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WASHINGTON (AP) — Eighteen planet-sized gas balls, wandering free and unattached to a star, have been found in a star field some 1,200 light years from Earth. Astronomers Maria Rosa Zapatero-Olivares of Spain and Robert van der Hulst of Technology said it is the biggest collection of isolated, free-floating planet-like objects ever found and astronomers are at a loss just what to call them.

"There is a problem of nomenclature," said Zapatero, the first author of a study appearing in the journal Science. "She said the objects are not like traditional planets, which are bound by gravity to a central star such as the Sun. And they are too small to be brown dwarfs, which are much smaller than a star, but bigger than a planet.

"At this point, we are calling them 'planetary-mass objects.' "

The formation of young, free-floating planetary-mass objects like these is difficult to explain by our current models of how planets form. The objects are in a star cluster called Sigma Orionis within the constellation Orion. The objects are in a star cluster field called Sigma Orionis within the constellation Orion.

During the eight years of the Clinton administration, and the Pentagon was "overcommitted and under-resourced." "With all due respect, this administration has a bad habit of having the war." he said, citing reports that some units were only permitted to conduct five firing exercises once a year.

Lieberman replied that the United States was "ready to make any commitment that might arise," and added: "I think that there's just something unique about it."

"I started coming to Crusade because my friends started going," said Isaiah Rebb, English sophomore. "I came here and found what I was looking for because God's real, not because Crusade's cool," Gross said.

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Kelly Jaspur, a liberal studies junior, started going because her friend invited her and because she liked the music. Jaspur said she has been a part of several Christian organizations and feels there is something different about Crusade.

"It was the first place where I walked in and felt truly loved—breathlessly loved—and felt accepted by people," she said.

Aside from its weekly meetings, Crusade offers many other activities for students to get involved in. "We want to stay on campus."

Pappas said the meeting was held in the PAC last week, but the $600 price hindered the group from renting it every week.

As Wednesday's Associated Students Inc. Board of Directors meeting, Pappas discussed the group's concern about booking Chumash Auditorium. No steps have been taken yet, but ASI President Sam Abomei offered to look into it, Pappas said.

Despite difficulties in finding a place to meet, Crusade staff members think it's important to make the weekly meetings accessible to as many students as possible.

They know what matters most reaching people for Christ."

Vrty started going to a free, occasional meeting a few years ago, a weekly audience between 200 to 300 people would have been good. Since then, there has been a national shift in Crusade to care about every single student on campus.

Crusade made changes to its weekly meetings as well. "We're not here to put on a show," Vrty said. "We don't want to have a polished meeting that's a facade. God is real. Communion with God is real, so we said 'Let's be real.'"

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Arboretum goes Australian with species from the land down under

By Brian Milne

Nestled against the Santa Lucia Mountains on the north end of campus lies one of Cal Poly's best-kept secrets. A botanical garden exists where bulletins, banners, birds chirp, and the smell of herbs soothes the senses. A colossal case is filled with seeds, paths, wandering in and out of blooming flowers, over babbling brooks and through stunning varieties of plants and trees of the Mediterranean.

Few people know about the fire-escapese blundering the back behind the Environmental Horticulture Science unit, but for those who do, the Learning Pine Arboretum is the perfect place to spend a shady afternoon and escape the stresses of university life.

"It's the sweet spot on campus," said Todd Davidson, a 27-year-old graduate student who has spent the last four years working with the arboretum. "I called in because it's an important cause."

According to chapter chair Laura Dehren, organizers hoped to jam the White House phone lines in protest.

"A lot of people have already been conducted in the West," she said. "And we haven't heard about this before!"

For those who haven't heard, the arboretum specializes in plants adapted to a Mediterranean climate, characterized by hot, dry summers and cool, wet winters.

A 15-minute walk will take you through a handful of eager collectors — maintained solely by the students — displaying plants from California, New Zealand, the Mediterranean basin and the garden's newest addition from Australia and South Africa.

"The concept behind the whole garden is to display plants that do good in our climate on the Central Coast," Davidson said.

The arboretum is actually constructed, in part to the efforts of Davidson.

"We've really worked," he said. "We've expanded from fence to fence and almost all five acres are filled. Davidson took on the responsibility of restoring the Australian section as a senior project, researching and collecting during the collection's first phase.

"There's a lot of learning going on up there," said Tom Eltzroth, director of the Learning Pine Arboretum. "We have a lot of plants that are hard to find. You can't go down to the corner nursery and find them."

From sunrise to sunset, visitors can stroll the trails to gather ideas for their home gardens, enjoy guided tours, or just sit peacefully and enjoy nature's bounty.

