Deferred rush expected to be average

By Kirsten Orsini-Meinhard
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When deferred rush was implemented as the first time fall quarter, Panhellenic President Alysen Mayes was a little skeptical.

She thought the new schedule, which mandated that all pledges must complete a total of 12 units prior to the week-long rush activities in September, was a little daunting to students as well as to those that had not participated in rush during their freshman year. Pledges, on average, have around 20 units during the fall quarter.

Mayes explained that, had she not been encouraged to try rush during her freshman year because of the limited amount of people at that time, she would not have participated in the recruitment process.

The new system would allow women to pledge this quarter and choose their option of houses down to one. Students who hadn't completed the formal rush process, pledge's will be taken to all six sororities.

Deferral rush was implemented by moving their formal recruitment schedule from September to January. This means that people wishing to be recruited by sororities in September would participate in informal rush. Those interested were encouraged to visit all six houses but were not officially accepted until they had 12 units under their belt.

Starting Jan. 19, pledges to sorority houses will be involved in formal rush and must fill out an application to join. Many explained that, during the formal rush process, pledges will be taken to all six sorority houses.

Deferred rush was expected to be average, as many students have not attended recruitment as they didn't have the time or energy to participate.

Body of woman found

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An unidentified woman was found dead in Montaña de Oro State Park Tuesday morning, according to Sheriff's Department officials.

The cause of the woman's death and her identity haven't been determined by the coroner's investigations and detectives, according to a press statement issued by the Sheriff's Department.

An investigative team is currently searching for the woman's identity and the cause of her death, said Sgt. Bill Souza, watch commander.

The woman was found at approximately 11:30 a.m. on a hiking trail at the base of a hill in an isolated part of the park, according to the press statement. Souza could not elaborate further on where the body was found, except to say that it wasn't near water.

The body is described as a white female in her early 20s, 5 feet 2 inches tall, 125 pounds, with blond shoulder-length hair and blue eyes. She was wearing a dark blue sweatshirt, blue jeans and open toe sandals.

Souza could not comment on the condition of her body, but said there was no blood. The possibility of a drowning has been ruled out and "it doesn't appear at this time to be a bad play," he said. She died less than four hours before she was found, according to the press statement.

Souza said that Sheriff's investigators have not located a vehicle and don't know if the woman was from the area.

Sheriff's investigators have taken fingerprints and received a few phone tips, but no further information concerning the woman had been discovered as of Tuesday at 8 p.m.

"If anyone's missing a roommate, please have them call," Souza said. "We need to determine who this person is."

Anyone with information should call the Sheriff's Department at 781-4550.
WASHINGTON (AP) — The Clinton administration searched Tuesday for ways to broker an agreement to ease California's energy crisis and avert the growing threat of bankruptcy for the state's two major cash-strapped utilities.

High-level administration officials and all the major players in the California power crisis met behind closed doors to try to fashion a framework for resolving the problems facing the state's electric supply system.

None of the participants talked to reporters as they entered the Treasury Department where the session was being held.

Federal options appeared to be few, and one key Republican senator already has warned against a bailout for the state, whose five-year experiment with electricity deregulation was described this week by Democratic Gov. Gray Davis as a "dangerous and colossal failure."

The potential economic fallout from California's power problems became more apparent Tuesday when Intel Corp., the world's largest manufacturer of computer chips, announced it would no longer expand its plants or build new ones in the state until the electricity problems, including periodic threats of rolling blackouts and soaring prices, are solved.

"Unless this energy issue is addressed...it won't be just an issue of whether employers expand their operations here. It will be an issue of whether they continue to build their products here," warned Carl Guarino, president of the Silicon Valley Manufacturing Association, representing 30 California technology companies.

In the meeting Tuesday, the administration hopes to play "an honest broker role" among the parties trying to resolve the state's growing energy problems, said Gene Spiegel, President Clinton's chief economic adviser.

