When porn star Ron Jeremy and pastor Craig Gross came to Poly Thursday, more than 3,200 students waited to get one of the 800 seats in Chumash Auditorium. The event was so popular that ASI officials set up a screen and speakers in the UU Plaza to accommodate more people.

Amy Dierderoff
MUSTANG DAILY

Crowds of students packed the University Union and quickly filled Chumash Auditorium, chanting, “We want Ron!” in unison as they waited for legendary adult film star Ron Jeremy and pastor Craig Gross to take the stage for a debate on pornography last Thursday.

The event began around 8:45 p.m., almost an hour behind schedule, as event staff tried to escort Jeremy and Gross through hordes of people to the auditorium.

Associated Students Inc. (ASI), who hosted the event, estimates that more than 3,200 students waited in line for the debate, according to ASI Events student manager Cirant Zanini. They had to turn away more than half of the anxious crowd because Chumash Auditorium can only accommodate an audience of about 800 people.

Students began forming a line outside of Chumash Auditorium at 6 p.m., two hours before the event was set to begin.

“At that point I knew we were in for a much bigger crowd than expected,” Zanini said. Earlier in the day, ASI staff began to expect the debate would be a hit when they found out that all of the signs promoting the event, with the slogan “Vote for Ron,” had been taken from around campus, presumably as souvenirs.

Gross took the stage first, kicking off the debate by poking fun at himself and acknowledging Jeremy as the crowd favorite.

“Thanks for the one person that stole my poster,” Gross said.

Each speaker was given 12 minutes to form their argument, and then the floor was opened up to free debate and questions from the audience.

Gross based his argument on the often-unrealized consequences of pornography, including

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POLICE SHOT THE ANIMAL FRIDAY MORNING TO PREVENT DANGER DOWNTOWN.

Mountain lion spotted, shot
Kristen Marshall
MUSTANG DAILY

After a mountain lion was spotted in downtown San Luis Obispo early Friday morning, police decided to kill it when it began running through residential areas.

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COMING UP...

What: The Grad Center will be available for students to pay commencement fees, pick up tickets and order caps and gowns.
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For more info: Email jennifergler@hotmail.com.

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Seanna Arge, an art major, came to the festival with the Cal Poly Murial Project and wanted to watch the flowy dance. "They have a good representation and good mixture of different art forms and groups," she said. Arge said of Culture Fest. "Celebrating different cultures is important to Arge because she comes from a background of backgrounds and doesn’t feel a particularly strong connection to her roots, but rather to cultures that she submerges herself in. "I think it’s important to celebrate culture because it’s good to have appreciation and to know what all sorts of cultures are,” she said.

Nil pointed out that this event was the one time during the year when cultural organizations come together and why she wanted students to come. "Because we are part of Cal Poly, Cal Poly should have pride in us and have pride in our culture,” she said.

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how it affects intimate relationships and disempowers women. He also cited the Web site www.XXChurch.com, as a resource for people to find help if they have developed a habit of watching pornography. "Porn will let you down," Gross said. "We're not trying to judge people, we're trying to help people." Gross also mentioned adult material as a danger to children, who can easily come across it by browsing the Internet or receiving it in junk e-mails. He said that pornography is desensitizing, even for teenagers and adults, making it difficult to experience the true joy of intimacy in relationships. He added, "obviously I'm not going to convince you in 12 minutes, but for participating in debates with Jeremy it is to get students thinking about issues surrounding pornography, long after they've left the auditorium. Jeremy defended the merits of pornography by claiming that it's not harmful to relationships, and can even enrich them by giving couples inspiration to try new things. He likened the adult film industry to any other form of entertainment, available to people who want to escape their everyday lives and enjoy a fantasy experience. "It's part of that wide of entertainment," Jeremy said. "Nothing more, nothing less." Jeremy also made a point to defend the adult film industry, saying that it doesn’t target children, and takes every precaution to prevent pornography from getting into the hands of minors. "We do not want to target kids," Jeremy said. "We're not trying to appeal to puberty under the age of 18!" He called Gross' example of children viewing pornography on the Internet "an example of bad parenting". Jeremy went on to say that the adult film industry does not include every person who uploads video footage of a sexual act onto the Internet, and the big companies that mass-produce adult films must adhere to strict rules just like any other industry.

Modern languages and literature sophomore Carly Brown said she thought the debate was surprisingly balanced. "Gross made logical points, but Jeremy successfully countered those points with logic, as well as concrete evidence," Brown said.

Wine and viticulture sophomore Jeff Onysko was impressed by the event, and said he thought it was valuable for students to attend. "I think new more than ever it's important to bring these topics to a community like San Luis Obispo that is so isolated," Onysko said. Both Gross and Jeremy fielded a number of questions from the audience before closing the debate, many of them regarding Jeremy’s personal life. Gross and Jeremy sat at a table outside of Chaminade Auditorium for a meet and greet directly following the event.

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At about 7:50 a.m., the San Luis Obispo Police Department (SLOPD) received a call about a mountain lion sighting near City Hall and received word of another sighting not long after near Peach and Oos streets. Police said they were able to locate the animal at the 1,000 block of Walnut Street, coincidentally near the police station, when it began running through the backyards of homes along Walnut Street.

"SLO County Animal Control and State Fish and Game officials were contacted and asked to respond to assist the officers who were attempting to contain the animal," a SLOPD press release said.