The arboretum is also a pleasant getaway for studying students and hungry faculty on their lunch breaks.

"It's been unbelievable working with the students," said Todd Davidson. "Just being a part of the arboretum has been a life-changing experience in a big way.

― The Learning Pine Arboretum is located at the environmental horticulture science unit, building 48, on Via Carta past the new sports complex.

The arboretum is free and open to the public from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, excluding holidays.

Protest organizers call for ‘direct action and vigil’ rally

By Christine Powell

Mustang Daily Staff Writer

International Day of Protest on Oct. 7 marks the opposition to the militarization of space. The Vandenberg Action Coalition, joined with the Guadalupe Catholic Workers and other groups, is working against the militarization of space, and has planned a "Creative Non-Violent Direct Action and Rally" at Vandenberg Air Force Base in Lompoc. The rally is planned for Saturday, in honor of the International Day of Protest.

The day will start off with a legal rally at 1 p.m., with speakers and music, followed by a "creative, non-violent direct action and vigil," held at 3 p.m.

Call 911 will be how to two speakers on the militarization of space on Friday in building 3, room 213.

According to an e-mail from Sheila Baker, a student involved with the rally, the first speaker is Oliver Zapatista-Anser. She was born in the Philippines, grew up in San Francisco and later went to prison as part of a master's degree. She became a health and safety worker, and, in her part job, gave speeches to schools and helped mobile phones to picket outside of toxic polluting companies in Silicon Valley. She is currently working on her thesis titled "Borderless, Hazardous and Disposable: A Call for all Silicon Valley high tech industries to provide their 21st century multicultural workforce and surrounding communities a culturally and linguistically sensitive health and safety training and education on high-tech hazards."

The other speaker is Bruce Gagnon. According to Baker's e-mail, he is the coordinator of the Global Network Against Weapons and Nuclear Power in Space, an organization dedicated to space issues, has already scheduled to team up with over 60 groups at locations worldwide. The organization serves to educate groups on current issues in space and how they affect humanity.

The Central Coast is the area that has gained the most publicity over the matter due to the proximity and activism at Vandenberg Air Force Base.

"The U.S. government has continually increased funding for the militarization of space in recent years, specifically at Vandenberg Air Force Base," said Dennis Arell of Guadalupe Catholic Workers.

"The whole program is initially set at $60 billion," he said. "Most of the scientific community says that the concept will not work, but the Pentagon says that it will work," he said.

Vandenberg was unavailable for comment.

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Whether you're a Republican, Democrat or something else, you have to agree Gore was the better debater. He showed his strength as an individual when he refused to respond to Bush's claims of bad character and scandal. It's pretty sad Bush had to be reminded once again that Gore was not the president of the United States for the past seven years, nor did he have "sexual issues for both his policies as well as Bush's. It seemed Rush needed a little material or knowledge of the issues to fill a 90-minute debate. And when he did speak he sounded rehearsed and impersonal. Looking at the issues, Bush is proposing to open up the Arctic National Wildlife Reserve for oil companies to start drilling. What is he thinking? Oh, that's right, he's been in the oil business in Texas. Sounds like a conflict of interest to me.

Gore responded to Bush's outrageous proposal by assuring America that our national wildlife reserves would continue to be preserved as they are intended to. Gore proved to be the better debater and the stronger candidate. He took his points and gave supporting information. So he seemed to get a little excited and some may say he was acting like a bully. At least he knew what he was talking about, for the both of them.

I have to give Bush credit for revealing his true intentions. He came right out and said women shouldn't have the right to choose what they do with their bodies. He plans to appoint judges to the Supreme Court that will overturn Roe v. Wade.

Jolie Waltz is a journalism senior and Mustang Daily staff writer.

Let us not be confused by Gore's preachy issue speak. It's character that counts. Bush won the debate with his ability to focus on character and not dip into the dribble of policy, policy, policy.

Bush's debate did not flow with eloquence on policy nor did he wow us with his knowledge on domestic and international topics. But Gore's sniveling and pandering weakened his stance. Gore's behavior at center stage grew more and more unpleasant. His audible distracting sighs, the rolling of eyes and fidgeting were telling signs that his mind was not in the debate. It did not help that he constantly fought for the final word on each topic.

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Opinion

Mud wrestling hurts frat image

WARNING: READING THIS COMMENTARY MAY RESULT IN CERTAIN PEOPLE DISAGREEING WITH ME, but that isn't what an opinion does.

