Students protest absence of handprints

In reaction to the recently removed red handprints representing places of sexual assault on campus, a group of students took action.

Amy Dierdosoff

Almost 20 students protested outside the office of Cornel Morton, vice president of Student Affairs, demanding the replacement of The Women's Center's red handprints Thursday during UU Hour.

Participants gathered at a booth provided by the Progressive Student Alliance (PSA) in the University Union at 11 a.m. to rally and make posters with phrases such as, "We will not forget" and "Handprints are not the problem, sexual assault is." written in red marker.

The march to Morton's office in the Administration building began at 11:30 a.m. with participants carrying posters and chanting, "Save the red handprints, we will not forget."

Housing and Residential Life removed the handprints just before the start of fall quarter 2005 in direct conflict with a campus policy that states a red handprint is to be painted at the site of a reported sexual assault on campus.

"The handprints were the voice for survivors," said Susan Cooper, a chemistry sophomore and member of PSA. "It's erasing the voice they had." Last fall, Morton assured students that the red handprints would be returned.

Above left, David Kirk, co-director of Poly Greens and member of PSA, holds a sign with Nelson Bonilla, co-director of PSA, in a protest march from the UU to the office of Cornel Morton, vice president of student affairs (above).

Journalist encourages diversity, discusses social change in latest Provocative Perspectives lecture

Brittany Peloquin

Award-winning journalist, activist and scholar Helen Zia says society labels her as evil for being a minority, a homosexual, a woman and for her stance on human rights. All characteristics, she said, that are being dubbed evil in the existing political atmosphere.

Zia spoke Thursday morning at the Vista Grande Cafe about "Crossing Boundaries: Social Change in the New Millennium," as part of the "Provocative Perspectives" series presented by the Division of Student Affairs.

A second-generation Chinese-American, she discussed recent social justice issues, particularly the recent immigration debate, in light of history and her own experiences as a minority.

"Diversity is being treated as though it is a problem," she said. "There is a lot of resistance to what is part of our American history."

Zia has been a journalist for 20 years, covering Asian-American concerns and social and political movements. She is a former executive editor of Ms. Magazine and coauthor of "Me Versus My Country," with Los Alamos scientist Wen Ho Lee about his experience being falsely accused of espionage. She is recognized for being an outspoken activist on civil rights, women's issues and homophobia.

She compared contemporary American attitudes toward terrorism and Arab-Americans to a "form of terrorism" and said it's something she would like to see end.

Center for Excellence in Science and Mathematics Education receives gift

Lauren Zahnner

Elementary school students and their teachers will benefit from a recent gift of $150,000 given to Cal Poly's Center for Excellence in Science and Mathematics Education.

The $150,000 gift was given in association with the S.D. Bechtel Jr. Foundation. The "learn by doing" philosophy that is such an integral part of Cal Poly is one of the things the gift will allow faculty to take to elementary schools, said Bob Cichowski, director of the CEMSME program.

"Mr. Bechtel's generous gift will enable our faculty to work closely with the local schools to bring new opportunities for teachers and students to learn about science and engineering in the world and our everyday lives," Cichowski said.

The new project concentrates on integrating science, technology, engineering, mathematics and literacy into the existing elementary curriculum. Students who are under-represented in careers in these fields and who are English learners are the targets of the project.

Silvia Liddcoat, co-director of the project and an electrical engineering lecturer, said this work is extremely important to her.

"These students are an untapped resource that can help our school fill the gap between the number of graduates and the number of job openings," Liddcoat said. "There is a need to increase the pipeline of students going into science, technology, engineering and mathematics careers because there is a shortage in this country... The project is going to offer them new ways of looking at what their career possibilities are."

The center started in 2004 at the request of President Warren Baker. Faculty members from the science, mathematics, education, liberal arts and agriculture departments are working together with elementary school teachers in developing novel materials.

"It intends to be a catalyst to improve education in mathematics and science in K-12 schools," Liddcoat said.

Currently, three schools in the Santa Maria-Bonita School District are the only ones where the project is being carried out. Liddcoat anticipates the program will benefit from a recent gift of $1,300,000 given to Cal Poly.

