**Getting Lucky:** A cheap night-out takes daters to the local drive-in theater.

**Unrivaled Rivalry:** Volleyball takes on UCSB, 15

**TODAY'S WEATHER**

High: 74°
Low: 51°

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**LGBC Center to open on National Coming Out Day**

_By Chrissy Roth_  
**MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER**

National Coming Out Day, celebrated this Friday, will mark a new beginning for many students at Cal Poly. The day was established 14 years ago to encourage homosexuals to reveal their sexual orientation to their loved ones, family, friends and co-workers.

National Coming Out Day will coincide with the opening of Pride Alliance: The LGBT (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender) Center, a place where straight or gay people can visit if they have an interest in learning about different sexual orientations, said Pat Harris, center’s coordinator.

The center was created as an offshoot of the GLBU – Gays, Lesbians and Bisexuals United – which has been a prominent campus club. Members of the GLBU decided an educational program would be

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**Depression tests available for students in UU**

_By Laura Dietz_  
**MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER**

Cal Poly employees, students and their families are invited to learn more about depression today as a part of National Depression Screening Day.

“The advantage of Cal Poly participating is that it’s an excellent outreach to let the campus community know there are services and counselors available,” said Bob Negm, projects coordinator for Health and Counseling Services.

“Otherwise, students will believe they have to suffer in silence or go elsewhere for help.”

A table will be set up in the University Union plaza from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m., and representatives from Health and Counseling Services will have information about symptoms and treatment of depression as well as a written self-test.

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**Foreign exchange intern comes to SLO**

_By Lisa Olmo_  
**MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER**

After Cal Poly has sent numerous students abroad to participate in international internships, a student from a foreign country has finally come to Cal Poly to intern.

AIESEC, a student-run exchange organization that sends students on international internships, has facilitated a trip for Czech citizen Ales Vancura to come to the United States and intern at the Ocean Breeze Inn of Pismo Beach.

AIESEC is the second-largest international non-profit organization in the world, said business senior Anne Morrison, president of Cal Poly’s AIESEC chapter.

“The main goal of AIESEC is to run an international exchange program and give students a cultural exchange opportunity,” Vancura said.

This year is the first opportunity that the Cal Poly chapter has had to bring a foreign student to the Central Coast. Morrison said the Ocean Breeze Inn was willing to sponsor the internship for Vancura, which means that it agreed to pay him a livable wage for his year-long visit. This has been an issue in the past, Morrison said.

Vancura was the vice president of AIESEC in the Czech Republic at his ales Vancura is the only intern AIESEC has brought to SLO.

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**Agriculture secretary visits Poly campus**

_By Sara Howell_  
**MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER**

California Secretary of Agriculture William J. Lyons will stop at Cal Poly today as part of his two-day trek across the state to promote Gov. Gray Davis’ “Buy California” campaign.

As one of only six stops on Lyons’ visit throughout the state, Cal Poly will host a press conference at which Lyons will announce the regional recipients of $7 million in grants aimed at promoting specialty crop production, said Andy Carlton, assistant director of advancement for the College of Agriculture.

“We are hopeful that we will be a winner,” Carlton said. “The information is being kept secret to delay the surprise.”

The California Department of Food and Agriculture received more than 700 applications for the grants.

Of those, 250 proposals and requests for funds specifically directed to aid the production of specialty crops moved on to review committees, said Larry Cooper, senior public information officer for the CDA.

Specialty staff committees then reviewed and ranked the projects, making recommendations to Lyons, who made the final decision, Cooper said.

Applicants included industry associations, co-ops and institutions such as Cal Poly. Lyons granted funding to 52 of the requests.

Cal Poly submitted four or five requests, said Michael Barr, director of advancement for the College of Agriculture. The requests, authored by faculty, covered a variety of agricultural-related areas.

“We submitted requests for programs in the area of agricultural literacy and program support for government policy,” Barr said.

Barr said he remains hopeful that Cal Poly will receive some funding for the submitted proposals.

“These were excellent proposals designed to meet some of the California agricultural issues,” he said.

The CDFA chose Cal Poly as one of Lyons’ destinations because of its location and reputation, Cooper said.

