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Poly student holds world record

Emmanuel Gentinetta, a journalism freshman, holds the Guinness World Record for biking the Pan-American Highway in the shortest amount of time. The Pan-American Highway is the longest road in the world.

By Sierra Zwald Fish
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Emmanuel Gentinetta had traveled 10,000 miles on his bike when he was hit by a bus in Lima, Peru, and dragged 15 feet. After suffering a displaced neck and back and tearing his right quad, Gentinetta, then just 18 years old, continued to chase the world record of biking the Pan-American Highway, the longest road in the world, in the shortest amount of time. Gentinetta accomplished this goal in 2000, and as of winter 2001, he became a journalism student at Cal Poly.

A typical high school graduate would fling their hat in the air and spend the next few months anticipating college. Gentinetta, however, had just completed one of the greatest adventures of his life.

Gentinetta accomplished this feat by living without an address. How some students find themselves homeless

By Cynthia Neff
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

For two months, Corey Henderson called his bed. He cooked, cleaned and generally helped out around the house in exchange for a place to call home.

But Henderson, a psychology senior, wasn't sleeping on the couch for kicks. He was living there because he couldn't find housing before the school year began.

He had returned to his hometown of Red Bluff, Calif., for the summer and depended on his roommates remaining in San Luis Obispo to find a house for fall quarter. Unfortunately, September rolled around before a contract was signed, and Henderson found himself homeless going into the new academic year.

Each year, students are forced to search for housing beginning as early as February or March for the following fall. However, realty companies such as Farrell Smith do not put out their rental lists until mid-April, giving students a limited amount of time to secure housing. For the students who don't find a place before the summer begins they often spend more time house hunting than studying.

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Brown said that the landlord had filled up all of the available spots, but since there had been no written contract, there was no legal action that the roommates could take.

Brown's roommates found themselves without a housing plan going into the summer. A few weeks later, after filling out applications and visiting places, they found another house. But when Brown phoned the property manager to check on their status, she told him that she couldn't decide between several interested parties and had chosen the first group who had applied. "She seemed so interested in us," Brown said. "And then she chose someone else." When such incidents occur, the majority of students choose to depend on a friend for housing rather than turning to a homeless shelter in town.

An employee at EOC Homeless Shelters, who preferred that her name not be used, said that she cannot recall a student ever living on the streets of SLO because of the ordinance or poor circumstances.

By Sarah Stephan
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

City and county officials recently passed a bioterror readiness plan that is preparing statewide health departments for such a disaster. Every county in California received a $50,000 grant from the state, which provides both new equipment and education to health officials.

By Carly Haseihuhn
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Since last fall's anthrax scare, the threat of bioterrorism still looms in everyone's mind. Even the deep city of San Luis Obispo is neither exempt from the risk of an attack nor unprepared for such a scenario.

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National Briefs

FBI names mailbox-bomb suspect
OMAHA — Investigators said Tuesday that they are seeking Luke John Helder, 22, as a suspect in the recent mailbox pipe bombings. The FBI has released an all-points bulletin for the suspect, described as being armed and dangerous, and last seen driving a gray Honda Accord with Minnesota license plates.

The announcement of the suspect was announced shortly after another bomb was found in Amarillo, Texas, with a letter attached. There have been 17 other bombs discovered in four other states. The earlier bombs were accompanied by anti-government notes that warned of future "attention getters." The latest bomb appears to be from the same source as the previous ones.

Profiling experts who inspected the earlier notes said that the suspect is most likely an older American male. Six people were injured by the bombs on Friday. There have been no additional reports of injury from the bombs.

Bombs have been discovered in Texas, Colorado, Nebraska, Illinois and Iowa.

— Associated Press

Anthrax became increasingly potent, say investigators
WASHINGTON — Federal investigators have made a new finding that adds to the mystery of the anthrax mail attacks this fall. The anthrax apparently grew more potent from one letter to the next, making the last letter, sent to Sen. Patrick J. Leahy of Vermont, the most threatening.

Investigators are now wondering if the perpetrator was an amateur who made gradual improvements to his methods, a professional who intentionally boosted the potency of the spore, or someone else completely.

Five people died as a result of the contamnated mail attacks.

Investigations have been able to determine that the letters came from the same source, but they still have no idea who the source is. However, they have been able to run tests to reveal the biological signature of the anthrax used in the mailings. Once that is determined, researchers will be better able to determine from which laboratory the spores came.