The private meeting brought together officials, including Davis, regulators and legislative leaders; the state's three largest electric utilities; some of the major power producers and brokers, some of whom have been accused of price gouging; and the chairman of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, which has refused to impose wholesale price controls sought by Davis.

"We have very little direct authority over any of the parties," Spiegel told The Associated Press. "Our main role is to hope that by convening the parties and playing an honest broker role, we might be able to help the parties make some progress together."

Spiegel was being joined by Energy Secretary Bill Richardson and Treasury Secretary Lawrence Summers.

The session was widely viewed as an attempt by Davis to enlist administration help in calming concerns on Wall Street and among the banking community over threats to the solvency of the California utilities.

Both Pacific Gas and Electric Co. and Southern California Edison Co., which together serve about 25 million people, have testified near insolvency, accumulating more than $9 billion in losses since June. The utilities have seen wholesale prices soar fivefold, but have not been able to pass the increases to retail customers because of state restrictions.

Last week, the state public utility commission agreed to a 2 percent to 15 percent rate hike, but the utilities said that was not nearly enough.

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by the American Civil Liberties Union and People for the American Way.

In support of Ashcroft, conservatives have said they expect him to introduce tougher sentences for drug dealers, Internet pornographers and other criminals.

"You have your word that I will administer the Department of Justice with integrity, I will advise your administration with integrity and I will enforce the laws with integrity," Ashcroft said in an appearance in Austin, Texas, on Dec. 22.

"The campaign rhetoric is not being followed through in action," said Eddie Drake, a political science senior and member of the Young Democrats Club. "Bush promised he would be in the middle, but that's not being reflected in the nominations."

Mustang Daily was unable to reach anyone from the College Republicans for comment.

As conservative as the future nominee for Attorney General Skeptics of Gen. Colin L. Powell dislike his support of abortion rights and affirmative action. Others worry about his view of America's role in the world, his stance being that "war should be the politics of last resort."

Powell supporters say he is the most popular general since Eisenhower, and his recognition and approval ratings would provide much-needed political strength to Bush's presidency. And, for some, his popularity might even tower over the president.
**Your Body**

**Set small goals to keep resolutions**

By Robin Nichols

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Tea, baked bread, cheese, crackers, wine... the list can go on for the length of a buffet table. Holiday feasts do a number on the waistline, and returning to previous waist sizes can be a difficult undertaking.

Many see New Year's Day as an opportunity to come out of winter hibernation and jump back on the fitness bandwagon. While this is a good way to start a fitness routine for some, it can also be dangerous, if weight loss is severe.

"People who want to lose weight should consult a dietician and plan out how much to lose," said nutrition senior Shelby Wilson. "It's unhealthy to drop 10 (or more) pounds in a week."

According to Phys.com, more than 40 percent of Americans planned to make a New Year's resolution to exercise more in 2001. According to data from last year, nearly 60 percent of those who made New Year's resolutions broke them during the year, the site reported.

Wilson said there are some simple ways to avoid "workout burnout."

"It's important to set realistic goals, and start small and work up," she said. "Half the people who resolve to lose weight set a goal that they want and get discouraged when they don't achieve their goal. Attainable is the important word."

A good beginning to a fitness program could be to walk to school. This can snowball into an evening run, or a more comprehensive weight program. While reaching individual goals along the way to better health, a larger goal can be met later in the program.

The motives behind the resolutions are also a factor in the goals people set. Society encourages thinness, when health should be more of a motivator, Wilson said.

Continuing with a healthy diet, such as eating fruit and drinking lots of water, is something that should accompany a new plan toward total health.

A fun option for those looking to be rewarded for their weight loss can be found by visiting some Web sites, such as Cyberdiet.com. Participants can join the contest and post progress on the site, with the top 25 losers (of weight) actuality winning in the end.

The best piece of advice is to persevere, Wilson said.

"Be patient with yourself in terms of setting goals that you can achieve," she said. "You have more time now, but in three weeks you're going to be in the library. Don't overwhelm yourself."

