Student celebrate new year of horse

By Cynthia Neff
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Prepare to wish someone “Kong Hay Fat Choi” or “Oong Xi Fa Cai” today. Both phrases mean “Happy New Year,” the former in Cantonese and the latter in Mandarin, and both will be said often on the first day of the year. While many Asian people around the world will be celebrating the Chinese New Year with their families, several Cal Poly students will spend the holiday together with banquets and much rejoicing.

Benson Leung, a member of the Chinese Culture Club (CCC), described the new year as a “Chinese Thanksgiving,” and fellow member Patrick Tam said it is “a holiday for family to get together.” He added that the holiday is not just for people of Chinese descent, as it is inclusive of many Asian cultures.

Tuesday is the first day of the Lunar Year, and this year is year of the Horse, said Juliana Wong, CCC president. The New Year’s celebrations traditionally begin three days before the new year, people will come together for dinner, enjoying traditional food like deep-fried cookies and many other sweets, including the Chinese melon, marinated in sugar and dried to eat. A round, red box of candy is also shared. Some of the sweets have different significations, such as long-life, prosperity and happiness. This night is called “Tuan Nien,” or “the new year gathering meal.”

The CCC already held the Chinese New Year banquet Feb. 2, hosting around 70 people. The banquet was held early so that students would be able to visit their families. Kenneth Lam, a CCC member, said the banquet was designed to be a fun gathering of club members and friends, but filled up half of The Great Wall Restaurant in San Luis Obispo. “We had authentic Chinese food — different from what you’ll find in the restaurants around here — contests, and prizes,” he said. “Everyone was in a great mood!” Wong said the day of the Chinese New Year is dedicated to cleaning one’s house, she said. On the night before the new year, people will come together for dinner, enjoying traditional food like deep-fried cookies and many other sweets, including the Chinese melon, marinated in sugar and dried to eat. A round, red box of candy is also shared. Some of the sweets have different significations, such as long-life, prosperity and happiness. This night is called “Tuan Nien,” or “the new year gathering meal.”

The CCC already held the Chinese New Year banquet Feb. 2, hosting around 70 people. The banquet was held early so that students would be able to visit their families. Kenneth Lam, a CCC member, said the banquet was designed to be a fun gathering of club members and friends, but filled up half of The Great Wall Restaurant in San Luis Obispo. “We had authentic Chinese food — different from what you’ll find in the restaurants around here — contests, and prizes,” he said. “Everyone was in a great mood!” Wong said the day of the Chinese New Year is dedicated to cleaning one’s house, she said. On the night before the new year, people will come together for dinner, enjoying traditional food like deep-fried cookies and many other sweets, including the Chinese melon, marinated in sugar and dried to eat. A round, red box of candy is also shared. Some of the sweets have different significations, such as long-life, prosperity and happiness. This night is called “Tuan Nien,” or “the new year gathering meal.”

Hangin’ in there

Eucalyptus trees across the street from Kennedy Library were being cut down Monday. The trees were found to have a disease and needed to be eradicated. Mark Vaught, of Creenvale Tree Co., uses his chainsaw to do the job. Vaught has been cutting down trees for six years.

Students balance studying with being mommies

By Dawn Rapp
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Most college students think that it’s difficult enough balancing school, friends, work and roommates. But while these daily balancing acts require time and energy, some students have yet another incredibly important responsibility: raising a child.

In fact, this is a way of life for many Cal Poly students, who are also single mothers. But amongst the stresses of so many life factors, the Associated Students Inc. Children’s Center is trying to help many single moms.

The Children’s Center is nationally accredited and provides flexible hours and childcare services for students and faculty.

However, the ASI Children’s Center is currently at full capacity for children of certain age groups. There is a year and a half waiting list to get children into the program, leaving many student-moms searching for quality childcare. Daycare can be expensive and can have incompatible hours with classes.

Melissa Musgrave, a liberal studies senior, said it has been difficult at times, but she does believe that many professors are willing to work with single moms and allow them to bring their children to class. That isn’t always the case, though.

