outside the world body.

Recently, Swiss voters opposed of joining the United Nations feared it would have to submit to the political dictates of the Security Council.

In the 1815 Treaty of Paris, European powers guaranteed the "perpetual neutrality" of Switzerland. In 1948, the Swiss made the policy part of their constitution.

The popular vote for U.N. mem­bership was approved 55 to 45 percent.

A similar Swiss vote in 1986 rejected U.N. membership 75 to 25 percent. Despite joining the United Nations, Foreign Minister Joseph Deiss assured voters that "Switzerland remains neutral."

The country has not moved to join any military alliance, such as the North Atlantic Treaty Organization. But the government does have a longer-term goal of joining the European Union, which is expected to encounter even tougher resis­

ance.

Switzerland has been a dues-paying member of some U.N.-specialized agencies like the World Health Organization and the International Labor Organization for a long time. Recently, it has stepped up in contribu­

tions to peacekeeping operations.

— Associated Press

Middle East

BILARAD, Pakistan — A strong earthquake shook a wide area of South and Central Asia on Sunday. Buildings in the Afghan capi­

tal Kabul were damaged, but not sig­
nificantly. People in five countries died in the quake.

The quake was felt in Pakistan and India.

— Associated Press

Briefs compiled from various news ser­

vices by Mustang Daily contributor Anne Guilford.
STRIKE?

Find out why CSU faculty are talking strike

Discover student-faculty shared interests in securing instructional funds

What a strike would mean for students

Student Forum on Quality Education
Wednesday, March 6 from 5-7pm
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that his goal was for the vote to serve as a litmus test for the university's teaching staff. And even though he expected that the numbers would reflect a general unhappiness with CSU leadership, he did not expect that only 33 faculty members would vote for confidence.

"If anything, they're even more warfare than I thought," Fetzer said. He estimated that approximately 75 percent of Cal Poly CFA members and 80 percent of non-members voted no confidence. By not limiting the votes to those of CFA members, it sends a stronger message to the chancellor's office," he said.

Fetzer said he would share these numbers at Tuesday's Academic Senate meeting, at which point the senate will get a formal report from Reed's office.

The meeting is in University Union, room 220 from 3 to 5 p.m.

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by former President Bill Clinton.

"Let's look at the confederate flag issue," Jones said. "Clinton signed into law confederate flag day in Arkansas. But we've been told he is mind is dissipated as all of the different political and ideological spectrums that happened prior to his speech shaped the tone and mood of the evening."

He was invited as part of Black History month by the Cal Poly College Republicans. Yet, many audience members were drawn to the event due to a few then that present Jones as a controversial figure and few, if any, know what ideals Jones stood for.

By the end of the evening, the tension dissipated as all of the different political and ideological spectrums represented in the audience seemed to find some common ground in his speech.

"We are people who have overcome incredible and supposedly insurmountable obstacles to become productive citizens of society," he said. "We owe it to our ancestors to do what they were not able to do themselves."

The biggest problem facing black leadership today, he said, is that black leaders are not fighting for the best interest of black people. But rather what is in the best interest of those in leadership don't have the interest of black people at heart and most often act on the basis of convenience and political associations.

"I think you can domesticate black leadership and at the Pentagon, switch their brains and keep from them by the same people that you have to work for them."

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"The pier is priceless if we can make something good out of it, and it's a liability if we can't," Bailey said. Unocal also gave a $3.5 million endowment for operations and maintenance. Unocal and Cal Poly have had a close relationship for years. In 1996 Unocal helped launch the Environmental Biotechnology Institute with a $1.3 million grant, and has donated a total of $25 million since the start of the Centennial Campaign. Cal Poly helped Unocal develop a more natural way to clean up the oil spill in Avila Beach.

Some gifts were not counted in the CSU figures. These include an anonymous pledge of $1 million to the College of Liberal Arts, and a $500,000 gift to the music department from James and Martha Michel. Cal Poly Athletics received a $2.2 million pledge from Richard O'Neill for the Memorial Stadium renovation project.

A major part of Cal Poly's fund-raising success has been the Centennial Campaign. The campaign, entitled "Strengthening Our Advantage," was launched in 2001. The goal of the campaign is to raise $225 million by the end of 2004. So far $151 million has been raised.

