Middlestadt elected by narrow margin

Architectural engineering senior Tylor Middlestadt wins the ASI presidential race by 88 votes

Erick Smith
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The ASI presidential election was decided in favor of architectural engineering senior Tylor Middlestadt by a final margin of 88 votes from a total of just more than 3,000.

Voters came to the polling places on campus and showed, by the narrowness of margins, their favor for Middlestadt. Regarding the close victory, Middlestadt said he was surprised at how close the separation was between him and his opponent and civil engineering senior Mike Motroni.

"The race was close, and I hope that students are confident that the majority of their peers elected me for the right reasons," Middlestadt said. "Above all it was a victory for all students because I campaigned on issues that greatly effect our community, and the high voter turnout proves now more than ever that students are beginning to care enough to believe in the process of voting.

Middlestadt's campaign platform was centered on helping to empower the student voice on campus and to attempt to "inspire the next generation to care more," Middlestadt said. Middlestadt plans to use information kiosks to keep students informed on ASI proceedings.

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Refugee to speak about Sudan genocide today

Salih Khatri, of El-Fasher, Sudan, holds photos of refugee camps in Darfur during a rally in New York's Central Park.

"I remembered the line that said 'the American people are going to see this and go back to their dinner and forget,' from the film," Frank said. "I did not want to forget." Without a speaker previously scheduled, Frank went to the ASI to set up Save Sudan, a conference that plans to increase awareness about the humanitarian crisis in Uganda.

Tiffany Dias
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Communications sophomore Keli Frank saw "Hotel Rwanda" and has not been the same since. While horrified that she knew nothing about the events depicted in the film, Frank was inspired to educate other students when she later learned of "the genocide happening in the Sudan," Frank said.

"I wanted to learn more," Frank said. See Sudan, page 2

Professor crashes plane into sports complex

Students from a dairy unit rushed to the crash site and pulled the pilot from the wreck

Emily Ranzer
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An industrial plane crashed onto Cal Poly's sports complex on Saturday morning, injuring the pilot, a Cal Poly graduate, and crushing parts of the morning, injuring the pilot, a Cal Poly Poly sports complex on Saturday. He received a concussion and a laceration to the head.

Industrial and manufacturing engineering professor Kurt Calvin crashed a small aircraft into a telephone poll on the Cal Poly sports complex Saturday. He received a concussion and a laceration to the head.

New food pyramid receives mixed reviews

Dietary and nutritional science has progressed to include physical activity and the difference between whole grains and refined grains

Eileen Chen
DAILY BEAKEN

The logos, packaging material and other food packaging materials will be changing their appearance, said Vay-Liang Go, a UCLA professor of food guidance systems.

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The new MyPyramid reflects this and other changes because it was developed with the 2005 USDA Dietary Guidelines for Americans in mind, said Vay-Liang Go, a UCLA professor and one of the 13 members on the 2005 Dietary Guidelines Advisory Committee.

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Baseball

Biggest crowd for a home game series in Cal Poly history

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Splash Cafe serves up clam chowder downtown

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TODAY'S WEATHER

High 63°
Low 46°
Then we heard a pop and saw a flash of some bushes and we couldn't see him. It dipped down and then he went behind the wrecked plane, which had wrapped around a power pole.

"Me and my buddy went over to the plane," Thompson said. "(The pilot) was hopping into a truck and drove over to where the plane was going on.

"I don't know what was going on."

The students noticed that fuel was leaking rapidly from the aircraft so they quickly pulled him 20 to 30 yards away from the plane.

"It was a pretty serious situation," Aeilts said of the leak. "Fortunately, there was no fire."

The students asked Colvin questions to keep him awake and to judge the extent of his injuries.

"He had no idea what went on," Thompson said. "He didn't know his name and he didn't know he was flying or what day it was or anything."

The other students involved in Colvin's rescue were dairy science students Phillip Visser, Mark Aguiar, Stephen Maddox and Andrew Zonneveld.

"From my perspective, it was a very brave thing to do," said Cornel Morton, a vice president for student affairs. "I certainly appreciate it."

The cause of the crash is still unknown, although the Federal Aviation Administration and the National Transportation Safety Board came to Cal Poly to investigate the crash further.

