Architecture professor showcases historic building materials

Carolyn Ficara

Each handmade, architectural ornament in Howard Weisenthal's exhibit of historical building materials is a testimony to architecture appreciation. The exhibit, which is on display in the lobby of the Architecture and Environmental Engineering Building, showcases a variety of pieces from Weisenthal's personal collection.

The collection on display includes 40 brick pieces, 20 cast iron relics and 15 terra cotta elements from a personal collection of historical building materials.

With the rising cost of energy, architecture professor, stressed that they are not decoration, but important structural elements of a building. "Decoration and ornamentation are not the same thing," he said. "Decoration is for hiding something, ornamental is for adorning something, not hiding it."

The collection features a variety of cast iron tie-rods. Weisenthal said the stars originated from the Federalist era when stars were prevalent. The cast iron stars are anchored on the exterior of the building at each floor level.

"Learning about old buildings is an important part of learning architecture," Weisenthal said. Students contributing to the exhibit said it is important to learn the history of some buildings' architecture as a science and as an art.

"Buildings are, after all, about people and their experience of a building," said Steve Miller, an architecture professor, stressed that people and their experience of a building are not the same thing," he said. "People and their experience of a building are not the same thing."

Bush tries to take charge of policy agenda with State of Union address

Terence Hunt

WASHINGTON (AP) — A politically weakened President Bush declared Tuesday night that America must break its long dependence on Mideast oil and rebuked critics of his unpopular war in Iraq.

"America is addicted to oil, which is often imported from unstable parts of the world," Bush said in his State of the Union address in his annual State of the Union address. Rejecting calls for the withdrawal of troops from Iraq, Bush said, "There is no peace in retreat." He also slapped at those who complain he took the country to war on the erroneous grounds that Iraq possessed weapons of mass destruction.

"Hindsight alone is not wisdom," Bush said. "And second-guessing is not a strategy!"

In an unscripted moment, anti-war activist Cindy Sheehan, the mother of a fallen soldier in Iraq, was taken into custody by police in the House gallery just before Bush spoke to a joint session of Congress. She was escorted from the visitors gallery after she caused a disruption, a Capitol Police official said.

With Congress facing midterm elections in November, there was a partisan mood in the chamber as Bush, harried by budget deficits, offered a modest program.

Democrats stood and cheered when Bush said, "Congress did not act a year ago on my proposal to save Social Security." Bush got a bemused look on his face, shook his finger and continued, "yet the rising cost of entitlements is a problem that is not going away.

Switching gears, Bush asked lawmakers to join him in naming a commission to examine the impact of see Address, page 2

Bush is applauded by Vice President Dick Cheney and House Speaker Dennis Hastert at the State of the Union speech Tuesday.
Justices Stephen Breyer and Clarence Thomas were in the House chamber, alongside new Chief Justice John Roberts, another Bush nominee, and Justices Stephen Breyer and Clarence Thomas. The president was applauded 58 times in a speech that ran slightly more than 50 minutes.

"Our goal is to make this new kind of ethanol practical and competitive within six years," the president said. "Breakthroughs on this and other new technologies will help us reach another great goal: to replace more than 75 percent of our oil imports from the Middle East by 2025." By targeting only Mideast oil, Bush was ignoring the largest sources of America's petroleum consumption: Mexico and Canada. Import of oil and refined product from the Persian Gulf make up less than a fifth of all imports and 11 percent of total consumption, according to Energy Department statistics. Virginia Gooch Timothy M. Kaine, chosen to deliver the response for the Democrats, stood on the stage of national debt, the frustrated effort to rebuild the hurricane-battered Gulf Coast, Medicaid cuts and other issues.

Bushing American competitiveness requires affordable health care," the president said.

Bush proposed greater tax benefits for health savings accounts, the high-deductible health plan that allows people to contribute money tax-free to a Roth-like health savings plan, as a way to expand their use. He said lawmakers also must allow workers to take the coverage with them as they change jobs.

Many Republicans cheered Bush when he defended his program of surveillance in the United States without warrants to comb terrorism, a program whose legality has been challenged by members of both parties.

As he has in every State of the Union address to some extent, Bush said the United States must curb its reliance on foreign oil imports. He called for more research on alternative fuels for hybrid and electric cars and work on alternative fuels.

"We need to encourage children to take more math and science and make sure those courses are rigorous enough to compete with other nations," the president said.

Bush went before the nation after the toughest year of his administration. His job approval rating is in the anemic high 30s to low 40s. Health care is a priority for both parties, particularly since nearly 46 million Americans lack insurance. Democrats that in 2005 done, the number of uninsured grew by nearly a million.