University Advancement is the main mission of University Advancement. The success of the Centennial Campaign is a credit to Cal Poly alumni, Ellison said. "Students who graduate from Cal Poly have a very high level of loyalty, dedication, and commitment to this institution," he said.

Most of the money raised during the Centennial Campaign will not be available for some time, and will benefit future Cal Poly students more than present ones. Donations also come with a specified purpose, said Agriculture Dean David Weber. The $1.5 million given to the College of Agriculture by the Kings is in a charitable remainder trust and will not be available to the college until they are deceased. Once the money reaches the college, one-third of it will be for soil science labs, one-third for soil science scholarships, and the remaining amount for other lab facilities.

The College of Science and Math will not be using student fees to run the Marine Science and Education Facility on the pier.

"The pier gives a brand new opportunity to students, and we'll have to raise money to make a go of it," Bailey said. "The fee increase is to do things on a more routine, day-to-day basis."

According to a Cal Poly press release, the CSUs spent, on average, 17 cents on fund-raising per dollar raised. Cal Poly's cost was less than half the average.

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Opinion

Karr: different point of view

It was evening as I walked up the street to buy some fruit for the next day. When I got to the fruit stand in the discretely red-light area, a young woman was sitting outside on the curb being hit in the face over and over by an older woman. There was blood trickling out of the corner of her mouth, but she never spoke up here because I believe in not stepping in the woman’s way. At that time, I didn’t speak up either. Scared, I quickly left the area and headed back to where I lived, trying to banish the scene from my mind the entire time. “Oh no,” I thought. “The mom was snatching her daughter because she’d taken up residence.” The lamentable injustice of it all!

This was Central Mexico, 1994, and the pov

Editor's note: These commentaries by candidates for state Assembly are running in place of Monday's regular buzz column. These two candidates are Democratic candidates in Tuesday’s primary election. The incumbent candidate is Assemblyman Abel Maldonado (R-Santa Maria), who has no Republican opponents in this primary election.

Letters to the editor

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The right amount of sleep is such a relative thing

As a child, I was told that to be a happy and healthy little girl, I needed to get nine hours of sleep each night. Then, as I got older, I was informed by higher authorities that eight hours was the perfect amount of sleep. As we get older, the need for sleep over would be excessive, going under would be unhealthy. Now, as a 20-year-old college student, I am shocked to learn that all we really need is six to seven hours of sleep a night.

A study done by the American Cancer Society found that people who get less than six hours and those who get more than 10 hours for each 24 hours are less likely to die. Is there a significant explanation to our passion for sleep with our consumption of food we may want more, but it may not be good for us.

The research showed that men and women who sleep eight hours a night between 12 and 13 percent more likely to die than those who sleep nine or more hours each night. Though the survey was a random sampling, some researchers think those who sleep too much or too little may have been more likely to smoke, drink and eat unhealthy foods.

And while many criticized the study, others gave contradictory studies.

One man said that we should be getting nine to 10 hours of sleep. Another organization said we should get seven to eight hours, and an institute even said it can range between five and 10 hours. In fact, everyone and their mom seems to be guessing at how many hours of sleep we actually need.

This quest for the truth is not the only source of discovery-hungry researchers exploring their findings. Every day, it seems, a new report says that another report was wrong, or some report is going to kick another report’s ass.

For example, there is the battle versus martian that we have come to know and love. When my mom read that martians were better, we used it as a healthy alternative to butterscotch for many years, but now it is supposed to give you heart disease. Thanks, Mom.

And how about alcohol, cell phones, hot-mom and even Vitamin C? And will someone tell me if eggs are healthy or not? There are so many conflicting studies and too much contra-information.

So, while the rest of life’s contradictions can continue to be mysteries, I am going to solve for study confusion. For two days, I will get only six hours of sleep per night rather than my usual nine. Though this may not be the same findings and too much contra-information.

But, it does not follow that since there is disagreement, there is no knowledge. It just doesn’t follow. What does follow is that somebody is wrong. Two contradictory claims cannot both be true at the same time and in the same respect. But, I don’t have any good reason for thinking that I actually am mistaken. The mere possibility of my being mistaken doesn’t lead to the conclusion that “therefore, I can’t know.”

For the same reason, I would argue that Christian theism is the best answer to the meaning of life. I claim to know this. However, I’m not claiming that I’m impossible that I might be mistaken. All I mean, is that I haven’t given any good reasons yet for thinking I am mistaken. And until something comes to continue to take this as knowledge. But my ears are open. If someone has some good arguments, I’ll listen. But don’t expect me to be neutral or skeptical about the issue. Thanks.