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**Jimmy takes bite out of Poly**

_By Crystal Myers_  
**MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER**

Mesa, Ariz.-based Jimmy Eat World performed Tuesday night at the Cal Poly Rec Center. After the band’s stop in San Luis Obispo, they headed to San Francisco for a performance last night.

In November, the band will head to Europe to promote their latest self-titled release. For a complete review, see page 12.

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**TODAY'S WEATHER**

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Center gives pet-lovers opportunities

By William Reitz

A ferret was one of the many attendees at Maxwell Conn's speech.

With Sachar's help, the vet center has hosted two guest speakers this quarter and has a third on the agenda. About 30 people attended the vet center Tuesday night to hear speaker Maxwell Conn, a local veterinarian and graduate of the Virginia Maryland Regional College of Veterinary Medicine. Also in attendance were a ferret, a Chihuahua and a snake, and they were just audience members. Conn discussed animal husbandry, or "pet-care," for the layman. He talked about all aspects of buying, caring for and treating small animals most commonly seen in private practice. Conn shared some case studies, discussed problems owners of these types of pets may typically encounter and answered questions.

But the love of animals is not enough in the veterinary business, Conn said. "When I actually get into practice, I quickly realized that you actually deal with a lot of humans, so some psychology is involved too," Conn said. On Oct. 22 at 5:30 p.m., the vet center will host guest speaker Jayne Robinson, a pharmaceutical representative from the MWD Drug Company. She will discuss employment opportunities in the animal health field and classes that are important for students to take in order to prepare for veterinary-related careers.

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"We wanted to identify grant recipients throughout the state and specifically identify the recipients in each region," Cooper said. "Cal Poly fell in a region that had grant recipients. Also, Cal Poly is a well-respected agriculture institution."

The conference includes a display of regional specialty crops, including tomatoes, corn, peppers, flowers and honey.

The "Buy California" program, announced by Davis at the urging of agricultural institutions in the state, aims to increase the amount of consumption of agricultural products in California.

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National Briefs

Record show, U.S. conducted open-air biological, chemical weapons tests

WASHINGTON — The United States secretly tested chemical and biological weapons on American soil during the 1960s, newly declassified Pentagon reports show.

The tests included releasing deadly nerve agents in Alaska and spraying weapons tests. In tests at the Michigan State Police Crime Lab, however, the coasters failed to react clearly to drinks made from drinks made with gamma hydroxybutyrate, a major date-rape drug known as GHB, said forensic scientist Anne Gierekson.

A federal task force recently estimated that college drinking leads to an estimated 27,000 sexual assaults or rapes annually.

International Briefs

Malaysian judge orders deportation of suspected militant

KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia (AP) — A Malaysian judge refused Wednesday to delay the deportation of an American citizen wanted in the United States for allegedly conspiring to support Osama bin Laden's terrorist network.

The High Court ruling means the nation's highest court to review his conviction for having drugs in his system when she spent a sleepless night dancing at a topless bar, using the hallucinogenic stimulant Ecstasy and smoking marijuana at a state park before driving 50 miles back to Las Vegas.

High Court Judge Augustine Paul refused to extend the temporary stay he granted Tuesday allowing Bilal's attorney to show why his client should not be deported.

After Dabhan presented his case Paul sided with the government, ruling that the United States had revoked Bilal's passport, making him an illegal alien in Malaysia and subject to deportation at the discretion of immigration authorities.

Paul refused to consider bail.

Former Vegas stripper appeals fatal car crash case to Supreme Court

LAS VEGAS — A former Las Vegas stripper wants the nation's highest court to review her conviction for having drugs in her system when she crashed her van in a freeway median, killing six teenagers.

Decoding drinks that can detect 'date-rape drugs' may backfire, drug experts say

SAN JOSE, Calif. — Colleges around the country are buying millions of coasters that test for date-rape drugs in drinks. But some experts say the coasters are ineffective and could lead to more assaults by creating a false sense of security.

The manufacturers who also make fake snow and party foam sold the 40-cent paper coasters are 95 percent accurate. The coasters have test spots that are supposed to turn dark blue in about 30 seconds if a splash of alcohol contains drugs often used to incapacitate victims.

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U.S. planes bomb Iraqi site in northern no-fly zone

ANKARA, Turkey — U.S. warplanes bombarded missile launchers in Iraq's northern no-fly zone on Wednesday, with American military officials calling them a threat to air patrols over the restricted zone.

