Hey, Gene,

Here’s a desired equipment list the staff of the paper and I have prepared. I have hard copy with the margins correct.

Bill

Proposed Upgrades, New Equipment and Supplies for Print and Web-based Journalism, Chabot Spectator, April 24, 2008.

Upgrades for the 13 G5s in Spectator office Room 1635

• Upgrade to OS X 10.5 Leopard Operating System for 13 machines (three “Family Packs” needed at $199 each $ 600

• Upgrade of RAM from 512 megabytes each to 2 gigabytes each at $100 each 1,300

• Data Storage needed (server getting full of archived issues) La Cie external hard drive, 400 gigabytes, Firewire) 370

Software upgrades to two iMac computers to allow editing of video, audio and Web-based journalism

• Adobe Creative Suite 3 Master (includes InDesign, PhotoShop, Flash, Dreamweaver and Soundbooth (two editions needed, each $2,399) 4,800

• Apple Final Cut Pro software for editing video (two editions needed) each, $1,299 2,600

Upgrade for audio collection (supplementing existing two Ederol R900 digital recorders

• Sennheiser EW 100 cordless microphone 700

Upgrades for photography equipment

• New digital SLR Canon 30D camera (five frames per second) for sports photography 800

• Two new Canon SLR 35 mm f/2 lenses for existing cameras (much faster than existing f/4.5 lenses) for better interior photos. $2.30 each at B&H supply, New York 600

New video equipment for Web-based stories, Spectator Web site. (Existing Canon video camera (three years old) now sent in for repair, may not be fixable for less than
$250.

- Sony A1U video HDV multi-format video camera (recommended at recent journalism convention) with recording options (see attached flyer). Unit comes with features and options (shotgun microphone) B&H supply 2,149