Michael W. Swanson is a philosophy senior.

Sex is cover for stupid plots

Editor,
In reply to Moka Spence’s “Is sex the only thing that keeps people in the seats?” The reason why Hollywood feels the need to include sex in everything it does is because sex is a plot line that is completely bad that it people don’t get naked or the newest heartbreaker wasn’t cast. Who would want to watch a movie about a sexless character? As for the plot points, when women are added to a film, sex is in mainstream movies lowers the value. Sex sells in this country, and you know it’s true. It’s ubiquitous, of course, but that is the reality. I’m surprised that “Lord of the Rings” did so well, to be honest. Nobody gets naked, but after witnessing the box-office numbers skyrocket due to the scantily dressed teenagers who front the screen, sex is becoming an even more important plot point. It’s amazing.

After the force known as “Titanic” swept the box office, I lost hope. Sure, the movie had some good merits, but after witnessing the box-office numbers skyrocket due to the scantily dressed teenagers who front the screen, sex is becoming an even more important plot point.

So maybe sex doesn’t sell in movies, or at least it doesn’t get you any box-office numbers. But when a film featuring Leonardo in a wet T-shirt over and over again, movies have taken a turn for the worse. While movies were already on a course set to sell sex, “Titanic” has only helped to reaffirm to act, directors and producers that sex will draw in the masses. Our film industry is becoming a world of sex. Even the most distilled and pure classics are being censored for the sake of sex. Sex is the lifeblood of Hollywood’s current heartbeats, having a decent-looking girl get naked, and having the movie feature sex in a classic car and then sink the damn thing that you can make millions upon millions of dollars. Nearly $2 billion in box-office worldwide, but how many of these movies are actually good? We have no premise to set adult morality to juvenile morality. What do we take minors exit of juvenile court.

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Letters to the editor
Juveniles are not property

Editor,
The California Supreme Court upheld the validity of Prop. 21, the juvenile crime initiative. This proposition will go to the Federal Supreme Court.

Minor do not have “adult rights,” therefore writing and sentencing them in adult courts is unconstitutional. We have no premise to set adult standards for juveniles who are considered to be “in some form of custody.” There is no rational explanation for us to take minors out of juvenile courts and place them into adult courts. Juveniles are “human beings,” not “property.” I am outraged by this decision and firmly believe that these laws only reconfirm the facts that children are not included in the phrase “life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.” This type of court decision is a guarantee that juveniles will fail to receive their rights.

The number of kids in adult and juvenile detention is increasing. How can we punish a juvenile for a right he/she did not have to exercise? Wake up, people. We are talking about our children and their future.

Nancy Ellen Kapp is a political science senior.

Meaning of life, skepticism

Editor,
I appreciated Zubin Koshy’s attempt to prove understanding and reconciliation in his Feb. 17 letter, “They bicker and they bicker.” Too often I forget that, as Koshy stated, “we have more in common with each other than we care to say.” So true. We are all in this crazy thing called life.

But, it does not follow that since there is disagreement, there is no knowledge. It just doesn’t follow. What does follow is that somebody is wrong. Two contradictory claims cannot both be true at the same time and in the same respect. But, I don’t have any good reason for thinking that I actually am mistaken. The mere possibility of my being mistaken doesn’t lead to the conclusion that “therefore, I can’t know.”

Though the survey was a random sampling, some researchers think those who sleep too much or too little may have been more likely to smoke, drink and eat unhealthy foods.

And while many criticized the study, others gave contradictory studies.

One man said that we should be getting nine to 10 hours of sleep. Another organization said we should get seven to eight hours, and an institute even said it can range between five and 10 hours. In fact, everyone and their mom seems to be guessing at how many hours of sleep we actually need.

This quest for the truth is not the only source of discovery-hungry researchers exploring their findings. Every day, it seems, a new report says that another report was wrong, or some report is going to kick another report’s ass.

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For the same reason, I would argue that Christian theism is the best answer to the meaning of life. I claim to know this. However, I’m not claiming that I’m impossible that I might be mistaken. All I mean, is that I haven’t given any good reasons yet for thinking I am mistaken. And until something comes to continue to take this as knowledge. But my ears are open. If someone has some good arguments, I’ll listen. But don’t expect me to be neutral or skeptical about the issue. Thanks.

