Students launch club Web site

Jennifer Hall

Cal Poly students involved in campus clubs and projects now have a new means of communication thanks to the creation of PolyClubs.com, an online directory of clubs that was launched in November 2005.

The Web site was created by three Cal Poly students; Shasta Palmer, Jason Schulberg and Edward Clements, with the goal of improving communication and increasing club membership on campus.

“The site currently has 22 clubs listed, ranging from the Society of Women Engineers to Vines to Wines. Members can post information about club meetings, photos from events and add important dates to the calendar. “PolyClubs.com is designed to make it easier for students of all majors to get involved with clubs they might not have considered open to them before,” said Schulberg, a mechanical engineering major.

Athletic director announces new soccer coach

Frank Stranaz

Former UC Santa Cruz soccer coach Paul Holocher will take the reigns of Cal Poly men’s soccer team, Cal Poly Athletic Director Alison Cone announced on Friday.

Holocher was 109-24-8 during his seven seasons at UC Santa Cruz, but said he couldn’t pass up the opportunity to coach in San Luis Obispo.

“This is an opportunity that I’ve been thinking about and dreaming about for a number of years and I’m thrilled to be here,” Holocher said at a press conference on Friday.

Holocher, a 2004 inductee into the Santa Clara University Hall of Fame, is the second men’s soccer coach in Cal Poly’s intercollegiate history of the sport. He takes over for Wolfgang Garnter, who was fired last November.

In all, there were 106 applicants and the list was eventually whittled down to five candidates that the athletic department considered to be the top choices, Cone said after the press conference.

“Paul (Holocher) is a perfect fit for our men’s soccer program,” Cone said in a press release announcing the hiring of Holocher. “He is a highly respected coach and is the right one to lead Cal Poly into national prominence.”

Holocher, who signed for three years and $63,000 per year, will have his work cut out for him to rebuild a program that has struggled in recent years.

One change from last year will be a different style of offense.

“Paul is a different style of offense,” Holocher said in a press conference on Friday.

Peace activist Cindy Sheehan considers challenging Sen. Feinstein

Ian James

Associated Press

CARACAS, Venezuela — Cindy Sheehan, the peace activist who set up camp near President Bush’s Texas ranch last summer, said Saturday she is considering running against Sen. Diane Feinstein to protest what she called the California lawmaker’s support for the war in Iraq.

“She voted for the war. She continues to vote for the funding. She won’t call for an immediate withdrawal of the troops,” Sheehan told The Associated Press in an interview while attending the World Social Forum in Venezuela along with thousands of other anti-war and anti-globalization activists.

“I think our senator needs to be held accountable for her support of George Bush and his war policies,” said Sheehan, whose 24-year-old soldier son Casey was killed in Iraq in 2004.

Feinstein’s campaign manager, Kam Kuwata, said the senator “doesn’t support George Bush and his war policies.”

“She has stated publicly on numerous occasions that she felt she was misled by the administration at the time of the vote,” Kuwata said by phone from California.

But with troops committed, Feinstein believes immediate withdrawal is not a responsible option, Kuwata said.

“Senator Feinstein’s position is, let’s work toward quickly turning over the defense of Iraq to Iraqis so that we can bring the troops home as soon as possible,” he said.

Kuwata said Feinstein and President Bush are on the same page.

U.S. anti-war activist Cindy Sheehan huggage a supporter before speaking about the U.S. war in Iraq at the 6th World Social Forum in Venezuela.
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"There's a lot that can be done with it if someone had the computer knowledge," Palmer said. Palmer visited the career fair last week and handed out over 120 cards about the Web site to potential employers.

"If someone wanted to take the project on, it would be worth their while at this point," Palmer said.

A club can be added to the site as long as the member has a Cal Poly e-mail address. Anyone can access the site to look at information right now but that is something the creators want to change.

"I'd like to see it eventually have hidden forms," Clements, a manufacturing engineering senior, said. A link to the site on the College of Engineering and the College of Business Web sites. The San Luis Obispo City of Commerce is also adding a link to their Web site.

The goal is to have a main form for generic club information and a sub-form for confidential club information, such as research proposals. There are many additional ideas, such as individual club calendars, that the creators want to see happen with the Web site if someone takes it on as a senior project.

