Activists come to Cal Poly to incite change
Leadership conference seeks to spur student activism

Mikaela Akuna
MUSTANG DAILY

Student Life and Leadership held their Eighth Annual “Change the Status Quo” conference Saturday. The conference featured a series of workshops and presentations that aimed to give students an array of ways to get involved inside and outside the community. Along with a yoga class, organic breakfast and slam poetry session, Change the Status Quo featured members from the non-profit organization Invisible Children, started by three men while they were in college in San Diego, and a former Ugandan child-soldier Jacob.

“It’s important to tell people about Invisible Children and what they do,” Jacob said.

Travis Murdoch, one of the Invisible Children Road Crew was also at the conference.

“It’s an amazing organization,” Murdoch said. “I’d love to stay a part of Invisible Children as long as I can.”

Jacob spoke about his time as a child soldier in the Lord’s Resistance Army in northern Uganda after being kidnapped from his home. He escaped from them at age 14.

20 years old now, he just graduated high school in Africa. High school isn’t always affordable like it is in the United States, so groups like Invisible Children and SLO for Darfur, another group who presented on Saturday, raise money to help fund schools.

The conference, themed “Education, Motivations, then Activate,” hosted a variety of workshops that focused on topics anywhere from creative ways to recycle, to human trafficking in Cambodia, to the importance of oak trees in this area.

One of the workshops called “Light Skin is In” was put on by the Society of Black Engineers and Scientists, addressed the rapid growing stereotype that African-American students who’s skin is a lighter tone are smarter and more socially desirable that those who

San Luis Obispo County joins the California First Energy Initiative

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San Luis Obispo County is taking part in CaliforniaFIRST, a pilot energy efficiency program projected to create approximately 2,000 new jobs and save the equivalent energy usage of more than 10,000 average California homes over the next two years. San Luis Obispo is one of 14 counties, out of California’s 58, which will participate in the CaliforniaFIRST Pilot Program. It is taking part largely due to the grassroot efforts of groups such as SLO Green Build.

The movement, which is a means of implementing state Assembly Bill 831, will attempt to increase energy efficiency in existing homes at least 30 percent by the year 2020.

Using a policy first employed by the city of Palm Desert, California, the program allows homeowners to take out a loan in order to retrofit their homes. The retrofitting refers to remodeling homes to improve their energy efficiency.

Nick Logren, intern with the Cal Poly Green Campus Program and vice president of the Renewable Energy Club, said he’s one of the students who helps implement the renovations on campus.

A retrofit for energy efficiency is pretty wide-ranging, whereas an earthquake retrofit you would probably have to repair the whole structure,” Logren said.

For example, a retrofit could be as basic as switching out high-use light fixtures and appliances, or as extensive as renovating the actual building structure.

Improvements, whether structural or otherwise, are paid for by a loan which, during the pilot phase of the program, will have an approximately 7 percent interest rate. This will allow homeowners to, among other things, buy Energy Star-certified double-pane windows with no out-of-pocket expenditure.

The cost of the loan and interest is intended to be offset by energy savings. Dennis Elliot, campus Sustainability Manager in Faculty Services and Green Campus staff advisor, said he thought the CaliforniaFIRST initiative was a good idea.

“Energy efficiency is one of the few renovations that pays for itself,” Elliot said. He added that it also has the potential to increase resale value.

Since renovating homes, instead of building new ones, is the program’s main focus, San Luis Obispo has another reason to participate. Of the county’s 27 at Cal Poly.

ASI reaches out with cookies

Mikaela Akuna
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Associated Students Inc.’s (ASI) Cookie Campaign is a weekly opportunity for students to voice their concerns about student government in return for a cookie. This week is the last event of the quarter and will happen in front of Campus Market on Thursdays at 11 a.m., though more are scheduled for Spring.

A combination of the University Union Advising Board (UUAB), ASI Board of Directors and the ASI president’s Executive Cabinet, the Cookie Campaign is an attempt both to reach students better and to improve campus with student input.

Mechanical Engineering senior Karlin Spak, engineering representative on the ASI Board of Directors, explained.

“The idea here is that we have cookies, and people should eat them,” she said. “And in exchange for a cookie students can tell us something they like or don’t like about ASI.”

Civil Engineering senior Tafner Bennett, who is also on the Board of Directors, was helping at the event.

