Students focused on transportation alternatives, such as cycling to improve sustainability in the "Short-Term Bike Plan" exhibit Wednesday.

Civil engineering students propose sustainable transportation plans

Kendra Deutsche

Civil engineering students showcased their final projects at an exhibit aimed at finding sustainable transportation methods at Cal Poly in hopes that the administration will consider their proposals for future implementation. The exhibit took place May 31 and presented four teams' projects from the CE 527, Sustainable Mobility, class.

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New policies in store for Poly

Katie Hofsetetter

Pending the involvement of the Record's Office, Cal Poly's policy on culminating experience grade courses will be modified. As the policy now stands, graduate student projects and theses are recorded as a Repeat in Progress (RP) grade for three years, after which they are recorded as No Credit (NC).

However, each graduate student is given seven years to complete coursework for their master's degree. And if graduate projects or theses are not completed within the current three-year time period, students are forced to re-enroll in order to receive their degrees, program assistant for graduate program Becky Powell said.

The financial burden that accompanies the re-enrollment is causing a number of graduate students to put off finishing their master's degrees, Powell added.

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Two further measures were also passed at the May 16 meeting of the Academic Senate, both of which are awaiting President Baker's approval. The first measure would decrease the number of grade forgiveness units allowed from 20 units to 16 units, and would allow only one forgiveness per course, said associate statistics professor Andrew Schaffner.

He said when examining the current grade forgiveness policy against other universities, Cal Poly was more lenient, whereas the changes would put Cal Poly's grade forgiveness policy more in line with the other universities.

A statistical report submitted see Policies, page 2

Drivers urged to buckle up or pay up

Justin Fivella

Too lazy to reach over and fasten the old safety belt? Drivers beware; buckle up or pay up at the Cal Poly University Police Department joined the California Highway Patrol and many other California law enforcement agencies in the 2006 "Click It or Ticket" campaign that started on May 15 and will go through June 4 to help decrease the number of drivers who don't wear seatbelts.

This year's campaign marks the second year UPD has participated in the statewide event, a campaign the CHP feels effectively increases seatbelt usage in California.

"This is the fourth or fifth year the campaign has been going on and we are pleased with its success," said Joe Vega, CHP public information officer. "It's a great public awareness program because people are caught, cited and it's used as a good reminder to drivers."

From May 8 to 14, UPD and all participating departments increased officer presence and monitored the number of drivers who were not wearing their seatbelts. Then from May 15 to June 4, officers will strictly enforce current seatbelt laws with tickets and warnings and from June 5 through July 1 the officers will again monitor drivers to measure the effectiveness of the campaign.

In an attempt to enforce wearing seatbelts, police everywhere will participate in an event to "Click It or Ticket."
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with a plan to implement now and to impact the campus’ sustainable mobility in two years, which is nearly impossible because you can’t really push anything through right now and get it in two years,” said Brandon Stone, a civil engineering senior. "But that’s what we’re trying to do.”

Students researched other sustainable transportation methods to come up with their own proposals.

“The whole class looked at examples from other campuses to see what other schools did, and then we looked at the issues on our campus and tried to fix those,” Phillips said.

Brian Meichtry, a civil engineering senior, explained that the class was made up of guest lectures by industry professionals who helped them focus their efforts.

They also observed efforts at Avila Beach, Los Osos and the city of San Luis Obispo to find sustainable mobility strategies, Danoftina said.

“This is the way the future is headed, and so it will give us a one-up on the rest of the CSU (California State University) system if we can lead the other campuses,” Meichtry said.

Proposal ideas ranged from sign additions to more pedestrian and bicycle pathways throughout campus. One idea was for a new bicycle center on campus, which would include bicycle rentals, storage and repairs.

On Via Carta, one group proposed that bicycle lanes and pedestrian walkways switch places for easier access to buildings. Another group proposed to split the two lanes on Via Carta to avoid pedestrian and bicycle collisions.

Students kept budget within understanding, as each group was allotted $50,000 for their solutions.

The class impacted the students, making them more aware of the need for sustainable transportation.

“It was a very positive experience,” Stone said. “I actually decided that I am going to give up my car after taking this class. I’m going to give it to my little brother.”

“It opened my mind to alternate modes and different alternatives to cars,” Meichtry added.