"Keeping American competitiveness requires affordable health care," the president said.

Bush divided his address between problems at home and abroad. With the war in Iraq about to enter its fourth year and more than 2,240 American troops killed, Bush said the nation must not falter in what he called the central front in the war on terror. Bush did not offer any timetable for bringing American troops home from Iraq there are about 138,000 U.S. troops in Iraq, down from about 160,000 at the time of the January elections.

Despite recent elections in Iraq, Lebanon and the Palestinian territories that have given rise to religious-based parties with views sometimes hostile to the West, Bush praised Saudi Arabia and Egypt longtime allies that Washington is loath to challenge that troops "... to provide greater freedoms to their citizens. He urged Hamas to "recognize Israel, disavow terrorism and work for lasting peace."

Bush said the United States and its allies were united in insisting that Iran not develop nuclear weapons. Speaking directly to the Iranian people, Bush looked toward a different future for their country and said the United States "hopes one day to be the closest of friends with a free and democratic Iran."

The president renewed his oft-stated goal for Congress to make permanent the tax cuts enacted during his presidency.

"If we do nothing, American families will face a massive tax increase they do not expect and will not welcome," he said.
Name: Josh Dean • Year: senior
Hometown: San Clemente • Major: computer science

Favorites
Book: Ragamuffin Gospel
Theme song: "Come and Listen" by David Crowder Band
Food/food item: Steak
Kitchen appliance: Toaster oven

If You Could ...
— be any periodic table element which would you be and why? Einsteinium.
— have the world be in any color which would it be? Blue.

Other
— best excuse for missing class? I here is no good excuse.

Briefs
State
SANTA BARBARA (AP) — The county’s Metropolitan Transit District will pay $1.75 million to a 73-year-old woman who was in a downtown crosswalk when she was run over by a bus.
Marylina Mobley suffered brain damage and lost her taste, smell and hearing after the MTD bus hit her on Anacapa Street on Oct. 14, 2004. She was in the crosswalk and had a green light to cross when she was knocked unconscious by the bus.

The district admitted fault in the accident.

SAN ANSELMO (AP) — Merchants in downtown San Anselmo are struggling to recover from the devastating New Year’s Eve flood.
About 150 of the 250 businesses in San Anselmo and about 300 of the town’s 5,000 homes were damaged to some degree in the flooding, according to initial estimates.

LODI (AP) — A 33-year-old dentist pleaded no contest to four counts of sexual battery on his female patients.
Ahmed Bakr, of Lodi, will serve a six-month jail sentence as part of a plea deal entered Monday in San Joaquin County Superior Court. He was accused of skin-to-skin contact with at least one patient and improper contact with five others.

National
WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush on Tuesday put the finishing touches on a State of the Union address designed to help restore faith in his leadership among the many Americans who don’t approve of the job he’s doing or think the country is on the right track. The 9 p.m. address had gone through more than 30 drafts and was undergoing final editing at the White House, where Bush got a morale boost with the confirmation of Judge Samuel Alito to the Supreme Court.

VIENNA, Austria (AP) — The International Atomic Energy Agency said documents in Iran’s possession serve no other purpose but to make nuclear weapons.

MOSCOW (AP) — President Vladimir Putin boasted Tuesday that Russia has new missiles capable of penetrating any missile defense system and said he had briefed the French president on their capabilities.

"Russia has tested missile systems that no one in the world has," Putin said. "These missile systems don’t represent a response to a missile defense system, but it doesn’t matter to them whether that exists or not. They are hypersonic and capable of changing their flight path."

International
WHO SAID THAT?
— Happiness is an imaginary condition, formerly attributed by the living to the dead, now usually attributed by adults to children, and by children to adults.
— Thomas Szasz

— I say that a man must be certain of his morality for the simple reason that he has to suffer for it.
— G.K. Chesterton

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Iran says Big 5 has no right to refer it to Security Council

Ali Akbar Dareini

TEHRAN, Iran — Iran struck back Tuesday at the Big Five’s decision to refer the country’s nuclear file to the Security Council, saying the move has no legal justification and would be the end of diplomacy.

Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad, who also runs Iran’s Atomic Energy Organisation, said it was difficult to predict how the IAEA meeting on Thursday would develop, the semi-official Iranian Students News Agency reported.

“The biggest problem for the West is that they can’t find any legal justification to refer Iran to the U.N. Security Council,” ISNA quoted him as saying.

Larijani also rejected Europe for the London decision, which was taken at the home of British Foreign Secretary Jack Straw and attended by the foreign minister of Germany and the foreign policy chief of the European Union.