Police said the decision to kill the animal was made after considering the amount of vehicle and foot traffic nearby, as well as the proximity of the animal to the downtown area and schools, as Old Mission Catholic School and Mission College Preparatory High School.

A SLOPD officer safely shot the animal from the roof of 1031 Walnut St. and Fish and Game took the mountain lion from there, estimating it to be 2 years old and 120 pounds, the press release said.

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As a last resort, use the Mustang Daily as a tissue. May health be with you.
Rangel says he will introduce bill to reinstate military draft.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Americans would have to sign up for a new military draft after turning 18 under a bill the incoming chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee says he will introduce next year.

Rep. Charles Rangel, D-N.Y., said Sunday he sees his idea as a way to deter politicians from launching wars.

"There's no question in my mind that if this administration would never have invaded Iraq, especially on the flimsy evidence that was presented to the Congress, if indeed we had a draft and members of Congress and the administration thought that their kids from their communities would be placed in harm's way," Rangel said.

Rangel, a veteran of the Korean War who has unsuccessfully sponsored legislation on conscription in the past, said he will propose a measure early next year. While he said he is serious about the proposal, there is little evident support among lawmakers for it.

In 2003, Rangel proposed a measure covering people age 18 to 26. This year, he offered a plan to mandate military service for men and women between age 18 and 42; it went nowhere in the November election.

Rangel says he will introduce his new legislation early next year. It is likely to face resistance from Republicans.

ACKNOWLEDGE the draft, said he worried the military was "being strained by its overseas commitments."

"If we're going to challenge Iran and challenge North Korea and then, as some people have asked, to send more troops to Iraq, we can't do that without a draft," Rangel said.

He said having a draft would not necessarily mean everyone called to duty would have to serve. Instead, "young people would commit themselves to a couple of years in service to this great republic, whether it's our ports, our airports, in schools, in hospitals," with a promise of educational benefits at the end of service.

Graham said he believes the all-voluntary military "represents the future," and will "well in terms of ethnic makeup, economic background."

Repeated polls have shown that about seven in 10 Americans oppose reinstating the draft and officials say they do not expect to restart conscription.

Incoming Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld told Congress in June 2005 that "there isn't a chance in the world that the draft will be brought back."

With the prospect of the long global fight against terrorism and the continuing U.S. commitment to stabilizing Iraq have kept the idea in the public's mind.

The military drafted conscripts during the Civil War, both world wars and between 1948 and 1973. An agency independent of the Defense Department, the Selective Service System, keeps an updated registry of men age 18 to 25 — now about 16 million — from which untrained draftees that would supplement the professional all-volunteer armed forces.

Rangel and Graham appeared on "Face the Nation" on CBS.

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HERMOSA BEACH (AP) — A quadruple man has filed a complaint in Los Angeles Superior Court against the Hermosa Beach police claiming he was thrown to the ground after a dispute over who would pick up his dog's feces.

David Nichols, said his civil rights were violated in August 2005 while he was walking his service dog along the beach.

The 43-year-old man claims he was first yanked at a hotel employee for not picking up after his dog, a job he claims belonged to the hotel worker.

The hotel worker then flung dropped a police officer who told Nichols to get his wheelchair.

Accounts of what happened next differ in the police report and the lawsuit. Nichols claims he was forced to the ground by the officer but the police report states Nichols fell from his chair onto the pavement during a struggle.

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SAN DIEGO (AP) — Investigators have broken up a smuggling ring in Los Angeles that trafficked immigrants from Mexico to Los Angeles using scouts and drivers.

A federal grand jury indicted eight men on smuggling charges and four others on related charges, federal prosecutors said Saturday.

Ringleader Cesar Rodrigo Corona-Garcia, 30, of San Diego, was charged with 11 counts, including conspiring to smuggle or even cracking open a car window. Holmes was briefly spotted standing at a castle window, but drew back immediately as soon as people began to notice.

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BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Syria's foreign minister summoned Sunday a member of Iraq's parliament for a "timely" visit to Baghdad, in a groundbreaking diplomatic mission to Iraq that comes amid international efforts for the U.S. to seek cooperation from Syria and Iran. At least 112 people were killed nationwide, following a week that had already seen hundreds of deaths.

Waldi Mussolin, the highest level Syrian official to visit since the 2003 ouster of Saddam Hussein, denounced terrorism in Iraq even as Washington mulled its own overture to Damascus for help in ending Iraq's violence.

CRACCO, Italy (AP) — In the end, Tom Cruise and Katie Holmes "wedding of the year" in this lakeside Italian town gave little satisfaction to fans not present.

Fans and residents who assembled under the walls of the 15th-century Odescalchi Castle, where the celebrities exchanged vows in a Scientology ceremony got to see none of it.

Cruise and Holmes, who arrived in separate vehicles Saturday, drove past the hundreds of fans gathered outside the castle's gates without stopping or even cracking open a car window. Holmes was briefly spotted standing at a castle window, but drew back immediately as soon as people began to notice.

HANOI, Vietnam (AP) — Russia and the United States signed a key trade agreement Sunday, removing the last remaining obstacle in Moscow's 13-year journey to join the World Trade Organization.