"If we had somebody working on the Web site we could give people access to the database," Clements said.

The site has gathered a lot of support from the city of San Luis Obispo and Cal Poly. There is currently a link to the site on the College of Engineering and the College of Business Web sites. The San Luis Obispo City of Commerce is also adding a link to their Web site.

"It's been an excellent marketing tool," Schulberg said.

The Web site is funded by Google. The amount of funding for the site depends on the amount of usage.

"They're pretty non-obtrusive," Clements said of the small advertisement that Google has at the bottom of the site's pages.

Right now the creators said they hope to find someone that knows more about the technical aspects of running a Web site to improve the basic outline that is already there and to promote the site further on campus to add more clubs to the database.

"It's meant to support the clubs by providing a central location where it's easy to access information with a couple of clicks," Palmer said.
5-Day Weather Forecast

Monday
High / Low
61 / 45
Forecast: Partly cloudy skies with wind blowing WNW 11 mph.
Sunrise: 7:04 a.m.
Sunset: 5:29 p.m.
UV Index: 3 Moderate

Tuesday
High: 63 Low: 45

Wednesday
High: 69 Low: 47

Thursday
High: 69 Low: 47

Friday
High: 70 Low: 48

Name: Ali Noyer • Year: sophomore
Hometown: San Rafael • Major: graphic design

Favorites
Song: "Scarlet Begonias" by Sublime
Band: Spice Girls
Pastime: Art
Time of day: Sleep time
Quote: "Take no heroes, only inspiration," by The Red Skins

If You Could ...
— go anywhere, where would you go and why?
The Mediterranean, because of the cultures there.
— meet anyone, who would it be and why?
Tamara de Lempicka, because she's my favorite artist.
— have any superpower, what would it be and why?
To blink and be in another place, because then I could go to China for lunch.

Shout out: "To my roommates who want to eat my pig and my boy."

For the eleventh year in a row Campus Dining has been a Waste Reduction Awards Program, WRAP winner for efforts in waste reduction and recycling.
WRAP is an annual awards program established in 1993 by the California Integrated Waste Management Board to recognize California businesses that have made outstanding efforts to reduce nonhazardous waste and send less garbage to landfills. Realizing that the business sector generates more of the State's waste, the purpose of the WRAP award is to recognize companies that develop creative and aggressive programs. Practices evaluated include waste prevention, materials reuse, recycling, recycled product procurement and employee education. Campus Dining began recycling efforts several years ago with a cardboard recycling program, which has expanded to recycling many other items and purchasing recycled products.

This total waste reduction program strives to balance cost saving from waste stream reduction with the costs of purchasing recycled and recyclable products. Trash hauling has been reduced by more than 50% through these efforts. Campus Dining recycles all their cardboard and much of their office and promotional literature. Containers are collected for recycling in kitchen and customer areas. Food scraps are given to the student sustainable farm for composting and foods are donated to county food banks. Recycled paper is used for computers, stationery, business cards and many other printed items and other recycled/recyclable materials are used whenever practical. Campus Dining also sells reusable mugs at cost and offers discounts to people using them to reduce beverage container waste. Many thanks to the campus community for their efforts to reduce, reuse and recycle, which has helped Campus Dining win this award again.

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LOS ANGELES (AP) — A one-time business manager who embezzled more than $1.5 million from former NBA player Mark Jackson probably will avoid a federal trial that began Monday for J. Breger sent to prison and she is another victim, U.S. District Judge Christina Snyder said.

Breger has been making progress in a 13-step program for his gambling addiction, and has started an Internet business with the goal of making enough money to repay Jackson and another victim, U.S. District Judge Christina Snyder said.

LONG BEACH (AP) — Jurors deliberating for three days in a murder case were told to stay over; after two of them were replaced because of misconduct.

The Superior Court panels were replaced by two alternates Friday after a judge concluded they had engaged in misconduct. The nature of the misconduct was not disclosed.

LANCASTER (AP) — Albertsons supermarket and a security firm have agreed to pay $30,000 to four teenagers who were held by two security guards for hours in a supermarket office and forced to drink vodka.

One of the teens was punched and a girl was hospitalized in the June 2004 incident in Palmdale.

