After the earthquake, China struggles to provide shelter to the recent homeless population.

Want to get a tattoo soon? The county’s most popular athletes of Year at Night Sharon Day and Chad Mendes named Cal Poly athletes of Year at Night of the Mustang.

Go online to the “Off the Page” blog to see video of Sharon Day cleaning 6 feet, 4 3/4 inches. mustangdaily.net

Sharon Day and Chad Mendes named Cal Poly Athletics of Year at Night of the Mustang.

One student dons a particle mask as he sands a piece of wood during the surfboard shaping class offered in the Craft Center.

Shaping the world

Rachel Glas
Online Staff

Cal Poly’s surfboard shaping program was recognized on Tuesday by The Surfer’s Journal, “the National Geographic” of surfing magazines, as Cal Poly business administration alumna and surfboard shaper Nick Cooper called it.

Cooper is one of the surfboard shapers employed by Associated Students, Inc. to help instruct the classes. He also owns Coop DeVille Surf Company.

The Surfer’s Journal is a bimonthly magazine started in 1993 by two former Surfer Magazine employees. Thanks to the high-quality ink and paper used, the magazine is revered and collected by surfers around the world.

The journal contacted ASI in hopes of learning about Cal Poly’s surfboard shaping program after hearing about it from a professional surfboard shaper in Santa Cruz.

“They hit us out of the blue one day we got a call from Surfer’s Journal, the next day we had a photographer come here. We definitely didn’t see it coming,” said Darren Connor, ASI assistant director for programs.

Josh Kimball, freelance photographer and avid surfer from Cayucos, came to campus for the story.

Kimball, who has written and photographed for magazines such as Surfer, Surfer’s Path, and Transworld, planned on taking some candid shots of surfboard shaping as well as headshots of the instructors.

He estimates that the article will run sometime in the fall.

Though the surfboard classes are extremely popular and many students are placed on a waiting list before being able to enroll, Connor thinks this article will help further highlight Cal Poly’s surfboard shaping program.

“As far as I know, we are the only university with this kind of program on the West Coast,” he said. “It’s unique and it’s great to be recognized for it.”

The surfboard class, offered at the Craft Center, is a great craft for students to participate in, according to Connor.

“The program highlights the handmade nature of surfboards. There’s no advanced machinery or fancy equipment necessary,” he said.

Clinton wins Kentucky, Obama nomination leader

Democratic presidential hopeful Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton, D-N.Y., speaks to supporters during her Kentucky primary election night rally Tuesday in Louisville, Ky.

David Espo
Associated Press

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Hillary Rodham Clinton counted to an easy victory in the Kentucky primary on Tuesday, a triumph of scant political value in a Democratic presidential race moving inexorably in Barack Obama’s direction.

The two rivals also collided in Oregon’s unique vote-by-mail contest, and Obama predicted he would finish the night with a majority of all delegates at stake in the 56 primaries and caucuses on the campaign calendar.

“This is one of the closest races for a party nomination in modern history,” Clinton told supporters celebrating her victory. “We’re winning the popular vote, she said, despite figures from competitive contests that show otherwise. “I’m more determined than ever to see that every vote is cast and every ballot is counted.”

Even so, she commended Obama and said whatever their differences, “we do see eye to eye when it comes to uniting our party and electing a Democratic president this fall.”

She also said Michigan and Florida Democrats deserve to have their votes counted, a reference to the lingering controversy surrounding primaries in both states held in defiance of Democratic National Committee rules.

Party officials are scheduled to meet later this month to consider how—or whether—to seat all or part of the states’ delegates.

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Almost nine in 10 ballots were cast by whites, with votes counted from 90 percent of Kentucky’s precincts, Clinton was gaining 65 percent of the vote to 30 percent for Obama.

Controversial debate again tonight with the Associated Students Inc.—sponsored Pro-Life v. Pro-Choice Debate as part of the “True Life Series” at 8 p.m. in Chumash Auditorium.

Nadia Strossen, current president of the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU), will face Scott Klusendorf, president of the Life Training Institute (LTI). The two representatives have only met once before in debate abortion.