The deal, inked on the sidelines of a gathering of Pacific Rim countries, came as a vote of confidence in Russia — the largest economy still outside the global trading system.
Bush gets warm greeting in Vietnam, chilly one in Indonesia

Terence Hunt
Associated Press

HANOI, Vietnam — President Bush paid tribute to new symbols of capitalism in this struggling communist country Monday and offered encouragement for Vietnam's battle against land mines and other public health problems.

Bush's trip to Asia was his first appearance on the world stage since his Republican Party lost control of Congress and was rebuffed for the unpopular war in Iraq.

It was Bush's duty, he was unable to deliver a promised agreement on normal trade relations with Vietnam. It was started in Congress but the administration expressed confidence it eventually would be approved.

Vietnam's economy is booming, the fastest growing in Asia, and the country is the second-largest exporter of rice. But the benefits have not reached most people. The per capita income is less than $700 a year.

In a city usually teeming with motorcycles, traffic, streets were cleared for Bush's motorcade. As he rode by, people waved, laughed and cheered. It was a contrast to the subdued reaction of residents in Hanoi, where Bush participated in the summit and conferred with the leaders of China, Russia, South Korea and Japan.

Bush was in Hanoi to attend the 21-nation Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation summit. The White House supported the summit's closing statement proclaiming North Korea to return to nuclear disarmament negotiations and urging countries to keep the pressure on by enforcing U.N. Security Council sanctions.

The administration was at a loss to explain why the statement was simply part of an agreement for the chairman's wrap-up statement and not issued as a written document. Omar bin Laden's oddity was that the section about North Vietnam was not translated into English when the statement was read.

U.S. officials later said that the reason the North Vietnamese was deleted entirely, rather than written, was because China did not want to sign a document with Taiwan. Beijing regards as a breakaway colony and did not want to put it on equal footing, the U.S. officials said.

At the summit, Bush met separately with Russian President Vladimir Putin and Chinese President Hu Jintao to discuss strategies for yet-to-be-scheduled talks with North Korea. The administration sent U.S. envoy Christopher Hill to Beijing for further consultations.

In their public remarks, Bush and Putin celebrated a U.S.-Russia agreement for Moscow's entry into the World Trade Organization. Bush said Russia's admission to the group was "good for the United States and good for Russia.

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Marin couple calls for global orgasm for peace

Marcus Wahlmen
Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — Two peace activists have planned a massive anti-war demonstration for the first day of winter.

But don't they want you marching in the streets? They'd much rather you stay home.

The Global Orgasm for Peace was conceived by Donna Sheehan, 76, and Paul Reffell, 55, who live together on a houseboat along scenic Tomales Bay in Marin County, just north of San Francisco.

Their immodest goal is for everyone in the world to have an orgasm on Dec. 22 while focusing on world peace.

"The orgasm gives out an incredible feeling of peace during and after it," Reffell said on Sunday. "Your mind is like a blank. It's like a meditative state. And mass meditation has been shown to make a change."

The couple are no strangers to sex and social activism. Sheehan, brought together nearly 50 women in 2002 who stripped naked and spelled out the word "Peace" on a grassy hillside in Marin County. The stunt spawned a mini-movement called Baring Witness that led to similar unclothed demonstrations worldwide.

The couple have studied evolutionary psychology and believe that war is mainly an outgrowth of men trying to impress potential mates, a case of "my missile is bigger than your missile," as Reffell put it.

By promoting what they hope to be a synchronized global orgasm, they hope to get people to channel their sexual energy into something more positive.

"Religion, science, art, medicine — you name any great accomplishment that the human race has made and it's still got to stop wars and aggression," Sheehan said. "We thought, 'What's the next unlevendable, untested biological gift that we've all been given? The orgasm.'"

Interest in participating appears strong, according to the couple. They reported receiving 26,000 visitors a day to their Web site thanks to links from several blogs.

Sheehan said she received "a soulful letter from a man in Istanbul" who lamented that because he's in a locked partner, he couldn't take part. They assured him that there were no rules for when, where or how the orgasm was achieved, as long as it was on the given day, the said.

"It's basically whatever turns you on," Reffell said.

Participants can identify one another through the "secret signal," according to the Global Orgasm Web site, of a thumb and forefinger shaped to form the letter O.

The one guideline Sheehan and Reffell do encourage everyone to follow is to practice safe sex and use birth control, citing overpopulation as a source of many of the world's problems.

Reffell said the couple hopes to coordinate with the New Jersey-based Global Consciousness Project to measure the impact of the Global Orgasm. The experiment, directed by a Princeton University scientist, claims that the psychic energy of many worldwide people, focusing on the same event, like Princess Diana's funeral or the Olympics, can create patterns in otherwise random lists of numbers generated by computers.

Still, documenting the Global Orgasm's possible effects is not the main focus.

"The dream is to have everyone in the world take part," Reffell said. "And if that means laying down your gun for a few minutes, then hey, all the better."
Presidents to appear on new one dollar coin

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WASHINGTON — Can George Washington and Thomas Jefferson succeed where Susan B. Anthony and Sacagawea failed? The U.S. Mint is hoping America's presidents will win acceptance, finally, for the maligned dollar coin.

The public will get the chance to decide starting in February when the first of the new coins, bearing the image of the first president, is introduced.

Washington, John Adams, Thomas Jefferson and James Madison are scheduled to grace the coin in 2007, with a different president appearing every three months.