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Students in Action

Mustangs host Anteaters for three-game series

BRENNAN ANGEL

Mustang's host Anteaters for the three-game series scheduled to begin this weekend.

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would continue to be placed on
the university's policy. He also formed
a task force to propose new ideas
for displaying the handprints along
with ways to enhance education and
awareness about sexual assault
in the Cal Poly community.
It has been more than eight
months since the handprints were
replaced without formal approval
and some students are fed up with
the slow progress.
After numerous attempts to
have them replaced and meeting
with Morton and the leader of the
task force, students decided to find
a new way to get the administra-
tion's attention.
"We've tried other avenues
with the administration," said
Nelson Bonilla, a computer sci-
ence senior and co-director of
PSA. PSA organized the protest,
directed at Morton, to express
their disappointment in the adminis-
tration's refusal to replace the
handprints, and to urge them
to repaint them as soon as possible.
"Morton" is the man with the
power to change the policy," said
Matt Sutter, a history senior and
member of PSA.
As Morton appeared outside his
office, the protestors' ranks changed
to "Dr. Morton, make them per-
manent." He assured the students
that he supports their interests and
apprreciates their concern.
"I can't stand here and argue
against the position you've taken," Morton said. "As a university
I have the job of helping everyone
understand that sexual assault
occurs on campus.
Morton said that the process
of replacing the handprints has been
difficult because "it's essentially an
approvals process." He also said
that the administration would like
to develop a better education pro-
gram to accompany the hand-
prints before they are restored.
"We've got to do a better job of
helping this university understand
what they mean," Morton said.
He added that the task force has
come back with some recommenda-
tions that he thinks students
will be satisfied with. The task
force will submit their recom-
mandations to President Warren
Baker who will then review them
with a committee on May 1.

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Americans to past events of perse-
uation, including the World War II
trials and Japanese internment
 camps in the United States during
World War II. She discussed how
the way society will recognize wrong-
doings against marginalized
groups, but fail to apply it to modern
concerns.
"In museums we pay homage to
things, not people," she said.
She also talked about the effect
that euro-centric education has
had on society, and the resulting
belief in the media to deter-
nine popular perceptions of
minorities.
After her speech, she said that
people who aren't exposed to a
wide range of diverse experiences
in their immediate communities
could expand their views if they are
motivated to learn.
"They should seek it out," she
said. "...and don't be afraid to ask
questions, as long as they learn from
that."
Some students who attended
the event said they were intrigued
by Zia's experiences and opinions.
Social sciences senior Sarah
Reid said she came because she
heard about it in her women's psy-

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sychology class.
"She touched on some interesting
topics," she said. "It's very appli-
cable for today with what's going on."
Cornel N. Morton, vice presi-
dent for Student Affairs, said it's important for speakers like Zia
to come to Cal Poly to present a dif-
ferent perspective from what
people are used to. He said he ap-
preciates the community for embrac-
ing the series of speakers.
"Education should be broad and diverse," he said, "If we
are going to make Cal Poly better, we're going to have to struggle
to discuss these issues."

Grads of elite colleges earn same
as other grads, study shows

Hilary Weissman
WASHINGTON POST ONLINE NEWS (WPO)
NEW YORK — Students who attend "elite" colleges do not earn
more money in their careers than students who attend other schools,
according to a new study that tracked
students up to 35 years after their graduation.
The study — released last week by
researchers from the University of
Michigan and the University of
Wisconsin — includes schools ranked
"competitive" and "highly competitive" by Barron's Profiles of
American Colleges. Lawrence University, Northwestern University,
Dartmouth College, Duke University
and the University of Chicago were
among colleges in the study. The New
York University was not included in
the study.
Researchers tracked 1,733 men
who graduated from Wisconsin high
schools in 1957, examining the stu-
dents' career paths after high school
graduation.
The study's co-authors, Charles
Halaby and Jennie Brand of the
University of Wisconsin, matched
students who attended elite colleges
with students who went to less com-
petitive schools based on certain cri-
teria, including high school grades,
colleges' preparatory programs and
family background. Through the cor-
relations, researchers were able to
compare the effects of attending one
type of school over another.
It is difficult to track the actual
effects of attending different schools,
said Paul Lee, the director of NYU's
Wasserman Center for Career
Development.
"Every student is different. For
some (an elite college) will make a
difference," she said. "You have to assess
what it is that you can do to
graduate, but you don't get involved in
activities, that may have a lot to do
with where you go after college."
The Wasserman Center for Career
Development conducts a "Life
Beyond the Square" survey each year,
which tracks graduates who have
received their master's degrees.
The results of the survey of the class
of 2005 found that 94.5 percent of the
1,677 respondents were either cur-
rently employed or enrolled in grad-
uate or professional programs.
In addition, the results showed that
in each of the 15 most popular pro-
essional fields, the average salaries of
NYU graduates were higher than the
national average compiled by the
National Association of Colleges and
Employers. NYU graduates from
2005 who entered political science
professions reported earnings of
$47,300 per year. The association
reported that the national average
salary earned by 2005 graduates in
this field is $32,990.