"We need to know what's happening," Frank said. "As college students, we need to be informed, we need to know what's happening."

Following Save Sudan, a Soup and Sandwich conference will meet to discuss issues facing Sudan and other countries at 12 p.m. Tuesday in Cumbias where food will be provided.

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The former president of the ASI Trainee Program.

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GREAT CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
FRESNO — California’s 83 billion stem cell agency named San Francisco as its permanent headquarters Friday, a designation the city expects will bring it scientific prestige while boosting its economy. The headquarters will house 50 employees, three cities fought for the honor Friday during the monthly meeting of the board that oversees the agency as if they were vying to land a major pharmaceutical company with tens of thousands of jobs. San Diego, Sacramento and San Francisco each promised the stem cell institute free rent in luxury office buildings and millions of dollars in other perks.

LOS ANGELES — Violent crime dropped substantially in the city in a trash bag. She was dubbed “Precious Doe” while authorities sought her identity and her killer. Police identified the child this past week as Erica Michelle Marie Green, who was nearly 4 and charged her mother and her mother’s husband with murder. The child’s mother, Michelle M. Johnson, 30, and her husband, Harrell Johnson, 25, face one count each of second-degree murder and endangering the welfare of a child.

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BAGHDAD, Iraq — Iraq’s par­liament approved six Cabinet nom­inees on Sunday, handing four more posts to the disaffected Sunni Arab minority and taking the country a step closer to completing the for­mation of its first democratically elected government after months of wrangling.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

MOSCOW — President Bush brought a list of concerns about Moscow’s democratic backsliding to a meeting with Vladimir Putin on Sunday and the Russian leader was ready with his own complaints about the United States. Unlike the con­troversial debate that flared publicly at a February news conference, Sunday’s discussion were kept behind the closed doors of Putin’s dacha where he received Bush and his wife, Laura, 85 miles west of the Kremlin. After their private talks, Putin and his wife had dinner with the Bushes.

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IN OTHER NEWS

RIDGECREST, Calif. — Lita and Helena Moore may have finally learned the answer to that age-old question: Why did the chicken cross the road? Because the chicken doesn’t know jaywalking is illegal.

Kern County Sheriff’s Deputy J. Nicholson does know, however. The deputy issued a ticket on March 26 to one of the couple’s chickens for impeding traffic, on a road in Johannesburg, a rural mining com­munity southeast of Ridgecrest.

The Moores arrived in Superior Court on Friday to plead not guilty to their chicken’s alleged transgres­sion. A trail was scheduled for May 16. Nicholson has declined to dis­cuss the matter, but Sheriff’s Sgt. Frank Moore said chickens on the roadway have been a problem in the community of 50 residents. Officials didn’t believe it could be resolved by simply issuing the couple a warning.

“Sometimes you have to let people talk to the judge,” Moore said.

The chicken’s owners said they believe they were cited because they were among several people who complained that deputies haven’t done enough to control off-road vehicle riders who dart through the dunes and noise in their neighborhood.

As the debate on the future of a child’s remains was being played out in a Kern County courthouse, another child’s remains were being buried in Hollywood. So far this year, violent crime reports are down 32 percent and there have been no reported homicides in the district, according to the Los Angeles Police Department. At this time last year, there had been nine homicides in Hollywood.

LONG BEACH — A police officer shot and killed a homeless man who allegedly attacked him with a chain outside an apartment Saturday, authorities said.

The man allegedly ignored an officer’s warning to stop rummaging through a trash can. He then grabbed a chain with a padlock on his bicycle and charged the officer, said police spokesman Israel Ramirez. The offi­cer took out a baton and ordered him to stop, drawing his gun, firing multiple shots.

—— Associated Press

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Interested in volunteering? Please contact ASI Events at 756-1112.

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The show features student graphic design talent from the Art and Design Department. The exhibit is on display from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. every Monday through Thursday and 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. every Friday, through May 19.
Science or exploitation? Corpse displays raise ethical questions

The home-schooled girl and her family are among thousands visiting "The Universe Within," one of at least three "corpse exhibits" touring the country. The collection of bodies and organs at San Francisco once was used to instruct medical students in Beijing.