With fitness resolutions, keeping the workout going is sometimes difficult. Adding new things, like aerobics classes, can keep interest high.

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Every new year be safe and (4f to a healthy start! May your habits that will be healthy for you. This may be increasing your fluid intake, adding more fiber or protein into your diet, or choosing a wider variety of foods to eat.

Find one thing that you would like to improve or change in your diet that you can safely set as a realistic goal and work toward it.

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**New year, millennium in nutrition**

The 20th century brought several changes to the health sciences. Today, we are lucky enough to benefit from research and education that encourage people to live healthier lifestyles.

"As we welcome in not only a new year, but also a truly new millennium, think about your nutrition. Choose to take action in one aspect of your eating habits that will be healthy for you. This may be increasing your fluid intake, adding more fiber or protein into your diet, or choosing a wider variety of foods to eat."

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Don't repeat mistakes, end discrimination

Tonight, MTV will explore one of the greatest embarrassments in American history. I'm not talking about any single issue, such as slavery or the women's suffrage movement. At hand is a greater concern, one that continues to plague each and every one of us—it is our capacity as Americans to hate. And it's reversible.

"Anatomy of a Hate Crime" airs tonight on MTV at 5 p.m. The commercial-free documentary will examine the life and death of Matthew Shepard, a college student in Wyoming who was murdered—simply because his creator decided he would be gay. And it is nothing short of a tragedy when the greater democracy in the world finds itself in a position that requires such an awakening.

Mike Sullivan

Isn't we better than this? Haven't we learned from the mistakes of our past?

Our history of discrimination in the United States is an absolute embarrassment. We have enslaved a group of people based upon the color of their skin. We have denied our fellow Americans the fundamental, constitutional right to vote based solely upon their gender.

We must ask ourselves today. Are we prepared to repeat these same mistakes? Or are we finally going to start respecting the basic human rights of our brothers, sisters, cousins, neighbors, co-workers and friends?

Introspection is one of the most valuable personal skills, and it is key to understanding the perspective of the one in every 1C of us who endures the hatred that has been reeked of class citizenry in America. For reasons that to this day remain unknown, we have decided that it is socially acceptable to harbor and institutionalize hatred toward gay and lesbian people.

Astoundingly, it is still legal in 39 states to be fired from your job for being gay, lesbian or even just thought to be. This is an outrage! And if you don't stand up for those who are disadvantaged now, who will stand up for you when the situation reverses?

MTV is taking a stand against hate and asking us to stand up for those who are disadvantaged now, who will stand up for you when the situation reverses?

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New Year's resolutions are just a quick fix of making people feel better. They are pointless. They are stupid and huge wastes of time.

What good does it do someone to make a resolution that they will never keep? It's hopeless. When the person is making the resolution, they know they're not keeping it. They make it to tell everyone else that they have a New Year's resolution.

For some reason, society decided long ago that we have to improve ourselves. We are not good enough to be left alone, we have to change and become better. We have to lose weight, get in shape, eat better, be taller and get smarter. The list goes on and on until it's so hopeless, it actually becomes depressing.

For instance, a friend of mine had the great idea of becoming a golfer for her New Year's resolution last year. Her dad offered to pay for lessons. Cal Poly even offers two, count them, two golf courses a year.

Did she sign up? Did she take her dad up on the offer for FREE lessons? Of course not, because she got busy with work, school and life. Does anyone actually change when they have the ideal situation laid out in front of them?

We are inherently lazy people. Look at what society has given us—remote controls for the television, stereo, even our cars. Technology does all the hard work for us. We pay people to write our essays, do our research and write our resumes. And yet we somehow think that, all of a sudden, we'll learn a language, travel or successfully compete in a triathlon. It doesn't work like that. Change certainly takes longer than a year.