“Europeans should pay more attention. Iran has called for dialogue and is moving in the direction of reaching an agreement through peaceful means,” Larijani said.

Hours earlier, British, French and German representatives had met Larijani’s deputy, Javad Vardui, in Brussels for last-ditch talks on the dispute, but failed to make any progress.

Last week, Larijani flew to Moscow and Beijing to seek Russian and Chinese support against the Western drive to refer Iran to the Security Council.

The decision by Russia and China to vote for referral surprised observers at the two nations have consistently counselled caution on Iran’s nuclear file. Both have major economic ties with Iran.

A French government official, speaking on the customary condition of anonymity, said the Russian and Chinese ministers had been persuaded of the need to show a united front.

The United States accuses Iran of trying to build atomic weapons. Iran denies this, saying its nuclear program is only for generating electricity.

Iran broke IAEA seals at a uranium enrichment plant Jan. 10 and resumed small-scale enrichment. The decision provoked an outcry as enrichment is a process that can produce material for nuclear reactors or bombs.

French and German, who had been negotiating with Iran, said they would press the IAEA to refer the matter to the Security Council.

If the IAEA votes to refer Iran to the Security Council on Thursday, Iran is likely to retaliate immediately.

Iran’s parliament has approved a law requiring the government to stop all voluntary cooperation with the IAEA in the event of referral. This would mean that Iran stops allowing IAEA inspectors to carry out intrusive searches of its facilities and the country resumes large-scale enrichment of uranium.

Iran insists it has the right as a signatory to the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty to build nuclear power stations and produce fuel by enriching its own uranium.

But the United States and Europe do not trust that Iran would enrich uranium only for peaceful purposes because the country has concealed significant aspects of its nuclear program in the past.

While the IAEA has said it has found no evidence of Iran’s building nuclear weapons, it has refused to give Iran a clean bill of health because of numerous unanswered questions over its atomic program.

EX-POSTAL EMPLOYEE KILLS FIVE

Tim Molley

GOLETA — A female ex-postal worker opened fire at a mail processing plant, killing five people and critically wounding another before committing suicide in what’s believed to be the deadliest workplace shooting ever carried out by a woman, authorities said Tuesday.

The woman, whose identity was not immediately released, rebound her .9 mm handgun “at least once” during the attack, Santa Barbara County Sheriff Jim Anderson said at a new conference.

The woman had not worked at the plant for more than two years but managed to get inside the fenced and guarded Santa Barbara Processing and Distribution Center shortly after 9 p.m. Monday, Santa Barbara County Sheriff Jim Anderson said.

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The woman, who had apparently self-inflicted wounds, Anderson said.

One woman was hospitalized in critical condition.

About 80 workers were evacuated. It was one of the deadliest workplace shootings since a string of high-profile cases in the mid 1980s and early 1990s, including one in which a part-time letter carrier killed 14 people in Edmond, Okla., before taking his own life.

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The kingdom of singledom

Oct. 29, 2005, 9:30 p.m. I am running around my apartment, screaming and half-naked. Water is boiling over on the stove and Red is inexplicably blaring on iTunes. I have a party to go to I have to eat. But I can't see anything except gold lame, because the top half of my body is trapped in a poorly constructed "punk Cleopatra" Halloween costume, and I've already fallen over twice in failed liberation attempts.

I can barely breathe as my armpit yanks the strap lately; the straining dress ends right at my waist, providing an excellent view of my Simpsons underwear. For the first time in my life, but perhaps not the last, I wished I were the Incredible Hulk.

Only later, after my rage died, did I realize how very Bridget Jones the whole situation was — and wondered if that was a good thing.

The silly fictitious Londoner, initially conceived in Helen Fielding's 1996 column in "The Independent," was the first voice in a burgeoning movement for the single lady. "Sex And The City" (SATC) and its cultural punch of Manolo and martini would hit later, but it was really Bridget who fleshed out the 30-year-old single-lady. "It's just two words that mean two different things," Bridget Jones' prophetic hymn.

A woman's unmarried future has become so popular to portray in culture that it's become a kind of crystal ball, an early deadline to a stable relationship. And this is surprising but, in my own casual research, I found that more of my acquaintances wanted to get married after first watching SATC than they did prior. I suppose it's fun to watch Carrie Bradshaw's quirky promiscuity or Bridget Jones' flustered across-the-board antics, but young women have responded by trying to avoid a similar fate; now they've seen in return.