According to testimony, the guards forced the teens to drink the bottle of vodka. One of the girls testified she was intoxicated when she was taken into a separate room, where the guards removed her clothing. When her friend opened the door, a guard punched him.

OAKLAND (AP) — A group of San Francisco Bay Area Muslim leaders and their supporters gathered outside City Hall to criticize fellow Muslim for selling liquor.

Members of the newly formed Muslins for Healthy Communities said the move betrayed the community's commitment to refrain from selling alcohol.

The group said liquor stores are violating a tenet of their religion and poisoning their communities.

Sen. Clinton to speak in San Francisco

Torture. "She should be our ally. She's a lawyer and she had a solid stance on the war," Chelsea Clinton said.

"We cannot root for failure," she said. "We cannot take action now that would undermine any chance for stability that the new Iraqi government may have."

A few dozen anti-war protesters gathered in the rain outside San Francisco's Nob Hill Masonic Center before the start of the interview.

"There is an incredible sense of betrayal among progressives about Hillary Clinton and the Democratic party," said Kate Raphael, 46, of Berkeley, and a member of the group Ten Against Torture.

"She should be our ally. She's a lawyer and she had a solid record in her minute interview, kept up her recent criticism of the president. "I have been absolutely amazed, even shocked, at the combination of ignorance and incompetence that marks this particular administration," Clinton said.

Protesters were critical of Clinton's stance on the war as well. Clinton has come under fire for refusing to join the call for an immediate withdrawal from Iraq. She said the United States must "finish what it started" in Iraq. "We cannot accept failure," she said. "We can't take action now that would undermine any chance for stability that the new Iraqi government may have."

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Families of Challenger crew observe 20th anniversary

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CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla.—The widow of Challenger's commander and the parents of children lost notes that officials say could help determine what led to the disaster—had her first Sunday that she had expressed "tremendous remorse."

Park Ballenger Mendez, 43, was in a country jail Sunday after being treated at a hospital for swallowing a toxic substance. She had collapsed as officers arrived at her home Saturday morning in response to a telephone call from the children's father in New York. Inside the home, the officers found the bodies of the children, ages 6 to 8, laying side-by-side on a bed, said Chris Brackett, an investigator with the Sevier County Sheriff's Office.

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HOUSTON (AP) — Of the more than 100 potential jurors who arrived to pick a 12-member federal courtroom in Houston Monday, attorneys must fret over a dozen who say they've already concluded that Enron Corp. founder Kenneth Lay, CEO Jeff Skilling are crooks and liars.

"If we get 12 people who haven't made up their minds, we like our chances," Daniel Petrocelli, Skilling's lead trial lawyer, said after a day of voir dire last-minute efforts to move the trial to escape a potentially hostile jury in Houston.

Michael Ramsey, Lay's lead lawyer, was less optimistic, calling Houston "a bad place to try to pick a jury."

WASHINGTON (AP) — A California congressman who accepted a check from the disgraced ex-lobbyist Jack Abramoff and used his sports box for a fundraiser interested on behalf of two American Indian tribes that were represented by Abramoff's firm, has introduced

GOP Rep. John Doolittle wrote Interior Secretary Gale Norton in June 2003 criticizing the Bush administration's response to a tribal government dispute with the Ramona Band of the San Favo Tribe of the Missouri in Iowa. In October 2003, Doolittle attempted to pull a smear campaign against the secretary for quicker action for a Massachusetts tribe, the Mashpee Wampanoag, that was seeking federal recognition. Both tribes signed on with Abramoff's lobbying firm, Greenberg Traurig, that year. Sara & Fox hired the firm in May, the Wampanoag in November.

Bush to promote fuel-saving technologies in State of the Union

Nedra Picker
ASSOCIATE PRESS

WASHINGTON — Trying to calculate costs and benefits of energy policies, President Bush is urging the "State of the Union address this week to focus on a package of energy proposals aimed at bringing fuel-saving technologies out of the lab and into use.

In Bush's vision, drivers will stop at pumps, time and breathe at a hospital for swallowing oil. More Americans would run their lights at home on solar power.

Bush has been talking about these ideas since his first year in office. Proposals aimed at spreading the use of ethanol, hydrogen and renewable fuels all were part of the energy bill that he signed into law in August, but that hasn't eased Americans' worries about high fuel prices.