The series will honor four different presidents per year, in the order they served in office. Each president will appear on only one coin, except for Grover Cleveland, who will be on two because he was the only president to serve non-consecutive terms. To be depicted on a coin, a president must have been dead for at least two years.

The idea of rotating designs borrowed from the highly successful 50-state quarter program. Since its launch in 1999, this program has featured five state designs each year in the order the state joined the union.

The quarter program has been widely successful, introducing millions of people to coin collecting for the first time. The Mint hopes the presidential program will enjoy similar success, in part because of the bold designs on the new coins.

Those designs were being made public during a ceremony Monday at the Smithsonian Institution's National Portrait Gallery, home of some of the famous paintings that served as models for the coins.

Copies of the designs were made available to The Associated Press in advance. "These designs are beautiful and eye-catching that a lot of Americans are going to do a double take when they get them in their change the first time," said Emmet C. Moy, the director of the Mint, in an AP interview. The coins will be the same size as the Sacagawea dollar — a little larger than a quarter — and the same golden color as the Sacagawea. The image of the president will be on one side and the Statue of Liberty on the other.

The images will be slightly larger than those on a quarter because space was freed up by moving some of the traditional wording such as "In God We Trust" to the edge of the coin. Edge lettering has not been tried on an American coin since 1933.

Will all this be enough to make the presidential dollar a success where the Susan B. Anthony, introduced in 1979, and the Sacagawea, introduced in 2000, have been flops, at least in terms of gaining acceptance as circulating coins? Moy is optimistic, saying a number of things have changed since the Sacagawea launch six years ago. Rising prices mean it takes more quarters to feed the parking meter and vending machines. People might now be more willing to carry the dollar coin to replace four quarters.

Moy said the Mint also will do a better job of coordinating with the Federal Reserve to make sure that commercial banks quickly get their orders for the new dollars filled.

"We are geared up to make hundreds of millions of these coins depending on what the demand is," Moy said.

Rep. Michael Castle, R-Del., a prime mover in Congress for both the state quarter legislation and the presidential coins, said he believed the new dollars would have a good chance for success.

While the government would save about $300 million annually in printing costs if it got rid of the dollar bill in favor of more durable coins, Castle said there are no plans to follow the lead of Canada and several European countries in ditching the smaller currencies.

"The dollar bill is just America. There is a lot of sentiment to keeping it," he said.

In time for Thanksgiving, wild turkeys thrive in California

MONTEREY, Calif. (AP) — Peck in packs, gobble in grasslands and strut through suburbs. They even halt traffic at the local military base.

Wild turkeys are flourishing throughout central California, from the outskirts of Carmel to remote hiking trails in the Santa Lucia Mountains. Although California's Department of Fish and Game doesn't track the number of wild turkeys, one local bird expert estimated that the population in Monterey County has roughly tripled since 1999 to about 3,000.

The birds are ancestors of the Rio Grande turkeys that state wildlife experts released in the Ventana Wilderness in 1965 for sport hunters. Over the next several decades, the department released more than 300 of the birds, native to Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas.

The fowl are muscled, fast and relatively clever, hanging out in flocks and bursting into a flapping frenzy when an off-leash dog or other-footed child gets too close. They're a breed apart from the easily confused, farm-raised gobblers that land on most Thanksgiving tables.

This is not your standard Twentynec Bird, Terry Palmosino, wildlife biologist for the state Department of Fish and Game, told the Monterey Herald. Some say the birds are proliferating too quickly, eating flowers and leaving droppings on driveways and sidewalks.

Others say the birds are welcome particularly around Thanksgiving. Turkey hunting season opened last weekend in designated areas. A growing number of locals crave the Rio Grande's gamy chewiness instead of the fatty blandness of mass-produced birds, said Jim Cox, owner of Jim Cox Adventures Archery in Salinas.
South African wines bring you back to the wild

All Wines Considered

by Lauren Jeter

South African wines all about? Relatively new on the American market, these wines are beginning to emerge in the international race for wine sales. With 3.1 percent of world consumption, this African country is ranked the ninth in the world. According to historical accounts and documents, the first vineyard was planted three years after the Dutch settled in South Africa, around 1655. The land has 350 years of wine history starting from the colonial days of planting vines close to the ocean as well as staggered on hills. The topography couldn't be better for the ancient soil and the unique terrain including mountains and ocean breezes coinciding.

South Africa has been propositioned with an interesting dilemma. Their world renowned Chenin Blanc and Cabernet Sauvignon offer a bit of Old World charm. Newer approaches influenced by Californian and Australian wineries are beginning to become more prominent. New World attitudes have influenced revolutionary types of wines such as the "Pinotage." This 1925 invention is basically a cross between the Pinot Noir grape and the Hermitage grape. This cross was originally supposed to make a Syrah type wine but didn't hit in market. Some critics describe it as earthy and gamy with metallic hints. Universities are pooling their resources engaging in wine research there locally. With over 10 years of institute research, South African universities are now beginning to show studies on how local terrain can affect the qualities of production. Researchers are also beginning to narrow down which varietals belong in specific regions on the coast close to the Cape of Good Hope. It has been said that Cape vineyards include some of the most breathtaking views with snowy mountains and dry plains looking over gorgeous strips of coast. The constant trade and wine trade collide making for other profitable venues in wines. And not only are the views beautiful, so is the value. The amount of wine bought here enjoys nearly a two to one price ratio compared to Australian wine.

