College weddings are hard to arrange. The bride and groom asked to be let loose. The wedding was held in Monterey Poly matrimony: the clerk, who normally isn't a very touchy person, was talking all night long. At 17, it was Jenny's first time dropping Ecstasy. Her boyfriend had purchased the white capsules prior to boarding the ship although, Jenny explained, it would have been easier to buy or sell Ecstasy on the boat. Jenny's dabbling with the "love drug," as it is affectionately called by its users, has become a common tale among young adults. But has the increase of Ecstasy in society reached Cal Poly's campus and small town San Luis Obispo? On Oct. 8, 23 college-age students were arrested at a "rave" party in San Luis Obispo for using Ecstasy. That's not the first time the drug has surfaced in town. Six college-age students were arrested last May at the Forum downtown for using the drug. Ecstasy, otherwise known as MDMA, has become especially popular with college students and young adults, according to the Drug Enforcement Administration. The drug, which was first discovered in the 1970s, had a reoccurring stint for about two years in the 1980s and then was replaced by larger drugs, such as heroin and cocaine. Over the last five years, Ecstasy has reappeared, and according to an article in Time Magazine, it has reached out to everyone from businessm en to middle-aged adults to college students. See ECSTASY, page 2 Ecstasy pills like these come in many whimsical designs and colors. The drug is also called the "love drug" or "Adam." Bay were pounding with techno music. College and high school-age students grew increasingly more touchy, "going at it," in the bathroom and taking off layers of clothes. But Jenny, who is now a Cal Poly senior, was happy and relaxed. She was on Ecstasy, as were most of the young adults who opted to take the all-night "chib on-a-boat" cruise around the Bay. As a result of the drug, Jenny (whose name has been changed) grew incredibly sociable and confident, and the night passed by as if it were only two hours long. "I was very dancy," explained Jenny, who normally isn't a very touchy person. "I was talking all night long." Poly and spoke with him. This is the interview. What was your life like before "Big Brother?" I was an average college student. I never really thought about going into TV or being a model. I was just running to a lot of different things on campus with my friends, and just was like an average college student that had a girlfriend. I also held jobs while I was in school... I was very busy. It was like a whirlwind. During the summers, I did internships... I was just about to take another internship... when I got picked to go on the show. So, I took it because I knew it would be a break from basically being a die-hard student with career goals. That was the way I lived... What was the hardest thing about leaving the life you knew here to go on the "Big Brother" show? I didn't tell anyone. I had to keep it a secret about me getting picked to go on the show. Just because I didn't want anyone to know who the contestants were going to be on the show. So that was tough. Other than that, I didn't tell anyone about it, except for my immediate family and my employer. I had been away for like a year and a half... see SOUZA, page 6

Krebs trial moves to Monterey

By Sonia Slutski Mustang Daily Staff Writer

Since the time of George Washington, the American president profile has not changed much. Besides the controversial election of John F. Kennedy in 1960, most presidents have been white, Protestant males. Recently, the trend changed slightly when Joseph Lieberman, a Jewish-American, became Al Gore's running mate. But a closer look at the underbelly reveals that a change is taking place, even if it is only under the shadow of big party politics.

Green Party candidate Ralph Nader and running mate Winona LaDuke are not your typical candidates. Nader is a Harvard Law School graduate born to Lebanese immigrant parents. LaDuke, also a Harvard graduate, lives in the White Earth Reservation in Minnesota. Her mother is a Russian Jew from New York and her father is a Native-American from the Ojibwe tribe.

"Nader is not a typical politician. Bush and Gore are just running for a popularity contest," said Scott Simon, a Cal Poly alumnus. "Nader is a real person with real interests." Nader's platform advocates the withdrawal and renegotiation of North American Free Trade Agreement and World Trade Organization agreements a cut on military spending by about a third and the establishment of a universal health care system. "We've got a lot of problems in the country, but we also have a lot of solutions to energy, to housing, to health care," said Nader during an interview with Scott Simon on National Public Radio (NPR). "How come we're not applying them? Because people don't have the power corporations do. We need campaign finance reform... very simply by having a well-promoted voluntary checkout on the 1040 tax return up to a hundred dollars per person, and some free time on radio and TV for ballot-qualified candidates." Nader also wants to abandon the standardized testing both Bush and Gore endorse, and focus on education towards a more civic oriented system. When it comes to taxes, he wants to end tax breaks for big businesses and against the rich. "The rich should pay a larger percent than the middle and lower-income people... because their power developed from money that enriched them," said Nader to the San Francisco Chronicle in 1996. Nader says he does not accept any contributions for his campaign to make a point that private money corrupts politics. When he was asked by NIR if he would release copies of his tax return and financial disclosure statements, as just other candidates do, he said he would not. "I want to practice what I've preached for 30 years. I have advocated the privacy of medical records," see NADER, page 6

