Poly students give gift of mobility

By Jordan Schultz
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Few students have the opportunity to earn academic credit by supporting an internationally beneficial cause.

The Cal Poly chapter of the Wheelchair Foundation has given its 11 team members the chance to fulfill senior projects or other academic requirements in exchange for helping provide the gift of mobility to those in need.

This year’s team, comprised of business, agribusiness and social sciences majors, hopes to raise enough money to host a successful benefit event this April and send 280 wheelchairs to Ethiopia.

“You would think someone in the United States would never be without a wheelchair if they weren’t mobile, but in so many countries it’s a reality,” said social sciences senior and team member Kate Rand. “It’s something we as Americans can’t even conceive.”

The Cal Poly chapter of the Wheelchair Foundation began in 2001, when Wheelchair Foundation founder Kenneth Behring visited Cal Poly and offered students the chance to get involved. The nonprofit organization has delivered more than 34,000 wheelchairs to 85 different countries around the world.

Professor of marketing and senior project advisor Lynn Metcalf followed up on Behring’s offer and helped a group of students form the first college chapter of the Wheelchair Foundation.

Last year’s Cal Poly team raised $18,000 and delivered 240 wheelchairs to Peru in October.

To achieve its goal, this year’s group will use marketing, public relations and sales techniques within

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Local TV production out of this world

By Abbey Kingdon
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Theatre junior Chris Page hopes to take the residents of San Luis Obispo into outer space.

Page and John Pearson, director at San Luis Obispo Little Theatre, are co-creators of a sci-fi futuristic comedy show currently in the pre-production phase.

The show is likely to hit the San Luis Obispo Community Access Channel and Charter Communications in winter quarter.

Auditions for the show, called “10 Acres,” were held at Cal Poly last week.

According to the manuscript Page and Pearson submitted to the Writer’s Guild, the show takes place in the year 2052 on Enos, the asteroid located around Europa, one of Jupiter’s moons, has been modified to sustain human

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Don’t be mistaken by its typical classroom blue carpeting and intense lighting; this is no ordinary classroom.

Nestled near the research development center and the various fields of the sports complex is a full-sized trailer, called Demonstration Project 105.

The $900,000 trailer is actually a 20-person classroom donated to Cal Poly’s College of Engineering last year by the Federal Highway Administration. It will be used to instruct students about traffic control and surveillance.

This is the first high-tech transportation lab of its kind that has been designed very specifically as a traffic management facility, said Amy Hewes, spokeswoman for the College of Engineering. Between 1997 and 2001, the trailer visited 70 cities to train and preview these systems to traffic engineers and traffic management personnel nationwide, Hewes said.

“We are all aware that the traffic is getting worse everywhere in the United States; it is getting worse here on campus let alone here in San Luis Obispo,” Hewes said. “The facility was a partnership between Cal Poly and the Federal Highway Administration, and it was designed by the people at Cal Poly as a demonstration project to show what a high-tech traffic management center could do and what it would consist of.”

Jeff Gerben, project director and research engineer at Cal Poly’s Advanced Research and Development Facilities and Activities Center, said the donation of the trailer has opened up a new class for engineering students.

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Engineering 423 (Intelligent Transportation Systems), offered winter quarter," Gerfen said.

During the trailer's open house, Gerfen demonstrated how to use one of the traffic signal management programs in the trailer.

Displayed on the screen was a demo system in Glendale, Calif. By double-clicking on the intersections, the user had access to the phase timing bank. With this access, the user can alter the timing on crosswalk signs and traffic signals. Increasing or decreasing the amount of seconds the light holds can significantly aid the flow of traffic.

With increasing traffic congestion and aging equipment, the trailer is a way to aid local communities and devise what they are going to need now and into the future in terms of traffic management systems, Hewes said. This education provides Cal Poly undergraduates an advantage over their colleagues, she said.

"Part of our problem is that we have an aging infrastructure and our traffic managers out there haven't had exposure to these new systems coming on line," Hewes said. "So this is that bridge between academicians and new engineers coming into the system. By having this very high-tech training and them sending them out into the communities of California and the nation, they can help solve some of our traffic congestion and problems."

