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**Sports Night**

**Waiting Game:** Ed Bianchi, an animal science senior, watches TV and puffs a cigar in front of Mott Gym around 1 a.m. Saturday. He and some other members of fraternity Alpha Gamma Rho were making sure they had secured seats to the basketball game against the University of Idaho, which was televised on ESPN2. For more sports, including men’s basketball, see back page.

![Waiting Game: Ed Bianchi, an animal science senior, watches TV and puffs a cigar in front of Mott Gym around 1 a.m. Saturday.](image)

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**Poly cultural group offers an apology**

**MEChA regrets group’s trust in speaker’s program**

By Lauren Nowenstein
Mustang Daily

MEChA members have been making amends for an incident that occurred last November at their statewide youth conference.

According to the Director of Student Life, Ken Bartley, the group will distribute copies of a letter placed in the Opinion section of the Mustang Daily section on Dec. 4. This letter offers an apology for anti-Semitic and other discriminatory remarks made by speakers and those written on programs, which were distributed at the November conference.

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**Women to be honored by student vote**

By Whitney Phaneuf
Mustang Daily

Two Cal Poly women — one faculty and one staff member — will be honored for their outstanding achievements in conjunction with Women’s History Month — and this year students are making the choice.

In the past two years of the awards, the majority of nominations were from faculty and staff colleagues, students, and Pat Harris, coordinator of women’s programs.

“The original intent was that students could nominate female teachers and advisors who were an inspiration,” said Harris.

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**A recipe to avoid rape**

Stick to the buddy system and stay away from drugs, alcohol

By April Charlton
Mustang Daily

Communication and the buddy system may be the key to avoiding date rape.

“The majority of date or acquaintance rapes occur because of crossed signals and mixed messages, said Cal Poly health educator Rosemary York-Dominquez.

“It’s lack of communication in many instances, and when (rape) does happen it’s usually fueled by alcohol,” York-Dominquez said.

According to the National Victim Center, 90 percent of rapes involve drug or alcohol use. A 1994 study by Ms. magazine found that about 15 percent of men and at least 10 percent of women involved in date and acquaintance rapes had used either alcohol or drugs prior to the assault.

The same study found that 25 percent of college women who had been raped or were victims of attempted rape.

York-Dominquez couldn’t say how many assault victims utilize the services offered by Cal Poly, but she said every call received at the Sexual Assault-Free Environment Resource Program hotline has been alcohol.

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**Ways to Remember:**
Spray-painted hand prints around campus mark the sites of reported assaults. Cal Poly has a hotline for reporting assaults:
756-SAFE.

Dawn Kalmars/ Mustang Daily
Knowledge grows of worlds beyond solar system

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Two additional planets orbiting distant stars have been discovered by astronomers, bringing to 17 the number of worlds known to exist beyond Earth's solar system.

Experts at the national meeting of the American Astronomical Society estimated Saturday that about 2 percent of the billions of sun-like stars near and in the Milky Way galaxy host planets. Astronomers are mounting an increasingly active campaign to find them.

None of the 17 distant planets are Earth-like or apt to harbor life. The planets move closely resemble Jupiter, the gaseous giant that is the largest planet in the solar system. They range in size from about half that of Jupiter to about 11 times bigger.

Debra Fischer, a member of the San Francisco State University team that has found most of the extrasolar planets, said the new discoveries are both larger than Jupiter and both orbit very close to their host stars.

Because of the proximity, they orbit at an extremely fast pace. One is only 13 million miles from its host star, giving the planet a "year" that lasts only 18 days. The Earth completes one orbit of the sun every 12 months.

Fischer said her team's planet-finding skills have improved and the group is now systematically searching a list of 200 candidate stars.

"With a sample of suitable stars and enough telescope time, we expect to find planets around about two percent of the sun-like stars within a few months," she said.

Another group announced Saturday that they had found the signature of a planet that passed between the Earth and a more distant star. This passage caused a lensing effect, magnifying light from the farthest star. An analysis of the light hinted that the nearest star was an ordinary sun, but more study was needed, said Sun H. Rhee of the University of Notre Dame.

William D. Cochran of the University of Texas said even better techniques for finding extrasolar planets are in development. Astronomers have proposed keen-sighted space telescopes that would be able to spot Earth-sized planets, other direct, or by measuring the drop in light caused by the shadow of a planet passing between its host star and the Earth.

Drugs smuggled into prisons with alleged help of officers

SACRAMENTO (AP) — Marijuana, methamphetamine, cocaine and heroin flowed steadily through three state prisons. And when investigators followed the trail to the drug kingpins, it led to three of the prison system's own officers.