Musgrave remembers a time when she had to exceed the one absence limit in a class, because she had to stay at home with her sick son. “(The) teacher dropped me. I had to take the class again the next quarter,” Musgrave said.

Musgrave considers herself lucky, however, because she’s studying education. Since many of her classes are about education and child development, she said most of her professors are understanding and cooperative.

Musgrave has been taking classes at Cal Poly since her son was born, proving to many that single moms can attend school while raising a child. She credits her ability to finish school with the help of the ASI Children’s Center.

Since the Children’s Center caters to student-moms over focal...
**MOMS**

continued from page 1

financial aid is usually unrelated. Financial aid is received through the state and makes childcare almost free. Tanya Iverson, director of the Children's Center, said that most of the student-moms are able to use it because it's subsidized by the state. Student-moms can apply for the aid through subsidy applications, but not through federal financial aid. Iverson said the benefits of using the ASI Children's Center include its close proximity to classes and the fact that it is one of the two nationally accredited child care programs on the Central Coast. The close proximity allows student-moms to come visit their children between classes.

The ASI Children's Center is only licensed for 132 children, leaving many mothers on a wait list or having to go elsewhere. The ages of the children range from four months to 5-year-olds. The center also offers kindergarten, a service most childcare programs don't provide.

Many Cal Poly students are employed by the center. It employs 80 to 100 students per quarter. In order to be able to work with the kids, the students are subject to intensive training. Iverson said the pay isn't good, but it's a great job for students who enjoy working with children.

The Children's Center's objectives are to teach the children to "explore, discover, get messy and have fun." It also teaches students to interact in group settings, emphasizing development in social-emotional, cognitive and physical domains, according to ASI Children's Center brochure.

Because of the Children's Center, many student moms are able to rest easier and focus on their classes because their children are nearby and safe, Iverson said.

For more information on the ASI Children's Center, visit their Web site at **www.childctr.calpoly.edu**.

**NEW YEAR**

continued from page 1

New Year is spent visiting grandparents at their house for lunch. "We like to wear red or similar-colored clothing on this day and say good things to each other," she said. "Words about death and unlucky things are forbidden, especially on this day." Also on this day, married couples give out "red pockets" to single people, especially children. Tam explained that these are red envelopes that contain money from family members. This is the only time he will receive money from his relatives, so this tradition is his favorite part of the holiday, and from seeing his family, he said.

The two days after the New Year are devoted to spending time with family. Wong said, but the third day is not. People stay at home to "stay out of conflict," she said.

The seventh day, Tam continued, "is everyone's birthday," or the day the single people are supposed to open their red pockets. He said he will probably just eat dinner and have fun with his friends on that evening, although he'll miss seeing the 20 relatives that gather in Hong Kong during the holiday.

Wong's parents visited her from Hong Kong, and Leung spent time with his parents in the Bay Area last weekend. However, back in Hong Kong, Wong said she would be seeing over 50 relatives from both sides of her large family. Leung said he has more fun there.

"There's more things going on," he grinned, "and I get more pocket money."

Wong agreed that celebrating the New Year in San Luis Obispo does have its differences.

"The mood (here) is definitely celebratory — useful amidst all these midterms — although it isn't nearly as festive as if you were in China. Hong Kong, or even cities in the United States with large Chinese populations like San Francisco or New York," he said.

"That's why many Chinese students know of returned to (these cities) to celebrate with friends and family this weekend."

However, the number of student who attended the banquet doubled from last year's turnout, and the CCC now boasts about 50 members. "We're trying to promote it more," Tam said. "Our new officers might have something to do with it."

Several members are also involved in the Chinese Student Association or are part of the lion dance team. Tam said the Lion's Den is a traditional performance. It is based on a legend and usually takes two people to put on — one holding the head of the costume, and the other tail, and as it dances from shop to shop in "mainland China."

Although members of the CCC can't recreate every part of their holiday festivities, they said they would do their best to share traditional Chinese New Year's food and enjoy each other's company.