In South Africa there are three different types of wine business opportunities available. You can have a small private winery, which is common there. Another way is to participate in a cooperative. This means many families come together during the harvest and produce their wine and then separately divide the finished product at the end.

The third type is "Estate Wineries," which crush only estate grapes. This simply means that the owners are not allowed to outsource their fruit to anyone.

While Chenin Blanc and Pinotage are some of the smaller varietals that other wineries are focusing on, larger more popular varietals are increasing in demand. These two varietals include Shiraz and Chardonnay.

With advanced research, region matching has become nothing short of a science. So when at the supermarket, check out the international selection and keep your eye out for South African wines. They are exotic and are for the most part a bargain. I picked up two different South African wines this week and felt very differently about each of them. The first was purchased at a specialty store and I was perplexed to the type of white wine it was. This 2005 Goon Do Roan is a play on the French wine "Cote du Rhone." This bottle continued to describe an anecdotal story of goats getting out into the vineyard and eating all the best grapes. Well, it's not surprising that the goats are all the good wine because I found this white wine to be very acidic and harsh for a white wine.

The red Pinotage wine, on the other hand, was quite unique. The 2005 Zarafa Pinotage is a combination of a garumny and earthy flavors. It smells like someone's old closet and a petting zoo. But don't let that put you off. It takes a bit like a garage sale as well but it has this uniqueness that is unattainable in other run-of-the-mill Pinotages.

Next time you are feeling a bit adventurous, try South African wines. These wines are guaranteed to make the natives envious.

Feel free to submit any recommendations, accolades, favorite wines or recipes to laruenjeter@gmail.com

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things get a little hairy in imaginary 'Fur'

Brian McLoone
Tufts Daily (Tufts U.)

The movie "Fur: An Imaginary Portrait of Diane Arbus," starring Nicole Kidman and Robert Downey Jr., is cinematically pretty complicated. So it seems valid to start off by saying a little about who Diane Arbus was and why her life and work are important enough to justify a major motion picture.

Briefly put, Arbus was a 20th century gonzo-photojournalist, famous for immersing herself in the subject matter of her pictures and focusing on the stories and images of people. Because of her subjects physical characteristics or social exclusion, they were not a part of modern America's "mainstream" culture.

Now, just to make things a bit more complicated, this movie about her life is not really about her life. As the title suggests, it's an "imaginary portrait" of someone who took unimaginary pictures of other people; there's even a disclaimer at the start of the film that officiously and rather strangely explains this to the audience.

Of course, while actually watching the film, so many of its elements are so incredibly bizarre that it would be hard to assume that many of the characters and events were not created, fabricated on, as they call it, imaginary.

To be sure, though, the overbearing framework of the film and of Arbus' life is essentially accurate. She was, in reality and in the film, born into a wealthy New York family, and the assistant of her photographer husband Allan Arbus, who taught her how to take pictures.

She was, additionally, a profoundly socially fraught woman, who was tired with her role as simply a mother and a wife.

The film starts as Diane (Kidman) begins to show an interest in taking her own photos, rather than just helping her husband take his Diane (pronounced Dee-A�) tells her husband that she wants to take photos of their neighbors. In reality, she wants to just take pictures of her newest neighbor, Lionel Sweeney (Downey Jr.). After all, he arrived at their building covered in a cheap-looking mask, and rumor has it, he keeps a circus-style colored chair in the basement — wouldn't want to see what was up with this guy?

After Arbus arranges a portrait session with Lionel, she lets herself into his dark, cavernous apartment, where she finds pictures on the walls of people who could have (or maybe did) appear in PT, Barnum's infamous "freak shows." The unmasked Lionel, it turns out, is covered completely in fur.

This, obviously, is where the movie gets a bit strange. On one hand, the film evokes sympathy for Lionel, since his physical appearance must have created some hairy life experiences. But it's hard to take his suffering seriously when, to be frank, he looks like a Wookie and the disease that produced his appearance doesn't actually exist. The way to get over this aspect of the film is to tell yourself that it's the writers' way of working at you, reminding you that this is, indeed, an imaginary telling of a real life.

"Fur" is not a movie about Diane Arbus' real life, but rather an imaginary portrait. At times, it feels like a movie about a movie.

"Fur" is certainly a bizarre film, but it's a great one too, if the viewer approaches it with the right mindset. It's original, and it's unusual in terms of multiplex fare. To that extent, this "Imaginary Portrait of Diane Arbus" is representative of something Diane Arbus might actually have photographed.
New Bond: more spy, less suave

Tim Goessling
Daily Orange (Syracuse)

Mission accomplished. "Casino Royale" is a successful reinvention of the James Bond franchise. This offers a modern update of the over-the-top Bond which we are familiar—all the remote-controlled cars, eccentric villains and girls named Pussy Galore are gone. We now have drowning, strangulation, body bags and, in a new standard for the franchise, scrotum torture scenes.

The movie begins with Bond on an assignment required for him to achieve double-O status. This sequence is shot in gorgeous black and white and is an excellent nod to the cheesy spy movies that inspired the character. After that, Bond gets behind the wheel of an Aston Martin and never slows down through to the extremely satisfying conclusion.