Ecstasy use a growing trend in college towns

Kirsten Orsiini-Meinhard Mustang Daily Managing Editor

Around here, the music blared and the closeness of the other dancers created a suffocating heat. All three floors of the ship docked in the San Francisco Bay were pounding with techno music. College and high school-age students grew increasingly more touchy, "going at it," in the bathroom and taking off layers of clothes. But Jenny, who is now a Cal Poly senior, was happy and relaxed. She was on Ecstasy, as were most of the young adults who opted to take the all-night "chib on-a-boat" cruise around the Bay. As a result of the drug, Jenny (whose name has been changed) grew incredibly sociable and confiden...
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Structurally similar to an amphet­amine, the drug causes a variety of physical and emotional symptoms. After "dropping," 30 to 45 minutes will pass before users begin to feel the effects. Usually they experience a generally happy feeling that is often described as "being at peace with everything." Common surroundings are magnified into strikingly beautiful objects and suddenly, the user has no problem communicating or feeling comfortable in surroundings that would normally cause him or her to be uncomfortable.

Ecstasy is often dubbed the "love drug," but it significantly enhances the five senses, especially the sense of touch. Being rubbed by another person or touching someone's hair or face becomes a sensual experience.

Proponents of Ecstasy often argue that the drug causes almost no phys­i­cal side effects as do other amphet­amines. There is often dryness of the mouth, eye wiggles, sweating or nausea.

Users often wear pacifiers or candy necklaces to suck on when coming on. "It's like a flickering light on a car...it's flickering you need to check," Aeilts said.

The only problem with Ecstasy is that campus police officers simply don't know what to look for, Aeilts explained. Because Ecstasy's popular­ity has only recently grown, campus police have just become educated on the warning signs. While cocaine and crack users are fairly obvious to spot, it's nearly impossible to tell the difference between an Ecstasy user and a person who's just having fun, Aeilts said.

"That doesn't mean they aren't prepared to jump on a campus Ecstasy problem as they did on the Rohypnol scare." It's far better to get into a pre­ventative mode," Aeilts said.

Ecstasy in San Luis Obispo

While MDMA may be hiding under floor boards or in closets on campus, it's a drug that the Police Department in San Luis Obispo has encountered in more than one circ­umstance recently.

"It came to our attention that it was widespread a year ago," said Sgt. Bad Silva.

In November of 1999, the police received information that people attending parties at the Forum on Main Street were using Ecstasy. After being tipped off, the police organized an investigation that cul­minated in the arrest of six college-age ravers on May 11. Silva said he couldn't specify if they were Cal Poly or Cal Poly San Luis Obispo students.

The undercover investigation revealed that there is a large market for Ecstasy in the San Luis Obispo area, Silva said. Investigators found college-age students buying and sell­ing the drug.

"According to some people we've talked to, they've told us that there's quite a bit of Ecstasy in the area," Silva said. "The one thing that makes it difficult to detect is that it's kept in secret."

The drug usually only surfaces at raves in the community. To further investigate, the University Police teamed up with the County Sheriff's office to study the effects of arrested students in the San Luis Obispo community. For the past six months, beginning in January 2000, the two entities tracked stu­dent arrests - why and for what rea­son they were occurring.

They found that in the majority of 160 student arrests, the offenses were alcohol, not drug, related. But the facts still remain that from May to October, 29 young adults in San Luis Obispo were arrested for using Ecstasy.
Peer Health offers leadership, learning opportunities

By Jordan Roberts
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

If you've ever wanted to help your fellow students, now is the chance. The peer health education teams are accepting applications for those interested in beginning the position in winter.

Reagan Dominguez, health educator for counseling services, said she is looking for students that enjoy helping people and want experience for future job. She said most of the applicants in the past have had some experience with peer educating or other leadership activities.

The peer health program is a 12-unit leadership program. The peer educators provide one-on-one consultations with students, as well as lead workshops for dorms, societies, fraternities, clubs and sports teams.