This isn't new to our generation (what era didn't offer M.K.S., and it's smart to want love because it's their everlasting love because it's their destiny), and it's important to understand a bit about the origins of punk/pop. So it's 1979 and punk (well, commercial punk) is at its height when the Buzzcocks release "Singles Going Steady," an album crafted with the the crucial lyrics, but also the sweetest pop melodies. Often thought of alongside The Clash's "London Calling" and The Sex Pistols' "Nevermind the Bullcocks" as the cream of the punk crop, "Singles Going Steady" deserves its place at the top. Up until I understood the idea that every type of music, and only bad artists exist with these various types of music, I hated punk music — and no person or band was going to change that.

In my defense, and in defense of the Boys, seriously, you should be more old-fashioned in the approach: it's a rare charm. But no one can calculate individual spirit — they're humans, not stock prices.

In her book "Are Men Necessary?" New York Times op-ed columnist Maureen Dowd argues that the feminist movement should have yielded a much different society than ours. She said that women are still batting their eyes and acting like '50s pin-ups in the hopes of finding a husband and — everlasting love because it's their only real option. This Blanket statement hardly seems accurate at first. Women today, if anything, are blindingly daily with the failures of marriage and they know their options extend beyond it.

In our age group, we know love doesn't always last — at least 50 percent of American marriages end in divorce — but we're half-seriously living with a 30-something, and it's just two words that mean two different things.

Whatever the definition, however, it's important to understand a bit about the origins of punk/pop. So it's 1979 and punk (well, commercial punk) is at its height when the Buzzcocks release "Singles Going Steady," an album crafted with the crucial lyrics, but also the sweetest pop melodies. Often thought of alongside The Clash's "London Calling" and The Sex Pistols' "Nevermind the Bullcocks" as the cream of the punk crop, "Singles Going Steady" deserves its place at the top.

For anyone that feels this way, I strongly urge you to disregard such thoughts and search in the right places. For instance, as far as punk music is concerned, look only to the 1970s and track down the wonderful origins of a type of music that came and went all too quickly. After this brief window of genius musical revolution waved goodbye to the over-blown beat, we sat and watched as somehow the poses of punk music managed to achieve success under the denomination of "punk."

"Singles Going Steady" is one album that kicks music posers in the ass. "What Do I Get?," "I Don't Mind," "Love You More," "I Can't Touch It," are my favorites. "Why Can't I Touch It?" with its growing epic feel, is probably my favorite. "Trashed in the Queen's" takes levels of hazy layers of perfectly crafted pop tunes, making this equally a classic.

The Buzzcocks, and bands like The Sex Pistols, The Misfits and even the heralded Ramones, and The Clash are class-rock 'n' roll substantial and musically prolific. It's a damn shame that it takes some warming up, to overcome my cynicism enough to allow such bands to have an impact.

Next time my mother gets on my case for being a chronic cynic, I'm going to play her the Buzzcocks' "Singles Going Study" and she'll understand — well at least once she gets past the opening track, musically titled "Organic Addict."

A cure for the musically cynical

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No choice in faulty Roe v. Wade decision

John Ostrowski
DEAN ELLIS (UI ELLIS)

CHAMPAIGN, IL — Last month, I had the privilege of traveling to the nation’s capital to participate in the annual March for Life, organized by Life Is i n i t i a t i o n s. For Life, a secular student organization dedicated to protecting life from conception until natural death.

It has been 33 years since the Supreme Court decided the infamous Roe v. Wade case in a 7-2 decision. Over the years, defense of this decision and abortion in general have varied greatly, mainly ranging from assertions that unborn babies are not human to a simplistic question of birth control.

The landmark decision itself hinges on a supposed constitutional right to privacy, a right drawn from a 1965 Supreme Court decision that struck down a Connecticut statute prohibiting contraceptive use by married couples.

Ask someone to point to the basis for this assertion to privacy in the Constitution and you will be directed to the Fourth Amendment, the one which reads, "The right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and effects, against unreasonable searches and seizures, shall not be violated." Thus, the Ninth Amendment is often evoked as well, which reads, "The enumeration in the Constitution, of certain rights, shall not be construed to deny or impair other rights retained by the people."

Then, ask the person exposing a constitutional right to privacy if private ownership of guns is a right secured by the Constitution. More often than not, the person advocating a right to abortion denies the right to bear arms, based on the belief that the Constitution does not explicitly lay out this right — instead this is a privilege to be enjoyed only by members of a militia. Never mind the fact that one definition of the term "militia" includes all able-bodied members of state that can be drafted into service. Then, when the Second Amendment is given no room to stretch, the Fourth Amendment somehow is elastic enough to include the right to keep an unborn baby. Even if a right-to-pride advocate does not deny the right to gun ownership, it is important to note that the Fourth Amendment does not mention "private property" and only "unreasonable searches and seizures." So-called "pro-choice" advocates then invoke the Ninth Amendment to protect supposedly sacrosanct right, assuming that anything not specifically forbidden by law is a right. Simply flipping a few pages back in the Constitution to Article I, Section 9, and ever-evolving technology will convince even the most ardently cynical abortion advocates.