The class’ proposals will be looked into by the administration, and Jud said that he hopes this will help sustainability build momentum at Cal Poly.

Other students, faculty and community members attended the event and were invited to grade the students’ projects as part of the class evaluation process.

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with the proposal concluded that 72.5 percent of Cal Poly students have never repeated units, and another 24.1 percent have repeated less than 16 units.

“For the vast majority of the students, this policy won’t make any difference whatsoever,” Schaffner said.

The final measure passed at the May 16 meeting of the Academic Senate involved textbook pricing. The resolution urges Cal Poly faculty to use cost-effective textbook forms whenever possible, and to review textbook prices before ordering.

The resolution also asks faculty to order new editions of textbooks only when necessary, and to order textbooks early as to ensure their availability.

President Baker has 60 days from the date of the meeting of the Academic Senate to respond to the Resolution of Grade Forgiveness and the Resolution on Textbook Pricing.

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Currently a seatbelt ticket is not a moving violation and a point on your driving record, but infraction amounts have increased in recent years.

"First offenses range anywhere from $61 to $120 now, more than double what they were in past years," Vea said.

In addition to enforcing current seatbelt laws, officers feel the yearly campaign is effective in correcting many misconceptions about the laws and stress that it is just as illegal to improperly wear your seatbelt as it is to not wear one at all.

"The campaign is a great way to educate people about one seatbelt law in fact most people don’t know that you can receive a ticket for improperly wearing your seatbelt. For instance it’s the same ticket if your shoulder portion is under your arm," said Sgt. John Bledsoe of the San Luis Obispo Police Department.

Reiterating the fact that many officers feel people don’t understand that improperly wearing your seatbelt is illegal because it isn’t unsafe, some students who received tickets for improperly wearing their seatbelts were concerned.

"I was on my way back from Chico and got pulled over for having it (my seatbelt) under my arm. I didn’t know that was illegal," Cal Poly alumnus Joe Guilden said. "I thought it was just as safe, but he said I might as well not have been wearing one because I would have hit the steering wheel if I crashed."

Not only is improperly wearing and not wearing your seatbelt illegal, but U.P.D. Chief Bill Watton explained that a driver with occupants 16 years old and younger will receive a $330 ticket for the unbelleded occupants. Watton also said that occupants over 16 without seatbelts will receive tickets in addition to the driver even if the driver is wearing a seatbelt.

"We’re trying to remind students, faculty and staff that seatbelts should be automatic," Watton said in a press release.

According to a press release, the California average for seatbelt users is 90.4 percent, up from the national average of 84 percent.

"Though a compliance rate of almost 91 percent sounds high, but when you think about how many millions of drivers there are on the road, even though less than 10 percent aren’t buckling up, that’s still a lot of people," Watton said.

Because the "Click It or Ticket" campaign measures the number of drivers not wearing seatbelts both before and after the campaign, law enforcement officers are able to determine the success of the event.

"In general, as a whole the campaign increases the number of drivers wearing seatbelts by around 2 percent, though here on campus we usually see a pre-campaign compliance rate of around 92 percent and a post-campaign compliance rate of around 96 percent, a 4 percent increase," Watton said.

When asked what were common excuses for not wearing seatbelts, officers said that "I forgot," "I am just going down the street" and "I’m not going to wear it because you can’t tell me what to do" all ranked high on the excuses list.

Whether you are driving home for the summer or just down the street, Bledsoe stressed the importance of wearing a seatbelt and said that according to National Highway Traffic Safety Administration safety tests, that wearing a seatbelt can diminish your chances of getting hurt in an accident by 50 percent.

"It is very important for people to know that, most accidents happen close to home or work, and even a short trip demands the use of seatbelts. Watton said in a press release.
WHO SAID THAT?

The difference between a democracy and a dictatorship is that in a democracy you vote first and take orders later; in a dictatorship you don’t have to waste your time voting.
— Charles Bukowski

Learn the art of patience. Apply discipline to your thoughts when they become anxious over the outcome of a goal. Impatience breeds anxiety, fear, discouragement and failure. Patience creates confidence, decisiveness, and a rational outlook, which eventually leads to success.
— Brian Adams

A human being is only interesting if he’s in contact with himself. I learned you have to trust yourself, be what you are, and do what you ought to do the way you should do it. You have got to discover you, what you do, and trust it.
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Wordly Wise

Apparition: a ghost; also, an unexpected appearance.