Last Monday, a certain fraternity played host to an event which some may call entertaining, fun and sexy. Others may call it a very example of what society has become. The event... mud-wrestling. Now first off, I want to say that it's not the girls I have an issue with. If they want to mud-wrestle, then mud-wrestle. It's not my choice, it would never be my choice and I won't think less of them for choosing it. My first issue lies with the event. The fraternity decided it would be fun to have their "fattest friends" wrestle each other in hopes of enticing more boys to join their house. They were exploiting the women and being very obvious about it.

My second issue is with these boys. Real men don't need to explore women to have other men join their fraternity. I'm surprised the fraternity would even want to bring this type of attention to their house, especially when the Greek system constantly complains that the only type of attention they ever get is negative attention. Did they think this event would go unnoticed?

My third issue is the fact that these guys consciously decided to have mud-wrestling. I cannot comprehend their reasoning for it. No other fraternity was having such an outrageous event.

It seemed that in the fraternity mud schedule, most were having their regular barbecues on Mott Lawn, Little Theater Lawn or using McPhee's for bowling and pool. Do the frat brothers think having mud-wrestling makes them somewhat of a creative and original fraternity? Personally, I don't think so. I think it lowers the fraternity to the level of drooling male adolescents seeing their first issue of Playboy. Haven't you grown out of that stage? Or are you still lost in a dream?

Having been through sorority nab, I always understood the mud process to be an opportunity to get to know some of the prospective brothers and sisters that visit the house. Perhaps fraternity nab is different, I really don't know. It just seems that it may be somewhat difficult to get to know some of these prospective brothers with their eyes fixed on something that's not even a member of the fraternity and not even a regular facet of the fraternity. I somehow doubted the girls' purely justly just hop on over and mud-wrestle each other regularly out of boredom. Isn't this what the guys there to meet you, or were they there only to see the half-naked women?

I think the entire event gives a distorted image of the house, as well as damaging the reputation of the entire fraternity system. It's a cheap play in hope of obtaining new members. It's supposed to say: "Hey, we're cool guys. Look, we have hot girls wrestling in our backyard. Come join our fraternity!"

But instead, it really only says: "Hey, we're dumb guys trying to look cool."

All it does is put the last drop of soil in their already dug grave of a boyhood, never to rise to the level of manhood.

Victoria Walsh is a journalism senior and Mustang Daily staff writer who really wants to wrestle in chocolate pudding.

Letters to the editor

Could logo money have been better spent?

Editor,

I just read that the foundation spent $40,000 to acquire a logo for the athletics department. Take this fact for student designers, Oct. 5. Bull! For them it is a really, really, really looking logo. These three, free, logos printed with the article all look pretty good. I just wonder what else could have been done with the $40,000.

A full time lecturer for a year (teaching three or four sections a quarter) would make the money more useful. This would amount to some 350 or 400 students being allowed to take a class that they wouldn't be able to get into due to no space available in the class. I wouldn't want to say that the efforts of those that made the logo were over valued. They probably worked really hard for the money.

They turned out a product, and found a buyer willing to pay. Who's to fault them for that. But it seems to me that something being paid well more than $40,000 should look into this.

J. Michael Robertson is a mathematics lecturer.

Coincidences are fun

Editor,

I just wanted to compliment journalism senior Ryan Miller on his ability to kill a good mood in his Oct. 2 editorial, "Coincidences shouldn't be that surprising."

Evidently, he feels differently, but little coincidences make me smile, and I enjoy that.

Perhaps he should try the less cynical approach and just be glad to see a familiar face.

Kelly Philippson is a journalism freshman.

Lazy Americans buy medals

In this age of information, knowledge abounds. No matter what the subject, the Internet serves as a tool for all data seekers. Now that shopping online has hit new heights of popularity and safety, more shoppers are turning to their computers before leaving their homes. Individuals who would rather remain homebound have found it convenient and fast to click on what they want or need, than rather going out and searching on the retail shelves.

Many older generations may look upon the ritual of "point and click" as a lay, and many attest that the Internet has added to the lay's epidemic that has hit many people in America - an epidemic exemplified by the lay's growing sense of oversaturation, as compared to other countries.

Although leisure may be a subject of concern, America has not lost her sense of patriotism and dedication to the Olympic Games. Many students in Sydney, Americans showed their spirit and were expected to come out on top in a majority of the sports. The athletes put their hearts and souls into the particular sport of choice, and when the time came to do their best, many performed well enough for medals. But now those couch potato, Internet-shopping fans can also have medals, simply by logging on to eBay.