The CCC holds semimonthly meetings in building 53, room 201, from 6 to 7 p.m. The next meeting will be held Wednesday.
Bush faces delicate Korea trip after 'axis of evil' speech

By Clay Chandler

(WIRE) SEOUL, S. Korea — President Bush's stark portrayal of North Korea as part of an "axis of evil" has cast a shadow over South Korea's popular new president, Kim Dae Jung's "sunshine policy" and set the stage for heightened South Korean anxiety about the behavior of their long-time rival.

By the time of his Jan. 29 State of the Union address, Bush's remarks, delivered during his Jan. 29 State of the Union speech, have cast a shadow over South Korea's popular new president, Kim Dae Jung's "sunshine policy" and set the stage for heightened South Korean anxiety about the behavior of their long-time rival.

There were seven other female monks from other countries at the ceremony.

President Bush's niece admitted national attention on the case...
ASI Executive Staff Achievements

Community:
- 2nd Saferide vehicle funded and running with highest numbers ever, and continuing to seek program expansion
- restructuring SCLC (Student Community Liaison Committee) with committees and refreshed effectiveness to improve infrastructure for positive community relations
- repairing relationship with RQN (successful joint board meeting)
- developed 3 point plan for student action in community: proactivity, promotion, and empowerment
- highly successful Neighborhood Cooperation Week
- Holiday SLO Fundraiser for Afghanistan children
- PolyVoice started by Derek (with plans for voter registration and enhanced student representation in community)
- WOW Community Awareness Presentation and voter registration
- building relationship with Cuesta
- scheduled meeting with Rotary in Winter to discuss student community issues
- attended SLO Public Safety Banquet
- organized SLO Fundraiser for Children of Afghanistan

Communication with Students/Marketing:
- 1st quarterly State of the Student Forum with 80 student leaders and discussion of student issues
- ASI presentations to clubs and residence halls
- ASI Invasion event
- Ads in Daily
- signage on Student Government office
- Angie Hacker's Open Door Hour
- Did you Know of the Week info on marquee
- new and improved email Newswire with improved outreach
- Hot Topics on Website
- promotional spot chosen for better outreach
- Corporate identity marketing with Referendum (T-shirts, logos, staff)
- Various open forums on student issues
- ASI Student Gov. Sweatshirts design to personalize student leaders and make them accessible
- Initial discussion meeting with College Council Chairs

Transportation:
- Saferide 2nd vehicle
- discussions with City about bussing and night time service
- discussions with University about expanded escort service

ASI Alumni Association:
- Centennial Reception for past ASI leaders
- developing Alumni Association and brochure newsletter

National Issues:
- ASI Internal Plan for Reaction to Global Issues submitted to UUAB and ASI staff to improve opportunities to learn and share ideas on campus
- Assisted in successful Reflection Event after September 11th
- Resolution on Respect at Cal Poly drafted with plans to seek endorsement by all student clubs

Calendar Conversion Issue (Quarter vs Semester):
- gathered student input for and against a switch by open forum, email, website, Mustang Daily, CPTV, surveys
- submitted well supported resolution in president in opposition to switch

Referendum:
- executed educational campaign "I Want My ASI"
- students voted yes to improve campus life and activities
- Submitted suggested directive to staff on implementation and inclusion of student input

Budget:
- discussions on campus and statewide
- efforts to ensure student participation on budget cut decisions
- preparation for College-based fees and ensuring students involvement
- creation of proposals
- created budget report summary to help educate student leaders
- held meeting with College Councils to discuss preparation for Budget problems and upcoming referendum

Multicultural:
- creation of ASI Eco-Staff Multicultural Affairs Committee
- planning for a Winter Quarter Multicultural coalition discussion meeting
- began plans for spring quarter Culture Fest (Servando, Leigh, PET)

Technology:
- SES (student computing committee) progress
- Resident Hall Internet advocacy
- Involvement in Cal Poly portal implementation
- began ASI website development

Sustainability:
- creation of Task Force (Cal Poly Sustainability Initiative - CSI)
- 10 active members from cross section of university
- creation of mission statement, objectives, and various environmental awareness plans,
- gaining university support

Statewide:
- Lobby Corps development, goal setting, and attend for year
- All CSSS (California Statewide Student Association) conferences attended
- Cal Poly's participation in CSSS initiatives: Veronica Shippy on Master Plan committee and Vice Chair of Legislative Affairs Committee, Angie working on Sustainability and CSI Educational Doctorette, Corey working on Intellectual Property
- Co-wrote CSSS resolution on CSI fee increases