“It’s a campaign to get in touch with what people’s concerns are,” he said.

The majority of the comments garnered over the last few weeks have been about registration and class availability, according to ASI Elections Committee Chair, Kelsey Rice.

Some students, however, had different concerns. City and regional planning junior Charlotte Boll, for instance, said she missed UU Hour, which has been put on hold because of construction this year.

Mechanical Engineer Brian
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Nearly 117,000 homes, 90,000 are owner-occupied. The CaliforniaFIRST initiative will focus on improving homes built before the energy building codes of the early ’90s.

But the main reason San Luis Obispo County is participating in the pilot program, according to David Worth, is because it wanted to. Worth is currently teaching an introductory course to green technology at Cuesta College, and said there is a lot of interest in energy efficiency in the county.

“So basically it comes down to the grassroots efforts,” Worth said.

Worth explained grassroots groups like SLO Green Build, a nonprofit coalition that promotes sustainable development and green building techniques on the Central Coast, was one of the key players in implementing the CaliforniaFIRST program locally.

“SLO Green Build is probably the biggest driver for working with the California County Board of Supervisors to put it in for the program,” Worth said.

Green Build is one of the members who helped to get the CaliforniaFIRST program adopted.

“The program addresses the most insurmountable barrier for homeowners to go forward with the retrofitting of their homes,” he said. “The key, really the most important aspect, is to address this fundamental need for a funding mechanism.”

Not only will the program save the state’s energy resources, Worth said it will create many jobs at the local level as well.

“This will all combine to stimulate jobs for homeowners and contractors. Creating green jobs, is a very important goal at the federal, state, and local levels,” he said.

For example, certified workers are needed to implement the retrofit. Kevin Hauber, a homeowner and SLO Green Build’s treasurer and secretary, was one of the speakers who helped to get Assembly Bill 813 passed at the county level in December 2009.

The number of jobs created within the county will depend on the scale of participants, Hauber said. “But up to several hundred jobs a year will be created in the process.”

The program could potentially create jobs and internship opportunities for Cal Poly students as well. Hauber said the Green Building Alliance, which is a facet of SLO Green Build, is a good starting point for students who want to get involved. It meets at the Clubhouse Restaurant in San Luis Obispo at 5 p.m.

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David Hanson

Another common comment they received, according to Rice, was many Cal Poly students don’t know much about student government, what they do or that their meetings are public.

“They think we could improve awareness,” Rice said.

Croschal said he thought the cookie event provided a good way for students to have accessible avenue for feedback.

“I think it’s important for ASI, which is supposedly for the people, to have the opinion of the people,” he said.

He added he thought a common student concern might be ASI spending.

“We’re spending money on ASI, but there are events that many students never go to,” he said.

Another common comment as Saha recited two of her poems about love and identity.

“As long as I dine, I have a reason to smile,” she said.

Kasey Fitzpatrick, an architectural engineering junior came to see the poems on Friday night.

“I always come to slam poetry,” she said. “I have two roommates to study for but if I have a study break I’ll definitely come to see Kit tomorrow.”

The team behind Change the Status Quo said they were extremely happy with the turnout for the conference. After months of planning, scheduling and rescheduling, the conference filled Chamus Auditorium with people looking to find ways to make a change in society.

THIS WEEK IN CAL POLY ATHLETICS

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Death toll from Chilean quake jumps to 708

Chris Kraul

BOGOTA, Chile — Rescuers searched for survivors Sunday a day after one of the biggest earthquakes in recorded history rocked Chile, killing more than 700 people while leaving untold numbers missing and 2 million displaced, wounded or otherwise affected.

The death toll jumped Sunday to 708, Chilean President Michelle Bachelet said, nearly doubling as rescue crews reached remote and badly damaged towns.

The 8.8 quake, which hit before dawn Saturday, toppled buildings, buckled freeways and set off sirens thousands of miles away as governments scrambled to protect coastal residents from the ensuing tsunami.

Authorities lifted tsunami warnings Sunday after smaller-than-expected waves washed shores from Southern California to Hawaii and Japan.

Looting broke out Sunday in some of the most heavily damaged areas of Chile, where residents were without water or electricity. Crowds overran supermarkets in Camcepcion, whose pavement looked as if it had been tilled by some giant farm machine, the death toll was expected to rise.