The strike brought to 47 the number of days this year that such bombings were reported by the United States and the United Kingdom coalition, whose mission is to patrol two zones set up to protect Iraqi minorities following the 1991 Gulf War.

Coalition planes targeted precision-guided weapons at an "immensely hostile surface-to-air missile system" Iraqis had set up northwest of Mosul in the northern zone, said a statement from the U.S. European Command.

The system included two missile launchers, an official at the Pentagon said on condition of anonymity. He said Iraqis did not fire on coalition planes but their presence in the zone was a threat to the pilots who patrolled.

Iraq considers the patrols a violation of its sovereignty and frequently shoots at the planes.

Briefs compiled from the Associated Press wire service by Mustang Daily staff writer Andrea Svevorda.
beneficial by informing others about the myths associated with homosexuality, especially after encountering hostility last year during the conflict regarding the "P." The LGBT Center will open its doors Friday at noon for its open house.

Keynote speaker Christian de la Huerta will discuss racial and sexual politics and how they relate to spirituality. De la Huerta, an immigrant from Cuba, lectures to various audiences about different religions, their traditions and their attitudes toward homosexuality.

He uses his personal accounts and his views on diversity to expand others' perceptions of what it is like to be an "outsider" in society today, said Mark Fabionar, Multicultural Center coordinator.

"I think the interesting thing about him is that he has had interesting experiences," Fahionar said. "He has a unique perspective on spirituality because of his background and how he immigrated here.

De la Huerta will begin his discussion at 5:30 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center, room 124. De la Huerta is no stranger to helping others find their inner spirituality. His book, "Coming Out Spiritually: The Next Step," was ranked by Publishers Weekly magazine as one of the top 10 religious books of 1999, according to the Campuspeak Web site.

He also hosts an online radio show called "Spirit Wave.

Along with these achievements, De la Huerta is the founder and executive director of Q-Spirit, an international network of gay and lesbians who seek to claim their spiritual roles of service, leadership and community enrichment.

"We're delighted to have him speak to us on National Coming Out Day," Harris said. "This will help give the center the importance it deserves." National Coming Out Day was created to celebrate the first anniversary of the 1987 March on Washington for Lesbian and Gay Rights. Which marked the debut of the AIDS quilt display. The Pride Alliance Center's open house will be from 12 p.m. to 2 p.m. Other events for opening day of the center will include a ribbon-cutting ceremony and remarks by GLBU President Mike Sullivan and Robert Detersler, former vice president for Student Affairs. Gov. Gray Davis' wife is also scheduled to stop by the center when she visits the campus Friday afternoon.

The Pride Alliance Center is located in the portable building along South Polyview Drive, between the University Union and building 52, near the observatory.
College life.

Between homework and exams, there’s little time left for love and romance. Couple that with a student’s finances, and romance flourishes about as well as bacteria in a frozen petri dish. These time and budget constraints severely limit our pursuit of amour. But don’t fret—the Mustang Daily has come around with some creative “Cheap Date” ideas to help you ignite something without sapping your funds.

SOURCE: REBECCA FOWES AND LAUREN CHASE
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By Rebecca Howes
 Seconds Daily Staff Writer

Chad only in a needle, smoking a cigar and sipping on a Grey Goose martini, I wait for the heavenly vision of Reese Witherspoon to fill out the movie screen. I'd be content to wait patiently, but I'm constantly distracted by a missing piece of screen about the size of a door. I couldn't be anywhere else but at the Sunset Drive-in, where $20 covers eats and a movie. It is the ultimate cheap date.

The evening begins as it always does at the Sunset: I drive up thinking it looks closed. The neon sign, usually only partially lit up, offers a simple version of Scrabble that even the most fried brain could work with. I worry that they have decided to make this dinosaur into a full-time swap meet. But then I get to the little ticket booth and the nice woman there assures me that this fear is unfounded with three simple words: "Enjoy the show."“On impulse, I open my window to reach out and grab the speaker. Some old-school habit.Quick to cover my tracks, I wave my hand in the air and comment on what a beautiful night it is."

Once inside, I see that the place is crawling with adults and children, like ants at a picnic. The vibe in the place is electric. This is a photo that plagues me wherever I go. It says: "you are late" or "you are in the wrong spot."