Executive Staff initiatives:
- 47 Executive Staff Members
- new Resident Life and Housing Commissioner
- UWC's filled
- Fall Quarter Training Retreat
- 3-week meeting rotation structure
- Mission statements for all 6 departments of Exec Staff: Internal Affairs, Statewide, Lobby Corps, Marketing, Technology, Projects and Events
- Job descriptions, folders, boxes, cards completed for all members
- students appointed to ASI corporate initiatives

Miscellaneous Projects:
- Student Directory cover design by Greg
- Club Incentive Program (submitted to staff, and taken over by Ran)
- PACE student run evaluations in development (Andrew)
- Quarterly Breakfast with Baker (15 students attended meal with President Baker and asked questions)
- participated in annual Night Walk to improve safety on campus
- involved in search committees for VP of Administration and Finance and continuing VP of Student Affairs
- began plans to improve effectiveness of college based advocacy through College Councils
No time to horse around when you’re a real cowboy

By Malia Spencer

Most college athletes dream of someday playing in a professional league. Cal Poly student Justin Arnold has put his professional career on hiatus in order to attend college and be eligible for collegiate competition.

The 22-year-old, third-year agribusiness student has been riding in the professional rodeo circuit for four years. He was recruited by Cal Poly’s Rodeo Team last fall, so he decided to cut back his professional competition schedule to be part of Cal Poly’s team.

Arnold took a year off from school last year to focus on his riding, but he returned to college when he was approached by Cal Poly’s new rodeo coach Bret Black, he said. As a result, he has not gone to nearly as many professional rodeos as he did last year.

He placed fourth in saddle bronc riding at the Professional Cowboys Association (PRCA) National Western Stock Show and Rodeo in Denver, Colo., on Jan. 27. That win placed him eighth overall in PRCA world rankings.

While everyone else continues to make thousands of dollars in competition, he is difficult as well. With his travel schedule, he said he misses class quite a bit. To help with his schoolwork, he tries to make friends with classmates so he can get any notes that he misses.

Getting in touch with teachers is another way he tries to keep up with the demands of school, he said. However, he added that many teachers are not very flexible.

"I attended a school in Texas before Cal Poly, and the teachers there were a lot more understanding," he said.

"That's not hard for one weekend." Arnold said. "That's more than most people have dropped to 14 nitw," Arnold said.

"Eighty to 90 points is like an 'A' in school," Black added.

Arnold said that the highest score anyone has received is 95. He likens the scoring of a ride to an academic test.

"Eighty to 90 points is like an 'A' ride, and up to an 80 is like a 'B'," Black said.

During the regional circuit final, Arnold scored his personal best of an 84. Having a rider with Arnold’s talent has really helped the Cal Poly Rodeo program, Black said.

"It would be like getting Michael Jordan on the Cal Poly basketball team," Black added.

Rodeo riding is judged by two officials who each score the rider and the animal. The competition has 100 points total, 50 for the cowboy and 50 for the animal.

"The harder the horse bucks the more points it gets," Arnold said. "The cowboy is scored by how well you ride and the time you are in control.

"The harder the horse bucks, the more points it gets," Arnold said. "The cowboy is scored by how well you ride and the time you are in control."

Arnold placed fourth in saddle bronc riding at the Professional Cowboys Association (PRCA) National Western Stock Show and Rodeo in Denver, Colo., making him eighth overall in PRCA world rankings.

The next professional rodeo that Arnold will compete takes place in Houston, Texas. This is one of the largest rodeos in the nation, but he said if he does well it will help him in the standings.

"Rodeo riding is a dangerous sport, but Arnold said he has been lucky. So far he has not broken any bones.

"My mom doesn’t want me to ride broncs. In high school I begged and begged my mom to let me," he said.

"My dad talked to her and they finally let me.

As a rider,Arnold said he is able to see a lot of the country and wouldn’t want an office job. Even after he gets a degree he will keep riding because that is all he has ever known.