Being a peer health educator is a year-long commitment that requires about four hours per week. The time commitment increases during special periods organized by peer educators such as Wellness Day in the University Union Plaza or a nutrition workshop series at a local junior high school.

There are three teams of peer health educators: Educational Resources on Sexuality (EROS) and Nutrition and Thoughtful Lifestyle Choices (TLC).

Megane Leach, a psychology senior, has been a peer health educator for the EROS team since spring. She said the team helps to prevent people from getting sexually transmitted infections.

The EROS team answers questions related to sexuality, including information on contraception. Leach said if women come into the Health Center for their first pelvic exam, they are referred to the EROS team for one-on-one consultation before the exam.

The EROS and TLC teams are comprised of students from various majors. In order to be an educator for the nutrition team, students must be nutrition majors and have completed certain classes.

Sarah Hewson, a nutrition senior and team member, said the nutrition team consults with students about general nutrition and gives diet analyses. The group often helps new students with special eating concerns, such as diabetes, to figure out what they can eat on campus.

"This is my first year being a peer health educator, but already I am applying what I have learned in my nutrition classes," Hewson said. "I plan on going into health education after graduation, so this really helps me. So far it has been fun and a good experience."

Dominguez said the TLC team helps students with issues such as general wellness, alcohol and drugs. She said this team handles any issues that don't fall under nutrition and sexual health.

Leach said most of the peer health educators want to go into the medical profession after college.

"I want to be a nurse practitioner, so this really helps me prepare for the helping profession," she said. "It has given me experience filling out the same forms that the nurses fill out, meeting with students one-on-one, and being in a professional atmosphere."

For more information on peer health educators, or to pick up an application, go to health and counseling services in building 27 or call 756-6181. The deadline for applications is Nov. 17.

Win a Free Pancake Breakfast with President Baker!

In 2001, Cal Poly is turning 100 years old! Help us plan the party of the century by filling out this survey and turning it in to the ASI Student Government Office (UU 202) by Wednesday, Oct. 25th, 4pm. All completed questionnaires will be placed into a drawing for the Pancake Breakfast with President Baker!

1. What type of events would you like to see during the Centennial Celebration?
   □ A carnival at Open House 2001 □ "Beautify Cal Poly Day" ... clean up our campus
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2. Check each box of an activity if you would be interested in participating in the event:
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   □ Cal Poly Talent Showcase □ Volunteer at the SLO Senior Center
   □ Ice Cream Sundays on Dexter Lawn □ Other:

3. Clubs/Organizations: How would you like your club to be represented/promoted during the Centennial Celebration?

Learning some healthy habits from the start

By Jolie Walz
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

To a majority of the university population, college means late-night pizza, beer and constant snacking. This can lead to some unhealthy habits.

Variety, moderation and balance were the themes for eating on campus at a Peer Health Education seminar at Sweeney residence hall on Oct. 11.

Peer health member Dolores Donne and Julie Hocking, nutritional science seniors, gave students suggestions for how to eat healthy on campus incorporating basic nutritional concepts.

"A lot of students had some type of sport or physical activity in high school that they don’t have now. Add dorm snacking and drinking, you have to work harder to stay healthy," said Emily Carlson, nutritional science freshman.

Donne assured the audience that it is possible to eat healthy on campus.

The presenters lectured on the keys to a healthy diet and feeling more energized to face the day.

"You’ve probably been told all your life that breakfast is the most important meal of the day," Hocking said. "Well, it is.

Another tip for keeping you going during a long day on campus is to keep snacks with you, such as nuts to concentrate in class," Donne said. "It’s hard to fall asleep when you’re chewing."

"Health teaches the importance of avoiding extreme highs and lows on your personal hunger range.

"Get to know your body," Donne said. "You don’t always have to clear your plate. You’ll know it’s time to stop eating when you can’t taste the food anymore."
Be charitable, don’t ignore homelessness

You’ve seen them everywhere. They hang out at ATMs and ask you if you can spare some change. They sit on street corners with signs that say “Will Work for Food” or the beloved banner “Who Lit? I Just Want A Beer.” In cities like Paris, they’ll enter a metro car, tell their story, and then go around collecting money. They range from the most aggressive types who try to gain your pity with their rattling doors or pathetic facial expressions to the passed out or sleeping types who have left for the sidewalk to recoup.