Ironwood State Prison officer Richard Melendez, 25, was arrested late last month after investigators swept through the Riverside County lockup searching for drugs. More arrests may follow, Department of Corrections officials said.

While most drugs are traced to friends and relatives of inmates, the larger quantities are almost always smuggled in by prison employees — including sworn officers, investigators said.

Melendez's arrest followed those of prison officers suspecting smuggling drugs into California State Prisons in Sacramento, known as New Folsom, and San Quentin.

"We're trying to send a message," said Dave Mansfield, an agent with the Office of Internal Affairs, created last summer after accusations of officer abuse at Corcoran State Prison.

"Somebody's going to get spanked behind this stuff." Investigators say prison employees usually have intimate contacts who run their own distribution networks inside. A grand jury's report on smuggling at Folsom, said parole Robert Johnson, who said prison workers brought him drugs at least 18 times in his 18 years in the corrections system.

"I used to walk through the institution with $1,000 in my pocket or in my mattress," he told the documenter. "I would go to the visiting room and slip it out, or have a guard take it out. That was my job."

At Ironwood, near Blythe, some 30 officers turned out to search 130 cells for drugs, and came up with Melendez and three other suspects, officials said. He has not been charged.

At New Folsom, veteran officer Michael Lawren, 54, was arrested in May after buying 5 pounds of marijuana from inmates' relatives working undercover, according to authorities. His trial is set for next month.

And at San Quentin, officer April Reynolds was caught bringing heroin into the prison with friends of inmates, authorities said. A parolee who was with her was also taken into custody.

The two honorees are selected from nomination forms, which offer students a chance to express how a faculty or staff member has enriched their lives. Women who have helped to improve the quality of life for students, who serve as role models or mentors for students, who exceed the standards of their professional positions, and who have personally enriched a student's life fulfill the criteria for the award.

Women's History luncheon's coordinator Cheryl Anderson plans on nominating a faculty member who helped her succeed at something she never thought she could do. "She made a class I really didn't like easier and took a subject I wasn't interested in and made it enjoyable," Anderson, a speech communications senior, said.

Every woman nominated receives the nomination form and a certificate from women's programs. The Women's History Board, from the nominations, selects the two women honored with the Women of the Year award. The women of the year receive a plaque and the nomination forms are read aloud. The awards are presented at the Women's History luncheon scheduled for Feb. 24, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

"It's a good fit for Women's History, as you study women who have done great things in the past, its good to recognize your contemporaries as well," Harris said.

The awards were incorporated into Women's History Month in 1990, and this is the first year only student nominations were accepted for the Women of the Year Award. Harris said the Women's History Committee saw a need for the awards at Cal Poly.

"We felt like women weren't getting the recognition the deserved on this campus, so we decided to create an opportunity to honor women," she said.

Mike Campbell, a computer science senior, agrees women aren't recognized enough throughout campus. He plans to nominate a computer science instructor who made an impact on him because he learned so much that quarter.

"It's important because in general the women staff and faculty are over-looked since there are more males, at least in my department," Campbell said.

Nomination forms can be picked up at the Women's Center in the University Union before Jan. 22.
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Within days, their purchases arrived, sometimes even wrapped with cards attached.

It was an incredible holiday season for Internet merchants, with sales scoring well above expectations. An estimated $3 billion was spent online during the holidays, nearly tripling last year's figures.

The Internet's convenience enticed many shoppers. With a computer in hand, they could buy from home, work or hotel, and had access to an unbreakable number of merchants.

But now that the holidays are over, many e-tailers are reporting customer discontent. On the day after Christmas, a visitor to a software store ordered a game and was eventually charged for a used game.

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Capitalism at its 'best' ... or worst

People amaze me. They do whatever you tell them to do. They buy whatever brand names society deems cool, and they pay whatever price is necessary.

I finished my Christmas shopping early this year. I had plenty of time left over for mail-based consumerism. What I witnessed was the most disgusting display of mindlessness and extravagance known to man.

People are obsessed with labels and shopping at the "right" places. They will spend $50 on a napkin holder from Crate and Barrel or Pier One Imports for no reason other than the name on the bag. Some person with half a brain would shop around at one of the more plebeian stores and find a similar napkin holder for one-fourth the price. Maybe they could even put the napkin holder they bought at Target in a Pier One Imports bag — they would still be saving lots of money, and the receiver of the gift would never know the difference.

I believe there are two underlying philosophies which enable the dependent buy-things-at-three-tim­es-their-real-value system. The first is a system of thought which says "in order to be the best, you have to buy the best." Of course this philosophy makes the erroneous assumption that the most expensive is automatically the best. But that is the ridiculous idea that people are what they buy. "Shop like a rich person, be a rich person," is not the power of positive thinking, it's just plain stupid.