"I am a third-year student but I will keep rodeo-ing as long as I can," he said.
Students are just GAP clones

With more than 17,000 students at this campus, one would think that there is a lot of individuality. Oh, but wait, it's the little sleepy town of San Luis Obispo; conformity is the key word here.

Remember being a freshman and moving into the dorms? You had your own specific style, remember? You knew, that "cool style" clothes, or skater wear, just to name a few. But then you noticed that all the upper-classmen looked like each other. Gap, Express and Structure are the only stores to shop at around here. Your once cool individuality has just changed, in three months, to conformity. Why? Probably for the same reasons: there isn't a mall, and everyone else is doing it.

Everyone's parents used to say, "If your friends jumped off a bridge would you do it too?" So why is appearance any different? Clothes don't make the person, but they sure do bring out individuality. I am so sick of everyone wearing the same thing. It is disgusting! All I see is baseball caps with "Gap" written all over them, the dress that's in Express' window is in every girl's closet, and those khakis at Structure are worn by every guy I have talked to. I understand following fashion trends, but try to make it a little more your own.

How many of you have seen the girl with the purple hair, retro clothes, or skater wear, just to name a few. She seemed to be exannining figures of its own. With each work of congressional inquiry and federal investigations, the portrait of an out-of-control company becomes more troubling. Thousands of Enron employees have lost their jobs, and even more saw $1.2 billion of their retirement funds evaporate before their eyes. The Enron disaster demonstrates a complete breakdown of the oversight mechanisms that monitor firms and financial markets, and Congress must act to prevent future collapses.

From erroneously reporting roughly $600 million of non-existent profit over five years to establishing questionable deals with companies linked to chief Enron executives, the company and its dual accounting and consulting firm Arthur Andersen did anything but create the transparency necessary in a market system. Instead, the numbers that officials released portrayed a company with annually increasing profits that was breaking into a new frontier — perfect fodder for Wall Street analysis. In the aftermath, the public has learned of document shredding, perjury, and federal investigations, the portrait of an individual who has lost billions because of Enron's questionable actions, and such failings cannot continue. First, retirement plans must allow greater flexibility in letting employees sell stock, including that obtained from company options. Second, new rules must clearly delineate the roles of accounting and consulting; Arthur Andersen's conflict of interest is just one of many examples. Recent events have not only highlighted the value of such egregious misleading, at the same time, a company's political influence should not deter such necessary oversight, as this case has clearly demonstrated.

Fortunately, even as officials hide behind their Fifth Amendment protections, investigations are moving forward to reveal the safeguards that failed so that the system becomes more transparent in the future. Still, these officials need access to information and not stonewalling efforts from various entities, including White House officials. Vice President Dick Cheney's energy policy committee included meetings with officials from Enron, but his office refuses to release the notes from these meetings. At best, the system failed and countless investors have lost billions because of Enron's questionable actions, and such failings cannot continue. First, retirement plans must allow greater flexibility in letting employees sell stock, including that obtained from company options. Second, new rules must clearly delineate the roles of accounting and consulting; Arthur Andersen's conflict of interest is just one of many examples. Recent events have not only highlighted the value of such egregious misleading, at the same time, a company's political influence should not deter such necessary oversight, as this case has clearly demonstrated.

Unfortunately, even as officials hide behind their Fifth Amendment protections, investigations are moving forward to reveal the safeguards that failed so that the system becomes more transparent in the future. Still, these officials need access to information and not stonewalling efforts from various entities, including White House officials. Vice President Dick Cheney's energy policy committee included meetings with officials from Enron, but his office refuses to release the notes from these meetings. At best, the system failed and countless investors have lost billions because of Enron's questionable actions, and such failings cannot continue. First, retirement plans must allow greater flexibility in letting employees sell stock, including that obtained from company options. Second, new rules must clearly delineate the roles of accounting and consulting; Arthur Andersen's conflict of interest is just one of many examples. Recent events have not only highlighted the value of such egregious misleading, at the same time, a company's political influence should not deter such necessary oversight, as this case has clearly demonstrated.

