**KCPR seeks pledges for new equipment**

This week, KCPR is asking for donations to replace decades-old equipment to improve broadcast quality.

Elizabeth Engelmann  
**MUSTANG DAILY**

Cal Poly's radio station is hosting a pledge drive to raise money for new equipment to improve broadcast quality.

"Most of the equipment is decades old," said Megann Chell, KCPR business director and environmental engineering senior. "The high-quality equipment we do have needs repairs. Hopefully the new transmitter will improve the standing of the station."

Unlike past auctions, people will not have to call in to bid on items. With a donation of $25 or more, the person's name is entered in a drawing for different prizes. Some of the items include a personal drum lesson from Drum Circuit, and a compilation CD. Donations less than $25 are accepted as well.

"We made a compilation CD of recordings from show sessions of local bands and others that were passing through town," Chell said.

**STATE**

**Campsites may be reduced in Sierra Forest**

The Bush administration may cut funds to the U.S. Forest Service's facilities and maintenance budget by 27 percent.

**ASSOCIATED PRESS**

CLOVIS — A recreational report card due out this year on the Sierra National Forest will determine how many of its campsites will survive into future vacations.

The cash-strapped Stanislaus National Forest already shut down several campsites last year, and other national forests may follow suit.

That's because the Bush administration is proposing to cut the U.S. Forest Service's facilities and maintenance budget by 27 percent.

Future cuts will be made based on a 100-point rating system of recreation sites. Use, condition and cost of maintaining a site will affect a facility's rank. A seldom-used, costly facility will earn low ratings and likely be cut first. Ratifications will be determined by forest managers.

The Sierra National Forest, a 1.3 million-acre greenbelt northeast of Fresno, will be among the first in the nation to be evaluated. It's the only national forest in California that's expected to have its inventory ratings completed this year. Stanislaus forest officials closed their campsites before determining ratings.

Popular campgrounds and other facilities run by concessionaries will generally earn high ratings because they tend to take little money out of the budget.

**GOATS climb over Open House**

The Poly Goats display their skill of overcoming large obstacles during the Open House parade on Saturday. Other Open House events included a carnival, rodeo and tractor pull.

**DEMOCRATS denounce Schwarzenegger**

Democrats used their annual convention to attack Arnold Schwarzenegger's government reform proposals.

Beth Foubly  
**ASSOCIATED PRESS**

LOS ANGELES — California Democrats were in a fighting mood Saturday, using their annual convention to lash out at Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger with an intensity usually reserved for President Bush.

The Republican governor, whose campaign for a controversial set of government reform proposals has enraged labor unions and other traditionally Democratic constituencies, came under withering attack in a series of speeches by Congressional leaders, state legislators and party activists.

The crowd grew feistier still during a dinner speech by Democratic National Committee chairman Howard Dean, who echoed an angry complaint by the state's teachers that Schwarzenegger had reneged on a promise to deliver $2 billion in unanticipated funds to public schools.

"We will say no to Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger's attempt to take $2 billion out of the education budget," see Democrats, page 2

**CSU pushes test on high schoolers**

Exam was created to assess how well high school juniors are prepared for English and math college-level classes.

Tonya Strickland  
**MUSTANG DAILY**

The California State University has administered a voluntary Early Assessment Program to high school juniors since the spring of 2004, results show proficiency in English and mathematics has not significantly increased.

However, Jack O'Connell, the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, said the program is an important tool for high school student's success in college.

"This program is at a national forefront in the movement to better prepare high school students for college level expectations," he said.

According to CSU documents, approximately 150,000 high school juniors completed the English portion, while 115,000 students completed the math portion of the EAP. Among the 33,720 tested, 22 percent were named proficient in English, an assessment which meant they are prepared to take college-level English courses and are exempt from taking a CSU placement test after admission. Of those 63,504 tested in math, 35 percent were determined to be proficient which makes these students eligible for taking college-level math upon enrollment in the CSU.

These results are further evidence of the need to make our high schools more rigorous and to prepare better our students for success," O'Connell said.

The California State Board of Education and the California Department of Education designed the EAP in a collaborative effort to assess how well students are prepared to take on college-level classes. This way, students know ahead of time how they rate in these areas. If they still need improvement, students have senior year to better their skills for college-level work and potentially enter a CSU more prepared.

