**Hey, Spiderman!**

By Liz Weber
Staff Writer
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The board allocated 5 percent of the county’s $6.8 million discretionary roads budget to the bikeways budget, for a total of $340,000 annually.

About half of that money will be available this year, since the decision comes halfway through the fiscal year.

Randy Knight, from the Sierra Club’s Alternative Transportation Task Force, said the 10-member Bicycle Advisory Committee — which gained approval Oct. 13 — will decide how to spend the money. Most of it will go toward constructing bike lanes, but it will also fund education programs and other programs the SAC approves. Although the ATTF did not receive the original 10 percent allotment from the county’s $9.8 million total roads budget, Knight said the group is satisfied.

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Money generated through various grants and Proposition 116, totaling approximately $1.3 million over the next four years, will be separate from, and in addition to, the $340,000 granted by the board.

County staff indicated that they felt the county budget allocation, in conjunction with the state grant money, was sufficient such that the county would not, “ignore the ATTF’s interest.”

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Supervisors allocate $170,000 for bikeways budget

**but some are making efforts to reduce their numbers**

**Drunken drivers still swerving onto local roadways**

By Carissa Wreden
Staff Writer
Just how many people are out driving drunk at the end of the week?

“In reality, from all the bars in town, there are 400 to 500 people driving drunk every night on the weekends,” said Izzy Ortega’s manager David Austin. The Monterey Street bar caters primarily to students.

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**One more for the road**

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**Nation**

Senators are expressing skepticism over a new tax-cutting proposal by President-elect Bill Clinton

**Opinion**

David Polk tastefully ponders Cal Poly’s mascot, and poses the question: Boy horse... or girl horse?

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WASHINGTON, D.C.

President-elect Clinton's promised middle-class tax cut next year may fall victim to the government's record budget deficit, just as President Bush's own proposal did earlier this year.

Clinton, whose campaign included a pledge to cut the taxes of middle-income Americans by $60 billion over four years, now adds a condition: "If we can work it out.

"If there are not adequate revenues to deal with it, they may decide to put aside the tax cut for the short term and concentrate on economic growth incentives," said Rep. Robert Matsui, D-Calif., a senior member of the House Ways and Means Committee.

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Mayor race could be L.A.'s most expensive ever

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The 1993 mayoral race is expected to be the most costly in city history, with candidates spending up to $12 million despite new campaign contribution limits, officials said.

With Mayor Tom Bradley's decision to step down, a crowded field of contenders is expected to push spending levels up to record levels by the April 20 primary. A runoff election, if needed, will be held in June.

"It will easily be a record," said Bob Stem, co-director of the California Commission on Campaign Financing. "It will be a record because you have a record number of major candidates running."

The spending predictions dwarf the less than $2.5 million spent by Bradley and challenger Nate Holden in 1989.

Several major candidates in the race — Councilman Michael Woo, Joel Wachs and Holden, State Assemblyman Richard Katz, D-Panorama City, city commissioner J. Stanley Sanders and former Board of Education member Julian Nava — have said they expect to spend between $1 million and $2 million each in the primary.

"That's the question... where is that money going to come from and to whom will the winning candidate be indebted?"

Kim Alexander
Calif. Common Cause

Riordan has said he will spend up to $2.5 million in the primary and about $1.6 million in the general election. In 1985 voters limited contributions from individuals and corporations to mayoral candidates to $1,000 per contributor. In 1990, voters approved Charter Amendment II, which provides public matching funds to mayoral candidates who agree to spend $2 million or less in the primary election and $1.6 million in the general election, said Rebecca Arvia, deputy director of the city Ethics Commission.

But those limits may be exceeded most as a result of personal spending by Riordan, who estimates his fortune to be in the neighborhood of $100 million.

Riordan can spend an unlimited amount of his own money for his campaign without coming under contribution limits. In addition, if any candidate spends $30,000 or more of his or her own money, the contribution limits for other candidates are relaxed.

For example, if Riordan contributes $500,000 of his own money, other candidates could raise that same amount outside of individual contribution limits. Riordan's candidacy also could affect the workings of the matching fund.

"Money doesn't guarantee victory but it buys name ID, which is critical in a crowded field."

Richard Lichtenstein
political consultant

Washington (AP) — Acting Secretary of State Lawrence Eagleburger said he is continuing a probe of White House involvement — including James A. Baker's role — in the handling of Bill Clinton's passport files.

"The issue to some degree on this has got to be what did Baker know and when did he know it," Eagleburger said Saturday on CNN's "Evans & Novak."