Everything that defines the franchise is here in its purest form. There is explosive action, sizzling dames, tons of machismo and plenty of espionage. Oh, did I forget that scrotum torture?

Nothing in this film stands out like this testicular torture scene. It goes down like this: Bond is in the enemies’ clutches and they do what most Bond enemies do: they take him to a dungeon, tie his stark-naked body to a chair and assault his balls. It’s Bond done “Saw” style and, like the machismo in the film, it’s a little too much.

According to television, radio and film professor Doug Brode, Bond should be a half-and-half blend of macho and suave. The Bond here is way too macho, and the film suffers from it. The smooth scenes with love interest Vesper Lynd, the lovely Eva Green, fall flat because Bond-the-eliminator is not as convincing as Bond-the-lover.

Daniel Craig, the actor who plays Bond, is capable of being totally smooth; he did it to perfection in the film “Layer Cake.” Therefore, the responsibility of this mishandling of a crucial aspect of the character lies with the writers. It seems they have been inspired by the nonstop killing of the 007 video games, and not the character defined by Ian Fleming’s novels and the original film.

“Casino Royale” is a great movie; it just isn’t a perfect Bond film. It has expert direction, sound, acting and special effects. The Bond girls are hot, the locations are gorgeous, the action is almost perfect and the spy elements are there. The filmmakers have successfully reinvented the character for this century. If the 21st-century Bond has to prove his masculinity by getting his royal jewels whipped, I’ll guess that’s what it takes to fit in. I’ll just think about the good old days of “Goldfinger” and Pussy Galore.

"Casino Royale" stars Daniel Craig as the new Bond, and is said to be a successful reinvention of the James Bond franchise.
MKL's dream is still far from reality

Washington last week, work began on a memorial to honour the murdered Civil Rights leader, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Thousands attended the groundbreaking ceremony for the monument, which will be firmly situated near the Lincoln Memorial where King gave his legendary "I have a dream" speech.

While the monument is a wondrous testament to how far King's dream has taken him and the African-Americans, statistics show that many blacks have still not realized this dream of equality, whether it is economically, educationally or culturally in contemporary America.

Although blacks have greatly benefited from the advances made during and after the Civil Rights era, they are still struggling to achieve economic parity with whites. In 2000, the U.S. Census Bureau reported that the median income of black families was $33,255, whereas the median income for white families was $43,356. A study by the University of Connecticut revealed the main reason for this wage discrepancy is that approximately 72 percent of the wages that whites earn. In addition to wage gaps blacks are increasingly experiencing from job loss and underemployment, especially during economic slowdowns. According to Bureau of Labor Statistics, in September of 2004 the unemployment rate for blacks was 8.3 percent compared to just 4.7 percent for whites.

The direct impact of this economic inequality is that many blacks do not receive adequate health care. As a result, blacks suffer seriously more from heart disease, stroke and diabetes than whites do. According to the Medical University of South Carolina, the life expectancy for black men born in 1997 is 66 years compared to 74 years for white men. Furthermore, the life expectancy for black women is 74 as opposed to 80 years for white women.

Besides the physical costs they endure, blacks also suffer in education because of this economic inequality. At first glance this might not appear to be the case as college enrollment rates for blacks rose an impressive 42.7 percent between 1993 and 2000. However, the reason why so many black students don't persevere in college is because "they're simply running out of money."

Perhaps the largest obstacles blacks face today lies with our current media industries and the criminal justice system. Last week the Center for Media Justice and Studies released a report confirming the media does overrepresent minorities as criminals and whites as victims or law enforcers. The study also concluded that black defendants were twice as likely to receive negative pretrial publicity. While these media images of blacks are isolated, the cumulative effect of these mischaracterizations permeate our criminal justice system and government policymaking. The end result is an unbalanced justice system that delivers lopsided consequences.

Even though this ascension does sound radical, consider that in 2003 Human Rights Watch reported that 63 percent of all drug offenders admitted to prison were black, even though blacks made up only 13 percent of regular drug users in the U.S. Furthermore, the Center for Juvenile and Criminal Justice found that while the drug incarceration rate for whites doubled from 1986 to 1996, the drug incarceration rates for blacks quintupled during that same time. Looking at these applauding numbers, it's obvious that blacks are still the targets of the intense negative stereotyping, and that they are still subject to gross discrimination.

Ultimately, people assume that because blacks are no longer exposed to the same blatant hostility and racism that existed 40 years ago, we have achieved Martin Luther King's dream. However, as statistics show that this is not the case.

"We do progress does not mean we should give up on the dream of equality; because if there is anything Martin Luther King taught us during his brief 39 years, it's that "Progress never rolls on in wheels of inevitability. It is made by people who do not grow weary in doing good, secure in the knowledge that the time is always right to do right."

Patrick Molnar is a business sophomore and Mustang Daily political columnist.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Bible-bashing book review lacked credibility

Maybe "bashing" is too strong of a word, but the review of the book "Sex, Lies, and the Bible" printed in the Mustang Daily on Wednesday was much like the book itself — way off the mark. Such lines as, "The Bible is no better than a good set of Shakespeare," and "How can a person who believes in the Bible find truth?" are simply not the very least. To say the Bible "lies in certain parts" is not the kind of broad, sweeping claim this particular author is qualified to make. Is he a biblical scholar? No. Is he a credible historian? No.