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Schwarzenegger to order national guard troops to border

Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger announced that he would order the California National Guard to the Mexican border during a Capitol news conference held in Sacramento on Thursday.

The document also contains a provision allowing the border governors to decline to participate in any part of the mission they deem inappropriate.

Schwarzenegger's decision ended an awkward period for the Republican governor. He held out longer than Democratic governors in Arizona and New Mexico before saying he would send troops. He also had risked alienating voters in a state that has repeatedly backed a tough approach on immigration — although his reluctance to send troops had been seen as popular among Hispanics.

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Bush says standoff headed to Security Council if Iran won't halt uranium enrichment

Jennifer Loven
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WASHINGTON — President Bush said Thursday that the standoff over Iran's suspected nuclear program is headed for the U.N. Security Council if Tehran continues with uranium enrichment.

"We'll see whether or not that is the firm position of their government," Bush said after a meeting with his Cabinet at the White House. "If they continue their obstinacy, if they continue to say to the world 'We really don't care what your opinion is, then the world is going to act in concert.'"

With Russian and Chinese support crucial to crafting a deal for Iran that also includes a threat of sanctions, Bush said that he "got a positive response" from Russian President Vladimir Putin during a conversation on Tuesday.

"We expect Russia to participate in the United Nations Security Council," Bush said he told Putin. "We'll see whether or not they agree to do that.

He was less positive about his discussion of Iran earlier Thursday with Chinese President Hu Jintao.

"They understood our strategy," Bush said. "The most positive thing about all the conversations I had is there's uniform agreement that the Iranians should not have a nuclear weapon. And we'll discuss tactics and strategies to make sure the international community speaks with one clear voice."

Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice said that the United States and international partners are close to a deal that would offer Iran economic incentives if it gives up nuclear activities that could produce a bomb.

"It was meeting in Vienna with foreign ministers from the European nations that led stalled talks with Iran last year and would help prevent any new deal, and also with representatives of Russia and China."

Those meetings came a day after the United States' surprise announcement that it is now willing to join the direct European talks with Iran, though only if Tehran suspends activities and returns to the table. The shift in U.S. tactics was meant to offer the Iranians a last chance to avoid punishing sanctions.

"Iran welcomes dialogue under just conditions but won't give up its rights," the state-run Iranian television quoted Foreign Minister Manouchehr Mottaki as saying Thursday.

Bush said "the choice is up to the Iranians."

Bush to promote gay marriage amendment

Nedra Pickler
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — President Bush will promote a constitutional amendment banning gay marriage on Monday, the eve of a scheduled Senate vote on the issue that is dear to his conservative backers.

The amendment would prohibit states from recognizing same-sex marriages. To become law, the proposal would need two-thirds support in the Senate and House, and then be ratified by at least 38 state legislatures.

It stands little chance of passing the 108-member Senate, where proponents are struggling to get even 50 votes. Several Republicans oppose the measure, and so far only 1 Democrat — Sen. Ben Nelson of Nebraska — says he will vote for it.

The Senate Judiciary Committee approved the amendment on May 18 along party lines after a shouting match between a Democrat and the chairman, Sen. Arlen Specter, R-Pa. He led Sen. Russ Feingold, D-Wis., "good radial" after Feingold declared his opposition to the amendment and his intention to leave the meeting.

Bush aides said he would be making his remarks on the subject Monday.

A slim majority of Americans oppose gay marriage, according to a poll by the Pew Research Center for the People and the Press from March. But the poll also showed attitudes are changing: 63 percent opposed gay marriage in February 2004.

Those poll results don't reflect how people might feel about enacting the Constitution to ban gay marriage.

The Massachusetts Supreme Court decided to legalize such marriages in 2000. A year later, San Francisco issued thousands of marriage licenses to gay couples.

This November, initiatives banning same-sex marriages are expected to be on the ballots in Idaho, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Virginia and Wisconsin. In 2004, 13 states approved initiatives banning gay marriage or civil unions, with 11 states casting votes on Election Day.

Bush benefited as religious conservatives turned out to vote and helped him defeat Democratic Sen. John Kerry in 2004. In Ohio, an initiative rejecting the legality of same-sex marriages passed.

