Students design HIV ad campaign

By Steve Noone
Mustang Daily

A naked man stands over a woman with a peeled look on his face as she reaches up to a condom. The caption on the photo reads, “Think before you sink.”

This striking ad is one of many created by Cal Poly Art and Design students for the upcoming SLO HIV campaign. The students of Mary LaPorte’s advertising design class worked in teams with photographers from Sky Penguin’s photo illustration class to create single print ads or ad series for use in the campaign.

The first of these ads, one showing a cocktail glass full of the drugs HIV patients must take and listing their side effects, ran in the New Times last Thursday.

Robert Murphy, project coordinator for SLO HIV, said she asked for help from the Art and Design department because of the high-quality student work.

“The students were unbelievable,” she said. “The stuff they came up with was so good. The students were very professional and the quality of their work was just exceptional.”

She said the ads will run in local publications and several have attracted the attention of national firms.

She Shouldn’t Have to Ask

These have been over 900 cases of HIV reported in San Luis Obispo.

WOW: A similar advertisement ran in last Thursday’s New Times. The student project is a combined effort of Cal Poly art and design teams.

“We ask all the ads produce the behavior changes we want. Will it stick with you? And will it have

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SLO drivers see orange

California Boulevard water line construction to be completed soon

By Joellen Smith
Mustang Daily

Most Cal Poly students will no longer find grade reports in their mailbox starting this quarter.

The Office of Academic Records will only mail grades to students on academic probation. Students not on probation will have to rely on CAPTURE and MustangInfo to find out their grades.

“We would be running in the red if we kept (mailing grades),” said Marcia Friedman, assistant director at the Office of Academic Records. “But our budget is fairly lean so we are looking at ways to cover our staffing, salaries, benefits, and do some advancements in the system.”

These advancements include updates on MustangInfo and online registration beginning March 11.

Academic Records pays more than $20,000 in postage to mail grades to students each quarter. Additional time and money is spent dealing with grade reports that are returned because some students move and do not update their addresses.

“What comes back to us is all the grade reports with bad addresses,” said Carol Morris, academic records supervisor. “Then we have to manually look on the system and try to get the good address and (mail it back out).”

Another problem is that some students feel confused about why they receive grade reports at their permanent address for Fall and Winter.

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The front court

Mustangs’ sophomores give new meaning to the ‘three’

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Just do something

Uneducated minority decides things for the apathetic majority

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Academic records do not expect students to encounter busy phone lines on CAPTURE or web traffic on Mustanginfo when grades come out at the end of this quarter, Morris said. Grades usually are available the Wednesday after finals.

Friedman explained academic records tried to send grade reports out to every student is not worth the extra cost, time and frustration. Especially when CAPTURE and Mustanginfo are available.

"If we can direct (students) to where grades are always going to be whether on the phone or on the web, they can get what they need and avoid the confusion," Morris said.

Some Cal Poly students still would like to their grade reports at the end of the quarter.

"I don’t have web access at home," said Paula Serrano, a food science senior. "When I check my grades by CAPTURE, I cannot find my cumulative GPA. The only way I get to see my overall GPA is on my report card."

Friedman said that offering the cumulative GPA through CAPTURE may be a possibility when a new computer system is implemented within the next year. Mustanginfo allows students to view their cumulative and term GPA, class schedule, and grades. Friedman wants students to become more familiar with tools, like Mustanginfo, that are available to them. Yet she realizes that some students would like to see their grade reports mailed.

"I’m sure we will get negative comments. Any kind of change, you always do," Friedman said. Academic records placed an announcement about the change in the Winter schedule to warn students.

"We tried to notify students, but the word is not getting out as well as we’d like. Some students will be surprised expecting to see the grade reports waiting in their mailbox."

"Students can see their grades on the web or listen to them on the phone before we even get the grades in the mail," Friedman explained. "So I don’t see how students can check them ... so (mailing them) does make it a lot less useful."

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It was so many students needed transcripts for their on-campus interviews that it was having a serious impact on the (Office of Academic Services) available. The Career Services supplied a list of more than 1,300 students registered in Web Walkup, who will be graduating in 1998 or 1999, to academic records. Barnett said. Students who registered after Jan. 14 will have to wait until Spring quarter to obtain a free transcript. The free transcripts were made available on Jan. 21.

"For on-campus interviews, you do need an official transcript," Barnett said. "We hated to ask students to pay $4 per copy and impact academic records like that."

Web site warning: Vegas is on the eve of destruction

"You know, you don’t want to make light of a person’s millennium-driven beliefs, but I don’t think it’s something that would have a broad reach to instill a sense of fear," Sarah Ralston, speakerwoman for Circus Circus at the space devoted to the Luxor on the Internet site. But she doesn’t think it represents any kind of threat to the company’s business interests.