Emergency meeting with her cabinet

Concepcion, who said she planned to visit the region Sunday. “Our hemisphere comes together in times of crisis, and we will stand side by side with the people of Chile in this emergency,” she said.

The U.S. moved briskly to offer assistance to Chile, President Obama spoke with Bachelet to offer condolences, praising the country’s quick response and reiterating the United States’ readiness to aid. The U.S. Navy’s Pacific Fleet sent four warships out to sea as a precaution.

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State

SAN LUIS OBISPO (MCT) — Heavy storm rains apparently triggered a landslide in Cambria early Saturday morning that took with it about 30 feet of Penbrook Drive's pavement, a 6-inch water main, 8-inch sewer main and utility poles and service.

The water-main break spilled about 200,000 gallons of water, according to representatives of the Cambria Community Services District.

The concaved landslide area is approximately 30 feet long, 15 feet wide and 15 feet deep. The slippage took with it about three-quarters of the street width, leaving only enough pavement for an un breathable walkway.

VICTORVILLE (MCT) — Despite a 5 percent drop in violent crimes in the Victor Valley overall, Victorville saw a 125 percent increase in homicides from 2008 to 2009, according to recent data from the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department.

There were four homicides in Victorville in 2008. That number jumped to nine last year, including one double homicide in June where the victims were driven to the area by gang members from Los Angeles. Adelanto was the only city to see an increase in violent crimes, up 7 percent.

National

NEW YORK (MCT) — During the "Weekend Update" segment, host Seth Meyers interviewed Fred Armisen, who was impersonating New York Gov. David Paterson, on his decision not to run for governor.

When asked how he was going to out his remaining year in office, Armisen said, "Well, I'm going to do a farewell tour of upstate New York, hellos like Plattsburgh and Peekskill. I'm going to speak at their town halls or whatever abandoned Shoney's they huddle in. I'm going to give those nick ceters something to cheer about. Those freaks love me up there. They find me refreshingly odd!"

City of Plattsburgh Mayor Donald Kusprak said he didn't appreciate the negative reference to Plattsburgh.

WASHINGTON (MCT) — The Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency is taking a green approach to creating new civilian technology.

The Obama administration is betting an initial $400 million in government seed money on such future possibilities as giant batteries filled with modern metal and exotic materials that spin sunlight and water into methane. The Advanced Research Projects Agency-Energy will showcase its program at a meeting in Washington on Monday.

INTERNATIONAL

NEW DELHI (MCT) — A second leopard escape was avoided this weekend in Shimla.

Two adult female leopards, who had escaped from their "unlocked" enclosure at the Rescue and Rehabilitation Centre for wild animals in Tanti Kandi in wee hours, were re-captured by wild life wing team.

But this could be achieved only after one and a half-hour long struggle and direct scuffle of the team with the bigger leopard, six years for less minutes. Three other staff members were also injured.

JAPAN (MCT) — Fearing a major tsunami could be triggered by Chile's magnitude 8.8 earthquake, authorities here ordered nearly a quarter of a million households along the island nation's eastern seaboard to evacuate to higher ground.

Disaster workers expected 10-foot waves or larger. Instead, by Sunday evening, only a few insignificant 6-inch to foot-high waves lapped onto Japanese-controlled shores.

According to Japan's Meteorological Agency, the first tsunami waves measuring only a few inches high hit here seven hours after the massive temblor struck off the Chilean coast. The waves were recorded in the Ogasawara islands early Sunday afternoon.

215,000 people dead and a million homeless.

In Chile, television images showed collapsed highway overpasses and buildings in southern Santiago, the capital, and in Concepcion, 300 miles to the south. Bachelet was reported to be headed to the region to inspect the damage.

President-elect Sebastian Pinera, who will take office in two weeks, told reporters in addition to scores of deaths, the country suffered damage to its infrastructure, including highways, airports and housing.

"This earthquake has delivered a tremendous blow to Chilean society," Pinera said, adding he would request emergency funds totaling 2 percent of the budget to help rebuild. "Our government will do everything for the recovery and to accelerate reconstruction."

Santiago's international airport will be closed at least through Monday, officials said. Although the runways are in good condition, the control tower and customs facilities suffered extensive damage, officials said.