He should be mourned as a man who possessed an excellent understanding of the Constitution and was dedicated to defending those not able to defend themselves.

So-called "pro-choice" advocates should realize that the Roe v. Wade decision... renders their self-ascribed name incredibly hypocritical.

In my opinion, there’s no better way to prepare for real-world leadership than getting involved in ASI student government...
Frankly
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The question is: Which team will show up for the second half of conference play? The Mustangs have a huge game against rival UC Santa Barbara on Saturday, and the Gauchos will undoubtedly be out for blood so to speak. Cal Poly upset the Gauchos last weekend, and now they have to wonder what happened in those two losses, which the team lost by a combined 64-18.

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Within a year to help diversify the coaching and administrative ranks. "We're not going to pay lip service to this. We're going to get some hardcore recommendations that will bring results," she said. "I am optimistic." Three black men were head football coaches this season (Karl Dorrell at UCLA; Sylvester Croom at Mississippi State; and Tyrone Willingham at Washington), the fewest since the early '90s. However, Prince and Turner Gill's postseason hiring at Buffalo contributed to a 1.7 percent overall increase in minority head football coaches since last year. It also marked the first year two black college coaches were hired.

"We went into the whole process not with the idea that they stole the original idea. I don't want to say they are using one of our registered trademarks."
Seahawks in legal battle with Aggies

By Frank Stranzl

The team that played on Thursday, "Team A" for all intensive purposes, shot a collective 25.6 percent from the field, including an 0-for-18 spot from three-point range. Add to the equation an 11-for-23 free-throw showing and there are only a few words you can use to accurately describe the team's offensive performance: miserable, depressing, woeful, or just plain bad.

Team B had a slightly better showing on Saturday ... and by slightly I mean the two teams might as well be polar opposites. The team that played Northridge shot 45.5 percent for the game and drained five three-pointers.

That kind of commitment to diversity wasn't so evident at many NCAA Division I-A schools, according to a report released Wednesday by University of Central Florida researchers.

The Institute for Diversity and Ethics in Sport determined that while males still make up an overwhelming majority of leaders at Division I-A programs, from presidents and athletic directors to football coaches and coordinators. Though small improvements have been made in certain areas, whites hold 330 of the 357 campus leadership positions at the 119 schools, according to the report.

"I am rarely surprised on issues of race and gender that the movement is so slow to get more people of color and women in those top positions," study author Richard Lapchick said.

Travis Reed

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Black coaches, like Stanford men's basketball coach Trent Johnson, are a rarity in the NCAA.

The report found that minority leaders are white men, even with a 37 percent increase from last year in minority presidents. Black men headed four schools (Bowling Green, Indiana, Middle Tennessee State and Ohio), while Latinos led three (Akron, Florida International and New Mexico).

None of the schools had an Asian or American Indian president. Fifteen women, all white, were listed as university presidents.

Charlotte Westerhaus, the NCAA's vice president for diversity inclusion, said the organization recognizes a diversity problem and is doing more to promote qualified minority hires — including the creation of her office last year.

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Looking to Snap a Three-Match Losing Streak

The Mustangs know January would be a difficult month with school like Pandas, Oklahoma State, Oklahoma and Arizona State slated to face the Mustangs. Add injuries to two of the Mustang's potential All-Americans in Chad Mendes (125) and Matt Mamone (197), and it is no secret why the Mustangs are currently riding a three-match losing streak.

With the most difficult part of the schedule in the past and the Pac-10 tournament now within sight, the Mustangs will look to finish strong before attempting to bring a Pac-10 championship back to San Luis Obispso for the first time in school history.

Today, Cal Poly visits coach John Azevedo's alma mater, Cal State Bakersfield, looking to improve the Mustangs 4-2 conference standing in Pac-10.

Cal Poly will be led by DarrellVosguer (133), David Roberts (141), "The Giant Killer." Jeff Owens (149) and Ryan Huley (184). Cal State Bakersfield holds a 22-13-1 series advantage over Cal Poly, with the Roadrunners defeating the Mustangs on Nov. 14, 2004, 25-14. "Sports Information Repor"