She said these types of classes are unique in several ways. First of all, they are multidisciplinary; students work on projects in team situations. Second, Hewes said it is a very competitive world out there in academia.

engines. A married couple, Buddy and Coral Murray, live on Enos. Other people soon arrive and the astros now become a colony.

As of last week, about 40 people auditioned for the show, Page said. Auditions were not only for actors. In fact, the directors are looking to Cal Poly for provision of a more technical kind of talent. Additional auditions will be held to develop a core group of people to the skeletal structure of a company, Page said.

"We need writers for the script, business majors for marketing and advertising, computer scientists for animation, lighting and sound, artists for the set design and costumes, just to name a few," Page said.

If you're ready to apply your knowledge and skills in the post-graduation job market, then toss your hat in with State Fund. At State Fund you'll find exceptional benefits, professional training to help develop your skills, and a career with a future. State Fund, the leading workers' compensation insurance carrier in California, is interested in graduates seeking opportunity and stability. We offer a wide range of positions throughout California, plus an environment that will foster your continued growth.

"Since Cal Poly was awarded this trailer and this project speaks to the kind of work that we have done and our reputation with the feds and nationally," Hewes said. "We have a very unique type of hands-on program and we have been placed at the very top in the nation in terms of providing our students with the education they need for the future."

Since Cal Poly is at the forefront of this kind of technology, San Luis Obispo is ahead of the curve for a community of its size, Hewes said. While San Luis Obispo is already planning and designing its own traffic management center, traffic-heavy places like Fresno don't have centers. In the future they would hope to take this around to places like Fresno and all over the state to help them, Hewes said. "Because the systems are so new, and because a lot of the traffic managers were educated 10, 15, 20 years ago, they don't know what's out there," Hewes said. "This is a way to say 'Here are some of the new things that are happening in traffic management.' It is so important to stay ahead of the curve."

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National Briefs

Under criticism from U.S. law­ makers, Saudis examine alleged money link to Sept. 11

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The dangerous quest for the AP List

The mission was always delivered in a "Shaper Image" sort of way. I heard the mantle slot in my front door open and close. I grabbed my stencil and proceeded to check things out. A black leather eyeglass case was sitting on the floor of my downtown apartment. There were no instructions, so I put the glasses on. When I did, I heard the following message: "Good morning Ms. Howie. Your request to choose one item involves recovery of a stolen item designated the 'AP List.' The list contains names of every student on Academic Probation at Cal Poly. Without this list, hundreds of students might actually graduate. You have 48 hours to recruit Kristina Gill, a quirky, capable professional marksmen, and learn the secrets of her craft. As always, should you or any members of your IM Force be caught or killed, the president will disavow all knowledge of your actions. This message will self-destruct in five seconds."

I checked the Oakleys and hit the dirt. The glasses didn't exactly explode, but they did break. And I really didn't hit the dirt; I hit the pea-green, foul-smelling, moss-like material that my landlord tried to pass off as carpet. I was rocked from rolling around, and I quickly changed into something that I thought Ethan Hunt or James Bond might wear. A black tight long-sleeved shirt, jeans that accentuated my buns and black leather boots. The end result was more "Walker, Texas Ranger."

Finding a marksmen is not hard when you know where to look. Thirty-nine hours later, I located her at a local indoor shooting range where she worked. Hey, I never claimed to know where to look. The outside of the place didn't look like a public pool. A locked metal gate stopped me at the door. Earlier I had called, posing as a reporter to insure my entrance. I pushed the buzzer and the gate clicked open. The smell of gunpowder, not chrome, filled the air.

At 5 feet 3 inches and maybe 100 pounds, she wasn't anything like I'd expected. Colt .45 in hand, she'd made Swiss cheese out of the paper target. The gun made her have to take to her the hospital if she broke a nail or messed up her perfect blonde hair. In hell I could handle this mission without her. "Barbie" believed that she was the key to successfully getting the AP-List.