To curb my anxiety, I always try to pick the same place to park. 1'm in the center row and to the left of the snack bar. My date Sarah assures me that we have arrived at the perfect time, and that this spot is the cream of the crop.

For reassuring me, she earns extra good date points that can be redeemed for treats at the snack bar later. On impulse, I open my window to reach out and grab the speaker. Some old-school habits die-hard. Quick to cover my tracks, I wave my hand in the air and comment on what a beautiful night it is. We settle in and decide what's for dinner. On cue, dancing treats sing the lullaby of the snack bar from the screen. "Let's all go to the lobby. Let's all go to the lobby and get ourselves a treat," they say.

We sing along and decide that it's time for us to enjoy a heart-stopping, artery-clogging, stroke-inducing feast. The waitress must be on a break, so we take it upon ourselves to venture into the lobby. The lighting is dim and to me I'm drugged. The aroma of popcorn and hot dogs fills the air. Pinball machines beckon for quarters while a Terminus 2 does duty to make Arnold's day. Food takes precedence to fun, and I stare at the menu. I decide on the special of the evening: a hot dog with relish, ketchup and mustard. The bun reminds me of an orange houses in Avila as a child. Sarah carefully selects stale chips with a warm, rubbery cheese sauce and dashes the extra good date points for a bag of overpriced, well-handled plain M&M's, the package creased with white crinkles.

Back in the track, we dine like vulgates on a carcass; the best crime lab in the country could not identify the remnants. The food puts me into a cholesterol coma, immobilized, I stare up at the screen and smile. The movie flutters on the screen like a ghost in a haunted house before I realize the previews are over.

Moments into the movie, we are both laughing loudly. This is the drive-in. Laughing like a hyena isn't usually only allowed, it's encouraged. Snuggling is key to the ultimate drive-in experience. I must warn, however, that it can lead to other things... like dancing. Dancing is allowed at the drive-in.

Hell, everything is allowed at the drive-in, which makes it the most affordable and fun places to go on a date.

After all, where else can you eat, watch two movies and fog up the windows for under $20?

By Lauren Chase
 Stylist Daily Staff Writer

If be the first to say it, I am a cheap date... but I wasn't always this way. The turning point came when I went on a first date to Chassep's in Pismo. We waited for what seemed like an eternity to eat ordinary, over-priced food. As I worried about which fork to use and whether or not I had salad wedged between my teeth, I realized that this anxiety was taking precedence over our conversation.

When it was all said and done, my date paid the bill, we drove back to town, and he dropped me off at 10 p.m.— on a Saturday night. Ouch.

But, actually, I was surprisingly relieved. Dinner dates can be so dreadfully awkward because more often than not they are filled with polite conversation and "Can you pass this, that or the other?" The question must be asked. Just what makes a good date? When I think back on my track record of successful dates, I try to recall just what brings a smile to my face. Romance and friendship— but never casting aside adventure. The few dates I still daydream about consist of comfort and conversation and never was there a large bill to pay. Since coastal San Luis Obispo County offers creative dating alternatives to pricey meals, I begin to wonder why money is needed to impress when a beautiful sunset would suffice. So set the wallet aside and let your imagination run away with stuff to do. What better place to start a date than at the beach? My personal choice is Avila because you often have a large part of the beach to yourself. All you need is a blanket and a football. A day at the beach invites nothing but relaxation. With your toes in the sand and the crashing waves teasing your ears, you see Cheap, page 7

Drive-in offers movies, romance, dancing treats

One part Farmers Market and one part beach - cool ingredients for cheap date

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**Events**

**Friday, Oct. 11**  
Felonious brings their unusual fusion of hip-hop and something-else-entirely-but-we-can't-put-our-finger-on-it sound to SLO Brew. Tickets $5

**Friday, Oct. 11**  
Acoustic dous Passenger and Messenger gently, yet firmly rock Linnaeas on Garden street. Show starts at 8:30 p.m.

**Saturday, Oct. 12**  
Free dress rehearsal at 1 p.m. for sold out debut of the San Luis Obispo Symphony. Tickets for the 8 p.m. performance were snapped up weeks ago, but you can still see it if you don't mind the social stigma attached to attending a "dress rehearsal." Don't worry, no one will recognize you in your Saturday afternoon best. Now of course a trip to Avila beach would be a great, affordable way to take in the work of Beethoven and Strauss. Check it out at the Performing Arts Center's Christopher Cohan Center in San Luis Obispo.