Michael W. Swanson is a philosophy senior.

Letters to the editor

NEW

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By Robyn Dixon

The gothic spires of Moscow's Roman Catholic Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception loomed against a pearly evening sky while a papal visit Russia hut that the two churches, which have been divided since a schism in 1054, the pope's activities in recent years, far from making peace, have infuriated the Russian Orthodox Church. His "virtual" visit Saturday was a typical case, exacerbating Orthodox indignation over a recent Vatican decision to establish four formal dioceses within Russia. The decision generated small anti-Vatican street protests in Russia, a reproach from the Foreign Ministry and a parliamentary investigation into Catholic proselytizing on Orthodox territory. A papal visit to Ukraine last year likewise angered the Moscow patriarchate, which warned that relations would deteriorate so sharply as a result that a meeting of the two church leaders would be rendered almost impossible.

The Moscow patriarchate believes that the Catholic Church has been poaching its flock in Russia and Ukraine, stealing souls that rightfully belong to the Orthodox Church. For Orthodox believers like Ludmila Yefremova, 65, the patriarchate's opposition to a papal visit is a source of anguish and disappointment. "I'm Orthodox, but I love the pope. He is a saintly person. I know that he loves the entire world," Yefremova said Saturday before the teleconference.

She said she was disappointed that Alexi II would not reach out and embrace the pope. In the cathedral, awaiting the pope's appearance, Moscow's Catholic leader, Archbishop Tadeusz Konowalewicz, urged unity between the Christian faiths, saying that if Europe could unite around a single currency, believers should unite around God.

"If people can unite for the sake of economic benefit, why is it that we Christians, believers in one Savior, still remain divided? It is nothing but a scandal, and we must try to overcome our difficulties," Konowalewicz said.

Deacon Andrei Karavey, professor of orthodoxy theology at St. Tikhon's Institute in Moscow, who was not present at the teleconference, called it a show that, to Orthodox believers, resembled a "comical personality cult." If the pope wishes so strongly to bring about the unity of all Christians in the world, let him start with settling some intra-Catholic conflicts first. Once that's done, we will see whether he should proceed with treating the rift with the Orthodox world," Karavey said.

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"We couldn't take new students last fall because of the application process," Rice said. "It required transfer students to build a major. Currently, there are 45 earth science majors and 100 soil science majors under the earth and soil science department. We now administer both majors," Rice said. "Some departments only have one major, while others like the College of Agriculture have multiple majors under one department." According to the department's Web site, employment possibilities include jobs as water specialists, environmental analysts, ecologists, and natural resource managers and planners.

Greg Wolvet, an earth sciences junior, said the major helps him understand how land formations were created and how the interaction of plants and animals works in the environment. He said he chose the major because he wants to help protect and manage vital natural resources.

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Keg tracking bill nears vote in Indiana State Senate

By Erin Meyer

INDIANA DAILY STUDENT

(U-WIRE) BLOOMINGTON, Ind. — This week, the Indiana State Senate will vote on a bill requiring identification tags on all kegs of beer, which would allow police to track the keg to the purchaser.

If enacted, the new legislation will require all kegs to have individual identification numbers. At the time of purchase, retailers would record the name, address, telephone number and driver's license number of the purchaser. The law would not apply to restaurants or bars licensed to serve alcohol. Under the bill, if police confiscate a keg at a party that is serving alcohol, they would be able to identify and prosecute the purchaser.

Currently 16 states have keg-tracking laws.

Sen. Beverly Gard, R-Indianapolis, said she is sponsor of Bill 97.

"I feel this will help give law enforcement and university officials tools to make adults responsible for their actions," Gard said in a press release. "This bill will help save lives." Gard said she is confident that passage is likely. The bill overwhelmingly passed in the House 96-1.

The Bloomington community and IU have been very supportive of the bill, Gard said.

Law enforcement and university officials told lawmakers it is difficult to determine who purchased a keg that provides alcohol to minors. IU, Purdue University and Ball State University officials provided testimony in the committee in support of the legislation, Gard said.

"We had students, both high school and college, as well as fraternity members, law enforcement and addiction service representatives speak at both committee meetings in favor of the bill," Gard said.