You’ve probably guessed by now that I’m talking about homeless people. Homelessness is everywhere. They seem to be especially noticeable in the largest cities of the world. In some of these cities, the homeless are quite organized, selling a special newspaper or magazine. One of the happiest moments in my small amount of experience with homeless people occurred when I heard a guy shouting, “This is my last for selling! The Big Issue! A homeless newspaper in the UK! Tomorrow, I’m employed!” Another more awkward moment occurred when a homeless man came to me to ask if he could talk to me about how Tom Brat doesn’t know anything about homeless people and then apologized when he finished.

Experience tells us that there’s no simple solution to the problem of homelessness. I suppose in past ages, homeless people might have been sold into slavery and allowed to work for a portion of their time, which would have diminished the amount of experience with homeless people. But I have lived in a city where I know that I would need to buy the homeless a means of earning a living. The aforementioned newspapers and magazines are one way of giving the homeless a means of earning a living, and they can buy their own homes. Church-sponsored homeless shelters often offer a warm meal and bed, but that fails to address the root causes of homelessness. So, homeless people turn to begging on the streets. I’m sure all of us have wrestled with whether or not to give something to the homeless. At what point does it seem to make sense to these questions is what the homeless person is thinking about with the money. Many people choose to think the worse. He’s just going to buy some beer or drugs. Maybe, I’d rather think the best of someone.

Here are some of the more charitable ways friends of mine have dealt with the homeless. Rich decided not to give money out, so he carried McDonald’s gift certificates in his wallet to give away. Thomas chose to give money to everyone who asked, and thinking optimistically, didn’t ask questions. Sean also preferred not to give money; he prayed with a homeless guy and then bought him a drink. Whether or not you like any of these methods, there are plenty of possibilities. Pioneer your own method!

And for those of you who either have no money to give or that you’re willing to part with, I have this advice: Don’t ever give a homeless person’s most wanted need. Most won’t have it if you don’t pick up, but they will feel slighted when you choose to look the other way, avoid eye contact, or pass to the other side of the street. There’s not subhuman, but humans deserve the same level of respect that you do. At least give a smile and a warm “Hello.”

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Opinion

Students should wait to be wed

As a bridesmaid, I watched my friend and former roommate walk down the aisle and commit herself to the man of her dreams. Months and months of planning converged into one emotion filled day that came and went faster than I “did.” Redly set in, though, when my friend came back from her Hawaiian honeymoon, only to have to start her fourth year of college at Cal Poly.

I have met many students who have gone through or are going through the same scenarios. Either they met that special someone during their freshman year and an engagement blossomed, or they took the plunge with their high school sweetheart, all while still going to school. Getting engaged or married in a college student can be a fairytale experience for some, while some of it is a nightmare others could never conceive of happening.

My friend married her high school sweetheart. My roommate and I saw it coming from a mile away. We used to watch “Wedding Bells” tearing her as she denied the notion that she would get married soon. Suddenly, it was Christmas, and she was engaged with a date set for the next summer. Everything seemed to just fall into place. I wondered, though, why she felt the need to get married so quickly. She had been her boyfriend for nearly four years. She had one or two or at least a college while he was still trying to decide what sort of career he would go into. She lived with roommates while he still lived at home with his parents. At the time of the engagement (his senior year), she was 20 years old. It seemed that this might not have been the best time to go through the extremely stressful and expensive process of having a wedding. My friend told me over and over that she had never been so sure of anything. Getting married would make everything complete for her. To me, it seemed like a choice she was uncertain. Her fiancé had been her first and only boyfriend. She had never known a life without him. It was true and therefore that maybe she would never have the experience of getting dumped, having bruises that develop into rashes or awoken first times before deciding what she would marry.

Now that my friend’s wedding has come and gone, she told me the hardest part of getting married was all the planning. Picking out invitations, trying on dresses and deciding who would be the one to start their wedding plans and spending time with her fiancé. I asked my friend what I like to be a married college student. She said it really isn’t any different from the years before she was single. The only difference is that now she lives with her husband and has a different last name. Ultimately, the process leading up to her wedding was more stressful than her marriage is running out to be. She has only been married for a couple months, but she is certain she made the right decision.