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I put the gun down, terrified by what I had just done. My stomach felt like I had consumed at Starbuck's earlier. I brought the gun to eye level, aimed and fired. BOOM. Sauer P226. I listened like my life depended on it - I believed that it did.

I explained the real reason why I was there, and Gill agreed that there was no way he could handle this mission without her. "Barbie" believed that she was the key to successfully getting the AP-List.

"I can't agree to join forces with you until I know you can shoot," Gill said. "I have to know that you've got my back if we get into hot waters."

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If accidentally shot Gill or - worse, myself - the mission would be bungled. The president, a.k.a. the Big Baked Potato, had threatened to keep me from graduating if the mission failed. I wasn't afraid of not graduating as much as what my parents would do to me if I didn't. At 41.1 inches, my mother is a child-stick of dynamite who is not blessed with.

Fake foliage hung from the walls and ceiling and a beat-up car door served as cover for those who wanted to pretend they were hiding behind a car. At the shooting range, but it looked more like a display window for Ross - "Dress For Less." The flash of the orange, the devastating blast and the empty shell moshacking off of my shoulder made me run around the range and scream like Chris Tucker in "The Fifth Element." I hoped that I hadn't pried my pants in the process. Gill was bobbing and weaving around me like a pinfighter, and I couldn't figure out why until I realized that I was wildly swinging the gun around, the gun that had nine live rounds left in it.

I put the gun down, terrified by what I had just done. My stomach felt like I had eaten a whole pineapple full of Halloween candy. I just wanted to go home, have a wee drinky and pass out on my stinky carpet.

Gill laughed and began to shake her head. She pointed at the target. I hit the bulls-eye on my first try. All those "Cagney and Lacey" reruns had finally paid off.

"You're really good," she said. "Let's go get that list."

TIP OF THE WEEK:
First, it takes $20 million to make Tom Cruise or Pierce Brosnan look cool. Last time I checked, I had 20 cents in my checking account. I do what I can. Second, shooting ranges can be dangerous if you don't know what you're doing. Extra protection is always a good idea. I suggest wearing a Kevlar vest, or you can stuff your shirt with your mother's leftover meatloaf. Either way, you get the same results.

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Opinion

Letters to the editor

BUSH administration is inefficient to pollution clean-up

Editor,
In my life, I try to stick with the insane and trivial, but after reading the newspaper Friday, I felt I had to say something. According to The Associated Press on Friday, "The Bush administration will ease clean air rules, allowing power plants and refineries to ignore new pollution controls for now and at least 30 months, action that critics say will make it easier to dismiss specific regulations." Also in the article, "The long-awaited rule changes will increase energy efficiency and encour­age emissions reductions," the Environmental Protection Agency said in a statement.

Allow me to express my feelings by saying "Huh?" That's possible my logic is completely off my comprehension of the article is extremely poor, but it seems to me that they're saying "By easing clean air rules and allowing big companies to ignore new pol­lution controls, we are encouraging emission reduc­tions." That's like saying "By leaving dead bodies in back alleys completely naked, lubed up and in sexu­ally arousing positions, we can prevent necrophiles from haunting cemeteries, too." Hopefully, I'm just really stupid, someone will tell me how this works and this will actually turn out to be a good thing. I doubt it, but if it does, that would be cool.

Henry Do is a modern languages and literature junior.

U.S. military doesn't intend to kill civilians

Editor,
I'm writing in response to all those editorialists that state America is intentionally killing civilians because of our uncaring ignorance. Question: Why would the U.S. military care if we, as a country, spend billions upon billions of dollars to develop the weapons and technology that can deliver a bomb within feet of its wanted des­tin­ation of our intention was to kill civilians? There is a capitalist society; the U.S. military isn't going to purposely waste a $3 million bomb on an Iraqi unarmed family of five. The intentional killing of civilians (Sept. 11) is in a totally different ballpark from the accidental killing of civilians. (Name any number of occasions in the past.)