**Saturday, Oct. 12**  
Singer songwriter Kristen Rose does the cafe thing at Linnaeas on Garden Street at 8:30 p.m.

**Saturday, Oct. 12**  
Downtown San Luis Obispo experiences a taste of Italy when the I Madonnari festival, or the street painting celebration, comes to town.

**Saturday, Oct. 12**  
Look under your feet for some great chalk drawings. The festival goes from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, and Sunday, Oct. 13.

**Saturday Oct. 12**  
Those of you wanting to dress up and scare small children should check out the Zen Room presentation of The Rocky Horror Picture Show at Cal Poly Theatre. Come dressed as your favorite character and partake in the pre-show contest. Win stuff! 11:30 p.m.

Mary Donnelly's World Dance Troupe performs at this year's Jade Festival in Big Sur. Join them at Pacific Valley School at 4 p.m. For information call 473-9508

**Saturday, Oct. 12**  
Mary Donnelly's World Dance Company joins The Tribal Mundo Dancers and The Bayati Dance Ensemble for the Big Sur Jade Festival. The World Dance Company and Studio is celebrating its fifth year and plans to bust out some new moves at the Jade Festival.

**Saturday, Oct. 12**  
The Bayati Tribal Mundo Dancers and Company and Performer's Works by artist Mary Heebner come to Poly. See Thursday.

**Sunday, Oct. 13 St.**  
Stephen's Church San Luis Obispo Acoustic guitar great Ed Gerhard does his thing. Info at 543-7212

**Thursday Oct. 17**  
Mary Heebner presents "Ancient Presences" at the University Art Gallery. The show consists of a stunning collection of paintings and photographs which draw their inspiration from the natural and ancient worlds.

**Saturday Oct. 12-21**  
The 14th annual Learning Disabilities Conference Art Show will feature local artist Pamela Seely at the Cuesta Art Gallery. Gallery hours are Monday through Friday 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. and Sat. 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

**14. electric-tiki-willie**  
"Grand Fun" or something-that-kicks-the-ass-of-those-other-Kraftwerk-ripoffs

**91.3 KCPR Top Thirteen**

1. Black Heart Procession  
2. Beck  
3. Ladytron  
4. Pixies  
5. Thievery corporation  
6. Happy Supply  
7. Hot Hot Heat  
8. Spoon  
9. The Apples in Stereo  
10. Great Lakes  
11. Felix Da Housecat  
12. Sleater-Kinney  
13. Nate the Skate

Ladytron puts forth their second effort in an album blending all the fun of 80s synth and distorted vocal with a jaded ennui into something creepy, but slight twist of "dance." All this mixes into something lots of people are calling "Electroclash." Just call it "Grand Fun" or something-that-kicks-the-ass-of-those-other-Kraftwerk-ripoffs

-Paul Sittig

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two easily become in sync, drenching each other in curious conversation. Just as the breeze picks up, the two of you can make your escape. Now of course a trip to Avila beach would not be complete without a candy apple snow cone, although root beer cream.

With 7 p.m. approaching, hit 101 back to San Luis Obispo, exit Santa Rosa Street and find your way to the parking garage. Thursday night displays this college town in its brightest moment. As Farmer's Market lights up Higuera Street, the date heats up. Physical closeness to one another is essential to avoid getting lost in the sea of people.

Now, hand-in-hand with absolutely no destination in mind, the two of you wander down the festive street, stopped by curious friends flashing taunting smiles.

The frosting on the cake would consist of strawberries and Bali's frozen yogurt. A basket of fresh strawberries can only bring passion to a date...and what is more romantic than sitting on a quite curb in the night winds down, sharing some yogurt and feeding each other delectable berries. Now if only you had whipped cream.

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**Total Cost**

- **Beach:**  
  - Free
- **Snow cones:**  
  - $4
- **Farmer's Market:**  
  - Free
- **Strawberries:**  
  - $3 per basket
- **Bali's Frozen Yogurt:**  
  - $4
- **Dinner:**  
  - Who needs it?