Investigators said that the spores in the Lehrr letter were finer than those sent in earlier letters and were almost pure. The anthrax powder in the earlier letters was coarser and heavily contaminated, with many of the spores being harmless and dead. The letters that accompanied the deadly powder warned those handling the letter to take penicillin, whereas the later, purer letters said "You Die" on the letter to take penicillin, whereas the later, purer letters said "You Die".

Both heterosexual and homosexual single people are allowed to adopt children on their own in Great Britain. If passed, the new bill would allow people to join courts of children despite marital status.

If passed, the bill would give the government the authority, through adoption, to grow up as part of a loving, stable and permanent family," said Health Secretary Alan Milburn.

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Art of raw fish, rice only a day away

By Dawn Rapp

Mustang Daily Staff Writer

Some would think that spending a Friday night breaking up seaweed, cutting raw fish and soaking your hands in rice-vinegar water isn't exactly what most people would want to be doing. But, maybe they would change their minds if they were taking the "One-day Sushi" class with Jon Kotowoski.

Kotowoski's three-hour class in Paso Robles taught everything from the history of sushi to how to throw your own sushi party. Kotowoski said that ever since he lived in Chiba, Japan, while serving in the U.S. Air Force, he has loved Japanese cuisine. "It's in my blood," Kotowoski said. "If people were rescue workers in past lives, I was the one that fed them."

Kotowoski said that many people are afraid to try sushi, but that there are simple types such as California rolls to items such as octopus and wasabi. The class offered basic lessons on making and "rolling" California rolls to creating more fun items such as the spicy tuna roll.

Kotowoski talked about the healthiness of a meal consisting of fish, seaweed and rice. "The health benefits outweigh everything," Kotowoski said. "Frying and boiling food causes it to lose a lot of the nutrients. The only thing cooked in sushi is the rice."

Kotowoski kept the class interesting and constantly busy. Once the students made one roll, they kept making rolls until the end of the night. All attendees agreed that they would apply at home what they learned in the class.

"I loved it," said student Corey Varin. "It was a lot of fun."

None of the students had ever made sushi, but all had eaten it at Japanese restaurants. Varin said that her favorite piece to make was the spicy tuna roll.

Sushi originated as a way of preserving fish in Japan and dates back more than 1,500 years. A few hundred years ago, it was said to be combined with cooked rice by Kyoto nobles.

In the class, students were taught how to prepare the rice "sticks," how to cut seaweed, how to prepare wasabi (a Japanese horseradish), hand rolls, fish egg rolls, raw tuna fish and rice and miso soup.

Sushi is based on the three elements of color, space and balance, Kotowoski said. Those three elements were continuously brought together in the class as students designed and created sushi plates.

Unfortunately, the class may be expensive for college students on a tight budget — it costs $75. But most students who attended said that it was worth the hefty fee. Students were given many sushi-making supplies and went home with trays of sushi and cups of miso soup. For example, I came home with five trays of sushi and two bags of sushi-making supplies.

Kotowoski's sushi expertise was apparent in the class. He attended the California Sushi Academy in Venice Beach and said he may begin working at Goshi's, a sushi restaurant set to open in Paso Robles. Goshi's is named after the owner of Tsuruyi Japanese Restaurant in San Luis Obispo.

Anyone interested in learning how to make sushi should contact Jon Kotowoski through the Cook's Loft at 239-1700.

Mosaics piece together a positive dining experience

By Renee Shadforth

Mustang Daily Staff Writer

People who walk by Mosaics for the first time may be slightly deceived. The fine-dining atmosphere, with the restaurant's marble tabletops and low romantic lighting, lends passersby to believe it's a pricey joint.

Looking a bit closer, there is a group of gentleness, wearing trousers and grabbing a bite before they head to the theater. At the table next to them sits a young couple, wearing short and sweatshirts, who happened upon this hidden treasure after a rough day of sightseeing up the coast.

Like the patrons, the menu is eclectic, with everything from grilled filet mignon to a vegetarian teriyaki bowl. There seems to be a little bit of everything.

Mosaics is just that kind of place. When Mosaics opened two and a half years ago in the railroad station on Osos Street, owners Steven and Heidi Hazell had a full staff of servers and chefs. Two years later, the sinking economy led them to re-evaluate their business and, in January, they had let their entire staff go. Now the husband and wife do it themselves.

Most of the people who go to Mosaics most likely don't know that the restaurant's owner is waiting on them.

"They probably think, 'Oh poor girl, she's the only waitperson there,' but really it's the owner," said Heidi Hazell, a Cal Poly grad, whose husband, Steven, is the executive chef.

Regardless, she said the restaurant is her passion, and that it is her husband's cooking that brings her back to work every day.