"We do our best to monitor the Internet to find information that might potentially be damaging to a property," she said. "Frankly, with something like this, I don’t think end-of-the-world enthusiasts are a big part of our customer base."

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Beverage control upholds PAC alcohol license decision

Andy Castagnola
Mustang Daily

A beer and wine license will soon debut at the Performing Arts Center if a Jan. 7 appeals board decision holds. California's Alcohol Beverage Control (ABC) overturned Protesters' decision, claiming he overruled facts for Cal Poly Foundation in 1996. I don't want this, and I think they will pursue," said Robert Griffin. The appeals board also overturned the decision that Foundation wanted until students felt the police license. Griffin confirmed the timing was consistent.

The protesters argued the Foundation did not properly present their application for an alcohol license. By law, Foundation had to contact residents within 500 feet of the PAC. Robert Griffin, Foundation associate executive director, responded that the law did not apply to dorm residents because they are temporary. Further, there are no dorms within 500 feet of the PAC, nor were students living as dorms near the PAC when the Foundation filed its application in August 1996, according to Griffin.

ABC's officers rejected the housing director, who confirmed that residents were living as dorms around the PAC. However, the appeals board rejected this evidence. The board also downplayed the suggestion that Foundation wanted until students felt the police license. Griffin confirmed the timing was consistent:

"There was plenty of notice," he said. His department posted notices on the PAC and ran advertisements in the Mustang Daily. As a second point of contention, Protesters also argued facts related to liquor control.

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"The whole project simulated a real-world experience," she said. "Cal Poly's policy is learn by doing and this project is very much a reality." Griffin said the license satisfies PAC's request for beer and wine. It is a service Foundation believes it should provide.
Poly students need to learn by 'doing'

If Cal Poly students have proved one thing to the administration over the years, it would have to be that they don't give a damn. Actually, that's quite flattering. Cal Poly is a place where everyone is a loudmouth and where your lack of knowledge or your lack of interest desire to educate yourselves. If you agree, your ignorance were virtues, Cal Poly students would ride the elevators. The plan, if passed, will help Cal Poly remain an academic powerhouse. As it stands now, our graduates are highly praised by the real world. Also, as Cal Poly spins out of control, the value of degrees, both past and present, will plummet, and fall among the ranks of (g)hito and a few DCs.

The original was shot down by a greedy bar tabs, added to our already heavily discounted registration fees, isn't that big a deal. And don't go thinking that I would he sitting on the mountaintop, because I do turn out for such special events? According to Dina Elva "Preferred rush against the benefits that will arise. Of course, there's a 90 percent chance that you're talking on their cellular phones or whatever before they realize they can go. Then the next driver has to figure it out. Of course, when those drivers do the light turning red, they decide that since they're already set through one light cycle they don't have to do it again.

There is a real issue concerning the question of whether or not Cal Poly should install a desired rush on the Greek system? According to Dina Elva "Preferred rush is a strength among students". Fel, if this issue is according to her personal value. For her and the fraternity, Alpha Phi Omega, a desired rush worked well. However, the issue should be addressed from a broader perspective. I believe it is a question of individuals' rights to make their own decisions on how they would like to live their lives and college careers. First, I would like to commend Mrs. Elva on her motivation. She truly believes it is in the best interest of Cal Poly freshmen not to be given the opportunity to rush during their first quarter at Cal Poly. It is a valid and concerned opinion, and perhaps she is right. The letter "suits me", she was lost during her first year at Cal Poly and was subject to be taken advantage of by social drinking organizations serving to fulfill mysterious quotas. I posit that many new students at Cal Poly experience the lost feeling explained in the article. However, I also believe that individu-

So they change through, regardless of the light's color. My pet peeve, however, is signaling. I can't count how many times I have been waiting to make a tricky turn, but don't for fear of a speedy car on the cross-street to make an unannounced turn into a nearby driveway. Yes, it's merely an annoyance, but an avoidable one if the driver had just signaled. Meanwhile the DMV isn't helping things. I remind you very well in high school when an acquaintance of mine failed her behind-the-wheel exam, but the instructor felt sorry for her and added a few points onto her score, allowing her to pass. Thanks to the DMV's brutalities, there is one more person to fear on the road. Police may be the worst of all since they don't really have anyone to answer for. I can't count how many times I have seen drivers who don't have the decency, respect or common sense to drive a motor vehicle properly.