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When we got into office, the thing that surprised me the most was that things were as bad as we’d been saying they were.
— John F. Kennedy
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The moment we begin to fear the opinions of others and hesitate to tell the truth that is in us, and from motives of policy are silent when we should speak, the divine floods of light and life no longer flow into our souls.
— Elizabeth Cady Stanton

Wordly Wise

Schadenfreude: a malicious satisfaction in the misfortunes of others.

Bravado: a real or pretended show of courage or boldness.
Talks between Iran and U.N. nuclear chief fail to reach agreement

Ali Akbar Dareini

TEHRAN, Iran — Iran's president insisted Thursday his country will not retreat on its uranium enrichment, and his negotiators made no such concession in talks the U.N. hoped would head off a confrontation with the Security Council over Tehran's nuclear ambitions.

The U.N. nuclear agency chief, Mohamed ElBaradei, said that in four hours of discussions Thursday with Iran's top nuclear negotiator, Ali Larijani, he put forward the U.N. request for Iran to suspend uranium enrichment until questions over its nuclear program are resolved. But Larijani indicated suspension was not an option. "Such proposals are not very important ones," he told reporters matter-of-factly while standing next to ElBaradei at a joint news conference after the talks.

Yuri Larijani, he put forward the U.N. request for Iran to suspend uranium enrichment, and his negotiator was not an option. "Such proposals were not an option. "Such proposals are not very important ones," he told reporters matter-of-factly while standing next to ElBaradei at a joint news conference after the talks.

ElBaradei said the extent of Iran's nuclear program was uncertain: "We have not seen diversion of nuclear material for weapons purposes, but the picture is still hazy and not very clear."

During the 20 years of Iran's nuclear program, "lots of activities went unreported," ElBaradei said.

Higher-level enrichment makes uranium suitable for a nuclear bomb, though Western experts familiar with Iran's program say the country is far from producing weapons-grade uranium.

6 bodies found in tiny Pennsylvania town; homeowner's grandson arrested

Mark Scofiforo

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Egg Hunt and Festival
Where: Elm Street Park, 350 S. Elm St.
When: Saturday at 10 a.m., rain or shine.

If you are a kid at heart, make it to Arroyo Grande for a festival for children of all ages. The event will feature carnival games, pony rides, a petting zoo, a bounce house, barbecue and more. Make sure to say, “Hi” to the Easter Bunny, too. For more information, call 473-4580.

Los Osos Easter Celebration
Where: Los Osos Middle School, 1555 El Morro Ave.
When: Sunday, 10:30 a.m.

El Morro Church of the Nazarene will be holding its annual Easter celebration on the Los Osos Middle School soccer field where there will be food, drama skits, an egg hunt and live music. For details, visit www.elmorro.org.

Cambrics Easter Celebration
Where: Shamel Park, 5455 Windsor Blvd.
When: Sunday, 8 a.m.

If you have children and want an excuse to drive up the coast, make it out to Cambria’s Easter Egg Hunt at Shamel Park. The event starts early and features balloons, prizes, an egg hunt for children 8 and younger and a special hunt for ages 2 and under. Guest appearances will be made by the Easter Bunny and Winnie the Pooh. Call 927-3624.

Lopez Lake Egg Hunt
Where: Lopez Lake
When: Sunday, 10 a.m.