It's easier than ever to get an Olympic medal, that is, if you have the cash. Gold, silver, and bronze medals, and other Olympic memorabilia are available for purchase. Building a medal for a dollar or two is impossible, but there are Olympic medals available for purchase. Building a medal for a dollar or two is impossible, but there are Olympic medals available for purchase. Building a medal for a dollar or two is impossible, but there are Olympic medals available for purchase.

Since the time when TV audiences saw spectators vigorously trading Olympic memorabilia at the 1996 games, the frenzy over Olympic memorabilia has become so intense that several online memorabilia sites have popped up. Olympic tickets, a medal, a torch runner's shoes from the Berlin Games and even the torch itself are available.
News

Warner, EMI halt merger

LONDON (AP) - Time Warner Inc. and EMI Group have called off their $22 billion joint venture in a face off against European regulators, reversing a bitter last-minute bid to save Time Warner's larger combination with American Century.

The Warner-EMI deal would have created a giant music company, reducing the number of major record companies in the world from five to four. European regulators had expressed concern that the new company would have had a dominant position in the markets and in the emerging area of online music distribution.

The two companies offered several conditions, as the end they were not sufficient. These remedies were reported to have included a sale of Virgin, a major music label acquired from British mogul Richard Branson in 1992, as well as the sale of parts of the companies' music publishing businesses.

The Warner said in a statement that the two companies have "terminated their current agreement" but have also agreed to pursue a new combination that would make the deal must consistent with our shareholder value objectives." The Warner deal would have created a 50-50 joint venture representing 2,500 musicians and accounting for 2,200 new albums a year. It would also have been in a very strong position in delivering music online through Time Warner's proposed acquisition by AOL.

With the EMI deal now off the table, analysts say the AOL deal could have a better chance of approval from European regulators. A decision from European regulators is expected no later than Oct. 24, and U.S. antitrust authorities are also reviewing the combination.

Eric Nicola, chairman of EMI Group, said it wants its company in the world and it was the largest music company in the world. Walt Disney Co. and Rupert Murdoch's News Corp. could also be interested in EMI, analysts say.

A combination with a major music label such as BMG, however, would also be the better regulatory proposition, as the Warner-EMI deal did. The Warner-EMI deal would have left BMG, Sony and Universal as the only remaining major record companies.

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Congressman's son commits suicide, family blames new acne medication

TRAVES CITY, Mich. (AP) — Rep. Bart Stupak says his 17-year-old son, básico, this year may be linked to the popular acne medicine Accutane.

"If it can happen to our family it certainly can happen to you, and we don't want anyone to go through that," Stupak said.

Hoffman-La Roche, which manufactures Accutane, contends no link has been proven between the drug and depression or suicide. In 1998, the company argued that more than 4 million Americans have taken Accutane since it was approved in 1982, and the possible side effect is very rare. It said teenagers, prone acne sufferers, often suffer depression, and hormones involved with acne also may contribute to depression.

The Stupaks said there was no reason to blame Accutane for their son's death or to blame the parents for not protecting their son.

"We knew our son, we loved our son," Stupak said on NBC's "Today" show.

The congressman and his wife, Laurie, said they had considered every possible explanation for B.J.'s suicide and "the only thing we can find is Accutane."

In 1996, the Food and Drug Administration advised doctors to prescribe Accutane to watch their patients for signs of depression. Afterward, the company notified doctors that the drug "may cause depression, psychosis, and, rarely, suicidal ideation, suicide attempts, and suicide.

B.J. suffered from depression for several years before his death. A suicide note was found, but it was not clear whether it was written by him.

Stupak said the FDA had done poorly at spreading the word. B.J.'s medication had not been warned and the doctor didn't tell the parents about the link to depression, either his father said.

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Özone whole at record size

New Zealand (AP) — The hole in the ozone layer over Antarctica stretched over a Chilean city when it ballooned to a record size last month, the first time it has reached a population center, scientists said Thursday.

"For the first time in its eight-year history, the hole opened over Antarctica and the surrounding ocean," said data from the U.S. space agency NASA, atmospheric research scientist Stephen Wood said the hole covered 11.4 million square miles in Sept. 9 and 10.

For those two days, the hole extended over Punta Arenas, a southern Chile city of about 120,000 people, exposing residents to very high levels of ultraviolet radiation. Too much UV radiation can cause skin cancer and destroy tiny plants at the beginning of the food chain.

Wood is a researcher with New Zealand's respected National Institute of Water and Atmospheric Research.