Key structures in Santiago, including ministry buildings, suffered heavy damage, said Education Minister Monica Jimenez. Government employees will be asked to stay home Monday as officials assess structural safety.

The mayor of Concepcion, Jacqueline van Rysselberghe, described her city as "alone and expecting" in the aftermath of the quake, saying two bridges over the Biobio River had collapsed and others were damaged.

The city is home to one of the largest universities in the South American nation, Universidad de Concepcion, a public school with a decidedly liberal student body. Its grounds are often the site of social-ist protests.

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Expansion of security measures at airports

Brad Cooper
McClatchy Newspapers

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — With every failed attempt to blow up an airplane out of the sky, along comes heightened security.

First, we had to take our shoes off. Then we had to pack our liquids in bottles no bigger than 3 ounces. Now, we may have our hands wrung for explosives.

At Kansas City International Airport, security screeners are expanding efforts to sniff out explosives with random tests of passengers and their luggage.

Screeners already use technology to search for traces of explosives on your luggage. Now, they may swab the palms of your hands before you board your plane.

Passengers have been swabbed before, but only if they stirred suspicion or set off an alarm. But screeners are getting more aggressive after the underwear bomber tried to blow up a plane over Detroit on Christmas Day.

Security experts praised the initiative as another way to keep would-be terrorists off balance. "You're just adding to the stress potential for the bad guys," aviation security consultant Richard Roth said.

But experts also cautioned that the test could flag soldiers who've been near gunpowder, gardeners who've sprayed lawn-garden chemicals, and even women who've handled nitroglycerin tablets for heart problems.

The machines also can detect drugs, although officials say they aren't calibrated to look for narcotics. Officials say they won't be concerned with marijuana, although officials say they aren't concerned with marijuana.

The Transportation Security Administration isn't specific about how it might resolve a positive test but says other procedures — like a body pat down — can be used to verify whether a passenger is a security threat.

"If someone's hands were to trigger an alarm, we would have to resolve that alarm just like we would resolve any other alarm," said Transportation Security Administration spokesman Carrie Harmon.

The agency is spending $15 million in federal stimulus money to add 400 machines nationwide that can detect explosive residue. Machines will be stationed at each security checkpoint at Kansas City International Airport.

Officials say the screening process takes seconds.

"This is an additional layer for security. It's a technology we've been using and we're expanding it," Harmon said.

The machines are about the size of a large suitcase. Officers can swipe a piece of luggage — or a passenger's hand — with a small pad and then analyze it for explosive residue.

The process works because the molecules in explosive materials tend to be clings, like Velcro, and can attach themselves easily to a person's hand or luggage, said Thomas Anthony, director of the aviation and security program at the University of Southern California.

The sample taken from the passenger is shot through a vacuum tube, and the machine measures how long it takes to get from one end of the tube to the other, he said.

The speed of the particles tells the machine whether explosive residue is present, Anthony said.

The machines are very powerful. Anthony compared their detection ability to finding a teaspoon of sugar in a swimming pool. "A very small amount of residue is needed to be detectable," he said.

Washing your hands, however, could prove futile. Some devices can detect as little as a billionth of a gram.

Anthony said passengers are much less likely to set off an alarm for explosives than they are walking through the metal detector.

"They're unlikely to go off incorrectly," he said.

An alarm can be resolved by investigating all the circumstances surrounding the person who tests positive, which happens now when a passenger sets off a metal detector or a body X-ray machine, he said.

"You use the whole picture," Anthony said. "The totality of the circumstances has to be applied."

But some passenger rights advocates are afraid it will be cumbersome to settle a positive test, raising the possibility that you could be late for a flight. But they can't be sure because the agency won't say how the matter will be handled.

"The hand swabbing, I think, has gone too far," said Kate Hanni, executive director of FlyerRights.org, a nonprofit advocacy group that represents airline travelers.

"They keep layering (and more security) on the average American traveler. There are people who aren't flying because they're tired of the process."

"What are you going to do? You can't really fight a lot of it," said Kyle Morris, a regular business traveler from Kearney, Mo. "If it can make people a little bit safer, I'm OK with it."

"It's kind of a pain, but when you get used to it, you can get through most any checkpoint or security no matter what different things they have you do."