The second philosophy, or should I say plague, is sweeping this nation faster than Barney Fuirman. Credit cards are destroying people's common sense. A person's purchasing ability no longer depends on the amount of money they have, rather it is the amount of debt they are able to incur. Of course, once credit cards are maxed, there is nothing left in the bank. I could literally spend thousands of dollars I don't have and won't have any time soon on things I don't need and can't afford. Not cool.

The weird thing is that people believe it is their duty to use their credit cards to the fullest extent possible. It is so easy to spend when you don't see the bill until later and your minimum payment is fifteen dollars. Pretty soon your monthly payments just cover the interest on your purchases and your purchasing habits spin out of control because you love the feeling of being able to walk into any over-priced suppore store and buy the thing you saw in the fashion magazine, just as if you were an actual rich person.

It's sick and stupid.

You know what the real difference is between the smart shopper and the pop culture following sheep? Innovation, growth, a little self-restraint, and ultimately a surplus in the bank.

Jamie Rudolph is a speech communication senior.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

The EPA is pro-environment, but anti-people

Editor: Green is not the only color in the political spectrum, although the political pundits and reporters would have you think so. The so called environmentalists and the liberal media would have us think the environmental issues are the only issues to consider. On the contrary, the worst political, social, and economic influence by far in the American scene is the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Worse than the CIA, this product of the Washington socialist mentality, is the greatest threat to our food supply, transportation and business culture in the United States.

The EPA produces nothing and invents nothing but more regulations, which cost the taxpayers more and more. It is a total suck on the American economy.

The EPA was created by Congress, and its 19,000 employees have congress by the throat. Politicians are afraid to speak out against the irrational EPA programs for fear of being labeled as one of the "lost votes," or worse, they panders to their programs as "political look goods". If left unchecked, the EPA will make the Spanish Inquisition look like a tennis match at Wimbledon.

One of the irrational programs is the Endangered Species Act (ESA). The ESA was passed by the voters to protect the Bald Eagle and the Brown Bear, but without our vote the Washington bureaucrats are applying it to everything on earth. This act needs to be totally revised, changed or eliminated.

The species on the list need to be reviewed by an outside, independent and scientific panel to determine whether the present species have been properly selected and which should be deleted. The affect that every species selected has on the economy, farming, roads and transportation must be weighed against the cost of saving them. This country is going broke. We cannot afford such luxary as saving species without knowing the cost impact on the economy and our individual pocketbooks. The people should have a right to vote on every species placed on the list with the knowledge of what effect it will have on the cost of bread, gas, and our jobs. We are being taxed for this issue without knowing our knowledge or vote. We are becoming the endangered species, not some damn bug.

Programs like this, as well as air quality, water quality, and pollution site clean up, are totally overspeeded and over emphasized beyond the pale of reason. They must be changed or eliminated.

The American system must create a better balance between our needs for safety, jobs, transportation, finances, business, private property and environmental considerations.

The issue is whether America will continue to support the free enterprise system or become more a part of the socialist empire promoted by the democrats (socialists). We are on the verge of loosing it!

Government must be reduced, the budget balanced, and the deficit eliminated. Let's not be afraid to bring balance back to the process and lets stop the forces of socialism in 1999.

Justin M. Ruhge is the president of Concerned Taxpayers Inc. in Goleta.
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Savings existing from Prop. 209
By Michigan Daily Staff
The Michigan Daily (U-WIRE)

The predictions that California's Proposition 29 would erode the diverse student body on University of California campuses have come true in the past year. Since the proposition's implementation, the enrollment of black, Latino, and Native American students collectively dropped by 9.5 percent. But this past Monday, Gov. Gray Davis announced a plan that could negate Proposition 29.

This plan, subject to passage by the University of California Board of Regents, should be adopted in order to restore many prospective student's right to pursue quality higher education. Davis' proposal calls for all students graduating in the top 4 percent of their high school class to automatically gain admission to a University of California campus. This much more localized approach would supplement the current system that requires the admission of the top 12.5 percent of students statewide.

This current system gives students from affluent school districts an unfair advantage over less privileged students, traditionally those in urban and rural districts. In addition to changing admissions requirements to a local scale, Davis' plan aims to decrease the emphasis placed on standardized tests, which are often biased against minority students. Some emphasis would be shifted to more student-friendly examinations, such as the SAT2, which allows students a degree of choice in terms of tested content.