Art and design senior Diana Madsen said her high school curriculum did not prepare her for college-level English classes and upon entering the university, she almost failed her first class.

"High schools need to make sure we are at the level that we are supposed to be at when entering college," Madsen said. "Otherwise we are under the impression that we are ready for college-level courses when in reality, we are not," see Exam, page 2
Democrats

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Dean said to cheers, "Governer, keep your promise to the children of California and fund public schools. We don't need any more corrupt Republicans in office in this country!"

While many Democrats heaped praise and plaudits on Schwarzenegger as recently as a few months ago, they've steadied Saturday to stick out in their efforts to block his agenda.

"The governor has declared war on the state of California," proclaimed Assemblywoman Judy Chu, D-Monterey Park. "He declared war on us, and I declare war on him."

It was an extraordinary reversal of good will toward the celebrity governor, a self-described GOP moderate who until recently was deemed by many observers to be politically indestructible.

Signs of Democratic animus toward Schwarzenegger abounded throughout the cavernous convention hall from omnipresent red and white posters declaring "Stop Arnold's Arrogance!" to bobblehead dolls depicting the governor in a pink dress with an automatic rifle strapped to his shoulder.

A slickly produced videotape mocking Schwarzenegger's campaign fund raising and fondness for cigars was played to laughs.

"Voters gave Arnold Schwarzenegger a chance when he became governor, they gave him high ratings and binned to what he had to say," said House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi, D-San Francisco. "Now they see that what they thought they were getting is something quite different."

Meanwhile, two of the Democrats angling to oust Schwarzenegger in 2006, Treasurer Phil Angelides and Controller Steve Westly, took indirect shots at one another over who has the message and credibility to make the best run.

Exam

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they are only setting us up for failure.

Less than half of students who entered a CSU in fall 2004 as first-time freshmen were competent in both English and math, according to Polk's analysis report.

 "It's wrong for Democrats to go outside the box" and stressed the need for his party to be the party of jobs, not the party of taxes," Westly told the crowd.
STATE NEWS

LOS ANGELES — A man delivering the Los Angeles Times was fatally shot early Sunday in an apparent robbery, police said.

Alfonso Amador Orozco, 36, was shot in the face at about 5:45 a.m. while delivering papers in South Los Angeles and died at the scene, said Kristi Sanders, police spokeswoman.

A car loaded with undelivered copies of the Times was found near the body, said Sgt. R.I. Johnson.

SANTA BARBARA — Hundreds of students and dozens of professors circulated petitions protesting a decision by Westmont College not to renew the contract of a minority professor.

About a third of the school's 1,300 students asked for the reinstatement of Jonathan Cordeno, a 13-year-old girl who disappeared a week ago, the sheriff said Sunday.

A 37-year-old offender confessed to killing a 13-year-old girl and choked her to death in the day after investigators found Sarah Cordeno's body at her home, the sheriff said Sunday.

The wealthy three-province region in northern Spain has had broad self-rule for 25 years, and the incumbent president Juan Jose Barrientes was seeking enough voter support to preserve Madrid to negoti- ate on his plan for Basque autonomy on independence.

MOSCOW, Russia — Commonwealth and autonomous exchanged useful embraces Sunday and began loading the interna-

IN NATIONAL NEWS

RUSKIN, Fla. — A registered sex offender confessed to killing a 13-year-old girl who disappeared a week ago, saying he got into an argument with her and choked her to death in her home, the sheriff said Sunday.

C. David Onstott, 36, was charged with first-degree murder Sunday after investigators found Sarah Lande's partially-clothed body in an abandoned fish pond, Hillsborough County Sheriff David Gee said.

PROVIDENCE, R.I. — A Providence detective was killed with his own gun at police headquarters Sunday by a suspect who was not handcuffed and managed to get hold of the weapon, the police chief said. The killing of James Allen, a 27-year veteran, came after a series of attacks that raised concerns about the security of those who work in the crim- inal justice system.

WASHINGTON — Almost 11 million children in developing coun-
tries die before age five, most of them from causes that are preventable in wealthier countries, the World Bank said in a report released Sunday. About 2,000 of these children die a week, said Francois Bourguignon, the bank's chief economist.

The causes include acute respira-
tory infection, diarrhea, measles and malaria, according to the report — called World Development Indicators.