The exhibits have been widely successful. "The Body Worlds," which first opened in 1994, has claimed more than 16 million visitors in 27 cities in Asia, Europe and Los Angeles. "The Universe Within," whose recent opening prompted protests over comments from "Body Worlds" organizers, is popular as well.

The proliferation of such shows raises questions. Are they art, entertainment or science? Do they speak to our innate fascination with the human body, a voyeuristic desire for a cheap thrill or our fear of death?

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Runaway bride accusation opens racial wounds

José Armando Nino drives his lawn mower past a billboard with the likeness of runaway bride Jennifer Wilbanks in Duluth, Ga.

Erin Texeira

It took just hours for Jennifer Wilbanks' story to dissolve, and until Thursday for her to apologize. It turns out the runaway bride-to-be had not been kidnapped — much less by a gun-wielding Hispanic.

Among minorities, a white woman's tale of being victimized by a threatening man of color is unlikely to fade quickly, partly because it's perceived in society, erfol Lisa Navarette, spokeswoman for the National Council of La Raza in Washington D.C. "Americans only know minority communities, particularly Latino communities, through stereotypes, through images in the media. If people keep being portrayed as criminals — as undocumented immigrants or criminals or gang members — that's what we tend to believe.

Wilbanks was believed missing when she vanished days before she was to be married in a 600-guest affair in Duluth, Ga., population 22,000. She claimed last Friday night that she had been kidnapped in Atlanta by a Hispanic man and a white woman with a handgun, a story that quickly unraveled. Her admission that she had run away, overwhelmed by wedding pressures, prompted protests among local and national Hispanic leaders.

At one point, a Hispanic leader not only demanded an apology but said she should be made to perform community service in a Hispanic neighborhood. Now, Georgia authorities are debating whether to prosecute or sue her.

Racial hoaxes are not rare, said Kathryn Russell-Brown, a law professor at the University of Florida, who wrote "The Color of Crime," a book documenting 67 such cases that occurred between 1987 and 1996.

"The majority of perpetrators were someone white falsely accusing someone black," Russell-Brown said. "You typically don't see the Hispanic criminal in terms of a hoax case, but she put this duo together and it's got this resonance. It's still this idea of a criminal element that is colored."

The stories "work because they tap into widely held fears about crime and about who one's likely attacker might be," she said.

In 1989, a Boston man, Charles Stuart, inflamed racial tensions when he claimed he and his pregnant wife, Carol, had been shot in their car by a black man of rape to cover up her miscarriage. Stuart turned out to be someone white falsely accusing a black man of rape to cover up her miscarriage.

Five years later, Susan Smith of South Carolina drowned her two young sons, but claimed a black man had carjacked her and abducted her boys.

"Such fabrications are rooted in the nation's troubled racial past. Historically, the threat of black men victimizing white women has loomed large and powerful. Provoking many of the more than 4,700 lynchings in the decades between the end of the Civil War and the drawing of the civil rights era. The peak came in 1892, with 230 killings, but continued well into the 20th century, according to the Tuskegee Institute, a one-time black college in Alabama that is now a National Historic Site. Most of those seized by white mobs and hangings were black men, but Native Americans, Asians, Jews and Hispanics also were victimized, experts said.

The threat also became part of the nation's fictional fabric, inspiring "Birth of a Nation," a seminal 1915 film in which a white woman is pursued by a kithenous black man, and "To Kill a Mockingbird," Harper Lee's classic novel about a Southern white woman who falsely accuses a black man of rape to cover up her flirtation with him.

Today, growing national anti-immigrant sentiment that feeds Americans' stereotypes of Hispanic immigrants stealing jobs and undermining the nation's prosperity made Wilbanks' story plausible, Navarette said.

"It's the new pariah," she said.