The State Department, inspector general said in a Nov. 18 report that White House Staff Baker learned of the search of Clinton's passport files Sept. 30 or Oct. 1. Neither Baker nor aide Janet Mullins — who told Baker about the search — has commented publicly.

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But "the questions whether there were telephone contacts with White House staff ... those questions are not at all off the map," said Eagleburger.

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In the spirit of gender... 

By David Polk

When wandering around campus, it's easy to run into the Cal Poly Mustang. I'm sure you've all seen it at one time or another. Located between the VP and the administration buildings, the Mustang stands tall, proud and erect, rearing up on its hind legs in defiance of all comers. The Mustang represents the spirit of Cal Poly.

The Mustang is bravely defiant in the face of all adversity; whether it be dominating Division I football teams, fierce roof-top battles against the eggs of garter snakes, or even dominating the one female who lives down the street. The Mustang represents the spirit of Cal Poly.

Initially, I just assumed the Mustang was male. Maybe it's just me, but when I think of aggression, dominance and all-around butt kicking, girls don't come to mind (at least not right away). Besides, being male could be a vulva, or nothing for all I could tell, leading me to believe the Mustang might be asexual.

Does all this really matter though? Are there psychological implications? Hell, yes! Cal Poly should know what the sex of their mascot really is. The Mustang represents the spirit of Cal Poly. As such, it should know what its own gender really is. Does the Mustang have penis envy? Does this writer have a life to even take the time to be wondering about these things?

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Poly not invited to volleyball playoffs

By Cam Inman
Sports Editor

A season that was dying down the stretch was finally laid to rest Sunday evening.

The name of Cal Poly's women's volleyball team was never mentioned as NCAA officials announced the 32-team field for this year's Division I playoffs.

Disappointed, Mustang head coach Craig Cummings also expressed criticism of the selection process.

Cal Poly, which plays in the Northwest Region as an independent, finished with a 22-11 record.

Losing four of its last five matches was a factor considered by the selection committee.

"We were in the driver's seat," Cummings said. "It was in our control and our losses at the end put it in the hands of other people.

A season-ending loss to Pepperdine and a three-game defeat at the hands of San Jose State hurt Cal Poly most, Cummings said.

Of the eight teams selected to compete in the Northwest Region playoffs, only four are truly West Coast teams. Others selected in the region include Arkansas State, Illinois State, Houston and Louisiana.

"Ransacking our region like they did also hurts," added the Mustang's second-year coach. "It's not good respect for all the hard work done out here."

Cummings knew when the first-pairing was announced (Ball State at UCLA) that Cal Poly's chances weren't good.

"If they did that (putting Ball State into the West Region), it meant they had to do a lot of moving, including coming into our (region) and clean house," he said.

Four of the teams selected ahead of the Mustangs this season.

Cummings was able to find a positive after the 15-minute selection announcement.

"Last year at this time, there weren't even a glimmer of hope. Cummings said, who posted a 13-23 record in his first season. "Last year we weren't even a factor.

"This year we were."

Cal Poly's season was highlighted by a 10-6 start, as well as a Last Parish Tournament's first-place finish.

Expect fast action from Poly cagers

Mustangs open season Tuesday

By John Cristofano
Staff Writer.

If you don't like an up-tempo, run-and-gun, three-point-shooting offense, stay away from Mott Gym when the Cal Poly men's basketball team plays this season.

Seventh-year head coach Steve Beason said the Mustangs should be an exciting team to watch as they try to improve on last year's 7-7 conference record (19-8 overall).

"We will run, and we will shoot threes," Beason assured.

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Shawn Kirkeby and his 6-9, 280-pound frame return for senior year.

FILE PHOTO

Kirkby, 6-9, 280 pounds averaged 17.3 points per game last year, while pulling down an average of 6.9 rebounds a contest. He also poured in 68.5 field goal shooting percentage, which landed him among the Big West Conference's top 10 leaders.

Unfortunately for the Mustangs, Kirkeby, who expected first-team honors on the All-West Region and California Collegiate Athletic Association teams, injured his knee this summer and is not likely to be at full strength until the team enters its conference matchups.

Beason said experience is a strength of this year's squad.

"We have so many guys that have played much more this year," he said. "I think team cohesion is a strength. The guys play well together."

Junior guard Jeff Oliver and Matt Clason, along with senior guard Greg Paulsen, will call the shots in the Mustang backcourt.

Paulsen was fifth in the nation in three-point shooting last year, hitting 60 percent of his attempts.

When they're not pushing the ball up the floor, Beason said the Mustangs will look for two big bodies inside.

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FILE PHOTO

This season marks Steve Beason's seventh year as head coach.