"He's very creative. I wouldn't still be here if it wasn't for Steven's cooking," she said. "He never ceases to amaze me. People come in and ask, 'Can you make me something that pairs with a tequila?’ or 'I can't eat diary,' and he'll make something wonderful."

Steven brings an education from the San Francisco Culinary Academy and 13 years of experience to Mosaics' kitchen. With the freshest ingredients, he makes everything from scratch — right down to the teriyaki sauce he uses to garnish some of his plates.

Each plate is a new experience, creatively presented and rich in flavor. The salads are hearty, full-meal dishes. Steven's duck salad, which will be featured in 'Bon Appetit' magazine in a few months, is prepared with tender, slow-roasted duck and chopped spinach tossed with tomato, a warm pancetta and red wine vinaigrette.

The shrimp perecopeus, a creative twist on traditional popcorn shrimp, is fried black tiger shrimp wrapped with shredded fiddle dough and served on peach sweet hot sauce and banana molasses ketchup.

Because nothing is pre-made, Steven said he encourages anyone who doesn't see something they like on the menu to ask him to prepare something that they might enjoy.

Mosaics also offers a variety of red and white wines from local vineyards. Wine by the glass averages about $5. Even though it is possible to have a five-course, wine-paired dinner at Mosaics, Steven said many of Mosaics' patrons come in to enjoy a glass of wine and an appetizer on the patio.

"The experience here is what you make it," he said. "You aren't coming in here and being stuck to spending a lot of money if you don't want to. If you just want to come into a place that has a nice atmosphere. You'll get just as much attention from us."
Recipe of the Week

Herb-grilled salmon sandwiches

Ingredients:
- 2 tbsp. dijon mustard
- 2 tbsp. fresh lemon juice
- 1 tbsp. chopped fresh thyme
- 1 tbsp. chopped fresh rosemary
- 1/2 tsp. ground black pepper
- 4 (4-ounce) salmon filets

To prepare the salmon, in a small bowl, combine mustard, lemon juice, thyme, rosemary and pepper. Brush mixture over both sides of grilled or under broiler and cook four minutes per side, or until fork-tender and cooked through. When ready to serve, place salmon filets on toasted sesame buns stacked with fresh lettuce and large tomato slices.

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Opinion

Diverse skin colors don’t guarantee perspective Editor,

I would like to address Kelly Leong’s concern about racial diversity and racism (“Racism still persists; diversity is necessary,” May 6). None of us are immune or innocent to racism. We are all affected by it, and we are all guilty of it, whether it is mild or radical. It is a human reaction, to be sure, but not normal or not ideal in any way. It never has and never will completely go away.

I never denied that racism and discrimination exist at Cal Poly. What I did deny was that I was a racist. I look for diversity based on skin color because different skin colors do not mean different life experiences. What I tried to imply was that racial diversity, which in most cases means skin color diversity, does not guarantee a schlep to blatant racism.

I grew up as a minority in my religion, my income, my family, my experiences, and my racial background, yet I am a majority in my skin color. In my eyes, I am a minority. In the eyes of those who impose racial quotas as a form of increasing racial diversity, I am considered a majority.

I have experienced racism, but none of the racism I have experienced has had anything to do with my true race, but instead my skin color. It never mattered what my history was, it never mattered how I grew up. The only thing that caused the racism was my skin color.

You seem to claim that a variety of perspectives will help erase blatant racism, and I agree, but will skin color diversity give us that wonderful variety of perspectives? The only way to gain a variety of perspectives is by allowing them individually. Diversity never results from generalizations.

Daniel Toone is a materials engineering sophomore.

Shaquille O’Neal for president Editor,

I am writing in response to Andy Fahy’s commentary about the Lakers (“Laker hoops in full swing for playoffs,” May 6). As a Lakers fan I was furious after reading the article. The most ridiculous statement Fahy made is that “Without the big fella, the Lakers are nothing but a mediocre team.” What about the Spurs? Are they a great team without Tim Duncan? And how about the Kings without Chris Webber? Besides that, Shaq is on the Lakers and probably is going to be there for the rest of his career. So, is there really any sense in judging the Lakers without Shaq? No, it isn’t Fahy who states that the Lakers’ roster is full of “a bunch of guys who are past their prime.” Wow, that is very interesting. I guess you don’t need good players to win back-to-back championships in the NBA. How about Utah, Denver, the Kings’ starting center! I suppose he isn’t past his prime, if he ever even had a prime. And what about Chris Webber, the Kings superstar? He has been “choking” big games ever since his days at Michigan. Let’s hope that the Sacramento Kings can put away the Dallas Mavericks and get the privilege of playing the Lakers in the third round. Shaq is the most dominating player in the NBA, he will make sure they win another championship. I can’t wait to hear all of the Kings fans’ reactions when they get smoked. Go Lakers!