Detection of Davis' proposal will no doubt claim that such a plan could decrease the academic prestige and the strength of future University of California classes, but such claims are unfounded. All student's being admitted will satisfy grade-point average and college preparatory class requirements. Also, students will not necessarily be admitted to the more prestigious campuses. Since the University of California's campuses should do their best to ensure that all students with the ability to thrive at the university level be allowed to do so, and not be pushed aside because their school districts were ill equipped to meet their educational needs.

A diverse campus plans a large part in the development of well-rounded students. Students need exposure to a multitude of backgrounds to prepare them for an increasingly global society. Students benefit from experiencing the various and unique ideas, philosophies and art that are in with different cultures and ethnicities.

The University of California Board of Regents should support Davis' proposal when it comes up for a vote in March. This vote should be monitored closely here at the University, given the class-action lawsuit filed against it for the use of affirmative action in admissions. Should the University lose the lawsuit, a similar motion may work to preserve the University's diverse campus. And for now, the future in California appears promising; Davis has been elected to a second term, and he will be able to appoint new members over the course of his four-year term. But there is no reason for Davis to set the precedent for students currently trapped in the shadow of Proposition 29 cuts over California.

The Michigan Daily is the University of Michigan's college newspaper.
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French's absence, as well as that of Jason Gutierrez (149 lbs.) — out with an illness, to take the victory over Oregon.
An elated Head Coach Lennis Cordell was very pleased with the team's performance.
"It was just a great team win tonight," Cordell said. "There's no way we should have won this match on paper. But we came here and worked very hard and they deserved to win tonight. Every guy was key tonight, even the guys that lost. The Oregon team is high ranked, and we're still not at full strength yet. It was really a great win."

The match didn't start off well for the Mustangs as Gutaize lost to the Ducks' Aaron Mann in the 125-pound class. However, a foray by David Wells kept the Mustangs ahead, winning his match 10-2 against the Ducks' Shawn O'Malley.

"Joey Hart (184 lbs.) was defeated by the Ducks' Doug Lee, bringing the score up to 3-2. This following loss in the 197-pound class put the Ducks a 18-16 lead going into the final heavyweight division.

"I felt ready for it," Hart said of his match. "It's just one of those things. It wasn't like I was tired or anything, I just wasn't ready for the match. I felt like I wrestled well. But I didn't 'chain-wrestle' going from one point to another. I just kept going and we won. It was a good win."

The Mustangs will next face Portland State on Jan. 18 in Mott Gym at 7 p.m.

Vikings charmed Snake

EIGHT RIVERSFORD, N.J. (AP) — The New York Jets — yes, the Jets — are one step from the Super Bowl.

New York held on against the Jacksonville Jaguars on Sunday for their first postseason victory in 12 years, 34-24 behind two touchdowns apiece from Keyshawn Johnson and Curtis Martin. The Jets will face the Denver Broncos on Saturday and Sunday for a spot in the Super Bowl, which the Jets actually won 30 years ago.

After that milestone victory, New York became one of pro football's laughingstocks. The turnaround began with the hiring of coach Bill Parcells, who took over a 3-12 team and led the Jets to the playoffs last season. Parcells stepped down at the end of the season, leaving defensive coordinator Donnie Donavan to take over.

The Jaguars, who have not beaten the Titans on the road since a 32-20 victory in Denver two years ago, did not go quietly. With the Jets leading 31-24 and in easy field goal range, Testaverde lofted a pass into the end zone that was intercepted by rookie safety Donovin Darius with about 2:12 minutes left, but instead of downing the ball, Darius tried to run and was tackled inside the 1.

The Jaguars could not pick up the first down and John Hall kicked his second field goal for the final margin.

"We've been really good dolphins and our intensity level is way up right now. The team is coming together, it's really starting to gel."

— Joey Hart
wrestler

JETS
defeat Jaguars, face Broncos Sunday

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — The Minnesota Vikings proved once again they're untouchable — especially in their delirious dome.

Robert Griffith intercepted two first-half passes as the Vikings built a 17-0 lead and John Hall set a team playoff record with three touchdows in a 41-21 victory over the upset Arizona Cardinals on Sunday.

The win put the Vikings in next Sunday's conference championship game against Atlanta, guaranteeing that a dome team will reach the Super Bowl for the first time in NFL history. It will be the first conference title game ever played indoors and the first in Minnesota in 22 years.

And if the Falcons are to reach their first Super Bowl they'll have to do what no team has done this season: stop the highest-scoring offense in NFL history in the noisy Metrodome. Minnesota is 9-0 at home this season, winning by an average of 23 points.

The weather on Sunday, with the wind chill minus 36 at game time, wasn't a problem. But the raucous atmosphere in the dome, with a sell-out crowd screaming and waving white towels, clearly rattled the Cardinals, who were 15 1/2-point underdogs and in the playoffs for the first time in 10 years.