Hispanics Across America President Fernando Mateo speaks with reporters Tuesday in Lawrenceville, Ga. Hispanics Across America is demanding an apology from Wilbanks.
Cory Harris
MONTEZ OCHY

The chowder has arrived. The famed Splash Café made its arrival after months of waiting, but does the new restaurant compare to its predecessor in Pismo Beach? The new Splash, located at 1491 Monterey St., does have an edge on the older, hole-in-the-wall-style Splash in Pismo. While both stores still have the lovable clam characters painted on the walls, the San Luis Obispo café had been reconstructed from the ground up over the former hamburger restaurant, Bishops. "It opened here about three weeks ago," said Morgan Weber, shift manager of the Splash in San Luis Obispo. "Business has been going really well."

Agriculture business senior Mike Cotta, has already eaten at the restaurant three times. The hungry and excited Cotta said he really enjoys his seafood. "The fundamentals of something warm call for a bread bowl," he said. "Splash Café's chowder is unplaceable." Weber, who also worked at the Splash in Pismo, believes there may be a shift in college students traveling shorter distances for the fine dining. "It seems like a lot of students who don't make that drive over there just come here instead," she said.

Besides the driving distance, the San Luis Obispo Splash may have another advantage over the Pismo location. "We have a wider variety of products at this Splash," Weber said, "We have a whole bakery and new sandwiches. The bread bowls are made here. The chowder still tastes the same, but we have the fresh bowls made here."

Though the distance and menu may be better at the San Luis Obispo café, some Splash fans prefer the Pismo location better. "It's good, but I feel it has lost its beach atmosphere since it's located downtown," business junior Teo Tertel said. "1 like the girls in the bikinis by where I eat." Accounting senior Mike Cann agrees with Tertel's assessment on the location. "I definitely prefer Pismo over the one in San Luis Obispo," he said. "For convenience, the San Luis Obispo location is better, but for a good atmosphere it's Pismo. There is something about salt air and chowder." The San Luis Obispo store is open Friday to Sunday from 7:00 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. and Monday through Thursday from 7:00 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.
Audioslave make history with first outdoor performance in Cuba

John Rice
ASSOCIATED PRESS

HAVANA — The American group Audioslave broke decades-long barriers with a thundering concert before thousands of Cuban fans, who knocked over barriers to get closer to the first U.S. rock band to play an outdoor concert in Cuba.

Chris Cornell’s scream, “I won’t do what you tell me,” boomed off the high-rise apartment buildings on the south side of the stage Friday night as feedback shrieks from Tom Morello’s guitar drifted into the night breeze over the Caribbean to the north.

“This is the best thing that has happened here this year,” said 25-year-old rock fan Omar Juanes.

“The best thing in your life,” shouted a nearby friend who darted back into a crowd of more than 3,000 people, many with dreadlocks, body piercings and tattoos. A few swooped around the edges of the crowd on roller blades.

It was a distinct difference from the orderly, clean-cut crowds who march in massive anti-U.S. protests along the Malecón waterfront at the same venue: the Jose Marti Anti-Imperialist Tribunal before the U.S. Interests Section, or diplomatic mission.

Even before the concert, hundreds of fans were so eager that they sent metal security barricades clanging to the pavement and rushed forward to fill a 50-yard long area that had been reserved for special guests, mostly workers and teachers with exemplary official records.

Police allowed the fans to stay in the invaded space and several joked with tattooed youths swigging rum in Metallica T-shirts.

U.S. travel restrictions on Cuba and the Cuban government’s ambivalence toward rock music have limited visits by U.S. rockers to Cuba.

Officials often cite Billy Joel’s 1979 indoor performance as a rock and roll landmark here.

Elemental grunge, thrash and metal are the most popular styles of rock on an island rich in its own complex, polyrhythmic popular music.

Audioslave had the crowd screaming and dancing when it went back to its frantic, pounding, grungy roots, but left those in the back merely toe-tapping on some of the newer, less frenzied songs.

“We would like to have stronger music, bands like Metallica,” said a gaunt man sitting alongside friends on the Malecón seawall who gave his name as Walter Delgado, 32.

Even so, he said, “We are happy for the first time in our rock and roll history.”