Although I live with my boyfriend, I nowhere near getting married, yet alone engaged. I told my friend this, and she asked me why I would need to take that extra step in my relationship with my boyfriend. Would anything really change? I already live with him, why should I be married to him? For my friend, taking that extra step was the definitive in her relationship with her boyfriend. She wanted to do things the safe and happy, and she didn’t want to wait. I admire her in together and live happily ever after.

Although I am very happy for my friend, I am also worried that she might have jumped into the married life too soon. College is a time to make mistakes, map out your life and do crazy things before settling down into a career and life of wedlock bliss. I think if you’re truly in love with your significant other, waiting a little bit longer to get married isn’t such a bad idea. Why put yourself through the undue stress of a marriage when you can barely manage a full load of classes?

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What are you going to be for Halloween?

► Um, myself, I guess.
Aliciana Loera computer engineering senior

► I’ll probably just get a sheet and be a ghost.
John Barnes physics sophomore

► I think I’m going to be a laundry basket.
Jill Johnson graduate student

► I was Britney Spears last year I might go as Christina Aguilera this year.
Sarah Thien soil science junior

► The Mad Hatter. My girlfriend is going as Alice in Wonderland.
Rhiannon Feehan history freshman

► I want to be a flapper, 1920s style.
Sarah Thien soil science junior

► Thing #2 from Dr. Seuss. My twin sister is going as #1.
Rhiannon Feehan history freshman

► I’m going to be a dinosaur.
Sam full-time dog

► I’m going to be a dinosaur.
Adam Helliwell mechanical engineering junior

► I want to be a flapper, 1920s style.
Rhiannon Feehan history freshman

Letter to the editor
Disposable pots and pans, please
Editor,

I live with a kitchen in my bedroom. It's not a bad arrangement. In fact, it's a most pleasing sensation to have a full scale refrigerator posed a mere 10 feet from my bed.

However, such luxury comes at a price! In order to have a plethora of tasty morsels at my fingertips, the architects were forced to rob me of precious counter and sink space.

I sit here, obviously not studying for my two midterms tomorrow, pondering a better approach. My proposal is simple, merge lots of sink and counter space with a refrigerator and fit it all into a small floor plan studio. After much mental deliberation, I have been unable to devise a solution not requiring a modest amount of demolition.

Instead, the only remedy for my kitchen woes lies in the Cal Poly student body. I most adamantly ask, can someone devise a one-time use pots and pans thereby eliminating the infamous dirty dish cluster? Please consider, this has been a senior project written all over it.

Max Roth is a computer engineering senior.
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income tax records, because I think that's an essential defense to corporate power and arbitrary government power," he said.

In the same interview, Nader said his goal is not necessarily to win the elections in November, but rather to push the two-party candidates to take positions on issues not often talked about. And topics not often talked about is exactly what his running mate is all about.

Lalibay is a leading spokesperson and activist for indigenous rights. She is a founding member of Women of All Real Nations and the Black Hills Alliance.

In a recent interview with Z magazine, Lalibay was asked to comment on the recent wave of criticism of Iraq's inability to honor its agreements.

"Indian people find it so ironic that the U.S. is all about Iraq keeping their agreements or bargains," Lalibay said. "The United States has no record of keeping agreements with native people. It's about our morality, our moral rights need to be recognized..."

The non-Indian people will say, "Those are minority rights." That's how the press reports it. I think to myself, well, that's the Constitution's pretty ancient law. There are certain things that are the law, and those treaties between nations are the law.

But in Green Party initiatives were discussed in the presidential debates since the Commission on Presidential Debates, a private entity controlled jointly by Republicans and Democrats, set a 15 percent national poll requirement for candidates to enter - a number that no third-party candidate has reached.

The Green Party struggle to change the structure of political campaigning reached the media's attention when Nader was denied entrance to the University of Massachusetts, even though he had an official invitation to watch the presidential debate. In fact, the fact that he was an official invitation, Ralph was greeted by a security guard and told to get out of the premises," Nader said.

For more information on how Nader stands on the issues, visit his official Web site at www.nader2000.org.

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I said, 'You know what, I'm going to do whatever I want to do,' because the only regret I'll have is if I'm not myself. I really feel like I'm myself all the time in the house. I wasn't afraid to get naked and go jump on 'baked traps' line and I wasn't afraid to dance in my underwear or have too much to drink... So the only regret I would have is if I wasn't myself and didn't give it my all, and I felt like I gave it my all.