The last time around, some of you attempted to justify not voting, or voting against the plan, by saying the university didn't do anything to inform you about specifics. That's a load of crap. I was unaware that the Cal Poly campus was full of students who had not been informed of any of the decisions for themselves. I believe a quick way to help get the students in the presence of mind to discern for themselves what is right away, and I'm happy I joined this club.

Constitution.

Decision to rush should be individual

Pleading for safer drivers

Your driving sucks. Yes, you'd say there's a 90 percent chance that you're one of masses and masses of people that has been busy turning his conscience off during his rush time, much less taking a car on the road. The fact is most people don't deserve to drive. A license. I'm not talking about old geezers who lack coordination and reflexes, I'm talking about the average person who doesn't have the decency, respect or common sense to drive a motor vehicle properly.

This January a student suffered a frac- tured leg due to a blatant violation of the law. The injured man wasn't doing anything wrong, he was just in the wrong place when a driver decided he was too busy thinking about something to turn the lane. The fact is a lot of people who have no business behind the wheel.

I turn in a legal location and didn't check well enough for others in his way. I could probably fill a book with a list of bad driving examples I see in a week. At one time or another I've seen people that are struggling with the same issues as those folks appearing on the show? Or are they measuring themselves against their own moral failings are minor in comparison to the show's guests. Rudolph referred to President Clinton's "lost" freshmen, or instead organizations that are supporting the public display of homosexuals' alleged adultery being a minor issue? Or maybe they enjoy watching others struggling with a lot of anger.

I disagree that simply by asking us to never, ever watch the show, it will go away. I believe a quick way to get the show off the air would be for Rudolph to let her see that she is writing the show's advertisers, informing them she is encouraging her readers to not buy their products, and is encouraging us to tell our friends and relatives to boycott the advertisers. The show should even be a perfect example of the lack of funding. Who are the advertisers that are supporting the public display of these morally deprived individuals?

Scott Cooke is a Cal Poly staff member.

Boycott advertisers, not just the shows

Editor:

I wholeheartedly concur with Jamie Rudolph's column "The Jerry Springer Show" (Feb. 1) parades some of the worst of human nature. Furthermore, I feel it is a sad statement on our society that the show has the highest the viewpoint rankings among all daytime shows. Viewers watching because they are struggling with the same issues as those folks appearing on the show? Or are they measuring themselves against their own moral failings are minor in comparison to the show's guests. Rudolph referred to President Clinton's "lost" freshmen, or instead organizations that are supporting the public display of homosexuals' alleged adultery being a minor issue? Or maybe they enjoy watching others struggling with a lot of anger.

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"I didn't even know people read your page."
SABING FOR THE FUTURE

It was a Saturday night after the holiday weekend, a 40-year-old businesswoman was driving home from her parent's house when she fell asleep at the wheel and wrapped her car around the center lampost. By the time the Emergency Medical Technicians arrived Juice Doe* had no pulse. The EMTS decided not to revive Juice. They figured it was too late and she was better off dead.

If Juice was your Mother, Daughter, sister or friend would you be outraged? We cannot control natural phenomena such as accidents, health problems or old age but we can stop them from threatening our existence. We have the technology, knowledge and man power to save lives and the medicinal power to assist the sick and elderly people to live longer healthier lives.

The question is: Does the natural right to breathe stop according to age? Is this the feeling I received from care-takers at assisted living. I was recently approached with the question: "If we find your grandfather without a pulse what would you like us to do?" I thought she was kidding she was giving me the option to let him die without an inherent second chance. I could be responsible for what may have easily been an avoided death. Why didn't she just say the truth. The old fart had traveled the world, he has eight granchildren, no wife, no life, he's invaluable to our society, so lets just let 'em die.

I have a hard time accepting this. One life can not be more valuable than another. Aging is the reason we are living. We grow to reach certain heights that only come with old age. This is the time we can sit back and view our lives, our accomplishments and everything we have proudly contributed to the world. Among all else, the peak of human knowledge — wisdom — is acquired. We could stand to learn valuable insights if we just gave them a chance. Our grandparents have revolutionized the world. They have battled our world wars, changed politics and set the pathway for a better life for future generations, you and I. One would think the youth of the world would have a profound respect for the elderly.

Furthermore, it is not a question of who deserves to live, it is a question on why it is even an option. An 80-year-old man has just a right to live as a forty-year-old woman. So assisted living may want to reconsider its name, to assisted death since they find necessita-
tion "optional." Assisted living, rest homes are not where we dump our grandparents to die. It is where working parents entrust the ultimate care for assistance in living of those elders who need unlimited time and care.

Teresa Romano is a political science senior.

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OPINION

LETTERS

Should age determine a person's worth?