Reform necessary to prevent more Enrons

(U-WIRE) DURHAM, N.C. — Just like Enron Field's shallow outfield pennies inflated hitters' numbers, the stadium's namesake seemed to be exaggerating figures of its own.

With each work of congressional inquiry and federal investigations, the portrait of an out-of-control company becomes more troubling. Thousands of Enron employees have lost their jobs, and even more saw $1.2 billion of their retirement funds evaporate before their eyes. The Enron disaster demonstrates a complete breakdown of the oversight mechanisms that monitor firms and financial markets, and Congress must act to prevent future collapses.

From erroneously reporting roughly $600 million of non-existent profit over five years to establishing questionable deals with companies linked to chief Enron executives, the company and its dual accounting and consulting firm Arthur Andersen did anything but create the transparency necessary in a market system. Instead, the numbers that officials released portrayed a company with annually increasing profits that was breaking into a new frontier — perfect fodder for Wall Street analysis. In the aftermath, the public has learned of document shredding, perjury, and federal investigations, the portrait of an individual who has lost billions because of Enron's questionable actions, and such failings cannot continue. First, retirement plans must allow greater flexibility in letting employees sell stock, including that obtained from company options. Second, new rules must clearly delineate the roles of accounting and consulting; Arthur Andersen's conflict of interest is just one of many examples. Recent events have not only highlighted the value of such egregious misleading, at the same time, a company's political influence should not deter such necessary oversight, as this case has clearly demonstrated.

Fortunately, even as officials hide behind their Fifth Amendment protections, investigations are moving forward to reveal the safeguards that failed so that the system becomes more transparent in the future. Still, these officials need access to information and not stonewalling efforts from various entities, including White House officials. Vice President Dick Cheney's energy policy committee included meetings with officials from Enron, but his office refuses to release the notes from these meetings. At best, the system failed and countless investors have lost billions because of Enron's questionable actions, and such failings cannot continue. First, retirement plans must allow greater flexibility in letting employees sell stock, including that obtained from company options. Second, new rules must clearly delineate the roles of accounting and consulting; Arthur Andersen's conflict of interest is just one of many examples. Recent events have not only highlighted the value of such egregious misleading, at the same time, a company's political influence should not deter such necessary oversight, as this case has clearly demonstrated.

Fortunately, even as officials hide behind their Fifth Amendment protections, investigations are moving forward to reveal the safeguards that failed so that the system becomes more transparent in the future. Still, these officials need access to information and not stonewalling efforts from various entities, including White House officials. Vice President Dick Cheney's energy policy committee included meetings with officials from Enron, but his office refuses to release the notes from these meetings. At best, the system failed and countless investors have lost billions because of Enron's questionable actions, and such failings cannot continue. First, retirement plans must allow greater flexibility in letting employees sell stock, including that obtained from company options. Second, new rules must clearly delineate the roles of accounting and consulting; Arthur Andersen's conflict of interest is just one of many examples. Recent events have not only highlighted the value of such egregious misleading, at the same time, a company's political influence should not deter such necessary oversight, as this case has clearly demonstrated.
Students organize controversial V-Day campaign

By Tracy Wells

"A common misconception is that V-Day is only for raving feminists. On the contrary, it is for a truly diverse group of people, male and female, who promote women's awareness."

Megan Prewitt

Furman University senior

When women all over the world come together to raise money and awareness for women's causes, Valentine's Day was chosen because it is a time of year that affirms people should love each other, rather than being violent, according to the official V-Day website.

The V-Day Web site defines it as the period from Jan. 24 to April 15. During this time, over 500 colleges will take part in the campaign, along with several hundred "worldwide" events. "The Vaginas Monologues" will be performed on every major continent in the world.

Last year's benefit performance in Madison Square Garden, starring numerous female celebrities such as Oprah Winfrey, Calista Flockhart, Rosalind Vine, and Queen Latifah, raised $2 million to stop violence against women. The V-Day 2003 College Campaign raised $502,200 for local women's organizations, according to the V-Day Web site.

V-Day is not a political organization, and is neither pro-choice nor pro-life, according to the V-Day Web site. Neither is it anti-male. Prewitt said Furman's production of the play represents V-Day's appeal to many types of people.