Total: $9
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Celeb obsessions not just for teens

Josh Hartnett is ruining my sex life. In my room, he has become as omnipresent as oxygen. Last Monday, my eyelids drooped on a day when I wasn't paying attention, he shrugged into my room and plastered himself all over the place. Posters, pictures and clippings cover every available space, his brown eyes looking down at me as he lounges shirtless. Magazines on my coffee table, flopped casually open to his article with a pair of scissors innocently laying near. I go to Blockbuster to rent "Moonstruck," but always leave with "Black Hawk Down" and "Pearl Harbor."

My real-life relationships suffer; the sprawling collages freak people out and I can't focus on the boys I meet. Josh darling, you're suffocating me.

When I was thirteen and had a painful crush on Green Day (let us never speak of that again), I hoped that I would never have to experience that kind of teenage love again. But when I woke up one morning and found my bulletin board littered with pictures of Marky Mark, Dustin Diamond, Timberlake, Jad Law and hundreds of Baywatch signs, I knew something was wrong.

"Aren't you a little old for this?" my mother asked when I bought three Russell Crowe posters.

"Not!" I snapped. "One day, when I'm famous and he's taking me to the awards instead of that piglet Meg Ryan, you'll be sorry!" I was a sad defensive over my elderly adolescent crushes, and its only getting worse.

"Why is Josh with that awful girl from Minnesota? She looks like a90s teen idol!" If he were to meet me, we'd feel completely

ly in love!" As I slip further into my Tiger Beat delusions, I wonder if anyone else my age feels the same way.

"You know who I love!" says my stud of a neighbor Billy.

"That chick from the Old Navy commercials."

I wrinkle my nose, "Who, Morgan Fairchild? She's like fifty.

"I don't care, that thing she does with her hips. Oh, man," he says, his eyes glassing over as he hums the "Old Navy

a fantasy, Britney will spark an eating disorder. The "Slave 4

me" video made me never want to eat again.

"I've never gotten smaller, the poor get poorer

more lenient on our celebrity criminals when it comes to

the inevitable consequences bestowed upon them by a court of

law. While this seems to be the case for everyday people, why
does this not appear to hold true for celebrities? It seems like

every other week we hear about another celebrity who thinks
he or she is above the law. From celebrities to the media,
the spotlight on this is unwarranted.

Winona Ryder is a prime example of this recurring phenom-
on. Not only is she not embarrassed about her shopping
wrongs, but she also can be seen walking into "Seven Deadly Sins

making jokes about her legal boat before promoting her new

movie. At the same time celebrities appear to think that they are higher than

the courts, it is apparent that they are not the only ones

that believe this is true. Judges, juries and prosecutors are

constantly more lenient on our celebrity criminals when it comes to

dropping down significant charges and sentences.

The evidence is in the cases themselves.

1. Winona Ryder: After allegedly shoplifting more than

$10,000 worth of clothes from a Beverly, California clothing

store, Ryder's case was delayed for the fifth time due to a suspi-

cious brown button. It kind of makes you wonder if she ever

face her sentence.

2. Allen Iverson: During the summer, the Philadelphia

76ers guard supposedly battled into his cousin's apartment

waving an unlicensed gun. While the original charges Against

Iverson carried a maximum sentence of more than 50 years,

As the all-powerful United States, we cover this vicious

As a nice slap on the hand for you, Mr. Iverson. Get back on the basketball court to keep rakin' in the big bucks.

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New baby drop-off laws protect lives

With their dewy pink cheeks, silky warm skin and delicate fingers, newborn babies are human life at its purest. Although I am years from being ready to have a child of my own, I often let my mind drift to thoughts of the day when I will have my own baby.

The thought of being responsible for another human being is rather daunting, but I am confident that I will make a good mom someday.

But what about young girls, teens and even women who get pregnant by their partners but don't have this confidence? Often, the responsibility of bringing a life into the world petrifies them for reasons that they will never understand.

These confused, troubled, and scared women do the will care for the child.

Many states are considering baby drop-off laws, which offer mothers another alternative to baby abandonment.

The law, which was created in September 2000 by Rep. Jodie Haydon (D-Ky) and later signed into law by Gov. Gray Davis, allows a mother to legally abandon an unwanted newborn in a hospital, without asking any questions asked.

The idea of being responsible for another human life, rather than focusing on the response is a combination of fear and lack of education many people do not take care of it. Now that there are no more detentions, it doesn't make it okay to litter. The people who clean this place are not our mascots and badgers. Let's pick up our own messes.