In Kokand, Uzbekistan, more than 50 Uzbek guerrillas were killed and wounded when fighting broke out on the road that is tucked into what was once a semi-rural section of town where people keep goats and chickens in their backyards.

"I didn't know the name until my husband and I were signing (mortgage) papers," Avetisian recalled. "I was pretty shocked when I found out.

Still, most residents say they have learned to grin and bear the dork jokes. "It's pretty funny," said Clyde Parks, who has lived on Dork Street for eight years. "When I go to cash a check at the store, people ask me if I'm a dork.

There's no record at City Hall explaining how the street got its moniker. It first appeared on a Los Angeles County tract map in 1936.

IN INTERNATIONAL NEWS

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Iraqi security forces raced a town in central Iraq and freed some 15 Shia families being held hostage on Sunday, an official said, after Sunni militants threatened to kill dozens of captives being held hostage on Sunday by a suspect who was not handcuffed, he said.

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Shiite lawmakers called for action to resolve the standoff peacefully, while Sunni militants threatened to kill dozens of captives being held hostage on Sunday.

IN OTHER NEWS

PICO RIVERA — It's not easy living on Dork Street — just ask Mario Suacedo.

"I had a resume kicked back because someone thought I was kid- ding," said Suacedo, who has lived on the street in this suburb about a dozen miles southeast of downtown Los Angeles for eight years.

Enter Avetisian, who moved there 18 years ago, said she might have thought twice if she had been given a sign in those days marking the road that is tucked into what was once a semi-rural section of town where people keep goats and chickens in their backyards.

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IN EVENTS

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_behind Food 4 Less_
Rumor: ASI Student Government officers will be sent on a free vacation if the Referenda pass.

Fact: The only benefit ASI Officers will receive from a yes vote is the satisfaction of knowing they served the student majority, which asked for improvements to ASI-managed facilities.

Rumor: ASI has spent more than $500,000 in mandatory student fees to create campaign materials for the Referenda.

Fact: ASI has spent approximately $25,000 on campaign materials, all of which came from (non-student) UU revenue and private donations.

Rumor: ASI has hired an independent consultant to run the referenda and manipulate student opinion.

Fact: All campaign materials and messages were developed by ASI students and staff without input from a consultant. All decisions regarding the campaign and materials were approved by student leaders.

Rumor: ASI pretends to listen to students and then does whatever they want to.

Fact: ASI Student Government made the decision to hold the Referenda based on information from a survey conducted fall 2004 in which 66% of the student respondents indicated that they would be willing to pay more for improvements to ASI-managed facilities. If student desire had not been so strong, Student Government leaders would not have moved forward with the Referenda.

Rumor: ASI Student Government leaders want you to vote ‘YES’ on the upcoming Referenda because they want a pay raise.

Fact: Student Government leaders support a vote ‘YES’ on the Referenda because they want students to continue to have a say in the way their facilities and student fees are managed. They believe the majority of students want campus life at Cal Poly to be as excellent as the academic reputation.

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Beat Globo Gym

Greek Week’s dodgeball tournament culminated in a final match where Pi Kappa Alpha dominated Lambda Phi Epsilon. Above, Nu Alpha Kappa members launch red balls and prepare to bring their opponents a rubber smackdown.

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April 20 & 21, 2005

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Ag Bridge (Bldg. 10)
Fisher Science/Science North (Bldg. 53)
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Education Building (Bldg. 2)
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Show more initiative if you want to add a class

I find the waitlist feature to be especially nice, but many of you fail to use it to its advantage. If a waitlist student comes to class each day, he or she will get an e-permit for the class. Lurking professionals who simply show up for class wanting to add to those of you who were on my wait list and did not get in, I can say that if you had showed up for class, you probably would have gotten in. To those of you who showed up on the last day to add, I may choose to let you in, but you are now one week (out of 10) behind and I am not extending any deadlines. You could have come to the first class and the second class, those two classes do not allow you to add. Students on the waitlist, and students who came to class, take precedence over you. Get used to it.

Some students to simply count on sending an e-mail from all of your addresses to all of mine. The bottom line is that you need to get on the waitlist, and you need to come to the class. I am not going to e-mail you an e-permit sight unseen. Show a bit more initiative and show up for class.