"The men and women who are working on this year's campaign represent so many different backgrounds, classes, social groups, and ethnicities," Prewitt said. "A common misconception is that V-Day is only for one group of people, but it is a time around Valentine's Day when women all over the world come together to raise money and awareness for women's causes."

Prewitt had talked to several students about aspects of female sexuality that are "minor classics" in women's awareness. "I think it's very unfortunate that people are not brought up to talk about and ask questions about their sexuality," she said.

For many students, the controversy that has surrounded the play is "trivial," according to the V-Day Web site. "The men and women who are working on this year's campaign represent so many different backgrounds, classes, social groups, and ethnicities," Prewitt said. "A common misconception is that V-Day is only for one group of people, but it is a time around Valentine's Day when women all over the world come together to raise money and awareness for women's causes."

Prewitt's team played up the "dirty" words, head-on. "I think everybody who attends will leave with a new degree of sensitivity," Prewitt said.

After receiving initial support from the Women's Studies faculty and Students for Women's Awareness, Prewitt joined the V-Day 2002 college campaign, with a small group of students for planning. She now has a team of 28 students involved directly with the production of "The Vagina Monologues."

"I'm a little hesitant to be in complete support of the production of 'The Vagina Monologues' on campus because I think that the producers have not fully disclosed the explicit nature of some of the monologues," senior Carey Goodman said. "However, I do support whole-heartedly the purpose behind V-Day: stopping violence and abuse against women. I greatly commend the women's studies department for this important campaign in women's rights to Furman for their courage to face controversy for a good cause."

The students involved in the play are stressing the importance of giving a voice to women's experiences, even if that means discussing things that have historically been labeled taboo. "I hope that people will come to the show with an open mind," senior Paige Hamilton, who is one of the students involved this year, said. "The men and women who are bringing this important concept to Furman are promoting women's awareness in a way that needs to be considered."

For me personally, this is a way that I can give to someone, to make their life, even if it's just a little bit better in any way, that'll be enough for me. That sounds really cheesy and corny, but it's the truth. That's all I'm hoping to accomplish.

"1 was afraid to go see the play, because I wasn't quite sure what it was going to get myself into," she said, "so I thought it would be safe if I read the book first. When I first read it this summer, I was really moved, just by going to get myself into," she said, "so first time this summer."

"I was afraid to go see the play, because I wasn't quite sure what it was going to get myself into," she said, "so I thought it would be safe if I read the book first. When I first read it this summer, I was really moved, just by going to get myself into," she said, "so first time this summer."

"I think the amazing thing about the play is that it's become a kind of "minor classic" in women's awareness in a very short time," Huff said. "The play is hard hitting, and it presents concerns of women in their own words, head-on. I think everybody who attends will leave with a new degree of sensitivity."

Huff also commented on the controversy that has surrounded the play among the Furman community. "I think it's very unfortunate that it's caused one bad reaction on campus," Huff said. "I hate to say that's inevitable, but we may as well face the reality. That's all I'm aiming for.

"For me personally, this is a way that I can give to someone, to make their life, even if it's just a little bit better in any way, that'll be enough for me. That sounds really cheesy and corny, but it's the truth. That's all I'm hoping to accomplish."

"For me personally, this is a way that I can give to someone, to make their life, even if it's just a little bit better in any way, that'll be enough for me. That sounds really cheesy and corny, but it's the truth. That's all I'm hoping to accomplish."
Sports

Cal Poly takes on Bulldogs tonight

By Amber Hodge
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

The Cal Poly baseball team won their series against San Jose this week-end, beating the Spartans twice before losing the third game Sunday. The Mustangs look to carry their recent momentum into tonight's game against Fresno State at Baggett Stadium.

While the Mustangs were playing the series from San Jose, the Bulldogs, ranked eleventh in the country, won the last game of their three-game series against Cal State Fullerton. Fresno's win in the last game of their series came after a four-game losing streak.

The Mustangs will send pitcher Greg Boych to the mound tonight. Boych has two wins and one loss on the season, with an ERA of 9.75. Last April, in a game against Fresno, Boych led the Mustangs to a win, holding Fresno to only six hits.