The president firmly believes that marriage is an enduring and sacred institution between men and women and has supported measures to protect the sanctity of marriage," White House spokesman Ken Limbaugh said.
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X-Men 3: Flat lining end to a promising trilogy

Ryan Chartrand

"X-Men: The Last Stand" is easily the most Hollywood of the "X-Men" films, but so much more if you try to hate it. The fact remains I want to see it again. You needed your worry if you skipped out on the first two "X-Men" films for whatever fake reasons you may claim (the whole "I'm not a geek" thing doesn't work anymore). The story is not quite simple for anyone who understands what the word "mutant" means and doesn't notice Halle Barry's suddenly shorter hair. In the latest episode, a company develops a mutant cure that will force anyone labeled "mutant" to conform and become normal people like Larry King. But mutants like the great Magneto, played by Sir Ian McKellen, however, think cures are for people who watch too much "Grey's Anatomy" not those who can move the Golden Gate Bridge with their mind. Also, a great "final stand" ensues between the rebel mutants and the rest of the world.

Without the comic book film genius of Bryan Singer, the man behind the reigs of the first two "X-Men" films, fans of the trilogy are very doubtful about the great "X-3" hype. It didn't help that they hired a (whatever that means) Mariah Carey music video director, Brett Ratner, to direct it all. Yet somehow he — with the help of some decent writers, a giant bowl of special effects and the same livable cast — put the "X" in "X-Men" (whatever that means). By the time the two hours are up, you had better take a breather and try to remember it all. The writers crammed tons of somewhat accurate information from the comics into the film and somehow still managed to keep the average moviegoer entertained with big flashy lights and fireballs. Unfortunately, some of the more epic and important scenes are rushed in order to fit more plot into the constantly moving storyline.

New additions to the cast proved to be both wonderful and terrible. Kelsey Grammer made my day playing Beast, the brilliant, blue furball who gets a whopping five-second action clip (think Yoda in "Star Wars: Episode IV"). On the other hand, what could have made all my dreams come true was instead a very poor tribute: Juggernaut. "X-Men" fans had best turn their brains off whenever Ranner's ridiculous version of Juggernaut wastes screen time. Overall, "X3" is proof that Hollywood costumes can look great on attractive models and bodybuilders, but without any acting talent, it's all a waste of time.

I'll never understand why Singer thought it was more important to go off and make a terrible "Superman" remake (I might be a DC Comics fan but this is ridiculous) when he could have finished the "X-Men" trilogy right after it had finally become worthwhile. Nevertheless, "X3" has all the mind-blowing special effects and nostalgic "X-Men" references that anyone could want in their summer starting line-up. Unfortunately, the way Singer made it all work as one harmonious entry into the trilogy is done. A great start for the summer, but a mediocre end to a trilogy.

Resination CD release party

Brittney Peloquin

Local reggae band Resination is releasing their new album with a celebratory show at The Graduate on Saturday.

Resination, who was mad when they realized they should have booked at Union Hour this year, is known to draw a crowd wherever they play. Catching the audience and moving them to their upbeat rhythms and positive lyrics. The band's new album, "Conscious Development," showcases, among other things, the changes in the band's line up since their last record. They have gone from a five to a nine-piece band, incorporating horns, keyboards and a female vocalist who adds to the harmony on the vocals and sings the lead on some tracks. Lead singer Vinnie Fabie said that they wanted to add these crucial elements to the sound of the music. While they are branching out into some new areas, they still maintain the sound that they have become known for, mixing modern reggae, funk, soul, jazz, and blues.

Resination formed in 1999 and has steadily built a huge local base of fans that have remained loyal and supportive as it has grown and succeeded throughout the years. While some up and coming bands will release an album at whatever show falls after the completion date, even if it is while they are out on tour. However, Resination thought it was important to have their release party at a local venue so they could celebrate with and give the first listen to fans that have been coming to see them since the very start. "It's a different sound," said Fabie of the new album. "I hope they respond positively." Another change in the line-up since their last album is drummer Tim Cordin. Fabie said that Cordin adds to the sound they are going for because he is better versed in reggae music, having previously played with another reggae band. "It blows me away to see how many people show up," said Cordin. "The fans are amazing, we really appreciate it." He has now been playing with the band for a year and a half. He said that recording an album with them is just one step on the journey with them has taken him far beyond anything he would have dreamed.