If changing and re-shaping ourselves into something better is actually a goal, then why on earth wait for a new year to do it? If you are serious about learning a language, sign up for a course where the grade can force you into learning something. If you are serious about getting in shape, pay lots of money for a trainer who will work you to the bone. Do something where you have no choice but to actually follow through.

Another friend of mine who works at a gym said many people join at the beginning of the year, but by March, those new members are rarely present. For some reason, money motivates people to change. If it is the case, then make a bet with someone to follow through with your New Year's resolution. Bet a lot of money, because by March, statistics show your little New Year's resolution will be on the bottom of your toilet, ready to be flushed down the drain.

Perhaps you're the exception to the rule. Perhaps every year, your New Year's resolution is fulfilled. If so, you're a rare jewel, because everyone else I know fails every year. For some reason, it seems a New Year's resolution is destined to bomb. I remember being 8 years old and making a resolution. I was 8—why did I think I had to improve myself? Because society has dictated to me that I have to change. I was in second grade!

So, I have a New Year's resolution to share with you all. I resolve to never make another New Year's resolution for the rest of my life. If I ever want to improve myself, it will be on my own time, not on society's time.

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Give up New Year's resolutions

Dear Mustang Daily,

I don't like my cabinet,
build your own!

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Editor, Mustang Daily:

At Cal Poly, there is consterna-
tion among the faculty with the
 tentative plans for the new science
 and mathematics building. The
 faculty offices apparently will be
 substantially smaller than the pre-
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 keeping the old building and build-
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 location, less centrally located on campus, the administration has
 decided to destroy a usable build-
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 enrollments, and thus, needed new
 space. This will cost the taxpayers
dearly when more space is needed
 and the old building no longer exs.
Faculty offices are used to meet
 with students who have questions.
 Before or after an exam, it is not
 unusual for five or six students to
 come simultaneously to ask ques-
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Letter to the editor

New building will hurt education

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While sororities moved their formal rush period to January, fraternities kept their formal rush in September, which eliminated a lot of people who had not completed 12 units.

Dhamidharka said that most pledges who aren't able to join a fraternity immediately because of deferred rush aren't upset about it because they expected it going into the recruitment period.

Although pledges are expecting the delay in recruitment, Dhamidharka said it's unfortunate for freshmen because they're just arriving at college and getting adjusted. It's the time when they want to join a group of people. Generally, freshmen have more time, he added.

For more information on fraternity and sorority rush, call Student Life at 756-2476.

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and planning analyst and co-chair of the Cultural Awareness Committee (CAC), co-sponsor of the contest.

Gail Simmons, administrative assistant for Agricultural Education and co-chair of CAC, said the CAC held a similar contest in 1998 to honor a professor who had died. Joyce Curry, Dail died in 1998 after serving 50 years as a statistics professor, Simmons said.

"We thought maybe we could bring this contest back because it was very popular," she said.

Knupp said the CAC was looking for a way to bring the contest back and worked with the Centennial Committee for an avenue.

"This is an important issue," Knupp said. "I think it's something that would make you feel really good to share a picture you've taken or something you've created. It's also a good opportunity to display work."

Entries will be judged by a panel of three, said Craig Nelson, interim director of Cal Poly Fund.

Separate panels will be used for both the poster and photo contests and will be made up of a student and two staff or faculty members.

"They will be ranking the photos using their own criteria," Nelson said. "They will be looking at the photo alone without the name of the entry."

Photos will be on display in the Reserve Room of the Kennedy Library beginning Jan. 25, and winners will be announced at a reception Feb. 1 at 4 p.m. in the library.

The first place winners will receive $100, $50 for second place and $30 for third place.

For details and contest rules contact Gail Simmons at 756-2503 for the photo contest or Harvey Levenson at 756-6151 for the poster contest.

All entries are due by 5 p.m. Jan. 16 at the Academic Programs Office in building 1, room 317.

You know that little voice inside that says "I can't"?