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I do agree that all colleges in Cal Poly should receive adequate funding. I am not going to start a campaign to eliminate all non-polytechnic majors. I do find it frustrating that I am going to one of the two state colleges that are designated to specialize in engineering and applied sciences, and I hear about students in other majors that are complaining about not getting enough extra funding for their departments. Just like I chose a school that would give me the education and experience I need to have a successful career in my field, I expect other students to do the same.

Kylee Wright is a mechanical engineering senior.

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I think it is time for Cal Poly students to step it up and take care of the place where we will all spend so much of our time. The scenery of this campus is absolutely breathtaking, but seriously ruined when people do not take care of it. Now that there are no more detentions, it doesn't make it okay to litter. The people who clean this campus are not our mascots and badgers. Let's pick up our own messes.

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Call it emo. Call it power-pop. Hell, call it alt-country with a new-wave twist if you want to. Just know that, no matter what you call it, Jimmy Eat World delivered pure rock to the Rec Center on Tuesday night. Even if pure rock wasn’t what you were expecting, you had no choice but to sing along and enjoy the frenetic atmosphere, complete with between-band crowd surfing and slow-song moshing.

Besides, how often is it that a rock show comes to Cal Poly, anyway?

And what would a rock show be without the opening bands? Reuben’s Accomplice kicked off the evening for those who showed up early (8 p.m. was printed on the ticket; Reuben was jamming by 7:30). Mixing tempo changes and powerful drumbeats, this band kept it low key for those who showed up early (8 p.m. was printed on the ticket; Reuben was jamming by 7:30). Mixing tempo changes and powerful drumbeats, this band kept it low key for those who showed up early (8 p.m. was printed on the ticket; Reuben was jamming by 7:30). Mixing tempo changes and powerful drumbeats, this band kept it low key for those who showed up early (8 p.m. was printed on the ticket; Reuben was jamming by 7:30). Mixing tempo changes and powerful drumbeats, this band kept it low key for those who showed up early (8 p.m. was printed on the ticket; Reuben was jamming by 7:30). Mixing tempo changes and powerful drumbeats, this band kept it low key for those who showed up early (8 p.m. was printed on the ticket; Reuben was jamming by 7:30). Mixing tempo changes and powerful drumbeats, this band kept it low key for those who showed up early (8 p.m. was printed on the ticket; Reuben was jamming by 7:30). Mixing tempo changes and powerful drumbeats, this band kept it low key for those who showed up early (8 p.m. was printed on the ticket; Reuben was jamming by 7:30).

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And more clarity the crowd received. "For Me This Is Heaven" brought on a beautiful, starry backdrop for the band to play against, perfectly mirroring Atkins' crooning "Can you still feel the butterflies/Can you still hear the last goodnight."

One of the standout moments of the show, it was classic Jimmy Eat World songs like these that showed the band's true talent and undeniable knack for a melody.

So the evening went, with the band nicely balancing songs from "Clarity" and Jimmy Eat World, even throwing in some rarities like "Rockstar" from the band's "Static Prevails" record or the scant-played "Just Watch the Fireworks." Other highlights included the build-and-breakout rendition of "Gets it Faster," complete with a ferocious, screaming guitar riff in the breakdown. "...It is clear what Jimmy Eat World came to do that night: just say it and rock."

down, and the balance of power and harmony found in "Lucky Denver Mint."

Throughout the night, Atkins showed his gratitude to the crowd on multiple occasions, thanking the fans for being "ready to rock." While the masses responded with great applause each time he showered his appreciation, nothing spoke greater than the response to "The Middle." High-pitched screams and the sing-along chorus nearly drowned Atkins out, but no one really seemed to care.

Instead, they all held up their cell phones, calling their friends who couldn't make it to the show.

But it didn't end with "The Middle." The band closed the show with a three-song encore, ending with the current smash "Sweetness." Right before playing the song, Atkins began the searing guitar riff from AC/DC's "Thunderstruck." After a few seconds, he simply said "— it," and played.

As the room exploded with "Whoa oh oh oh oh ohs," and Atkins implored the audience to "Sing it back," it was clear what Jimmy Eat World came to do that night: just say "— it" and rock. And that's exactly what they did.
After filling out the self-test, participants can take their tests to rooms 216, 218 or 219 upstairs in the UU for a free, confidential meeting with a counselor.