What, at all, does the U.S. military get out of killing civilians? They wouldn't do anything not to kill civilians, because they know the world is watching and the world is ready to ridicule and the most criti­cal nations if our intention was to kill civilians? We are cool.

Greg Matta is an industrial engineering senior.

Daily missing the boat in campus news coverage

Editor,
I find your paper to be completely appalling. I have been reading this thing for the last week and a half and have found absolutely no useful informa­tion. If there is an event going on, readers don't know about it until after the fact and, if something interesting happens, the only reporting on it is a four­sentence summary of news wire copy.

I am referring specifically to the latest displays on Lester Law. First, on Thursday, Nov. 14, the cross­es that decorated the lawn apparently were support­ing architecture project in question was published with zero information. I am left asking myself the same questions. What does this mean? What is the significance? What does this mean? I have been reading this thing for the last week and a half and have absolutely no useful information. Why is this newspaper, and I use the term loosely, needs to be reevaluated. I have been searching for reliable source for events and life on campus, and have yet to find even the semblance of respect or concern for what happens at Cal Poly.

Tod Duncan is a construction management sophomore.

'The Bachelor' demonstrates American hypocrisy

Editor,
I have two female roommates that I haven't seen in weeks. We've heard all about "The Bachelor." Matt I was on Wednesday nights. You all know what I'm talking about: "The Bachelor." I stumbled in on a few episodes; they were pretty sex kind of like "Blind Date," or "Fifth Wheel," but what I saw on the highlights Thursday made me want to throw up.

So "Aaron," knows this girl for seven weeks in front of a TV camera, then after eliminating his other suitors, he decides he wants to marry her. We're not talking about the guy on "Elimidate" that gets to call the other kind a "love marriage." A guy's parents hook up with the former stripper after downing some beers and grinding on the dance floor. In reality, the wedding, marriage, they call the other kind a "love marriage." A guy's parents (in this case TV producers) hook him up with a few suitable chicks and, bam, he has a lifelong cook/maid/and child bearer. "The Bachelor" had to pick...funny he didn't pick more than one...hum that wouldn't have been very white American...hum I didn't think arranged mar­riages were either.

Before we start criticizing other cultures for prac­tices we don't understand (covering women in a black bag for instance), it might be worthwhile to take a look at our supposedly superior culture.

Mac McLennahan is a physics and social sciences senior.

'Sex in San Luis' needs new writer

Editor,
Please find some other sorojournalists to write these topics I may sacrifice Sex in San Luis columns.

Colin Bertolino is a computer science junior.

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Addiction knows no societal borders

Instead of writing someone off, rehab offers a second chance, making a world of difference — one person at a time.

My uncle, your neighbor, our friends.

Two years ago, California passed a landmark bill focusing on treating drug addiction as a health problem instead of a crime. Recently, the state of Michigan changed its 36 changed state laws so that most drug offenders who use or possess illegal drugs would receive treatment instead of facing a three-year prison sentence for offenders and those who failed treatment two or three times would be excluded.

"As many as 90 percent of inmates return to the community — average incarceration is about two years," said Corey Weinstein, a San Francisco-based physician who is on the board of the California Prison Focus, a human rights organization. "Rehab, rather than confinement.

Treatment is considered cheaper in the long run and, more importantly, lives can be altered in a better direction.

Recently, Ohio followed California's lead

Letters to the editor

Review doesn't present truth

Editor,

One of my close friends once said, "Grant Shellen is one of the Mustang Daily's greatest underestimates." I agree with my friend, said for, except for the greatest." part of his article. "Placerville's Jackpot rolls out a classic album that makes a decent album sound like low-grade dog food. He criticizes Jackpot's "Shiny Things" for lyrics that "leave much to be desired," songs with "overused chord progressions" and the album's overproduction in the studio. He also denounces Randy Miller (the lead singer and songwriter) specifically for creating juvenile songs. But Jackpot's album development; he provides insufficient examples and criticism about the album, earning his own article to "leave much to be desired." Shellen disparages the band inappropriately by applying his judgments about "Shiny Things" to all of his or her accomplishments.