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POC Major Mark Johnson at Dexter Bldg. (BLDG 34)
in control of the AFC East. But then came the collapse: losses to Oakland, Detroit and finally the Ravens. Before Parcells' resignation, Jets assistant head coach Maurice Carthon was the leading contender to replace Groh if the team decides to hire within the organization.

"While it will be hard to replace someone of Bill's ability and leadership, we intend to use all our efforts to build on what he started by creating a first-rate management team," Johnson said.

Johnson bought the Jets a year ago from the estate of the late Leon Hess for $655 million.

The Mustangs downed 15 of 42 (35.7 percent) from the field, making 54.1 percent (46 of 85) from the charity stripe and outrebounding Cal Poly 51-42 (37.5 percent) from downtown and shooting 54.1 percent (46 of 85) for the game.

**Subscription**

"I have played intramural football every year since (my freshman year) because my friends have formed teams, so it was fun." —Wiley Corcoran, business senior

and basketball his freshman year, when he and his roommate decided to attend the free agents' meeting to meet new people.

"Sports were really important to me in high school, and intramurals are a way I can keep playing," Garcia said. "I enjoy playing competitive sports on teams with my friends, and I will miss it when I graduate."
Islanders outscore Cal Poly 19-14 in overtime
By Brian Milne
The Mustang backcourt played a different type of basketball game Monday night.
The problem was, Texas A&M-Corpus Christi forward Michael Hicks did not.
Hicks, who smoked the Mustangs for 40 points Nov. 26, scorch the Mustangs for 40 points in the first half. Hicks, who scored 11 of 13 from the floor (58 percent) and 11 of 13 from the free-throw line.
> Islanders forward Michael Hicks scored 47 points.
> Mustang center Chris Bjorklund was benched for almost all of the last five minutes of the game.
Mustangs fall in overtime 113-108
By Jordan Roberts

Want to work off those extra holiday pounds?
Signups for winter intramural sports, begin today at 10 a.m. in the rec center and provide a way to do this.
"I play intramural sports because they help me get off my couch," said business senior Brendan Wolff, who has participated in indoor soccer for the last two years. "I play football in fall, and soccer whenever I can since it is such good exercise. The level of competition in indoor soccer here is high, which I enjoy."

This quarter's intramural leagues include men's and women's five-on-five basketball and co-rec four-on-four basketball. For men's, women's and co-rec, four-on-four indoor soccer and six-on-six volleyball are also offered.
Tournaments will be held in wheelchair, table tennis, three-on-three soccer, and punt, pass and kick.
Destiny Doury, an agbusiness senior, has participated in intramural basketball for the last three years. She said she particularly enjoyed playing on the women's teams with her friends, since she felt she brought them closer.
"I also thought the co-rec teams were fun, but they were frustrating at times," Doury said. "At first, the guys wouldn't pass at all, but then when they realized that we were good and could actually play basketball, things changed. Guys on the co-rec teams need to realize that it is different than playing in the men's leagues. We totally had to prove ourselves every time, just because guys have stereotypes about girls in sports.

Students who already have a team formed should attend the "Intramural Sports Interest Meeting" next Tuesday in the main gym at 7 p.m. Those looking for a team to join should go to the free agents meeting next Tuesday at 6 p.m. in the main gym.
While working out at the Rec Center freshman year, business senior Wesley Corcoran heard about intramural sports, and signed up to play.
"I have played intermural football every year since then because my friends have formed teams, so it was fun," Corcoran said. "But I also like basketball, so I signed up for that as well."

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There is a certain feeling you get that makes you feel good about yourself. That's why I think intramurals are good for all Cal Poly students, alumni, faculty and staff. Games are scheduled once a week for five weeks plus playoffs. Every quarter more than 250 teams and 2,000 participants play intramurals. For each sport, players can choose which one they want to play for all Cal Poly students, alumni, faculty and staff.
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 Incoming Freshman Head Coach

Parcells resignations take effect at the end of the month. He met for several hours with Johnson on Monday, the second time the two had discussed the Jets' future in the past two weeks.

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