What went through your mind as you entered the "Big Brother" house? I honestly thought I wasn't going to last very long, looking around at the house. Everyone in there was an extra ordinary person in some way or another, and I just felt really average... There was a UN worker in there, there was an exotic dancer, there was the National Wheelchair Basketball MVP, and I'm just like this college student guy. I think the thing that was going through my mind was fear that I had a chance in my life where I was starting over, on even ground with everyone else. Money didn't matter, it didn't matter what your job was, and age wasn't a factor. I was just like, OK, Josh, do what you need to do to get through this house and be a competitor, and that's how I looked at it.

Do you regret anything you did in the house?

Oh yeah, definitely. I am only two quarters away from graduating. I've been here for five years, working really hard to get my degree in civil engineering. Now I have a window of opportunity, and I'm going to take it in the entertainment industry. I've had offers to do this and that, and a chance to be places I never would have been before, so I'm looking at probably six months to a year that I'll be coming back.

What are you going to do with the money you won?

I've already put away money for my niece. I called off my student loans. I wrote a check for $10,000 and that was very sweet. I'm buying a new car and the rest of it. I'm putting in investments.

What do you say to people who criticize reality-based TV shows?

It wasn't my job to produce the thing. It wasn't my job to edit it. I did promote it. I was just being me on the show.

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No post season ban for Golden Gophers

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) - What was described as one of the worst cases of academic fraud in 20 years cost the Minnesota athletic department four years probation and five men's basketball scholarships. But the Golden Gophers escaped the worst penalty.

Because Minnesota acted firmly to investigate itself and punish those involved in a widespread case of academic fraud in 20 years, the school should be deeply ashamed of what happened. But the Golden Gophers and five men's basketball scholar- ship during the misconduct from 1993-98 by the University of Minnesota is and should be deeply ashamed of what happened.

"No one is going to go out and think Minnesota didn't do their jobs and the penalties will be greater," he said.

The committee added slightly to several of Minnesota's self-imposed penalties, adding to recruiting limits and ordering that all records of post season touraments during the misconduct from 1993-98 be erased.

University President Mark Yudof said the committee added the additional penalties fair, and no appeal would be made.

Coach Dan Monson said players and staff were "ecstatic" that no post season ban was levied.

"The last few days I've been really dreaming and getting ner- vous ... for the fact of having to face those players like I did last year and tell them that dream is gone," Monson said.

"To be able to go to practice every day and have the opportuni­ ty to strive for something, to strive for that goal, is a very happy day for us," he said.

The Saint Paul Pioneer Press broke the fraud story in March 1999, reporting that office manager Don Learned wrote more than six times the number of class papers for at least 15 players in a five-year period.

"The hat Clemens threw at Piazza the last to first place.

"The Mets began to show its black time," he said.

Lutrin remembers individual players from the team that represented the values that many others held dear to them during that era. There was Tom "Terrific" Seaver who wore a black armband to protest the Vietnam War, and a third baseman who wrote poetry.

"The Mets is every man," he said.

"The country was involved. They were an amazing collection of guys with a lot of great stories.

The Mets went on to beat the Baltimore Orioles, one of the best teams in baseball. Nowadays, the professor follows the team, and although he says he will not miss class because of a game, (because most games are not played during class time), the World Series is a different story.

Lutrin will return to the 7th game, all bets are off," he said.

until one of his friends showed him into a game played against the BayRs. Clemens pitched, one of the great pitchers of the era. During this season, the Mets lost 120 games.

"They were the worst team in baseball," Lutrin said.

It was 1969 when the "Miracle" Mets made a lasting impression on New York, when they moved from last to first place.

At the time, there were a lot of significant events going on around the world, none of which was posi­ tive. Martin Luther King Jr.' s assassi­ nation, the Vietnam War and the civil rights movement were all on the forefront of American minds.

The Mets began to show its human side. This appealed to fans because the players were every­ day Americans experiencing the same social ills, but could overcome great odds to triumph.

"The Mets were the bright hour in a black time," he said.

The new stadium, as well as the sold 2000 season is already drawing some highly-touted recruits. But the Mets have selected freshmen pitchers, all of which were named most valuable player of their leagues in high school. Add a pair of junior college transfers to a wealth of returning, and the Mets have plenty of depth in the bullpen.

"They're the finest team we've had," Price said. "Fans won't have to drive all the way out to Sunsheim," Barringer said. "So the left-handed batters won't get cheated like they did at Sunsheim.