"It's just huge. I never thought I'd be playing beyond my garage. It's like living a dream," he said. This is the band's second studio release from the band. Their first album, "Mash Down Babylon," which came out in 2003 explored various themes in reggae music. They released a live recording, "Live at SLO Brew" in 2001.

The doors for the show open at 9 a.m. Morning Rise Soundsystem, will be opening. Tickets are available in advance at all Vallitix outlets.

Another take on heaven:

"The Lovely Bones"

Author Alice Sebold delivers a page-turner in the book chosen for Cal Poly's Preface program

Katharine Tiffin

For 14-year-old Susie Salmon, life was short and unpredictable, but heaven was even stranger.

"My name was Salmon, like the fish; first name, Susie. I was fourteen when I was murdered on December 6, 1973."

"The Lovely Bones" by Alice Sebold, exceeds the dry and repetitive storylines of most books. By engulfing the reader into the storyline almost immediately, it helps to peak interest into the book instead of having to wait until the second or third chapter to find out what is going on. After Susie was brutally raped and murdered by her neighbor, the reader is forced to continue reading about her family's trial and struggles from her point of view in heaven.

The author creates a plot and setting that excites the reader's mind and senses in believing that they are right there with Susie in heaven, watching what she is observing and sharing in her heartbreak.

While the book is difficult to put down, it is also difficult at times to imagine heaven in an unhappy and lonely sense. Isn't heaven supposed to be a happy place? She misses her family, yearns for the day when they will come to be with her and she cries — all things many religious people will have a difficult time relating to since heaven is where sorrow and unhappiness are supposed to disappear.

As the family slowly begins to unravel after Susie's disappearance, "The Lovely Bones" is a chilling reminder of what rape and murder can do to families. While there are many books on the shelves that can relate to this subject matter, the way in which Sebold went about writing it captures readers' attention and brings their personal connections to the lives of a fictional family.

Chapter after chapter new experiences await Susie. She watches through marriages, separations, deaths and family memories she will never be a part of. As Susie sees everyone she knew continue on with their lives, she misses the moments she knew she would never experience. As her siblings get older, the memories and grief seem to disappear while at the same time still exist in a very real sense in their minds even if their physical actions do not.

While her father tries to uncover the truth about her murder, and he is certain he knows who killed his daughter, the town officials are slowly losing sight in what happened, discouraging her father even more. It is a book that will bring tears, laughter, wonder, sorrow, anger and happiness all at the same time.

"The Lovely Bones" is also a Preface Program choice for this year.

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Incoming students are all encouraged to read the book before Week of Welcome (WOW) and then are given the opportunity to discuss the book in small groups.

For more information on Preface, visit www.preface.calpoly.edu.
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Shirts to benefit Hurricane Katrina victims were sold yesterday and will be on sale Tuesday and June 6, 2006 in front of the Robert E. Kennedy. Proceeds from the sale will be sent to the victims of Hurricane Katrina.

Cal Poly Club 34 held a contest to pick the T-shirts design. Of the fifteen total entries in the competition, two were selected for T-shirt designs.

Shirts feature a design with the words “The Big Easy” across the front and are available in male and female versions. “Hurricane Katrina was one of the more well-known things we could have done,” said Jason Martinez, an art and design junior and Club 34 member.

This is the first of several philanthropy projects planned by the club and an Associated Students Inc. affiliated project.

“In the future we want to do something bigger,” said club president Alex Slave. “We want to make the department more noticeable.” The department currently has about 200 students.

The project also provides art and design students with an opportunity to host competitions which are less common at public universities.

Five additional projects are in the works for the next year. Other possible projects include another T-shirt sale and a student art show. Club 34 has 13 members committed to working on other projects.

The sale takes place at Kennedy Library from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Tuesday and t-shirts cost $15.
**International briefs**

**SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico —** More Guantánamo Bay detainees have joined a hunger strike, raising the total to 89, and six of them were being force-fed, the U.S. military said Thursday. The strike — which last weekend jumped from three participants to 75 — is now the biggest of the year at the U.S. prison on Cuba, where about 460 men are being held on suspicion of links to al-Qaida or the Taliban.