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Guest lecturer speaks on human-centric themes in art

UCR Sweeney Art Gallery director, Tyler Stallings, stands in front of “Intelligent Design: Interspecies Art” co-curator Rachel Mayeri’s two-channel video work, “Primate Cinema.”

Daniel Triassi
March 1, 2010

Tyler Stallings is not your typical triple threat. He isn’t a dancer, a singer or an actor. He doesn’t play sports either. Instead, he makes things as an artist, he organizes things as a curator and he puts things back together as a writer. Art is his life.

Stallings spoke about his latest curatorial work and his philosophy on art as the guest lecturer for the Visual Arts Guest Lecture Series funded by the College of Liberal Arts.

“With the economic crash, it’s an opportunity to remind ourselves what art can be,” he said. “It doesn’t have to be about making objects for sale, but a way of thinking and approaching the world.”

His hour-long lecture focused on how he addresses life with this artistic sensibility.

“The idea of painting and drawing is a process for thinking and a

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picture of the day

by Ryan Salerno

“City by the sea”
Daniel Triassi  
MUSTANG DAILY  

Cal Poly's Secular Society serves as a forum for students to debate issues relating to religion, philosophy, science and current events. The club represents students who have increasing concerns about the role religion plays in society and the separation of church and state, Shelayne Werfel, club president and nutrition sophomore, said. "We want to show that people who are not religiously affiliated are not the bad guys," Werfel said. "We care about other people. We're interested in making the world a better place, and one of the things we think can make the world a better place is to have it be more secular so it's an equal playing field for people of all denominations and faiths."

This year, Werfel said she hopes to involve the club with a letter-writing campaign, guest speakers, a fundraiser for Haiti relief and increased interaction with other campus clubs and organizations. "We really want to get people involved and build a bigger base," she said. "It's fun to have a bunch of atheists in a room, but you don't get very much original input."

The Secular Society differs from the Cal Poly chapter of Brights, though they share club members. A bright is a term for someone who follows a naturalistic (free from supernatural and mystical elements) world view. Brights are more focused on non-belief in and of itself and of its influence on the political and governmental sphere, Werfel said. "We share common cause with supporting science and advancements and examining religion, but the Secular Society tries to stay as much as possible away from criticizing the religion itself because we want to create an environment that's open to people of all faiths," she said.

Nicholas Utschig, computer engineering senior, is the secretary for the Secular Society and president of Cal Poly's chapter of Brights. He thinks it's important to have both clubs. "There is a dividing line between promotion of understanding and taking action in what you believe in," he said.

Utschig also said through the clubs he has joined a community of friends that hang out aside from philosophical discussions.

The Secular Society was founded by a group of friends in
Poly lecturers aim to bring Marilyn Monroe to big screen

Raquel Redding

Spanish lecturer Michael Fawcett got the idea for a screenplay from his experience as owner of a Marilyn Monroe tour guide company in Los Angeles. "Marilyn, Marilyn," is a collaboration between Fawcett and Cal Poly English lecturer Carson Medley, who met three years ago when Medley was a student in Fawcett's class.

When they realized that they both liked to write, they became friends-leading to Fawcett talking about the tour to Medley. "One day Carson says, 'Let's do a screenplay about your experiences as a Marilyn Monroe tour guide,'" which led to ideas," Fawcett said.

They chose to focus the screenplay on the tour to give the viewer a sense of what the tour was like while also watching the movie. "It was hard taking actual legs of the tour and incorporating them into the plot so to speak," Fawcett said. "So that you were giving the Marilyn Monroe tour in the movie, but it wasn't just lots of information that would put the viewer to sleep." One year, thirteen partial drafts and at least eight full drafts later, the screenplay is complete. Medley and Fawcett ran into a road block and decided to cut some things. "A spec screenplay is expected to be 110 pages by a producer," Fawcett said. "So that you were giving the Marilyn Monroe tour in the movie, but it wasn't just lots of information that would put the viewer to sleep." Since Fawcett and Medley's finished draft was about 136 pages, they had to cut some things and change it. "We had to cut the script by 20 or so minutes, and literally it was like cutting the legs off a child," Fawcett said. "What they want in a spec script is they want the story told as clearly as possible." Telling the story as clearly as possible may not leave much room for creativity but Fawcett and Medley are willing to take the chance. Medley said this movie is about Los Angeles, starting from Santa Monica to Hollywood, and it shows the audience what L.A. is all about.