Mustang Daily Staff Writer

Explaining the assault

Editor:

The article about the Muir Hall resident that was assaulted is slightly flawed. It wasn't a random attack; the resident had been sending death threats en masse to a female dorm resident. The female's parents came to get her and take her home after a few letters had been sent since she was so scared. The article makes it out to sound like the male was attacked; some suspects could get his food, which it wasn't.

The student who wrote the letters has since moved back home with his parents and will attend a junior college. I don't know whether Campus Police couldn't or wouldn't tell this, but I felt it was a fairly major part of the story.

Nathan Sanchez is a biology sophomore.

Letter policy

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SPORTS

FRONT COURT

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placed well all season, Beeson has been the star of late, with two double-doubles (at least 10 points and 10 rebounds) in the last three games.

Beeson, a high school volleyball player, would probably be able to grab more rebounds if one player, in particular, Mayes, did not get in his way.

"It's harder to get rebounds (with Beeson in the starting lineup)," Mayes said.

"He's taken a couple from me. I'm not used to that."

Beeson joked that he and Mayes have a friendly rivalry of who can get more rebounds.

"We were joking around the other day about the competition, saying, 'I'm going to get more boards than you,'" Beeson said.

Schneider has implemented a new game strategy — one started by former Kentucky coach Rick Pitino. His philosophy is to win basketball games shooting 47 percent from the field, get 35 deflections and outrebound your opponent. The Mustangs have achieved these goals in the last three contests.

The emphasis on rebounding is evident in this statistic. When Cal Poly outrebounds opponents, it has a solid 7-2 record.

"Jeremiah and Brandon — the effort they are giving on the boards is contagious. That will elevate the rest of the players to rebound," Schneider said.

Having two established rebounders, in Mayes and Beeson, has allowed the Mustangs to get easy put-back points.

"A lot of times, we would rely on the 3-pointer, and if we weren't hitting it — we'd just lose. Now we got good down-low guys," said Beeson, who played high school ball in Irvine with current Duke center Chris Burgos.

Beeson and Bjorklund can shoot the ball from 19 feet, nine inches and beyond.

"Your opponents sometimes don't expect you to shoot 9-foot-9-inch center to shoot threes," Bjorklund said. You also don't expect your big man to be leading the team in 3-point percentage.

Bjorklund has made 14 of 33 this year, averaging 41 percent.

Mayes, however, has yet to attempt a 3-pointer in his Cal Poly career.

"I've never really been much of a 3-point shooter. I'm like one of the tops in the nation in field goal percentage. If I start shooting threes, that's going to go way down," said Mayes, who has made a team-high 65 percent of his shots from the field.

Another thing Mayes has done better than his teammates is rebound.

Although Bjorklund has been a great scorer, he sometimes lacks in the rebounding department.

"If Chris were the rebounder, Jeremiah has to think how many more points he would score," assistant coach Bob Schneider said. "He would get put-back points. You're looking at two or three more baskets a game."

Bjorklund had a streak of 25 consecutive games of double-figure scoring, until the Jan. 28 University of California, Irvine game, where he scored six points. Bjorklund was hospitalized with a double-ear infection after the Jan. 29 University of North Texas game and did not practice for six days.

"You don't play every game healthy," said Bjorklund, who lost eight pounds last week. "Sometimes you're sick and you sacrifice your body to out there and help your team win."

Mayes has also experienced problems staying healthy. With a sore back, he sat out three games over the course of December and January.

"Just before he got hurt, he was probably playing the best basketball of his career," Bob Schneider said. "When we lost him as a rebounder, it was devastating. It set us back."

But now Mayes and Bjorklund are at full strength. Beeson has been added to make a bigger lineup. The Mustangs have momentum and take to the road having won three in a row.

"If our goals remain to make it to the Big West Tournament and move on to the big dance (NCAA Tournament)," Mayes said. "If that were to happen, just maybe, we might see the letter, "P.O.S.T.5", on the back of our shirts."

Brandon Beeson

sophomore forward

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—Brandon Beeson

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Head coach Ritch Price expects good things from Smith, who is versatile.

"It's a really valuable guy for us because he's very good not only at pitching, but possibly pitch as a starter on Tuesdays, but we see him as our guy," he said. "I mean he pitched in 21 games at Texas Tech last year, which was ranked in the top 15 in the country. He's really solid guy. He has an outstanding change-up—he can locate the ball — so not on those he give us talent, he gives us experience."

Senior outfielder Matt Brady said this team is more experienced than last year.

"We had a lot of deficiencies last year with pitching, and injuries, and freshmen, and not so much leadership," he said. "This year everyone knows what to do," he said. "There is more veteran leadership in the junior college guys." According to Price, last year's team was affected by youth and inexperience.