Democrats were hit with the biggest jump in energy prices in 15 years in 2005 and worries about the cost of gas and heating oil have damped spirits about the economy despite other recent encouraging signs.

Add in the unrest in the Middle East, and energy becomes a major issue for Bush to address Tuesday night.

"I agree with Americans who understand and are being held back on foreign oil as an economic problem and a national security problem," Bush said in a recent interview with CBS.

Eight in 10 Americans surveyed earlier this month by the Pew Research Center for the People & the Press said gasoline prices were a big problem.

"Home heating fuel and health care were the other major economic concerns. It's not a coincidence that Bush will spend much of his State of the Union readdressing Americans that he has a plan to address energy and medical care," House Democrats sought to take the latter off Bush's speech with a television commercial that accused the president and Republicans of tilting their policies toward the pharmaceutical, oil and investment industries. It shows lawmakers cheering Bush's words from three previous State of the Union address's, and asks: "What Special Interest Will the Republican Congress Rubbush That Time?"

Officials said the commercial would air only once, on Fox, in the morning in response to a television show that was more like a guerrilla-style attack on the GOP than an attempt to mold public opinion.

Bush told CBS that he does not support a big raise in the gas tax, as others have proposed. Instead, he is looking for tax breaks that encourage new technologies, which is popular with farmers, with industry and with consumers of those products.

"We have got to wean ourselves off "hydrocarbons,"" Bush explained."And the best way, in my view, to do it is to promote and encourage and advance new technologies so that we can drive have different driving habits."

For example, he said, the federal government could push more widespread use of corn-based ethanol and electric production from other sources.
LE T your creativity flow at the third annual “Women’s Words,” a writing hour offered by the Cal Poly Women’s Center, this Tuesday from 6 to 7 p.m. The program is led by both students and faculty in hopes to provide a space for discussion, writing and socializing. For details, call the Women’s Center at 756-2600.

SCARE the poop out of yourself at “Tuesday Night at the Movies” as ASI shows “Saw II,” free of charge at the Chumash Auditorium. Take a blanket and a buddy if you dare.

YEEHAA! Grab your partner and make it out to the “Country Tonite,” Wednesday at the PAC for a “highly acclaimed show” that features country hits of the past and present. The show will also display the talent of Templetown native Mike Caldwell, music director and harmonica player for “Country Tonite.” For tickets, visit www.paclo.org.

CHECK out “Murderball,” a documentary that follows the United States Quad Rugby team as it prepared for the 2004 Paralympics in Greece. The free flick shows Thursday at the Chumash Auditorium at 7:30 p.m. and Mark Zupan, one of the team members, will speak at 9 p.m. For more information, call ASI at 756-1112.

BRING everyone and po’ mama to see Airoof/Family perform at Downtown Brew Thursday. The 21-and-over event starts at 8 p.m. Pre-sale tickets, $8, are available at Boo Boo Records. Want to get a taste of the band before you head out to the show? Check them out on myspace.com.

WALK by, stop by or hang out during the entire UU Hour for the band Resination. The reggae band will be jammin’ at 11 a.m. in the UU Plaza.

PUT on your dancing shoes for the “Big Band Dance” at Paso Robles Centennial Park Ballroom, Friday. The dance, $5 to $7, goes from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. For details, call 237-3988 or visit www.prcity.com.

GOT any juicy, hilarious or even serious stories that you think would be perfect for The Velvet Rope, Diversions’ 21-and-over column? Send 700 words or less to mustangdailydiversions@gmail.com and maybe you’ll get in. By the way, we do card.

EXPRESS yourself in Diversions weekly Poly Poetry corner, which runs every Friday. Submissions are accepted throughout the year. E-mail your work to mustangdailydiversions@gmail.com.

DIVERSIONS editor (me ;p) wants to know what you would like to see on these pages. What should we cover? What do we cover too much of? Send ideas, tips, insults and constructive criticism to mustangdailydiversions@gmail.com.

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Monday, January 30, 2006
Glass artist takes Poly on journey

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—Marvin Lipofsky

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Pioneer glass artist Marvin Lipofsky takes his work to Cal Poly's University Art Gallery through February.

Joe Sargent

A view of the world through glass and an artist's development and travels is on display at the University Art Gallery.