"This movie has the potential, I think, to be the most accurate portrayal of Hollywood," Medley said. "It's like, we're doing for L.A. what Woody Allen did for Manhattan." Although both Medley and Fawcett didn't originally grow up in California, they both had dreams to come here. Fawcett studied film at University of California, Los Angeles and became inundated with the movie business, while Medley moved around before settling in San Luis Obispo. Both of them have written books and have taught writing courses. "I think this cause needs more people, more brainpower. It needs more people to come to meetings and more people to come to meetings and more people to come to meetings. We are always looking for new people who are interested in our cause. We are always looking for new people who are interested in our cause."
Ron Paul leads CPAC poll of potential GOP candidates

At the recent Conservative Political Action Conference (CPAC) in Washington D.C., a poll was conducted of the participants, of which one of the questions was "Thinking ahead to the 2012 Presidential election, who would you vote for as the next Republican nominee for President?" The leader was Ron Paul, who received 31 percent of the vote, followed by Mitt Romney at 22 percent and Sarah Palin at 7 percent. This news was received in various ways, with both excitement and disappointment.

Ron Paul is not a new face in politics. He has been in the House of Representatives off and on since 1976, and ran for President once as a Libertarian Party candidate in 2008. He has authored more than a dozen books in addition to being a medical doctor and father of five. Dr. Paul is not a typical Republican. He was found to be the most libertarian politician. In fact, I think if you have too many foreign bases in more than 130 countries, we have too many foreign bases. According to Dr. Paul, we have too many foreign bases in too many countries (we have more than 700 bases in more than 130 countries). He believes he has too many foreign alliances and believes we should withdraw from both NATO and the UN.

I believe his standing in the CPAC poll shows what has been a growing approval of Dr. Paul’s policies. Dr. Paul was inspired to get into politics back in 1973 when President Nixon closed the "gold window." As Dr. Paul said, "After that day, all money would be political money rather than money of real value." Over the last forty years since Dr. Paul got involved in politics, we have seen the dangerous effects of the Federal Reserve flat currency system compounded over time — leading to the economic conditions we find ourselves in today. It is at a time like this when people look for explanations and ways of improvement, and many people are finding that in Dr. Paul’s message. Dr. Paul has been amazingly consistent in his ideas, all the way back to his beginnings in politics. He talks the talk but also walks to talk, so to speak. In a time when I think we are struggling with politicians who don’t keep their promises, Dr. Paul is a refreshing breath of fresh air. He has a record that is virtually incomparable to any other current politician. In fact, I think if you wanted to find a political record close to Dr. Paul’s, you’d probably have to go back to the founders.

Part of what has come out of his winning of the CPAC poll has been somewhat of a belitning of the results. Allegations have been made by some that the poll wasn’t accurate or writing off Dr. Paul as crazy. His ideas are not crazy — some might disagree with them, but that doesn’t make his ideas crazy. 2,395 votes were cast in the CPAC poll, which is the highest in recent years; last year only 1,757 people voted and the year before that it was 1,538, so I’m not sure what basis people have when they say the poll wasn’t accurate. In fairness, students were overrepresented in CPAC as compared to the typical makeup of the Republican party. I think this shows that the poll is telling in the future direction of the Republican Party. Students have also been overrepresented at past CPACs. The whole Tea Party movement is another sign that people are looking for some changes outside of the two political parties in their current states. Dr. Paul represents some thinking "outside the box" of the Republican party. With our political system it is very hard for a third party to have a chance at a Presidency or a majority in either the House or Senate, so I think the inevitable course of action is to reform one of the existing parties, and it seems the Republican party is being subjected to pressures of reform. There will be kick-back from the supporters of the current form of the Republican Party, but I think time will show the reformers to be the victors and they will help lift up our country.

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Marvels and Mysteries of Children's Literature

(opposite page)

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In a span of two games, the Mustangs have gone from Big West front-runners to third place.

Cal Poly (17-10, 10-5 Big West), led by junior forward Kristin Stanga's team-high 29 points, records their second consecutive loss of the season with a 85-70 loss against UC Santa Barbara (11-16, 8-7) Saturday afternoon. Along with Stanga, seniors Ashley Mertens and Brandi Lange added double figures. Stewart tallied 11 points and Lange finished with 10.