I will concede that there are superficial discrepancies in the bible (however any serious investigation negates their claim as false). And, yes, the Bible does contain different translations of the Bible. But neither of these leads to an overwhelming lack of validity on the topic of sex (or any other) as the book and review would otherwise indicate.

The book's author, Frank Ritter, encourages us to see for ourselves the "lies" found within the Bible. In fact, we can up and call your bluff, Frank. I'll follow your lead and make a general claim of my own: The truth within the words of the scripture far outweighs any hint of a lie you may perceive. Jesus said, "I am the way and the truth and the life," and I personally have found nothing to refute that claim.

Chad Pruett
Civil engineering senior

Let my pronouns go?

I must say, I find a certain deli­ ciou­s im­ my­ in the fact that the commentary on commenting people's grammar contains a sentence that ends in a preposition. This could just be a typo, but it brings up an important question: Quis custodiet ipsos custodes? For those of us who never took Latin, the approximate translation is "Who will watch the watchers?"

Who will police the grammar police? Along that same line of thinking, who is policing the grammar police? Or the grammar police police police?

And at what point does this whole exercise become so ridicu­ lous we should just never do it all? Say it starts at the grammar police. If you understood what I said, I said correctly. It does not matter because anyone who can shock, statistics can be skewed, and I'm sure those Chad words will become more popular in the next few years.

I am concerned, however, with truth, and, for this issue, the truth should be self-evident from your own experience. How does porn affect you personally? Do these visual fantasies satisfy you or leave you feeling empty? Has it made your emotional and sexual relationships more fulfilling or has it desensitized you? Are you drawn closer together because of porn or are you left more alone?

Nicholas Read
Mathematics senior

How does porn affect you?

Thank you to ASI for putting on the debate between Ron Jeremy and Craig Gross on Thursday night. It's important that provocative personalities are shared, and for those of you who weren't able to go, I hope I can accurately summarize the encounter.

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of the Aggies at The Pavilion.

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and Brennan was 3 of 5 for 87 yards
and the two scores — a 58-yard strike
to Rudioehl and an 18-yard play to
freshman H-back Jon Hall.

Cal Poly senior free safety Kenny
Chicione picked off two passes,
estended his school record for career
interceptions to 22.

The most memorable interception
of his career might have come
Saturday, when he picked off a
Garrett Williams pass and returned it
eight yards before a lateral to
Shontell.

Shontell then weaved through
Sacrament State players for a 65-yard
touchdown jaunt, the first score of his
season.

Shontell, a Buck Buchanan Award
candidate who finished the season
with 122 total tackles and seven sacks,
chose “togetherness” as the word to

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One game after beating a Pac-10 school (Oregon State) in double overtime on Nov. 19, 1997, the Mustangs shot 35.8 percent from the field and committed 31 turnovers.

The Cal Poly women’s basketball team couldn’t overcome a poor first-half shooting performance in falling to Santa Clara on Friday night at the Leavey Center, 73-54.

A layup by senior Jessica Eggleton gave the Mustangs (1-2) a 2-floor 5-2 lead.

Santa Clara rallied, however, and a 3-pointer by the Broncos’ Chandice Creek — who led all players with 21 points — gave the hosts a 13-10 lead with 12 minutes remaining.

The Mustangs, meanwhile, registered a 25 percent first-half shooting percentage.

Mustang women’s tennis team

At in only home event of the fall season, Cal Poly was led by Carol Erickson and Brittany Blalock.

The Mustangs captured two second-place finishes and three third-place finishes out of three total brackets.

Cal Poly head coach Hugh Bream said of the tournament, “It was a strong way for us to conclude the fall season. I especially was pleased with the play of Carol Erickson and freshman Brittany Blalock.”

Erickson and Blalock went 3-1 in doubles play.

Erickson and Blalock were defeated by the University of Missouri in the final, 8-6.

Erickson and Blalock won their first three matches of the tournament before losing to USC’s Asagi Otagi and Taya Hausman, 9-6.

Erickson and Blalock defeated No. 1 singles player, Flight A, 6-1, 6-1, but fell in the final to the second-place doubles team, Bream said of Wong and Erickson.

Wong and Erickson fall with the fall 7-3 record.

Cal Poly’s Maria Malec and Shannon Brady finished third in the doubles bracket and are now looking forward to competing in the conference.

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Senior Day brings 55-0 win over Savannah St. to end season

Three of Cal Poly's 16 seniors combined to score five of the Mustangs' eight touchdowns.

Tristan Aird

With 32 wins in the past four seasons, the Cal Poly football team's senior class won more games than any other in a four-year stretch of the program's 91-year history.

The last one came Saturday, when the Mustangs ended their season with a 35-6 rout of hapless Savannah State in front of 7,867 fans at Alex G. Spanos Stadium. "You really couldn't have written a better ending for it," said Cal Poly middle linebacker Kyle Shorthall, one of 36 seniors. "We got to win out last game. If you can't do it in the championship this is as good a way to go out as any. We won the last game of our college careers 55-0. Not many people can say that."

Cal Poly entered the season with hopes of winning a third straight Great West Football Conference title and reaching the Division I-AA playoffs for the second straight year. Although neither of those goals were accomplished, the Mustangs' (7-4, 2-2) beat real UC Davis for the first time since 2003 and knocked off a I-A team (San Diego State) for the first time since 2001.