"For an opportunity to win, Boych matched the time for a day," head coach Racht Price said. "It's a great test."

It's the last trip to San Luis Obispo for Fresno Coach Bob Bennett, who will be retiring after this season, Price said.

Fresno has quality pitching, but since the Mustangs moved to Division I, they have had a great defense, especially in the infield, Price said. Although Fresno is in a different conference than Cal Poly, the coach noted the history between the two teams.

"It's a great rivalry for us," he said.

Men's lacrosse loses to UCSB

By Nadea Mina
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Despite a hearty defensive effort, the Cal Poly men's lacrosse team lost to UC Santa Barbara 6-11 on Saturday.

The teams were tied 4-4 at the half.

"The game remained tight until the fourth quarter, when the Gauchos pulled away for the win," said Matt Szabo, the Mustangs' lacrosse club president.

"I think UCSB has a stronger team," said Grant Middleton, Cal Poly's assistant coach. "It's the last trip to San Luis Obispo for us".

Middleton also said that the team's offense was sloppy and made many mistakes. Attackers couldn't hold the ball, and lost lots of yardage. Cal Poly repeatedly knocked itself out of the game.

Middleton also said that the team's offense was sloppy and made many mistakes. Attackers couldn't hold the ball, and lost lots of yardage. Cal Poly repeatedly knocked itself out of the game.

Most of the goals that were made by Cal Poly were from man-up situations. Of the six goals made by the Mustangs, three were made by fresh men Matt Ryan and Tim Casey. Jim Fipp also made two goals and Peter Peterson made one.

Men's lacrosse loses to UCSB

By Nadea Mina
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Despite a hearty defensive effort, the Cal Poly men's lacrosse team lost to UC Santa Barbara 6-11 on Saturday.

The teams were tied 4-4 at the half.

"The game remained tight until the fourth quarter, when the Gauchos pulled away for the win," said Matt Szabo, the Mustangs' lacrosse club president.

"I think UCSB has a stronger team," said Grant Middleton, Cal Poly's assistant coach. "It's the last trip to San Luis Obispo for us".

Middleton also said that the team's offense was sloppy and made many mistakes. Attackers couldn't hold the ball, and lost lots of yardage. Cal Poly repeatedly knocked itself out of the game.

Most of the goals that were made by Cal Poly were from man-up situations. Of the six goals made by the Mustangs, three were made by fresh men Matt Ryan and Tim Casey. Jim Fipp also made two goals and Peter Peterson made one.

Winter games are only snooze-worthy

Most college students do not have a lot of time on their hands. Juggling classes, homework, jobs and relationships is very demanding on anyone. Maybe those kinds of time commitments are why I've watched hardly any of the Winter Olympics, including the opening ceremonies. Or perhaps it is because the Winter Olympics is really hard to get into.

I am not discouraging anyone from watching the Olympics. I know everything the Olympics represent. When a friend of mine didn't want to see the torch come through Cal Poly last month because it's "only a flame," I set him straight. Many Americans see increased importance in the Olympics after Sept. 11, and that's fine as well. However, I'm sure a veteran Norwegian skier would tell you that this Olympics is no different than any other.

Let's face it though, folks — to a diehard sports fan, just isn't smart to watch the Olympic Games. However, I refuse to watch the Dave Matthews Band perform on the Olympics broadcast, which was the case Saturday night around midnight. If I want Dave Matthews Band, I'll watch VH1. If I want Olympics, I should see that on NBC's Olympic coverage. It's really quite simple.

The Olympic sometimes end up special, though. There's always something captivating. In 1992 it was the basketball "dream team," in '94 it was the Karring-Harding saga, in '96 it was Michael Johnson, in '98 it was the horrific crash and great recovery of skier Hermen Maier, and in 2000 it was Marion Jones' track victories and Tommy Lasorda leading the USA baseball team to gold. I can't explain it, but the Olympics are quite cool despite some of the flaws.

Until I find that event that really captivates me this year, though, I reserve the right to criticize the ceremonies. After all, NBA basketball will always be waiting.