Audioslave is the first western musical act to hit the Cuban coast since Billy Joel’s indoor performance in 1997.
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U. Colorado fraternities forced to postpone rush

In efforts to eradicate the school's many alcohol-related problems, Greeks are barred from recruiting until spring

Catherine Tsai

Boulder, Colo. — Trying to shed its image as one of the biggest party schools in America, the University of Colorado is demanding that its fraternities put off the fall recruiting period known as rush until the spring semester. The 16 fraternities there said they are eager to help the school curb the drinking problem, but they have balked at postponing rush, complaining it will cost them enrollment drives and wreck recruiting.

"We can't afford to defer rush. It will kill the Greek system in terms of numbers. Whether that's the university's intention, we're unsure," said Ryan Lynch, a member of Sigma Nu and the internal vice president of the Interfraternity Council.

The school has 24,700 undergraduates, about 10 percent of whom are in fraternities or sororities. The university wants the freshmen to need time to adjust before pledging a fraternity or sorority.

"We want to have a full semester for students to get acclimated to campus before they're put in a position of having to choose a fraternity or sorority," said Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs Ron Stump. "It's an opportunity for them to become a little more mature before they get to a decision that is intended to be a lifelong decision."

The university is threatening to deny fraternities the use of such things as campus meeting rooms, playing fields and lots of incoming freshmen unless they comply. It is also warning the removal of any mention of the fraternities from orientation materials, Web sites and open houses.

Sororities at the university have agreed to defer their rush period until spring, university officials said.

Colorado's reputation has been tarnished by a scandal in which investiga
tors said alcohol, drugs and sex were used to entice football recruits to campus. Two years ago it was dubbed the No. 1 party school by the annual Princeton Review.

The school has boosted its alcohol education programs and toughened penalties for liquor violations. Freshmen have to pass an online class on alcohol abuse.

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The stumbling blocks at Colorado are postponing rush and a university request that fraternities have live-in advisers, something Williamson said not all chapters can afford.

Nearly 160 campuses nationwide have delayed recruitment for fraternities, Williamson said. But he said that does not solve the underlying problem.

"That issue is very simply alcohol," he said. "Deferred recruitment is not going to change the culture prevalent on that campus."

We want to have a full semester for students to get acclimated to campus before they're put in a position of choosing a fraternity or sorority.

- RON STUMP
vice chancellor of Student Affairs

Student indicted in $43 million bank scam

Matt Apuzzo
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW HAVEN, Conn. — On the eve of his graduation, a New York University student was charged with bank fraud after depositing $43 million in bogus cashier's checks into Swiss and American accounts and trying to withdraw the money, prosecutors said Friday.

Hakan Yalcink, 21, also faces civil charges after he convinced two investors to sink $2.8 million into a nonexistent hedge fund and later spent millions on luxury items and university tuition.

He wept in court as U.S. Magistrate Judge Juan Margolies ordered him held until a detention hearing Thursday.

"I have a graduation on Wednesday," Yalcink said.

Yalcink, a senior mathematics student whose parents donated $21 million to NYU last year, deposited millions of dollars in fake certified checks, then shuffled the money around to avoid getting caught, according to an indictment unsealed Friday.

At one point, he had $25 million in Connecticut and nearly $18 million in New York, investors said. Two investors said Yalcink tried to withdraw $1.7 million, but they then the banks had discovered the counterfeit checks and frozen his accounts.

"He's a smart kid. He has some gift in investing and people had confidence in him," said Yalcink's attorney, Robert Chan.

A spokesman for NYU said the university has received $1.25 million to $2.25 million in donations. He said the school was reviewing the donations and any money that was improperly donated would be returned.
The Cal Poly chapter of the California Faculty Association (CFA) is seeking nominations from students and faculty for the "Distinguished Educator Award." The award is given annually to tenure track faculty in all departments, as well as counselors, and librarians who are not yet tenured. Criteria: teaching excellence, outstanding professional development activities, outstanding service. Please provide specific examples that support your recommendation (including the name of the nominee and department) as well as your name and department.

**NOMINATION DEADLINE: TUESDAY, MAY 17**

To nominate someone, send your nomination through campus mail to: Dorothy Pippin, CFA, Building 38-141 OR email your nomination to: dpippin@calpoly.edu Award winners will receive $500 and a plaque.