Bring your Easter basket to Lopez Lake for an egg hunt at the Marina and meet the Easter Bunny. The first hunt will be for children 6 and younger. Later in the day, an egg hunt for older children will also be held. There is a $6-per-vehicle charge at the front gate. For further information, call 788-2381.

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Makes you wonder why and how
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

A hornet stung our country, and now we've thrown a punch in the face.

Jack Ingram:
I've liked some of your pieces quite a bit. I especially liked the one in which you swung about with a double-edged sword. You went on to suggest that people... well, the world can get annoying, and your last line was the worst, likely written and literary, well, yes, politicians are very political about their timing and all but they haven't brought this issue up for any... the British hypocrisy. on people that blame immigrants for... and then blaming politicians but I'm sure other responders will be keen enough to point that out.

The door is closed but the win-
dows open, the window let our secret
in. It would be so sad to close it. The only thing we can put a screen on it because...

Randall Chestnut's "Confronting the silent crisis" continues the trend of misinformation in other major disciplines. Randel Chestnut writes about how the "Greenland ice sheet is melting faster than ever before" just like other articles I have read in National Geographic, Scientific American and Time magazine. However, none of those articles mention the fact that the Greenland ice sheet and the Antarctic ice cap have already been growing in mass during the past 30 years.
All glaciers melt as they fall into the ocean from their own weight. Many headlines have been dedicat-
ed to this fact, but everyone has ignored the reality that increased rainfall has increased the size of the world's largest icecaps.

Computer scientists may "pre-
dict" melting ice caps in the future, but the fact of the matter is, despite... uncertainty on the part of the scientific community. The Earth is undergoing a period of global warming, and the effects of this warming are being observed in various ways.

To those of you who are worried about the future of the world, I would like to offer some hope. The problem is not in the development of new technologies, but in the way we use them. If we can find a way to use these technologies responsibly, we can prevent the worst outcomes. This is not to say that we should not be concerned about the future, but rather that we should be more proactive in developing solutions that are sustainable in the long term.

A few years ago, there was a serious drought in California. People were forced to conserve water, cut back on their yard work, and even face the possibility of losing their homes. It was a difficult time for many, but it also taught us a valuable lesson. We learned that we cannot continue to use our resources in the same way if we expect to live sustainably.

In the same way, we need to approach the issue of climate change with the same level of urgency. We cannot continue to ignore the evidence and hope that things will somehow turn around on their own. We need to take action now, and we need to do it together. The fate of our planet is in our hands, and we must act with the same determination and dedication that we did during the California drought.

If we take the time to understand the root causes of the problem, we can develop solutions that are not only effective but also sustainable. We need to be proactive in our approach to climate change, and we need to work together to implement solutions that will have a lasting impact.

So let us not be discouraged by the challenges we face. Instead, let us be inspired by the opportunities that exist. With determination and creativity, we can find ways to live sustainably and create a future that is worth fighting for.

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31-25 squad which finished tied for fifth in the Big West with a 10- 11 mark. The Anteaters were swept by Long Beach State in their Big West-opening series two weeks ago and won one of three games against No. 1-ranked Cal State Fullerton weekend.

Cal Poly won two of three games at UC Irvine to close the 2005 season, but the Anteaters still own an 8-7 edge in the series dating back to 1977. UC Irvine, which reinstated baseball in 2002 after a nine-year hiatus, swept Cal Poly in 2004 at Baggett Stadium. Larry Lee is 3-6 against the Anteaters while Dave Serrano is 1- 2 against the Mustangs.

Cal State Northridge extended its winning streak against Cal Poly to four games with a 5-3 victory last Friday, scoring three times in the sixth inning to snap a 2-2 tie. The Mustangs finally bested the Matadors on Saturday with a dramatic, five-run inning in the ninth to overcome a 6-2 deficit. Jimmy Gardner singled to drive in the winning run as home plate umpire Pat Drago refereed a two-run home run to tie the game and Matt Cooper broke the tie with a two-run double in the left-center field. Cal Poly clinched the series Sunday with an 11-3 victory as Casey Finn pitched eight strong innings with a career-high eight strikeouts. Jimmy Van Ostrand went 3-for-5 and drove in eight home run of the year.