"We encourage people who experience loneliness, weight gain, weight loss or anxiety to come in and see someone on staff to help address the issues," said Dr. Joe Diaz, a counselor with Health and Counseling Services. "There are options to help (them) get out of our a slump."

According to the Screening for Mental Health, Inc. Web site, nearly 60 percent of the participants nationwide who test positive had never been treated for depression. The screening helps to identify more students who have symptoms of depression, Diaz said.

Most often depression runs in families, he said, but it can be from a combination of factors. "We get a full spectrum of issues related to depression, but most of what we see is someone with a (family) history of depression," Diaz said.

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**Sports**

**Fired up for unrivaled matchup**

By Abbey Kingdon

"It's the season! To be jolly! To be merry! No, this is the season the women's volleyball team could upset UC Santa Barbara (15-2), the No. 7 team in the nation.

The Mustangs will go head to head with their long-time local rivals this Saturday at Santa Barbara. Cal Poly has lost five-straight to UCSB since beating them in Mort Gym in 1999.

The Cal Poly women (3-0 overall, 4-2 Big West) will enter the match against the Gauchos with back-to-back victories over Idaho and Utah State. Mustang outside hitter Kristen V

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O'Halloran said this might be Cal Poly's chance to prove their capabilities. "I think we have a chance to beat them, because Cal Poly has a strong core group of girls returning," she said. "Four or five of us were on the team when we beat them three years ago."

Cal Poly coach Steve Schlick also is not intimidated by the Gauchos' ranking. "Any match we can challenge, regardless of rank," he said. "If we play to our capabilities (we) can beat any-one, but nothing comes easy."

Putting together a competitive game was easy for the Mustangs early in the season. Getting the wins to show their talent, however, was not.

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Worth Lien was the missing ingredient early in the season, with an ankle injury keeping her off the court. But now she's back, despite a continuing back concern.

"Her absence really impacted the team," Schlick said.

With Lien back, UC Santa Barbara head coach Kathy Gregory knows the Mustangs' starting lineup has the recipe for a potent game.

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The Gauchos watch Mustang games on video to learn their strengths and weaknesses, but Gregory said not to pay any attention to either team's records in this game.

"When you get on the court, ranking doesn't mean anything," Gregory said.

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The Mustangs have studied up on their rival, too.

"As a team we know their strategies, offense and defense very well because we play them two times a season," Cal Poly setter Carly O'Halloran said.

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Ready to take on Big West

Cal Poly Women's Soccer

By William Reitz
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After dropping its last two matches, the Cal Poly women's soccer team trained hard and appeared upbeat for the team's two upcoming conference matches against Cal State Northridge and Pacific this weekend.

These are the first two of nine consecutive conference games for the Mustang women. The ladies were full of character and constant pep talk was going on throughout their drills during Tuesday's practice.

"This is the opening of league play," said Brooke Flansom, last year's Big West Defensive Player of the Year. "We have nine conference games in front of us now. Everything up until now has been getting us ready for this part of the season."

The Mustangs (6-5) will meet Cal State Northridge on Friday at 7 p.m. and Pacific on Sunday at 1 p.m. Both games will be at Mustang Stadium.

Four of the Mustangs' losses have been heart-breaking, one goal decisions to No. 12 Pepperdine, 2001 national champion Santa Clara and Pac-10 powerhouses Washington State and Arizona.

Junior goalkeeper Greta Shidlon has been a defensive rock for the Mustangs this season. As of Sept. 29, Shidlon had the sixth lowest goals against average in the nation (.032). She currently has four shutouts to her credit this season.

"Our record is not accurate of how our team is playing," Shidlon said.

Senior forward Megan Schlegel heads the team's offensive attack with five goals this season. She has had a goal or an assist in each of Cal Poly's six wins this season.

Last year's meeting between the Mustangs and Cal State Northridge was the first ever for these two teams and ended in a 0-0 double-overtime tie. The Northridge Matadors head into this week's match with a 1-10 (0-2 Big West) record.

Last year the Cal Poly women suffered a 2-1 loss to Northridge and ended the year with a 1-10 (0-2 Big West) record. Cal Poly leads the all-time series 4-3.

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