These awards will be presented at the CFA End-of-the-year Barbecue to be held in Cuesta Park on Tuesday, June 7

**PLEASE TAKE THE TIME TO NOMINATE SOMEONE YOU SEE AS DESERVING OF RECOGNITION**
Students should take afterlife survey

The displays on campus last week sparked a much overdue debate over the campus wide survey that the Wildflower volunteers distributed. I think this question is interesting because as a culture, Americans tend to cherish youth and skirt the issue of death altogether. This attitude of ignoring the inevitable is short-sighted and I applaud Campus Od e is hoping to reach every student on this campus. The survey does not require a religious belief to participate or to answer any questions. It is tailored to accommodate all beliefs and practice a particular religion over any other and is tailored to accommodate all beliefs. It is intended to provide a forum for the students to express their views and share their concerns. The survey itself does not deal with religious issues, and it is not intended to promote any specific religious beliefs or practices. Students are encouraged to participate in the survey and share their thoughts and opinions on topics relating to death. The results of the survey will be published in the Mustang Daily next Monday so make sure you take the survey this week. With more than 200 people sporting "10,000 years ... "T-shirt, you should be able to find a surveyor without a problem. Look around your classes today and take that survey.

Matt Bucholz is a civil engineering junior and Mustang Daily columnist.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

from RIGHT field political viewpoint

One student's thoughts on the importation of koalas

I was thinking the other day about koala bears. I was thinking about how cute and cuddly those little animals are. I pictured myself in an Australian eucalyptus forest and was there that I happened to see one up high in the trees. I said "Hey!" to the little creature and he turned around and looked down at me while munching on some delicious eucalyptus leaves.

I pondered the idea that maybe I could bring a koala bear out here. I'm from California and put him at Montara de Oro with all the yummy eucalyptus trees. I mean if buffalos can survive on Catalina and porpoises in San Francisco then why not koalas too? All the dangerous things are leaves so it isn't going to hurt the food chain. It's not like we are burning over any stupid kangaroos.

Michael Schuck

The new "Family Guy" was awesome, not lame

OK Daily. "You need to get rid of Amanda Strachan. Her review of the new 'Family Guy' episode was way off." The first two minutes when Peter rattled off every FOH show to be canceled since "Family Guy" was classic television. It was shot directly on FOX, so how could this be "cutting to the network?" The "Ch. Joe" appearance was just hilarious.

Kiel Carreau

Wildflower volunteers deserve the world

As a Wildflower volunteer, I just wanted to tell all the volunteers what I didn't get to tell while I was running by. Thank you so much for showing up even though the outcome was uncertain.

A big thanks goes out to my good friends Scott Barton, Andrea Pavic, and Rachel Hilman whose wonderful and great life gave me support while running around doing as much as they possibly could.

For those volunteers that bailed out, you missed a great weekend and I hope your weekend here was as memorable as mine up at the lake. See you next year at the finish line.

Anna Rude

LETTER

Mustang Daily wrong to endorse presidential candidate

I would like to take a moment to address the official Mustang Daily endorsement of A.S.I. presidential candidate Tyler Middleton. The editor note that followed the article stated that "... it is a typical practice for local community papers to endorse a candidate." This may indeed be the case for many small publications, since their specific readership may allow them the freedom to support a particular political agenda, but it is completely inappropriate in an academic setting. Here we are supposed to learn the value of unbiased, rational thought and the power of critical thinking. The Daily, as a representative of the academic community, should use their unique voice to facilitate these processes.

I would also like to comment on the reasoning behind the Daily's chosen endorsement. The "selling" issue was that of funding. The Daily is apparently uncomfortable with candidates raising money outside of their own savings accounts and those of their family. I'm not sure why this is a positive. It would seem that candidate like Mike Momoli, who received external donations, did so because he has established a large group of people that have seen his past leadership accomplishments and believe in him and his vision for our future. In fact, they believed so firmly that they were willing to donate their own time and money to contribute. The Daily itself admits that they have doubts about Tyler's."sometimes-less-than-realistic approach to solving campus issues."