Until Feb. 18 an exhibition titled "Martin Lipofsky: A Journey in Glass" will be on display. Deconstructed glass shapes, in a multitude of colors, have been put together to showcase Lipofsky's travels through the world.

Lipofsky, an innovator of studio glass art, broke away from the traditional approach of most glass artists. He worked in one studio and traveled the world, working with international artisans.

"He took a different angle, and his approach has driven him," said Christine Kuper, the University Art Gallery coordinator.

Lipofsky studied under Harvey Littleton, known as the father of studio glass art, in Wisconsin and then went on to create and local the glass department at UC Berkeley. Glass art was still in its early stages and the desire to learn drove Lipofsky to travel outside the United States to work.

"I had to educate myself as most of us did in the early years of glass," Lipofsky said. "We looked to Europe because they had a long history with glass." Lipofsky began to travel through Europe. He worked in factories learning and creating. As time passed, he began to gain notoriety and broadened his travels outside of Europe.

At the Cal Poly exhibit, each piece has a card saying where it was created: Sonic Slate, Poland, Adelaide, Austria, Hokkaido, Japan, Dallas, China, Novy Bar, Czechoslovakia. His travels have inspired his art. "I try to incorporate local flare depending on the country and culture," Lipofsky said.

Lipofsky often takes inspiration from the local weather of the country he is visiting—whether it is Finland right before winter or Ukraine in the fall. But onlookers see what they will in the art.

"People see various things in my work and I'm OK with that," Lipofsky said.

The exhibit showcases Lipofsky's international flare, but also shows his chronological development.

"The theme of the exhibit is two-fold: global travel and a travel through time," Kuper said. "We have some of his earliest work and some of his most recent.

Lipofsky's early pieces display a different history from his recent pieces. One incorporates a plaster hand clutching a cylindrical tube of green glass while another piece is finished in flocking, a technique that gives the glass a fuzzy texture.

"He got the idea to use flocking to create texture from seeing a cat at a car show," Kuper said.

Besides travel, Lipofsky has also deviated from the artistic norm by focusing more on the finishing of work rather than the blowing of the piece itself.

"Most glass blowers are attracted to glass blowing because of the hands-on aspect of it and the instant gratification," said George Jerich, Cal Poly professor of glass and curator of the exhibit. "Lipofsky has become more into the finishing."

He collaborates with foreign artists to create a piece, then ships it back to his studio in Berkeley where he meticulously sandblasts, polishes and cuts away at the piece to create the finished product.

"Glass blowing has a lot of aesthetic qualities, you're working around the fiery light, maybe even a sense of danger," Jerich said.

The exhibit will be at the University Art Gallery in the Dexter building until Feb. 18 and is open during regular gallery hours: Tuesday through Saturday.
Women tend to study abroad more than men

Katy O'Donnell
THE DURHAM HANOVER

HANOVER, N.H. — Women tend to study abroad more than men, according to a recent nationwide study of the issue on college campuses found.

The study, performed by the American Association of University Women, found that 63 percent of college students studied in foreign countries, and 27 percent of students at major universities studied in country. Women were more likely to study abroad than men.

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Dan Traylor (May 2000)

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Israel says talks until Hamas renounces violence

JERUSALEM — Israel ruled out contacts with a Palestinian government headed by Hamas unless the Islamic group renounces violence and threatened Sunday to "liquidate" militants if they resume attacking Israelis.

Acting Prime Minister Ehud Olmert said Israel will stop the monthly transfer of tens of millions of dollars in tax rebates and other funds to the Palestinian Authority if a Hamas government is installed.

With the latest comments, Israel appeared to be backing away from a more conciliatory position, demonstrating that it wants no cooperation with the hard-line group it has refused to deal with since withdrawing from the Gaza Strip and part of the West Bank in August.

Olmez, addressing the weekly meeting of his Cabinet, said he has been in touch with leaders around the world in recent days and received support for the tough Israeli stance against Hamas.

"We clarified that without a clear abandonment of the path of terror, a recognition of Israel's right to exist in security and peace — Israel won't have any contact with the Palestinians," Olmert said. "These principles are accepted by the international community. On this issue, I don't intend to make any compromises."

Hamas refuses to disavow or recognize Israel, though it has hinted that it could be willing to extend other accommodation with the Jewish state.