Lawmakers and university officials agreed that alcohol consumption by minors is a serious problem. "Underage drinking has become a problem of epidemic proportions in Indiana," Gard said.

The IUPD reports an upward trend in on-campus arrests for liquor law violations. It reported 199 arrests in 1998, 106 in 1999 and 404 in 2000.

Rep. Peggy Welch, D-Bloomington, who is a co-sponsor of the bill, said she is not under the illusion that this legislation will solve the problem of underage drinking.

"This is not a total answer," Welch said. "It is just one piece of the puzzle."

The keg tags may make buyers more accountable, but it is also possible that they will only persuade people to buy cases instead of kegs, IU PD Lt. Jerry Minger said.

"I would say this bill will result in the purchase of alcohol in different forms," Minger said.

Welch said the bill won't solve the problem entirely.

"Kids will continue to find a way around the law," she said. "This is just one avenue."

Kleptomania, shoplifting different, experts say

By Payal Teli

(U-WIRE) SYRACUSE, N.Y. — Kleptomania shoplift, but not all shoplifters are kleptomaniacs.

This distinction is important, especially when throwing around the word "klep," Welch said.

"Whether they're lifting CDs and sunglasses from friends' houses or jamming everything from lipstick to Palm Pilots down their pants, both kleptomaniacs and shoplifters have serious implications. And store security, angered by the dint in sales, doesn't take kindly to excuses. Kleptomania is a rare psychological disorder in which the afflicted person comes into his or her impulsive behavior for money, not for not the object's monetary value or personal gain, said Dr. Dennis L. Bogen, a clinical psychology professor at the State University of New York Upstate Medical University.

The urge to steal becomes so insistent the person is compelled to take something in order to satisfy it, said Bogen, who has a practice in Syracuse, N.Y. Tension builds up until he or she steals the object. Relief, and sometimes pleasure, follows once the act is committed.

This impulse-driven behavior may be categorized as compulsive, meaning to no matter what the kleptomaniac tells him- or herself, the person cannot prevent the act. Despite multiple legal repercussions, he or she continues to steal.

Those with compulsive disorders share a common brain chemistry. How their rigid, repetitive behavior manifests itself depends on environmental and social factors, Bogen said.

Sometimes kleptomaniacs keep the object, sometimes they feel guilty and secretly try to return it. Whatever the case, they steal partially because of a "high" they get from the encounter — if they're not caught.

Initially the victim seeks help for another type of problem, such as depression. During treatment, the patient may reveal his or her compulsion to steal, Bogen said.

There have been attempts to treat the disorder. Drugs such as Prozac and Paxil may curb the kleptomaniac's urge to steal, according to a study at the Chaim Sheba Medical Center in Israel, however, a these kinds of drugs can't the compulsive part of any disorder and therefore are not a viable cure, Bogen said.

Caught red-handed

"Stealing out of compulsion is what separates kleptomania from the more common form of stealing — shoplifting.

Shoplifters steal because they lack the funds to pay for what they want or because they need something. It usually requires some sort of pretense on their part so they may steal without the risk of capture.

In New York state, stealing of any type is battery. A conviction, which depends on factors such as previous police records and the value of the stolen object, may result in a fine or jail time, said St. Thomas Connellum, who works in the criminal investigation division of the Syracuse Police Department.

If a case goes to trial, "(kleptomaniacs) might be able to make a defense of insanity," said Teresa H.D. Lewin, a professor in the College of Law. The defendant may be forced to undergo time-consuming clinical treatment if convicted, he added.

There also the added expense of hiring a psychiatrist to testif.

False sense of security

Many stores at Carousel Center try to safeguard themselves against theft. About 80 percent of stores in the mall use closed-circuit television, said Dominiek Paternoster, a district manager for SOS Security, a security consulting service in Syracuse.

Kauffman's at Carousel Center has 270 cameras installed in various places, Paternoster said. Many stores have cameras installed within the registers to keep an eye on employees.

The less expensive and more familiar forms of security are magnetic strips and inktags, Paternoster said.

Magnetic strips are the still-white "tags" stuck to the side of an object, sometimes with tiny numbers printed on them. Once an object, such as a CD, is bought, a deactivator demagnetizes the strip so the alarm fails to trigger when the customer walks out of the store.