Cal Poly was held to a 36 percent field goal percentage. Dropping two games in a row for the first time this year.

With the defeat, Cal Poly suffered a half-game behind second-place UC Riverside (14-14, 11-4) in the Big West standings, and after UC Riverside's win at conference-leading UC Davis (18-9, 10-4), the Mustangs fell to third.

The Mustangs then held Cal Poly to just two field goals during the final eight minutes of the first half and took a 42-26 lead into the half.

Despite outscoring the Gauchos during the second half, Cal Poly failed to close within 12 points of the Gauchos lead during the final 20 minutes.

The lost ground in the standings could cost the Mustangs an extra bye-week in the Big West tournament. First and second place finishes are guaranteed, while third and fourth place claim one.

The Mustangs complete the 2010-11 regular season against UC Irvine on Saturday.

baseball

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During of Cal State Fullerton 9-3, Novachkov was seeded second and Duran fourth.

At 149, Fisher dropped a 12-9 decision to Barnett Abel of UC Davis. Abel was seeded second and Fisher fourth. Fisher upset the top seed, Jason Chamberlain of Boise State, in the semifinals with a fall in 4:24.

Pami, the two-time Pac-10 champion, settled for second place at 157 this year as he fell 5-1 to Adam Hall of Boise State in the final round.

Smith dropped an 11-5 decision to top-seeded Riley Osteen of Cal State Bakersfield in the 197-pound final.

DeRoches won two matches Saturday to claim third place at 174 as Cal Poly finished for a third-place team finish Saturday night.

Filip Novachkov, Nick Fisher, Chase Pami and Ryan Smith all placed second.

While Boris Novachkov may have been the only Mustang to grab a Pac-10 championship at their respective weight class, he and five other wrestlers qualified for the NCAA Division I National Championships, scheduled for March 18-20.

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Mustangs fail to shut out UC Santa Barbara

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After falling to the Dons 5-0 in the first game of the series and rebounding to a 7-3 win, the Mustangs couldn't piece together enough runs in the third game.

After trailing 4-1, Cal Poly pulled within one run with two runs in the third inning and another run in the fifth on J.J. Thompson's first home run of the season, a leadoff shot to left-center field.

But San Francisco scored the next seven runs of the game to pull away.

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Freshman right fielder Mitch Haniger had a 3-for-3 game with a walk.

In the first game of Sunday's double-header, Mason Radeke scattered four hits over 8 1/3 innings.

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San Francisco scored first on a solo home run by Stephen Yarrow in the second inning, but Cal Poly scored four times in the third inning and never looked back.

Haniger homered leading off the fourth, his second of the year. Luke Yoder singled to knock in the fifth-inning run and Matt Jensen's comebacker tallied the final Mustang run in the eighth.

Catcher Ryan Lopkin homered for San Francisco in the fifth and the Dons scored their final run in the ninth on a sacrifice fly by shortstop Derrick Popper.

First baseman David Van Osstrand and Elliott Stewart each had two of Cal Poly's nine hits.

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With the defeat, Cal Poly suffered a half-game behind second-place UC Riverside (14-14, 11-4) in the Big West standings, and after UC Riverside's win at conference-leading UC Davis (18-9, 10-4), the Mustangs fell to third.

The Mustangs then held Cal Poly to just two field goals during the final eight minutes of the first half and took a 42-26 lead into the half.

Despite outscoring the Gauchos during the second half, Cal Poly failed to close within 12 points of the Gauchos lead during the final 20 minutes.

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Senior guard Lorenzo Keeler was one of four players who finished with double figures Saturday night. Keeler scored 12, David Hanson scored 11, Shawn Lewis scored 14, and Charles Anderson scored a team-high 15.

The Gauchos on the other hand were riding high after a six-game win streak and sole possession of first place in the Big West Conference. Lewis said beating the top team in league will help the confidence of the team moving into the last game of the season and into the Big West Tournament. "Hopefully in the Big West Conference Tournament this (Cal Poly versus UCSB) will be the championship game," he said.

On Saturday the Mustangs will host UCSB for their final home game of the season at 7 p.m.

—Brian De Los Santos contributed to this article

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