Visiting German Chancellor Angela Merkel told a news conference Germany will only deal with the group if it renounces violence and renounces violence. Merkel was meeting Israeli and Palestinian officials but said she would not meet Hamas representatives.

Israel's Supreme Court rejected a request from Jewish settlers to delay the order, clearing the way for the forthcoming execution. It will mark Israel's first execution of Palestinian settlers since withdrawing from the Gaza Strip and part of the West Bank in August.

Abdel-Rahman said the trial will not be allowed back into this courtroom. Abdel-Rahman appointed four new defense lawyers. But Saddam stood to reject them and demand to leave the courtroom, holding a copy of the Quran and other papers under his arm. "You do not leave, I allow you to leave when I want it" Abdel-Rahman said.

For 35 years, I administrated your rights," Saddam replied, referring to his time in power. "I am the judge and you are the defendant," Abdel-Rahman responded. Two guards pushed Saddam back into his chair before they were ordered to lead the ousted ruler from the room.

Two other defendants also rejected their new lawyers and were allowed to leave. The proceedings then resumed with the four remaining defendants and none of their original lawyers.

An anonymous female prosecution witness started the testimony, speaking for about an hour from behind a large curtain, as several earlier witnesses have done to protect them from reprisals. The new defense lawyers declined the opportunity to cross-examine the witnesses or make statements.

The delayed television feed of the proceedings — which is controlled by the judges and broadcast throughout Iraq and the Arab world — was cut off after Ibrahim's initial outburst. It resumed later, cutting out the removal of Ibrahim and the subsequent fight with the lawyers but showing the judge's arguments with Saddam.
There's a bigger issue beyond abortion

Elizabeth Mayer
Editor-in-Chief

CORVALLIS, Ore. — This week we saw the anniversary of Roe v. Wade. But wait, don’t turn the page in disgust. I promise this isn’t yet another column about abortion. To be honest, I’m close to giving up on that debate. I have a hard time imagining anything other than a shooting match emerging from a “debate” between pro-choice and pro-life advocates.

I am not saying that the abortion debate isn’t an important one. But at a certain point, we need to step back, take down our crosses and cool hangers and realize that there are women’s issues that we can work on together.

The abortion debate has polarized this country. Feminist is a dirty word in many circles. According to good old Paul Rockerbum, “The feminist agenda is not about equal rights for women. It is about a socialist, antifamily political movement that encourages women to leave their husbands, kill their children, practice witchcraft, denigrate capitalism and become lesbians.”

Which is funny, because I was just about to say that all we were doing was fighting for equal rights for women. But I’m not that naive. I’d like to think that I’m fighting for a job at the museum you now use the word for instead. But that’s what it should be about. Can we agree that women are divided on the issue of abortion and move forward together on issues we can agree on?

I’m not saying to just forget about abortion. But women are still being abused by their boyfriends and husbands. Women still make 75 cents to the dollar for that dollar that men make. When we do have children, often the economic situation will drive us to balance a job and child care for 10 more than a few months after we’ve given birth. However, even if the man can afford to work less to take care of the baby, he’s emasculated by society. That my friend, is a women’s work. According to the woman when she doesn’t perform to his standards.

I know someone is going to jump on me for the 75 cents to the dollar comment. And I know that, for the most part, women and men are paid the same for the same work. But women aren’t promoted as frequently, often because they are the ones that have to sacrifice their careers for children.

Additionally, “women’s work” or traditionally female jobs like teaching, library work and social work aren’t paid as well I believe that all of this does not point to a male sexism. That’s easier to fight. Rather, it shows that there are still sexist undertones of our culture. Why do I have to take a year off if my husband and I decide to have kids? If I’m at a point in my career that I can’t, but he can, there’s nothing wrong with that and a child is still a child with a parent. But society doesn’t like that, so I have to pay for it with far less than a dollar my husband makes.

Abortion is important. It’s important to people on both sides of the fence. Rather than getting into a shooting match, there are so many other issues out there to face. For some, the answer is obvious—crack down on pimps, jugs and even older prostitutes that prey on young women, and instituting more of a support system for battered women (and, in some cases, battered men) so that they feel like they can leave their partner. That they have options.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Missing money in the College of Agriculture Student, I drove past the construction gates here at school. Every year amazing buildings arise on campus. I feel proud to have these new facilities for students. I am currently enrolled in a class about crops and the different systems used to produce these crops. The class met at the greenhouses at the EHS department this week. I was excited because I want to learn more about greenhouse production.