Joey Comay
times online

MUSTANG DAILY POLICY

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OLSON

Win

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Titan also are in first place in the Big West Conference and ranked No. 1 in the Baseball America poll. Should improved to 7-5 by matching his season high in strikeouts with nine and scattering five hits, through his second complete game of the season. Roberts led the Mustangs offensively with a two-run triple in the fourth inning and a pair of RBI singles, one in the third and another in the sixth. The centerfielder's triple highlighted a three-run fourth for the Mustangs, where they opened up a 5-1 lead.

But for the most part, Cal Poly was not the strong-hitting team that has swept four teams since early March. Despite the Mustangs managing 10 hits, they squandered repeated opportunities to score in the middle innings against a tiring Romero.

The Mustangs failed to score with men on first and third in consecutive innings. Then, Matt Cooper hit into an inning-ending double play in the seventh. Later, with Titan closer Vinny Potenza pitching, Jimmy Van Ostrand got stranded on third base in the bottom of the eighth inning.

Olson kept the Mustangs in the game. Cal Poly coach Larry Lee said, "Still, the Mustangs ultimately stranded eight runners through the game.

Additionally, although four different Mustangs had at least two hits, every Cal Poly batter besides Kyle Blumenstein struck out at least once.

The Mustangs go on the road to face Long Beach State before returning home for their last home stand of the year against Riverside.

THE ATHLETE'S TURN

Tune in every Wednesday for a new interview with an athlete.
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COACH'S CORNER
This week's spotlight on
Track and field assistant coach
Sheldon Blockburger

Jonathan Drake
MUSTANGS DAILY

With the Cal Poly track and field team coming off a triumphant showing at its own Five-way meet, the Mustang Daily caught up with assistant coach Sheldon Blockburger to discuss the team's 12 wins. Blockburger, the team's coach in the high jump, pole vault, shot put, discus and javelin.

Q. — So how did you start your career in track and field?
A. — I did the long jump and triple in high school and got addicted to doing all sorts of different track events: running, jumping and throwing things.

Q. — With the Big West Championship coming up, what are your feelings about the team?
A. — We are going to really try hard for third. Northern will win by a landslide and Utah State I think is going to sneak in for second.

Q. — Why do you think the team will only take third?
A. — We have a lot of holes in the team. We have no discus thrower, no high jumper, no long jumper and no triple jumper. And when you have nobody in an event, you are obviously not going to score any points.

Q. — I see runners on the outdoor track a lot. Is there a route that athletes take for longer runs?
A. — Yeah, they run through Poly Canyon all the time. It is probably a 10 or 12-mile run. They pretty much run halfway to Cuesta through the canyon.

Q. — The team set a lot of records in the Five-way meet last week, but is there one track and field record that stands out from the rest?
A. — There is a record that no one's ever beaten in college track, and that's our women's javelin record that still stands at the best ever by Karin Smith back in 1981. No one has ever broken that and probably never will. Two hundred and twelve feet is a long way to throw a javelin.

Q. — With all the changes that officials have made to the rules in track, does that upset the athletics that are chasing records?
A. — Track and field has always been run by idiots. They've messed with the javelin every five or six years, they've messed with the pole vault, they mess with false starts and that's why people get upset.

Q. — Do you hope that the lessons they learn in sports will carry on through life?
A. — People need to realize that life is a competition, whether it's competing for a job or competing for a sport. Even three guys who want to date a girl, that is a competition. You have to have a plan and follow through with the plan. Sports and life are the same thing, except you are getting paid money being on the Cal Poly track team than out in the real world.

A REAL CROWD PLEASER
The three-game series brought in 8,858 fans, destroying the former crowd record of 5,570 when Long Beach State visited last year.

Series draws record crowd
Jonathan Drake
MUSTANGS DAILY

A nearly silent offense by the Cal Poly baseball team resulted in a 3-1 loss to the Cal State Fullerton Titans on Sunday.

An all-time attendance record was set during the three-series at Baggett Stadium of 8,858 fans made by the umpires. A Mustang player sliding into second caused an obstruction violation resulting in an automatic double play ending the inning.

Fans rounded to disappoined later.

Mustangs roll over Titans
MUSTANGS DAILY STAFF REPORT

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Graham Wornack
MUSTANGS DAILY

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Third baseman Josh Lansford looks to apply the tag in a swirl of dust.