All this considering the Mustangs' schedule — featuring two I-A teams and three ranked in the top 19 of I-AA — was what head coach Rich Ellerson said. "Fourteen of those 16 are fifth-year guys. To have that type of team with the seniors, the ('al Poly football team' s seniors' history," ('al Poly sophomore tailback Janies Spanos said. "It's hard for me to visualize C'al Poly football without those seniors," Noble said. "It was great how they introduced us to the system. We just tried to go out with a bang. We tried to give them the best game we could as younger players and let everybody know how the future is."

It was certainly a day to remember seniors Shorthall, Anthony Randolph and Jeremy Konaris, who combined for five of the Mustangs' eight touchdowns.

"It means a lot," Cal Poly senior cornerback Courtney Brown said. "We're glad that we didn't end on last week's loss. To get out and play another game on this field was incredible."

Indeed, the Mustangs took out their frustrations on Savannah State (2-9), which has lost 22 straight against I-AA teams and suffered through a season in which it was outscored 379-108 and lost to three Division II schools.

Savannah State has won less than three games seven years in a row.

Cal Poly was coming off a crushing 51-14 Great West loss at No. 4 North Dakota State (10-1, 4-0) on Nov. 11.

"We didn't want to go out with a loss, especially last week's, which hopefully will never happen again in Cal Poly history," Cal Poly sophomore wide receiver Mark Restelli said. "It's just pretty emotional. We wanted to get a win for the seniors. We wanted to come out and smash on a team to make up for last week."

Cal Poly sophomore tailback James Noble was thankful for the seniors helping him become the first player in school history to rush for at least 1,000 yards in consecutive seasons.

"Coming in, they just took us under their wing," Noble said. "It was great how they introduced us to the system. We just tried to go out with a bang. We tried to give them the best game we could as younger players and let everybody know how the future is."

Did they ever.

Cal Poly carried its largest margin of victory by shutout since a 55-0 win over Cal State Los Angeles in 1958.

Noble carried 18 times for 127 yards and a score, Konaris rushed for three touchdowns and two of sophomore quarterback Matt Brennan's three completions were for scores.

The score could have been more lopsided — it was 41-0 at halftime — because Cal Poly threw just once in the second half and kneel on the ball in the red zone in the final minute. Altogether, it was possibly the Mustangs' most complete performance of the season:

• Cal Poly outsized Savannah State 521-144 in yards from scrimmage, including a 434-54 advantage in rushing yards.

• The Mustangs had 29 first downs compared to just nine for the Tigers.

• With a time of possession of 36 minutes, 6 seconds, Cal Poly never punted.

• The Mustangs were 7 for 9 on third-down conversion attempts and 2 for 2 on fourth downs.

"We played the way we expected to," said Ellerson, who is 6-0 in regular-season finales at Cal Poly.

Cal Poly won four games this season by a touchdowns or less and lost by 10 or fewer points.

"A group of lesser men would have been 5-6," Ellerson said. "The difference between 3-6 and 9-2 — I've never seen it so fine. These guys faced some really tough stuff, whether it was schedule, injuries, travel. They just waded through it and kept going."

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Cal Poly seniors Kyle Shorthall (17), Kenny Chicoine (19) and Joe Worthen (10) celebrate Shorthall's first career touchdown, a 65-yard interception return in the second quarter. Chicoine picked off Garrett Williams' pass, returned it eight yards and then lateraled to Shorthall on the play.

Two four-loss teams selected to playoffs

Because it has less than seven wins against Division I-A and I-AA teams, Cal Poly was not chosen Sunday for the I-AA postseason.

Tristan Aird

The Cal Poly football team was not one of the eight at-large teams selected to the 16-team Division I-AA playoffs Sunday, although the surprise field includes two teams with four losses.

It is the first time any four-loss team — let alone two — has received an at-large bid since Idaho went with a 6-4 record in 1996.

The five-team Great West (7-4, 2-2) Great West Football Conference) were not selected primarily because they had six wins against I-A and I-AA competition.

The Division I Football Championship Handbook reads, "less than seven Division I wins may place a team in jeopardy of not being selected."

Although it is ranked No. 1 among 16 I-AA conferences in USA Today's Jeff Sagari's rankings, the five-team Great West will not provide an automatic berth to the I-AA playoff until it consists of six playoff-eligible teams aligned for at least two seasons.

Fourth-ranked North Dakota State (10-1, 4-0) beat visiting No. 9 South Dakota State (7-4, 3-1) for the Great West title Saturday by a score of 41-28. Neither the Bison nor Jackrabbits, though, reached the postseason because they and fellow Great West member UC Davis (5-5, 3-3) are all still transitioning from Division II.

The two four-loss teams selected were No. 15 Montana State (7-4, 6-2 Big Sky Conference) and the main surprise, No. 17 Eastern Illinois (8-4, 7-1 Ohio Valley Conference).

The biggest gripe among teams not selected would belong to No. 14 San Diego (10-0, 7-0 Pioneer Football League). The Toreros have had a breakthrough season under third-year head coach Jim Harbaugh, whose team has overcome having no scholarships.

Harbaugh, however, did not seem discouraged by his team being passed over.

"We have tremendous respect for these playoffs, and this format is the best way to crown a national champion," Harbaugh said on the Toreros' official Web site. "There see Playoffs, page 10