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**Sports**

**Friday, October 6, 2000**

**Cars beat Braves again, go up 2-0**

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Another of the Atlanta Braves' golden runs left Busch Stadium badly tarnished, putting the St. Louis Cardinals within one win of the NL championship series.

Tom Glavine was pounded for seven runs and 11 hits — his highest output in seven years — in the Cards' 13-2 loss to the Atlanta Braves.

"We were just so excited to welcome him into our sorority!"

Jim Edmonds was 3-for-4 with three RBIs against them.

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"Eilers is excellent, we are lucky to have both her (and Kristen) Sigel," Luna said.

Eilers is in her fourth year as an active player on the team. She and Hannah Sprague are the seniors on the team. Eilers' game experience reaches back to 1997 when she was chosen this quickly since losing two in 7-5 losses to Los Angeles on Aug. 19, 1999.

The Cardinals' three left-handed hitters were 4-for-6 with a home run, two doubles and five RBIs against them.

The Idaho Vandals have had a
Football opens five-game homestand

By Jayson Rowley
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Cal Poly football returns home this weekend to start the first of five home games in a row against St. Mary's. The Mustangs are coming off of a 42-13 loss in the previous game to Boise State.

"We had a long trip. The schedule of the team is really improving," head coach Larry Walsh said. "We've had good practices and the team is really improving."

St. Mary's is 2-3 on the year while the Mustangs have a 1-3 mark.

In last week's game against Southern Utah, the Mustangs were led by freshman tailback Brandon Shepard, 99 yards rushing and quarterback Seth Burford's 219 yards passing.

"We're going to be passing the ball a lot, and they are an option team," Walsh said. "We learned a lot from playing Southern Utah. Our guys have a better understanding, especially defensively." Senior outside linebacker Vic Lien is feeling better and practiced for the fourth match against Utah State.

Head coach Steve Schlick reflected on the long weekend against Utah State and Boise State.

"They were pleased to win (against Boise State)," he said. "We learned a lot from playing Southern Utah. Our guys have a better understanding, especially defensively."

Senior outside linebacker Vic Lien is feeling better and practiced for the fourth match against Utah State.

"Hopefully we will come together as a team. Recently we have been working on better coverage. That will have a big effect on Saturday."

The Vandals have three players with more than 140 season kills this year. Cal Poly has one - Melanie Hathaway.

"I think she has been playing outstanding. (She is) a great captain on the court," Lien said. "I know she will stand out on Saturday."

During the rotation, Lien sits out while senior Cyndi Elder plays the see VOLLEYBALL, page 7

Mustangs hope to vandalize Idaho

By Matt Smart
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Cal Poly football returns home this weekend to start the first of five home games in a row against St. Mary's. The Mustangs are coming off of a 42-13 loss in the previous game to Boise State.

"We had a long trip. The schedule of the team is really improving," head coach Larry Walsh said. "We've had good practices and the team is really improving."

St. Mary's is 2-3 on the year while the Mustangs have a 1-3 mark.

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Time for football predictions

Week six should be an exciting week in the NFL. Divisional matchups between the top teams should be close games, many of which should come down to last-second scores. The Minnesota Vikings and the New York Jets will try to keep their undefeated records going. Here is what I think will be the top five games of week six.

NFL Picks of the Week:

1. Tampa Bay (3-2) at Minnesota (4-0): I don't think anyone would have thought Minnesota would be 4-0 at the beginning of the year. All good things come to an end though, and this is the week for the Vikings. The Vikings' offense will struggle against a great Tampa Bay defense.

2. Matt Sanchez

The Buccaneers' defense has given up the lowest amount of points and the second least total yards in the NFC. Turnovers will be a big factor in this game. On the season, the Bucs have a plus five turnover ratio while the Vikings have a negative three turnover ratio. The Bucs have lost two games in a row and won't lose three in a row.

My Pick: Baltimore (4-1) at Jacksonville (2-3): Jacksonville is on a two-game losing streak while Baltimore is on a two-game winning streak. Fortunately for the Jags, they're at home, but it doesn't matter. How can the Jaguars beat a tough Baltimore team if last week at home the Jaguars couldn't beat a weak Pittsburgh team? Answer: They can't. Baltimore is just too good of a team overall for Jacksonville. Baltimore has the best team defense and the third best team offense in the AFC. The Ravens' defense is only allowing 11 points per game this year. The Ravens' kicker, Matt Stover, is second in the NFL in scoring. Stover's foot should be the difference in this close, low-scoring game.

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3. Buffalo (2-2) at Miami (4-1): This is a battle between two AFC East rivals. Buffalo has a two game losing streak going while Miami is on a...