Mark Hutchens/Reader

Computer science better

Reminder: Vote on the UU referenda this week.

Ideally, you should have already decided how you are going to vote Wednesday, but in reality most students do not intuitively recognize this. April 20 is the first day of voting for the two upcoming student fee referendums. If the referenda do not have an extremely high number of student votes, then I will be incredibly disappointed with Cal Poly students’ apathy. Especially considering the magnitude of the facilities fee which is going to be either rejected or accepted. The final result of the facilities fee will be a per quarter fee increase of more than 13 percent of what students currently pay in mandatory campus fees. This is easily the most important deciding factor for what Cal Poly will look like in five years. Thus, it is critical we educate ourselves about both referenda rapidly approaching and that we all vote on Wednesday; regardless of how we individually decide to vote. Referenda information is available at: www.calpoly.edu/uu/fee referenda/index.html and at the UU information booth.

I decided how I was going to vote a long time ago, as can be verified by my statement printed in the UU referenda’s information packet. Let’s make a new voting record as we decide what fees to pass or not pass on to future Cal Poly students.

Joy Hann

Malinovsky junior

Vote for those who don’t yet have a voice on campus

It was easy enough to stand by while Blake Bloom soup-scooped for his Cal Poly, the new registration system, and the campus police in the Mustang Daily. It was mildly amusing to at least I didn’t hurt anybody. However, the proposed fee increase is something that will affect us all.

Fee increases start this fall, and by the time this year’s incoming freshman graduate, they will be paying well over $300 more per year. By 2010, students will be paying an additional $850 per year — and that’s just for the UU. Don’t forget that tuition hikes will still occur from the state budget.

As for ASI’s beloved survey, statistics tells us that people who correspond to voluntary surveys are much more likely to want change, and therefore it is not representative of the Cal Poly student body. No matter how you voted on the survey, resubmit the survey and decide what you think is right.

You’re not just voting for yourself, you’re voting for those don’t yet have a voice. Would you have

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Edited by Will Shortz
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The Mustangs are currently No. 5 among the nine men's golf squads in the Big West going into the conference tournament. The men's golf team will have a chance to test its talent against Big West golf teams in the upcoming Big West Conference Championships held April 25 to 26 at Tijeras Creek Golf Course in Rancho Santa Margarita.

The Cal Poly men's tennis team got their ninth win in a row defeating UC Riverside, 4-3 in a Big West conference match, Sunday in San Luis Obispo. The Mustangs are now 14-11 overall and 1-2 in the Big West. Cal Poly won only one of the doubles matches to lose the doubles point but managed to win four of the six singles matches to pull out an overall victory.

The Mustangs finished up the regular season with their ninth straight win. Next up, the Big West Conference Championships.

The Cal Poly softball team was swept in three games against the University of the Pacific last weekend. Safety into second base slides Pacific's Gina Carbonatto as Mustang Jackie Gehrike-Jones applies a late tag.

On fire and to the Championships

In doubles action, John Nguyen and Brett Van Linge won their ninth win in a row and improved to 10-1 on the year.

Andrew Cohen 6-4, 6-3 at the No. 4 singles match. Van Linge's streak of consecutive wins ends at 11 in a row and is now 12-5 on the year.

Next, the Mustangs will travel to Palm Springs for the Big West Conference Championships, April 21 to 23.

The Cal Poly men's tennis team also defeated UC Santa Cruz, 4-3 Saturday. Cal Poly won all three doubles matches and split the six singles matches.

The Cal Poly men's golf team will have a strong challenge for the team championship win is not only a chance for advancement to the NCAA Tournament, but also a deciding third of the Big West Player of the Year based on who finishes highest in the championship.

Pacific's offense overpowers Poly pitching

"I would say our chances of winning are quite good, the team is probably playing better now than in the fall," golf coach Scott Cartwright said.

Cartwright said that playing in unfamiliar venues was the strongest challenge for the team this season. In preparation for the tournament, the team has structured their training based on the venues by focusing on very narrow short holes for more specific shot making.

"I think my goal is to continue to be the main man and help the team win a title," Manager Andy Wensley said.

Pacific's starting pitcher Natalie King was replaced in the third inning after giving up two runs early in the game. Pitcher Kristen see Softball, page 7