Inktags are those obtrusive disks or rectangular tags that contain ink tubes that stain clothing if removed without the proper device. Removing them requires use of strong magnets that pull one side of see SHOPLIFTING, page 10
Environmental policy might see broad changes

By Elizabeth Shogren

WASHINGTON — The Bush administration, reversing decades of centralizing environmental regulations in Washington, D.C., is seeking to transfer the burden of pollution control and public land use to local government and private interests. In a series of policies proposed in recent weeks on global warming, pollution and national forests and conservation, the federal government plays the role of facilitator rather than dictator.

Many environmental activists, however, say the administration's principles hinge on an intention to turn environmental policy over to business. They cite recent Interior Department steps leaning toward allowing snowmobiles to roam Yellowstone and Grand Teton national parks if they abide by some limits on noise and gasoline.

"The federal environmental laws were cast in the first place because the state governments, state legislatures and local governments were so dominated by local industries that the environment wasn't being protected," said Philip Clapp, president of National Environmental Trust.

Many of Bush's goals — new ways of enforcing clean air standards, for example, and drilling for oil in the Arctic National Wildlife Reserve — require legislation. Others do not.

Professional shoplifters may work that way, too, security devices, and many stores have rules that make catching a shoplifter difficult. It's illegal to break into a store, but there must be proof of the theft. In most cases, that means an eyewitness account. Sometimes, either an employee or a customer, must see the theft occur. Simply going on instinct or a feeling of suspicion isn't enough because of the possibility of a lawsuit.

Many stores also have a policy that prevents employees from searching bags that aren't from the store. Reed said the manager may ask the consumer for permission to look through other bags, but the consumer has a right to say no, he added.

Letting the guard down

Shoplifters have talked signs. They come in groups and create a diversion, said Dave Orfan, a stock clerk and cashier at Record Theatre Audio & Video on Erie Boulevard.

They constantly look at employees to make sure they are being watched as they try to break the plastic covering off CDs and cassette tapes.

They also use the bathroom. In several instances, customers took CDs and cassettes into the store's bathroom, broke the plastic case open and took the CD, Orfan said.

After discovering several cases hidden in the ceiling tiles, Record Theatre closed the bathroom to the public.

"You know that you're getting hit and there's nothing you can do about it," Reed said.

To clean up power plants, a system of tradable "pollution rights" gives utilities financial incentives to reduce emissions of toxic mercury, sulfur dioxide and nitrogen oxides. Government leaves it to the industry to decide how to meet nationwide emissions caps.

To improve management of national forests, some would be taken over by private companies or returned to conservation projects.

 "The president's philosophy is that not all wisdom lies in Washington..."

Environmental Protection Agency administrator

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To bolster their roster for the season’s final 22 games, the Clippers are expected to announce they have signed guard Chauncey Billups to a 10-day contract. Overton had been playing in Europe.

Saturday, the Clippers spattered, coughed and wheezed their way to a 12-6 lead against the worst team in the Pacific Division. But Miles’ stead and dunk sparked them to a 22-10 run in the second quarter, demanding 105-90 lead with 2:01 remaining.

Miles would score 18 points, but none were as significant as his dunk midway through the fourth quarter. McPhail had 20 points and 13 assists and Elton Brand had 20 points and 12 rebounds.

I had a layup, but I gave to Darius because he worked so hard to get the ball,” McPhail said. “I gave the ball to Darius.” But it turned the game around for us. When we make athletic plays and get out and run, that’s where we’re at our best.”

For most of the game, the Clippers’ only one at Staples during a stretch of nine of 10 on the road, there was very little athleticism on display. The Clippers had the Clippers fit at every turn.

“You hang around and they hang around,” Clipper Coach Alvin Gentry said before the game. “It’s not over.”

They have trouble finishing, though. For us, every win is a good win.”

When someone dared suggest to Gentry before the game that Portland, Utah and Seattle had secured the West with their recent strong play, he was incredulous.

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Clips' hustle beats Warriors' muscle

By Elliott Teaford

(WIRE) LOS ANGELES — The loose basketball seemed to hang in the air forever, spinning above the sideline in the fourth quarter Saturday night. Los Angeles Clipper forward Darius Miles suddenly barged past Antawn Jamison of the Golden State Warriors to save it.

Jeff McInnis, Miles' teammate, shouldered his way past Jamison at midcourt, collected the ball and dribbled toward the basket. In a flash, McInnis flipped a pass to Miles, who by now had collected himself along the sideline and sprinted ahead of a bewildered Jamison.