Cal Poly has 33 home runs in 37 games this season, best in the Big West, and a 2.79 team batting average.

Junior third baseman Jason Lassford leads the Mustangs offensively with a .352 average. Freshman first baseman Michael Adams hit his third home run and hit .408 with a .580 slugging percentage and earned hitter Adam Buchins owns a .340 mark after going 4-for-11 in back- to-back series while junior catcher Matt Campea is next at .314. Sophomore center fielder Grant Deane has a seven-game hitting streak and a .293 average, going 12- for-28 during the streak, while senior first baseman/right fielder Jimmy Van Ostrand is hitting .299 and leads Cal Poly and the Big West with 11 home runs and 41 RBIs.

Mustangs coach Larry Lee, in his fourth season as Mustang mentor with a 121-46-2 career mark, guided Cal Poly in 2005 to a tie for second place in the Big West and 16-17,9-14 and two games behind both national champion Cal State Fullerton. The Mustangs finished 36-20 overall, but were denied an NCAA Tournament berth.

Cal Poly continues Big West Conference action next weekend (April 21-23) with a three-game series at UC Riverside.
Cal Poly (20-15, 4-2 Big West), which opened Big West Conference play by winning two of three games against both Pacific and Cal State Northridge the last two weeks, continues conference play this weekend, hosting UC Irvine (19-15, 1-5 Big West) for a three-game Big West series at Baggett Stadium.

Friday's contest start at 6 p.m., followed by the series finale Saturday at 1 p.m. All three games will be broadcast on ESPN Radio (1280 AM) as well as on the Internet at www.GoPoly.com.

The series is being played one day earlier than usual due to Easter Sunday. A late night result this weekend may have a positive impact on students making the trip to Irvine.

UC Irvine, which has lost six of its last eight after a 17-9 start, is led by second baseman Cody Cipriano with a .344 average and 11 stolen bases in 13 attempts and outfielder Gary Dudrey at .342 and 12-for-16 in stolen bases. First baseman Jaime Martinez leads the Anteaters with three home runs and 27 RBIs while hitting .282. The Anteaters are hitting just .240 as a team with only 10 home runs, but have stolen 66 of 70 bases. Closer Blair Erickson is among the nation's leaders in saves with 10 to go with a 3.08 mark and 1.08 ERA.

UC Irvine, coached by I).ive during the 1973 season to be honored as the nation's top amateur athlete, and one-third of the vote is determined by fans voting online.

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The Mustangs return to action Friday, April 13 at University San Francisco for a 1:30 p.m. meet and Saturday, April 14 at UC Santa Cruz for a 2 p.m. meet.

Women's tennis, softball at home

Cal Poly first baseman Jimmy Van Ostrand stretches to make an out helping the Mustangs to an 8-2 victory over league opponent Pacific, April 2.

Cal Poly (16-19, 3-3) will take on league opponent Cal State Northridge (12-15, 1-5) Friday at home, beginning at 1 p.m. in a doubleheader.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL
NCAA EXTENDS SCHEDULING

The NCAA Management Council has approved a proposal allowing men's and women's college basketball teams to compete in one exempt tournament per season, and another that would move up the start of the season.

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NCAA SPORTS
REDICK WINS SULLIVAN AWARD

Duke star J.J. Redick won the Sullivan Award on Wednesday night, becoming the first men's basketball player since Bill Walton in 1973 to be honored as the nation's top amateur athlete.

Redick beat out Texas quarterback Vince Young, who led the Longhorns to a national title with a win in the Rose Bowl over Southern California and its two Sullivan Award finalists — Matt Leinart and Reggie Bush.

The Duke senior also took the 2005 Sullivan Award over two-time AP women's basketball player of the year Seimone Augustus of LSU, Florida hurler Kerren Clement, two-time Olympic gold medalist in tae kwon do Steven Lopez, Olympic diving champion Laura Wilkinson, 2005 World Cup champion skier Bode Miller, and gymnast Chellsie Memmel, the 2005 world gymnastics champion.

The Sullivan is presented by the Amateur Athletic Union and one-third of the vote is determined by fans voting online.