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Poly going to the big '3'

By Ryan Huff

The title: The trifecta. The shot from downtown.
Insert your favorite 3-point buzzer-beater here — it has been the trademark of the Cal Poly men's basketball team.But not lately — a threesome of forwards has helped the Mustangs to three consecutive victories.

"The posts have actually strengthened out 3-point shooting," head coach Jeff Schneider said. "With forcing the inside attack we have, we are a lot harder to guard on the perimeter." Sophomore standouts Brandon Beeson, Chris Byrland and Jeremiah Mayes have quickly come forth as one of the best front courts in the Big West Conference.

"We understand that trio is very talented," said University of California, Santa Barbara head coach Bob Williams. "Those guys are something to build the program around."When Beeson, Byrland and Mayes start, the Mustangs are 4-1. Byrland and Mayes have been first-stringers all season, however Beeson had to prove himself to earn a starting role.

"He put together three straight really good games before I put him in the starting lineup," Schneider said. "He's probably the biggest 'X-man' (small foul) in the league."These three business majors have been taking care of marketing for the Mustangs.

Mayes is second in conference rebounding (8.6 rpg) while his buddy Byrland averages 8.9 points a game, trailing only Boise State's Roberto Bergerson in conference scoring.

"(Byrland's) a real tough player — he goes inside and out," Bergerson said. "He's got the moves."While Byrland and Mayes have see FRONT COURT, page 6

Padres give up Vaughn, another link with Series

CINCINNATI-ATL (AP) — Figuring they couldn't afford Greg Vaughn beyond this season, the San Diego Padres made another stunning move Tuesday by trading him to the New York Yankees for a couple of Cincinnati Reds minor leaguers.
It was a shock to Vaughn, who set a Padres record with 53 home runs last season and thought the franchise would retain the nucleus of its NL pennant winner once voters approved funding for a new stadium last November.

"We don't understand," Vaughn said during a conference call. "We felt that once we got the stadium, we were going to be able to stay together. And once we got the stadium, everybody's game. We were asked a little bit." Vaughn said during a conference call. "We felt that once we got the stadium, we were going to be able to stay together. And once we got the stadium, everybody's game. We were asked a little bit."

The five-player deal gives the Padres an often-injured outfielder and another parallel with the Florida Marlins, who split up their World Series team shortly after their title in 1997. The Padres also gave up pitcher Matt Stairs, who saved the last two games of the NL title series, and cornerback Dan Jackson, who has spent the last three seasons at Triple-A, and right-hander Josh Harris, who pitched in Class A last season.

Since San Diego got swept by the New York Yankees in the World Series, it has given up at least Kevin Brown, Kent Conman, Steve Finley and Joey Hamilton. Vaughn will make $5.57 million — $850,000 if deferred — in the final year of his three-year contract.

"All we've been trying to do is get younger," Padres general manager Kevin Towers said. "We've achieved that with Reggie and Dan. The thing that's most appealing is we're able to control Reggie for another year (2000) and Vaughn, we don't know if we could."Sanders makes $3.7 million this season and his contract has a team option for 2001 at $3.7 million. The Reds have reportedly tried to trade him, but found teams reluctant because of his injuries. Sanders figured that with spring training a month away, he was owed.

"It was kind of a shock," Sanders said Tuesday. "So much time had passed. I felt that the trade probably would have been a little earlier, with spring training around the corner. When I heard the news, I was really ecstatic to be traded. I felt a change was needed." Vaughn said during a conference call. "San Diego approached the Reds about Vaughn last Thursday and requested Sanders. When the Padres decided to make up some of the $2 million difference in salary, Bowden lobbied Reds managing executive John Boles to go over budget to make the deal. The Padres will probably save over $30 million. Although Vaughn knew there was a chance he would be traded, he never considered the cost-conscious Reds a possibility.

Baseball looks to transfer back to winning ways

By Trisha Thorn

The Cal Poly men's baseball team is looking to turn their this season with the addition of several transfers adding a new dimension to the team.

"I think the team's a lot better this year," senior pitcher Mike Zinelli said. "There's a lot of new faces in the starting rotation." The team has added three transfers: right-hander pitcher Jeremy Cunningham from DeAnza College, catcher Mark Fidelle from Chabot College and right-hander John Smith from Texas Tech University. With a 16-34 record overall and a 7-21 record in the Big West from last season, many of the players are confident the new additions will make all the difference.

"I feel we have a lot better team than last year," senior second baseman Matt Elam said. "We have more experience with the new junior college guys coming in. There's good overall team chemistry and the cohesion is much better than last year."