"Millar had a chance at success," implying the band is a failure because of one representative production. His article bluntly insults the entire band by saying "Jackpot...will stay (unknown)... unless they get a visit from the Talent Fairy soon." I admit that this album is not Jackpot's best selection. "Boneville," in my opinion, knocks it out of the water. But just because Shellen disliked its music, it does not mean that the band lacks talent altogether. He applies his assumptions beyond the evaluation of "Shiny Things," stepping outside the bounds of his judgment. To fully judge that Jackpot is a musical disappointment, Shellen should also evaluate their other three albums and see the band's list; that would give him the basis for such presumptuous claims.

His article also contains very little support for his claims. In order to prove that the lyrics are inadequate, he quotes one line from each of four songs. This somehow justifies his statement that Jackpot's songs "sound like songs written by a junior high student, perhaps as a joke." That
doesn't do justice to either the songs or his criticism. He should provide more substantial quotes from songs to the reader a context for the lyrics, and then he should give legitimate personal analyses to show why he disproves of these songs. That is a solid criticism. Saying that the band's songs written by a junior high student, perhaps as a joke" is not effective at all; it reads like an insult rather than an analysis.

In the article, Shellen's criticism also lacks overall credibility. He opens his article by challenging a quote from New York Times music critic who thinks Jackpot "is one of the best records...than a Mustang Daily student," who does not understand criticism. Shellen later comments that the chord progressions are "overshadowed," showing his further lack of credibility. He should also check the other songs that sound the same as the Jackpot songs, providing examples that prove his point rather than making claims without reliable backing.

Jackpot's style is offbeat, but I think that shows in its originality. Their songs have subtle lyrics that convey strong underlying emotions. In "Flos on the Tail of Time," Miller sings, "ain't it funny it takes a disaster to make us realize what we're missing...it's incredible, it feels true. Admittedly, I think the band added too many effects to the songs of this album. But still, I think that Jackpot's albums are enjoyable, and over the last several years I have become a fan of their music. The band puts on an awesome live show to compliment their music. I would recommend that others check the band out when they come back to San Luis Obispo.

When music is concerned, everybody is entitled to his or her own opinions because music is a matter of taste. From Grant Shellen's perspective, the band sucks. According to my tastes, I really like Jackpot, and I think Grant Shellen could use a visit from his own Writing Fairy.

The bottom line is this: an article, I say, "Try to find popular your own words, Grant, before you criticize anyone else."

Kevin Cassidy is an English senior.

'Guide' meets reader's needs

Editor,

Hooray for the review on the "Guide to Getting It Off!" That book is the sacri gift's bible, so of course I own a copy. It's nice to see Mustang Daily including more real-world stories like this. Give the people what they want. The news. I'll never use my precalc, history or accounting books, but since I was 17, The Guide has had a permanent place on my shelf, right next to "Places to hook up in Fisher Science" and "The Erotic U." Nice reporting.

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By Ernie Sanchez

LSU Police Department major Ernie Sanchez also said students should park in lots that have police officers on constant surveillance.

"Parking in unlocked lots could be problematic," Sanchez said. LSU police in the Tiger Stadium area patrol down slightly, Stephens said. "I think students have relaxed because they were immediately after the murders," he said. "They still have a heightened sense of awareness but they're still very cautious.

Although none of the murders took place within the campus area, police department, along with the student government, have still done everything necessary to educate students and the community on how to be safe. The student government regularly hosts "Safety Walks," which were happening long on everything," said business senior Erin Jackson.

The decision to send wheelchairs to Ethiopia was based on that country's extreme poverty, the large presence of land mines and its connection already established with the Wheelchair Foundation, said business and economics senior Carolina Medrano.

The team now faces the challenge of creating awareness about the event and obtaining sponsors. Although the team still needs to set a goal, fundraising and ticket sales are also being considered for the event. The team is also working with the network and community, Jackson said. The team also hopes to obtain printing sponsors and donated media space.