Hitters will also see the ball better at night in the new ballpark.

"Night games were awful at Sunsheim," recalled junior outfield­ er Jason Bruntlett, who hit .331 with six home runs a year ago. "Lights are a huge factor. The ballpark is lit up real nice.

"We're hoping a nice fan will really help put with our recruit­ ing," Price said. "To be able to go to practice every day and have the opportuni­ ty to strive for something, to strive for that goal, is a very happy day for us."

The park's convenient location is also key factor.

"We're hoping a nice fan will really help put with our recruit­ ing," Price said. "To be able to go to practice every day and have the opportuni­ ty to strive for something, to strive for that goal, is a very happy day for us.

But the Mets will return to the 7th game, all bets are off," he said.

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So what does Clemens do the next time he faces Piazza? He gets payback.

Clemens said he was trying to establish the inside part of the plate. Good excuse.

"Throughout his career, Clemens has been known as a headhunter," he said.

"He once hit Roberto Alomar for attempting to bunt off of him. And, before they were teammates, he plunked Scott Brosius in the back, and hit Derek Jeter in spring training.

Clemens said after the game Sunday night that he had no inten­ tion to hit Piazza with the bat. He said that he's thrown broken bats at baseball continued from page 8

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Professor bleeds Mets orange and blue

Political science professor Carl Lutrin is a die-hard New York Mets fan

By Christine Powell
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Students usually realize that Professor Carl Lutrin is a Mets fan within the first couple of days of attending his class. His jokes and playful comments about the team, along with a slight New York accent, are a dead give-away.

But while speaking on a more personal level with the political science professor, one sees that admiration for the team has some history to it, and a political connection.

With the Mets currently battling the hated New York Yankees in the World Series, Lutrin’s love for the Mets has become even more apparent to students.

Lutrin grew up a fan of the Brooklyn Dodgers. He was born and raised in Flat Rockaway, a suburb of Queens, NY which was then a small town with a population of 30,000.

He had the unquestionable impression that the Dodgers were the team that he would grow up with. When they moved to Los Angeles, he was deprived of a team to follow. The New York Giants had also left to go West.

The Yankees were not an option for Lutrin, who grew up despising the team that represented the wealthy, elite, and arrogant class. The team boasted players like Joe DiMaggio who always had their white uniforms carefully in place. They were a team that Lutrin did not relate to.

In 1962, the Mets were created as an expansion team to replace the Dodgers and Giants. Uniforms were decorated in hideous shades of Dodger blue and Giants orange, which were soon recognized as the colors of the worst team in baseball.

“They were a horrible team,” Lutrin said. “There were lefty players from the Dodgers and from the Giants.”

It took some time for Lutrin to take a liking to the new team. His first ticket to a Mets game was not purchased until then, but he’s never looked back.

“The field’s outstanding,” said head coach Rich Price, who is entering his seventh season at Cal Poly.

“It’s one of the best places to play ball in California.”

The Mustangs take to their very own field of dreams as a team on Nov. 10. Until then, ballplayers will continue pumping iron four days a week at 6:30 a.m. and work individual and with position coaches later on in the afternoon.

“It’ll be nice to go out and see some live pitching and live game situations,” said junior second baseman Chris Martinez, who batted .345 last season.

Baseball prepares for life at Baggett Stadium

By Brian Milne
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For the first time in 28 years, the Cal Poly baseball team finally has a place they can call home.

The Mustangs kissed city-owned San Luis Obispo Stadium good-bye Friday and welcomed a more hitter-friendly Baggett Stadium.

The 768-seat stadium is located in the new 47-acre Sports Complex on the western part of campus and was unveiled to the public last week with a ribbon cutting ceremony.

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Baggett Stadium is also more of a hitters’ ballpark, a launching pad that should help clean up hitters salivating from the on-deck circle.

In San Luis Obispo Stadium last season, pitchers were able to get away with heavy winds blowing in from right field.

“At Sinsheimer, the ball doesn’t care,” Price said. “I’ve seen balls that have been just crushed and were easy outs.”

This season, pitchers will suffer whiplash if they serve up meat to the hitters, who are suddenly seeing the fences a lot closer.

Professor Carl Lutrin grew up in New York as a Brooklyn Dodgers fan and latched onto the Mets when the Dodgers left town. The Mets face the Yankees in the World Series.

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