— The Associated Press

**BAHRAIN, Iraq —** The U.S. military ordered American commanders to hold ethical training on battlefield conduct, and the Iraqi government Thursday announced its own investigation into reports that U.S. Marines killed unarmed civilians last year. Lt. Gen. Peter Chiarelli, the commander of U.S. forces in Iraq, said the ethical training would emphasize "professional military values and the importance of disciplined, professional conduct in combat, as well as Iraqi cultural expectations."

— The Associated Press

**TOKYO —** Japan's birth rate in 2005 dropped to a record low of 1.25 babies per woman, the Health Ministry reported Thursday, adding to concerns over the country's aging population and its economy.

Japan also reported a negative birth rate for the first time on record, with the number of deaths in 2005 exceeding births by 21,408.

The trend threatens to leave Japan with a labor shortage, erode the country's tax base and strain the pension system as fewer taxpayers support an expanding elderly population.

The country's birth rate was 1.29 in both 2003 and 2004, already the lowest figure since the government began releasing birth figures in 1947, according to the Health Ministry.

— The Associated Press

**JERUSALEM —** Israeli scientists have discovered an ancient ecosystem containing eight previously unknown species in a lake inside a cave, where they were completely sheltered from the outside world for millions of years.

The newly discovered crustaceans and invertebrates were found last month in a cave near the city of Ramle in central Israel, team leader Amos Frumkin announced Thursday.

"This is a very unique ecosystem that is completely isolated from the surface," said Frumkin, a cave researcher in the geography department of Hebrew University in Jerusalem.

The cave, located 328 feet below ground in a limestone quarry, includes tunnels that extend about a mile and a half. Inside, a large underground lake holds the previously unknown species, some similar to scorpions and shrimp.

— The Associated Press

6 world powers agree on package of incentives, penalties for Iran

Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice met with the foreign ministers from the European nations that led talks with Iran that stalled last year. Also present were representatives of Russia and China, which have been Tehran's trading partners and might join in any future talks with Iran.

Since Russia and China hold veto in the U.N. Security Council, the U.S. needs their cooperation to seek sanctions or other harsh measures by that body.

A short statement issued by foreign ministers from the six powers and the European Union did not mention economic sanctions — the punishment or deterrent favored by America and the French and British diplomats feared Iran would immediately reject any invitation to bargain if the threat of sanctions was explicit, officials involved in the discussion said on condition of anonymity because the seven-party negotiations were private.

The foreign ministers' statement threatens unspecified "further steps" in the Security Council.

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Letters to the Two Classy Gents

Well, faithful Mustang Daily readers, our glorious run has come to an end. We've had a lot of laughs, but more importantly, we've all learned something. For one thing, calling out the UFC champion? Bad idea. But we don't take it back.

With that said, we've received a lot of letters from you, despite never giving you any way to contact us. We promise that our answers will be truthful and much better than the answers you get from John Edwards. My wife and I were wondering, is there really a Porn Room in the library? Like you guys said in Top 5 Classy Places To Make Love At Cal Poly? We've looked all over for it, and the librarians think we're nuts!

— Todd and Mary Stevenson, Portland, Maine

What's the deal with your vision with Warren Baker? It's weird.
— Warren Baker, Azusa, Calif.

It's threefold, Warren. First, we got him a raise, and he didn't do anything to thank us. Second, he stole our pimp goblet. Third, he learned something.

— Bob van Hezing, Erieko, Kan.

Wow, that's really nice. Thank you.

Are you guys really classy?
When you get paid by HomeTown Buffet, I thought that was really uncouth.
— Tape Smith, Madison, Wis.

Look, punk, when you get a degree in Classiness from FFT Tech, and you put your accreditations on the wall, you can talk to us about what is classy and what isn't classy. And FYI: You're not classy.

Are you guys really dead?
— Jeffrey Davies, West Lansing, Mich.

Yes. And so is Paul.
I just want to hear you guys talk about anything. At random.
Stephanie Winterberg, Oakland, Calif.

We're glad you asked that, Stephanie. We've been waiting to pick something to talk about. All these letters are pretty stupid, and we've been waiting for a basic letter this whole time.

By far, our favorite movie is "Three Men and a Baby." However, we have a problem with Ted Danson. We believe he shouldn't exist. Therefore, we are putting in a request to enhance the movie by digitally replacing Ted Danson with Steve Buscemi. Clearly, the Selleck-Bussme-Buscemi trio would blow people's minds out of their heads.