The majority of the greenhouses were constructed in 1969 and are in terrible shape. So, I asked a couple of questions. (I won’t name names.) How has the College of Agriculture worked on this problem? She told me they had no money.

I can’t believe an accredited agriculture program can even attempt to hire students with these facilities. I should have paid more attention to the 40-year-old tractors outside the Crop’s Unit. Are there experiments being conducted or research being done?

How can you conduct experiments in these conditions and expect desirable results?

She said they do the best they can. Maybe a bureaucratic puppet in a photo office will help me understand?

Some will say I am complaining. Other will say I have no clue about budgets/money/donations/political red tape/ yada yada yada. Say what you like. It is only my opinion. Give it for yourself. On the other hand, the arboretum is one of the unknown jewels here at Poly. We should have a new football stadium soon. Only I am here to learn.

Anthony Lopez
Agriculture student

The real problem with the sex columns

The main problem with the sex columns is not in its graphic nature (although it may be), but that the problem is that the sex column is as original as a drunken first boy holding an empty cup of Natural Ice Laser. I assumed that Daniel would be rather clueless, but rather than predict the future or bless the world with a story about beauty, I conclude that his articles are nothing more than diaphanous, endless droning from the mouth flowing from his juvenile pen.

Katherine Pelton
Be our guest!
Baseball

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hit a two-out solo home run to left-center field in the first inning, giving Cal Poly a 2-0 lead. Fresno State answered with a run in the third on Eric Weitzel's RBI single up the middle.

In the Mustangs sixth, Matt Cooper drove a left-field walk, moved to second on Jimmy Gardner's sacrifice bunt and came home on Colin Stoeckler's single through the right side of the Fresno State infield. Camara, who took sec- ond on the sacrifice, came home on a single to left-center field by Derek C'anepa, scoring Cooper.

Cal Poly added an insurance run in the eighth as Jacob Luque singled with one out and eventually scored on a single to left-center by C'anepa, giving the Mustangs a two-one-two base to counter the Matadors.

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Basketball

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three-one, half-court trap by the Matadors.

Cal Poly spread the court with Thomas on the far side and Dawn White opposed him while Gabe Stephenson and Titus Shef- fon worked the middle of the court. C'anepa and Stoeckler often worked the wings, giving the Mustangs a two-one-two base to counter the Matadors.

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Northridge did force 20 Cal Poly turnovers, but surrendered many open shots for the Mustangs. Cal Poly shot 11-for-25 as a team from three-point distance.

Cal Poly worked back and forth between a two-three zone defense and man-to-man. Both were effec- tive against the Matadors who shot a paltry 37 percent from the floor. For the second consecutive game, the Mustangs shut down one of the top scorers in the conference. On Thursday, the Mustangs had their way with University of Pacific's Chris Manaker and on Saturday it was Northridge's Mike Elberhe's turn.

Elberhe, the Big West's leading scorer, shot five-for-16 from the field for 14 points and played just 18 minutes due to foul trouble. He also is among the Big West leaders in free-throw percentage, but couldn't find his way to the charity stripe during Saturday's game.

"Our game plan was to make him work for his shots," McCaus said. "We knew he shoots a lot, but we wanted him to take a lot of shots to get his points.

After dropping another Big West heartbreaker to Pacific on Thursday, the win was a promising sign to Bromley. "I'm just most proud about it that they battled against Pacific and were able to bounce back like they did (against Northridge)," Bromley said. "I feel like a proud father. They showed character."

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WRESTLING

AS CLOSE AS THEY COME

Cal Poly was defeated by Arizona State Friday night, 25-22, to drop to 7-5 on the season and 4-2 in the Pac-10. The Mustangs led by nine with two matches to go, but back-to-back wins by Ryan Badder (197) and Cain Velasquez (285) surged the No. 1 ranked team in Pac-10 past the short-handed Mustangs.

Darrell Vasquez (133) got the Mustangs in the scoring column first, scoring a major decision victory over Adam Hickey, 15-3, improving the No. 4 ranked Vasquez to 15-2 on the season.