After Hall scored on a 1-yard run in the opening possession, Jackie Thummer threw two interceptions, both to Griffith, a safety who hadn't had his first completion or the interception since Oct. 5.

That gave the Vikings a 17-0 lead before Arizona's $279 million man had his first completion or the Cardinals had a first down.

Eagles reportedly set to hire Reid

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — The Philadelphia Eagles have scheduled a news conference for Monday, report­edly to introduce Green Bay quarterback coach Andy Reid as their new head coach.

Eagles executive vice president Joe Banner declined to confirm it was a done deal, but Fox reported on its NFL page that Reid had accepted the Eagles' offer to suc­ceed fired coach Ray Rhodes.

The Philadelphia Inquirer confirmed that the Eagles had a second two-room meeting for a 2 p.m. announcement. The Trenton Times also reported that Reid would become the Eagles' 25th head coach.

Reid arrived in Philadelphia late Sunday and toured the city and met with team executives for a second interview Sunday, a source close to the negotiations told The Associated Press.

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Redskins sold to Milstein-Snyder group for record price

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Washington Redskins and Jack Kent Cooke Stadium were sold for more than $500 million on Sunday in the most expensive bidding war in NFL history, The Associated Press has learned.

The price paid by a group headed by brothers Howard and Edward Milstein and Daniel Snyder, the $530 million Alfred Lerner spent last year for the expansion Cleveland Browns, a team for which Howard Milstein also put in a bid.

Final details were hammered out at a meeting Sunday between members of the Milstein-Snyder group and trustees of the estate of the late Jack Kent Cooke, according to sources involved in the sale.

"It is absolutely in excess of $700 million," one source told the AP. "It will be formally announced tomorrow."

The Milstein brothers, who come from a successful banking family, own 45 percent of the NHL's New York Islanders. Howard Milstein, 47, is a noted New York real estate executive who bid $450 million for the Redskins.

Snyder, 34, is chief executive of Snyder Communications in Bethesda, Md., a marketing firm that employs 8,000 people in 80 locations in 12 countries. It is particularly big in pharmaceutical and long-distance telephone marketing.

The sale must be approved by three-quarters of NFL owners, who are expected to take up the matter during Super Bowl week at the end of the month.

She finished second behind Kyle Woolridge helped the Mustangs to a 157-65 victory over CSU Northridge on Friday.

Woolridge won his heat. According to Wyles, he had not swum the 100 free in the Speedo Cup hut I placed first. "Northridge hit us in the breast," said Wyles.

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The Mustangs' Head Coach Rich Firman believes Cal Poly did well in the win.

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CATCH YOUR BREATH: Kyle Woolridge helped the Mustangs to a 157-65 victory over CSU Northridge on Friday. Woolridge won the 400 medley, which set the pace for the match.
SPORTS

Idaho vandals Cal Poly on ESPN2

By Joe Nolan
Mustang Daily

With the ESPN2 camera rolling, the Mustangs' slide continued Saturday as the visiting University of Idaho Vandals trounced Cal Poly, 101-75.

The Mustangs went into the game hoping to shine on national television, but came out of it with a ton of questions.

The top priority has to be getting their spotty offense back on track. The Mustangs traded 18-14 with 14:09 left in the first half when the offense suddenly went on vacation. During the 14-minute drought, the Mustangs made just three of 17 field goals and were one for seven from behind the arc.

Their shooting improved from 28 percent in the first half to 50 percent in the second half, which wasn't nearly good enough for the Mustangs to mount a comeback.

One reason for the poor shooting was the double-teaming of Chris Poirier.

"We're just not really playing that great right now. We're out of sync," said sophomore Beeson.

--- Brandon Beeson

sophomore basketball player

Beeson was one of the few bright spots for the Mustangs. He contributed nine points and a team-high nine rebounds in only 14 minutes of action.

While Beeson did a good job rebounding, the rest of the team struggled. The Mustangs were out-rebounded 40-31 in the game. According to Mustang Head Coach Jeff Schneider, it's the fifth time in the last six losses they've been out-rebounded by 15 or more.

"When you get out-rebounded by 15 or more and then you shoot 40 percent, you can't win too many games like that." The Mustangs have also had a difficult time on defense. Their press led to several easy baskets. One of the beneficiaries of the sloppy defense was the Vandals', Gordon Scott, who had 31 points.

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By Jen Stevenson
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Swimmers successful at home meet

By Alexis Garberoff
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Once again the Cal Poly men's swim team finished on top. Friday's 157-65 win against California State University-Northridge marked its sec-


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