Tony Lombardi is a civil engineering junior.

How do I know the Bible is true? Editor,

In her letter, “Evidence needs more than one shoe” (May 6), Carrie Mansfield was not satisfied by the evidence given by Zac Marshall. I would hope you would give more evidence that would be good reasons for one to trust the Bible.

I’m going to give an archaological example: the oldest existing copies of the most famous Greek poems and essays are from 800 to 1,000 years more recent than the original, and the oldest copies of some of the New Testament books are from 90 to 80 years later than the original scripts. On the basis of that information, then, the Bible should be trusted at least as much as the Greek literature, which is so revered today.

I hope we can both agree up to this point in arguing the Bible’s validity from the information above, but there is more external evidence. Recent discoveries have validated the historical integrity of the Bible, causing many archaeologists, who once had a poor regard for the Bible, to turn from a bias against it to a scientific respect for it. For example, in Genesis 15:20 a group of people called the “Hittites” is mentioned. For centuries, people laughed at the Bible for containing Greek classics are unfaithful to the original and should be thrown away. In contrast to that, the oldest copies of many Old Testament books are only 400 years more recent than the original, and the oldest copies of some another championship. I can’t wait to hear all of the Kings fans’ reactions when they get smoked. Go Lakers!

Patrick Betadam is a biochemistry major.

Christians don’t ignore examples of others Editor,

After reading Steven Barton’s letter yesterday (“Word faith” was misused,” May 6), I would make the assumption that he is an atheist. He states in this letter that “Instead of looking toward an imaginary being (that has a small and unlikely chance of existing) for guidance and for decision-making, why not look at our friends and family?”

First, I would venture to point out that a human being has less of a chance of existing than some “imaginary being.”

Second, I would like to say that the idea of evolving into the complex proteins, cells, tissues and organs that compose a human being is so astronomical, it’s almost laughable.

The idea of spontaneous generation was put to rest with Louis Pasteur over a century ago, and the only “proof” offered for it ever since has been the experiments of Stanley Miller, who created proteins from a soup of methane, ammonia, and hydrogen. Scientists from NASA have since shown that this was a false representation and the early earth had an atmosphere of water, carbon dioxide and nitrogen.

As to his point about looking to friends, family, and one’s subconscious for decision-making, rather than God, I would like to point out that Christians do look to their friends and family. We know that God is in control of our lives, but that doesn’t make us mindless automatons who depend on Him for the answers to every little problem. Mr. Barton, I recommend that you get your hands on a copy of Lee Strobel’s “The Case For The Faith.”

Sara Stovall is a history freshman and a Christian (for those who hadn’t guessed).

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moving into a house, the first in
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fruit science senior. "If they want to
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go to the places that are selling
underage drinks." The main purpose of the ordinance is to reduce
underage drinking by putting pressure on those conducting the
event, said Mayor Allen Settle. There are two underlying purposes
that concern the alcohol ordinance
and they generally learn from that
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and the alcohol prices could become
an issue in the future.
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the issue of the academic year, but her close
friends offered her a couch and a
kitchen cabinet for however long
she needed. Gipe used the housing
board in the University Union to
contact students who had rooms for
rent, and although she found sever­
al opportunities, some were less
than desirable.
"There were total hole-in-the­
wall places for $600," she said.
At last, Gipe found the perfect
home, located downtown, and she
then knew that she'd made the
tough decision to leave her position
as a RA.
But some students aren't as lucky
as Henderson, Brown and Gipe.
"I noticed a lot of students
who had rooms for rent on a friend's
couch... because they couldn't find housing. It is even
harder to find housing halfway through the year when there aren't
as many openings," Gipe said. "It's a problem that's becoming more
common."
Women's water polo takes second at nationals

By Aaron Lambert

The Cal Poly women's water polo team finished second in the national finals last weekend. The Mustangs lost in sudden-death overtime to Michigan State.

"It hurt because it was a lucky shot that hit the post," said Carolyn Daly. "They were the ones that had their title to uphold."

The Mustangs' season was not a disappointment. Throughout the morning practices, the afternoon workouts and practices, Bishop said, "We always knew we could do it."

Bishop said that the season was not a disappointment. "No season is ever a waste," Bishop said. "We play water polo because we love it, not because we want to win. Winning is just a bonus."