Miles then delivered a thunderous dunk that enlivened what had been a tedious game, propelling the Clippers to long past their third consecutive victory.

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Mustangs' 'seniority' not enough in last game

By Justin Ruttkay

The Cal Poly men's basketball team suffered a close loss to Cal State Fullerton on Saturday night. The team fought the good fight, but in the end was defeated 62-64 at Mott Gym.

The first half started with the standard home-game hustle that the team has brought all year. The Mustangs had the lead until two minutes left in the half. Fullerton then made a quick comeback to put them ahead, 32-29 going into the second half.

"They seemed to be making the necessary shots and getting the ball on their side of the court," said head coach Kevin Bromley. "Fullerton kept the same beat throughout the second half, staying above the Mustangs' defense for the rest of the game. Cal Poly made a quick gain when senior David Henry landed a three-point basket to bring the Mustangs to within three points with 30 seconds left in the game. Junior Steve Geary was then put to the free-throw line with only five-tenths of a second remaining in the game. Geary managed to sink the first free-throw, making the score 64-62. The second shot rebounded off into a group of players who struggled for the ball when the buzzer sounded.

"Those guys just play a different type of ball than we do," Henry said. "They made some big shots that gave them the win in the end." Fullerton's Brandon Campbell led the team to victory with a career-high 28 points. Cal Poly guard Jaron Allen had a game high 18 points for the Mustangs. Allen foudled out of the game in the second half. Geary put an additional 13 points on the board for Cal Poly, and Brandon Beeson led the team with seven rebounds.

Fullerton was 10-17 from outside the arc and 50 percent from the floor. Cal Poly was held to 45 percent from the floor.

Bromley felt the Mustangs had a hard time getting the ball inside. "We couldn't make it on the inside so we needed a little more time to make those high percentage shots," he said.

Cal Poly's hustle was too little, too late in the game.

"We can hold our heads up high after this last game, despite the loss." Steve Geary

Cal Poly guard

"Anyone could win, it's a pretty open conference," Bromley said.

Cal Poly is now ranked sixth in the Big West conference. The Mustangs defeated the Toreros 65-12 at the Sports Complex.

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Cal Poly rugby player Matt Westcamp charges past a University of San Diego opponent for a score on Saturday. The Mustangs defeated the Toreros 65-12 at the Sports Complex.

MATT SAVAGE/MUSTANG DAILY

Cal Poly players Brandon Beeson, 42, and Varnie Dennis go up for a rebound during the Mustangs' loss against Cal State Fullerton.

AARON LAMBERT/MUSTANG DAILY

Cal Poly 'ruckers' win at home

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BRIEFS

Cal Poly wrestlers advance to Pac-10 finals

CORVALIS, Ore. — Cal Poly 174-pounder Steve Strange and 197-pounder David Schenk have advanced to the final round of the Pacific-10 Conference Wrestling Championships.

Strange and Schenk each went undefeated Saturday at Oregon State's Gill Coliseum to reach Sunday's finals while five other Mustangs are still alive in the consolation bracket and can finish as high as third place.

The four wrestlers in the consolation bracket are 141-pounder Cedric Haymon, 165-pounder Barry Barrios, 149-pounder Matt Cox, 184-pounder Charles Sandlin and 265-pounder Clive Walford.

Cal Poly is sixth after the first two days of competition, scoring 65 points. The University of Oregon leads with 90 points, followed by Boise State with 85, defending conference champion Arizona State with 85.5 and Oregon State with 67.5.

Strange was a 16-4 winner over Mike Font of UC Davis, a 12-7 winner over Shane Webster of Oregon and a 6-1 winner over Far Owens of Boise State. He faces Nathan Cov of Oregon State in a rematch of the 174-pound final last year. Cov won that match en route to a 3-1 decision in late January.

Schenk beat Ronnie Silva of UC Davis 13-4 and pinned Jason Lowell of Oregon State in 1:41 to reach the final against Erik Gladish of Arizona State. The two have not met this year. Schenk was fourth in the Pac-10 finals a year ago. Gladish was upset in the first round by Brian Watson of Oregon in an overtime tiebreaker, but won two matches in the consolation bracket to remain alive. He was a Pac-10 champion at 149 pounds a year ago.

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