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The suit also argues that the two fraternity members in charge of watching Reardon after he passed out needed too long to call for medical assistance. Douglas Fierberg, the lawyer representing the Reardon family, said Reardon's death was a result of hazing.

"The facts establish that the young man was hazed," Fierberg said.

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times from the previous year is going to pay," said quarterback Chris Peterson, who passed for 222 yards and had his season high with two passing touchdowns.

Both Ryan McCartney and Darrell Jones had touchdowns, to go with Niakan’s four field goals and Kyle Turbin’s safety.

While McCarty’s early 35-yard diving TD and Niakan’s two first-half field goals helped Cal Poly to a 13-7 halftime lead, the Wildcats fought back. They came within 16-14, with a Justin Defour touchdown at 6:22 in the third quarter. The Mustangs then pulled back out to 25-14 with Jones’ 20-yard punt post into the endzone and Turbin’s safety with 13:20 left in the fourth. Still, that wasn’t enough, either.

After Niakan missed a 35-yard field goal with seven minutes left in the game, Weber State quarterback Tate Bennett, on his way to a 399-yard, four-touchdown day, engineered a huge comeback.

Ellerson noted a key mistake that the Mustangs made early in the game. They first came within 16-14, with a Justin Defour touchdown at 6:22 in the third quarter. The Mustangs then pulled back out to 25-14 with Jones’ 20-yard post into the endzone and Turbin’s safety with 13:20 left in the fourth. Still, that wasn’t enough, either.

"Give them credit," coach Rich Ellerson said. "There was no quit in them. They wouldn’t do anything that we were doing on defense that we could see them early and get themselves back in it."

The outlook was even worse for the Mustangs with game-ending injuries to McCarty and lead rusher Brandon Shepard, who finished with 54 yards out of the backfield on the day.

"We don’t have this huge record, but we did win two of our last three games and we do have the legacy for all these guys that they all have this football in front of them here," Ellerson said. "Those are the kind of experiences that give you the step to cross lines over."
**Sports**

**Niakan seals finale**

By Graham Womack

**Barefoot kicker's fourth field goal of the day lifts Mustangs to 28-26 win**

The lead got perilously close by the end of the fourth quarter, but Cal Poly escaped with a 28-26 win over the Weber State Wildcats Saturday afternoon at Mustang Stadium.

Nim Naikin sealed the Mustang victory with his fourth barefoot field goal of the day, a 31-yarder amidst fading sunlight with 0:16 left.

The win brought the Mustangs to a 3-5 final mark for the season. The Wildcats lost also left them at 3-8.

"Anyone who beats us in four overtimes," said Nichols, "is going to be a champion."

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**Cal Poly Women's Basketball**

"Stangs work overtime in opener"

By Brandon Shepard

Brandon Shepard rushed for 59 yards on 13 carries in the Mustangs' 28-26 win over Weber State Saturday in the season finale.

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**Cal Poly Men's Basketball**

"Crimson Sky" men's basketball schedule released


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**Softball**

Mustangs add four to the mix in 2004

Cal Poly open up a 60-32 advantage in the first 4:30 of the second half, but again the Coyotes rallied to get back in the game, finally taking a 48-45 lead with 8:43 to go on a three-pointer by Leilani Tirona.

Duperron's steal with 31 seconds to go led to a reverse layup by Tanneberg, giving Cal Poly a 55-53 lead with 17 seconds to play in regulation. Dovel Geornos made two free throws with nine seconds left to tie the game and force overtime.

A free throw by Duperron with 2:25 to play gave Cal Poly a 60-59 lead and Tanneberg's offensive rebound and basket five seconds later completed the scoring.


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**By the numbers**

Sacks for Cal Poly linebacker Kolly Turbin in Saturday's 28-26 win over Weber State.

Receptions, for 87 yards, for Cal Poly wideout Darrell Jones Saturday. Jones, who has joined the starting lineup after injuries to the team's starting wideouts, also caught a touchdown pass.

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**TRIVIA**

Which NFL player has won the most Super Bowl rings?

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