To end things off, we'll leave you with a quote from us: "I think I Be 2 Aporron." -TCG

Classy: Us.

Mike Matzke and Doug Bruzzzone are two classy gents and Mustang Daily columnists.
Wolfgang Gartner was the men’s soccer coach at Cal Poly since before most current students were born. He coached his 26th season with the Mustangs in 1998 and, in the buildup to his last go-round, Gartner — and his program — were justifiably above the 300-600 total mark. He’s been inducted into the Big West Hall of Fame and was named the Big West Coach of the year in 1995. His last two seasons were an 11-year string of winning seasons from 1985-95. The program hasn’t posted a winning record since 1998.

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NCAA sanctions, conference championships, the end of a coaching dynasty, national recognition for several individuals and an annual dose of NCAA tournament woes — the 2005-06 Cal Poly athletic calendar saw monumental success and near catastrophe.

The Mustang Daily has compiled a list of the top-10 events that might be viewed in years to come as stories of precedence, events and individuals that Cal Poly students and alumni will remember as the newsmakers of 2005-06.

Cal Poly football beats Montana

The headline was simple: Cal Poly 35, Montana 21. No headline could've done the win justice. Cal Poly's win over Montana in the NCAA Division I-AA playoffs, ready by the biggest win in the program's history. Here's how the opening paragraphs read: "The Cal Poly football team traveled through four states, broke two school records, saw weather from sun to snow and won its first ever Division I-AA playoff game all in 36 hours this weekend.

"The Mustangs beat the Montana Grizzlies 35-21 on Saturday thanks to the quarterfinals of the playoffs against Texas State. This game marks the first time Cal Poly has ever beaten Montana, who the Mustangs lost to earlier this season."

It was Montana's 13th trip to the playoffs. The program has two national championships to its name — 1983 and 1995. In 2004, the Grizzlies lost 31-21 to James Madison in the championship game.

The game: put one of the top programs in Div. I-AA history against a playoff novice. The Mustangs would lose the following week, 14-7, to Texas State, but a trip to the quarterfinals was enough for Cal Poly to leave its mark as an elite team.

Although the win is hardly a blip in Div. I-AA playoff history, the 2005 Mustangs will forever be remembered in San Luis Obispo as the first Cal Poly football team to make the playoffs, the first to win a playoff game and the first to beat the Grizzlies.

Goccong is Philliy Bound

As the football program continues to blossom, players being selected in the NFL Draft might become more routine and less significant in the news.

Chris Goccong, became the second Cal Poly player selected in the NFL Draft and the second to win the Buck Buchanan Award. He will play professional ball with the Philadelphia Eagles next season.

Last year it was Jordan Beck going to the Falcons after winning the Buck Buchanan Award that made headlines on this year's Goccong. A quiet and reserved individual off the field, Goccong was a fierce and tenacious pass rusher for the Mustangs on the field. He leaves Cal Poly as the record holder for sacks in a season (23.5) and the highest drafted player as well as Male Athlete of the Year.

Bertoni fourth on NCAA all-time wins list

There weren't many golf stories making headlines this year — they were an underrepresented team in the media. However, that doesn't mean their accomplishments were unnoticed.

Travis Bertoni moved to fourth on the NCAA all-time wins list this season with victories at the Anteater Invitational, NCAA Invitational and Coeble Title Invitational. In total, on top of those achievements, Bertoni notched a spot on the NCAA-Pacific Region team, one of 17 Mustangs to find a spot on the squad.

He also led the Mustangs to their first-ever men's golf Big West Championship.

Stevenson turns volleyball program around

To put it bluntly, the 2004 Cal Poly volleyball team was awful. The Mustangs went 5-24, several and 11-7 in Big West to finish third, but it wasn't enough. Instinct the selection committee's decision.

The 2005 Mustangs were 19-6 and finished third in the Big West, falling just short of an NCAA tournament bid. Many felt the team was snubbed — the headline in the Mustang Daily read: "Cinderella Story ends before midnight."

The NCAA pointed to the team's strength of schedule as the reason for the snub, a problem that couldn't have been remedied by Stevenson as the schedule was the result of his predecessor.

Regardless of the untimely end to the team's season, it was an amazing turnaround.

Women's lacrosse nets sixth-straight title

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Volleyball great hospitalized

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