In the match of the night, Jeff Owens (149) was successful in knocking off the No. 1 ranked wrestler in Pac-10 at 149, for the second week in a row, this time defeating Pat Payne, 6-3. Payne was ranked No. 1 Pac-10 and No. 18 in the country according to InterMat Wrestling. With the upset, Owens improves to 17-5 on the season. The 17 wins lead the team. Payne drops to 15-9.

Rebb Maxwell (165) nearly knocked-off the No. 2 Pac-10 wrestler at 165, holding a slim 3-2 lead with under 10 seconds to go in the match, but a determined Patrick Pitch scored a takedown with seven seconds remaining to steal the victory away from Maxwell. With the loss, Maxwell drops to 14-11 on the season, while Pitch improves to 17-10.

The Mustangs return to action Wednesday, Feb. 1 visiting Cal State Bakersfield, before participating in the All-California tournament held in San Francisco starting Feb. 4.

Basketball

THE WINS KEEP ON COMING

Cal Poly captured its third win in a row and remained unbeaten in Big West play after defeating Cal State Fullerton 6-1 on Saturday. The Mustangs dominated the entire match, winning all doubles matches and five out of six singles matches.

Samantha Walter improved her record to 7-7, and 2-0 in Big West matched by defeating Ruaya Inalpulat in straight sets, 6-1, 6-4. Walter also earned a doubles victory, teaming with Danen Beatty, to defeat the team of Inalpulat and Gina Le, 8-1. The combination of Beatty and Walter is 3-4 in 2006. Beatty was also victorious in her singles match, defeating Gina Le easily, 6-1, 6-1 to improve the freshman's record to 6-3.

Cal Poly defeated Cal State Northridge one day prior. The Mustangs were led by a strong performance from Maria Malec, who came away with victories in both singles and doubles play.

Cal Poly dominated singles play, winning four out of the six matches played. Walter rebounded from her doubles loss to defeat Furuta in straight sets, 6-7, 7-5, 6-4. See Basketball, page 11

Mustangs dismantle Northridge

Frank Stranzl

Tyler McGinn scored eight of Cal Poly's first 10 points and stayed hot throughout the game on the way to a career-high night with 28 points and a 73-54 victory over Cal State Northridge.

"It was amazing," McGinn said. "I don't really know how to put it. It was just one of those nights, I got started early and kept it throughout the game."

McGinn easily surpassed his previous career-high of 18 points and gave a significant contribution on the boards with seven rebounds. His 28 points came on 10-for-16 shooting, including six-for-11 from three-point range.

Cal Poly's Derek Stockalper recorded his second straight double-double with 10 points and 12 rebounds. Chaz Thomas led the Mustangs with eight assists.

Cal Poly opened the game on a 10-2 run, finding numerous open looks against an ineffective one-

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Trae Clark played 26 reserve minutes on Saturday.

SCHEDULE

**WEDNESDAY, FEB. 1**
- **Women's Basketball**
  - vs. UC Davis
  - 4:30 p.m. @ Mott Gym
- **Men's Basketball**
  - vs. UC Davis
  - 4:30 p.m. @ Mott Gym

**FRIDAY, FEB. 3**
- **Women's Basketball**
  - vs. UC Davis
  - 7 p.m. @ Mott Gym
- **Men's Basketball**
  - vs. UC Davis
  - 7:30 p.m. @ Mott Gym

**SUNDAY, FEB. 5**
- **Women's Basketball**
  - vs. UC Davis
  - 2 p.m. @ Mott Gym
- **Men's Basketball**
  - vs. UC Davis
  - 4:30 p.m. @ Mott Gym

**SATURDAY, FEB. 4**
- **Women's Basketball**
  - vs. UC Davis
  - 7 p.m. @ Mott Gym
- **Men's Basketball**
  - vs. UC Davis
  - 7:30 p.m. @ Mott Gym

**WEEKLY HOME ATHLETICS SCHEDULE**

**TUES., FEB. 7**
- **Women's Basketball**
  - vs. UC Davis
  - 7 p.m. @ Mott Gym
- **Men's Basketball**
  - vs. UC Davis
  - 7:30 p.m. @ Mott Gym

**WELCOME TO THE MUSTANG DAILY**

Monday, January 30, 2006