“They made careers out of their beliefs; these are not celebrities touring around,” said Michelle Caruso, program coordinator for ASI. “Both are very prestigious in their area.”

Strossen is the first woman and the youngest person ever to head the ACLU. Since becoming ACLU president, Strossen has made more than 200 public presentations each year, including speeches on more than 500 campuses and in many foreign countries. She has also appeared on nearly every national news program for her opinions on legal issues, according to the ACLU Web site.

Besides leading the LTI, Klusendorf travels the country training pro-life advocates on how to persuasively defend their views in the marketplace of ideas. He has written three books and made countless TV and college appearances to argue pro-life. Klusendorf is currently enrolled in the master’s program in Christian apologetics at Biola University, where he is a guest lecturer in bioethics for the “Defending the Faith” lecture series, according to the LTI Web site.

But why more abortion talk after the controversial pro-life display on Dexter Lawn caused such a furore in March?

“This is absolutely, 100 percent based off student feedback,” Caruso said.

Unlike ASI events in the past, this is the first that was requested directly by Cal Poly students via an ASI survey on the popular social networking site Facebook. Students had the chance to choose between

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described liberals, moderates and conservatives.

Though Clinton has had a strong run through the late primaries, Obama has steadily
outpaced her where it counts, in the race for national convention delegates.

With her Kentucky victory, Clinton picked
up at least 28 delegates to at least eight
for Obama with an additional 15 yet to be
awarded.

Overall, Obama had 1,925 delegates, little
more than 100 shy of the 2,028 needed to be­
come the first black presidential nominee of a
major party. The former first lady had 1,750.

Regardless of the results of the night's two
primaries, Obama decided to mark a victory
of sorts. He arranged an evening appearance in
Iowa, site of his critical Jan. 3 caucus triumph
that launched him on his way through the pri­
maries that followed.

"The question then becomes how do we
complete the nomination process so that we
have the majority of the total number of dele­
gates, including superdelegates, to be able to

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topics that included gun control and peace in the Middle East as the subjects for future ASI
events.

The topic of pro-life versus pro-choice came
in first with 29 percent of respondents express­
ing interest in the topic; 51 percent were female
and the rest male.

The event will be moderated by ASI Presi­
dent Brendan Souza and will feature an hour­
long, unscreened question and answer period.

"It think it's a great thing to come to campus,"
China's post-quake challenge: 5 million homeless

Tini Tran
ASSOCIATED PRESS

China is grappling with the next massive task in the aftermath of its earthquake — how to shelter the 5 million people left homeless.

Many were living Tuesday in tent cities like one at the base of Qiong mountain in the disaster zone, offering some stability — along with food and medical care — to those whose lives have been upended.

"After the quake, we couldn't sleep for five days. We were really, really afraid," said Chen Ning, a weathered 52-year-old farmer who climbed for two days with his wife and injured father to reach the camp from their mountain village. "I felt relieved when we got here. It's much safer compared to my home."

But there's not enough room to go around.

The government issued an urgent appeal Tuesday for tents and brought in the first foreign teams of doctors and field hospitals, some of whom were swapping out with overseas search and rescue specialists.

The watch underscored a shift in the response to China's worst disaster in three decades from an emergency stage to one of recovery — and for many, enduring hardship.

On the second of a three-day national mourning period, the authoritarian government appeared to be moving to end the unusually free reporting it allowed in the disaster's first week. Most major newspapers carried near-identical photographs on their front pages of President Hu Jintao and other senior leaders with their heads bowed — a uniformity that is typical when state media censors direct coverage.

The May 12 earthquake's confirmed death toll rose to more than 40,000, with at least 10,000 more deaths expected, and officials said more than 32,000 people were missing. The State Council, China's Cabinet, said 80 percent of the bodies found in Sichuan province had only the clothes they were wearing.

Authorities have begun collecting DNA samples from bodies so their identities could be confirmed later.

Some 4,400 people are being housed here, 90 percent of them from the mountains around Chaping village, about 20 miles away, which remains cut off by road, said camp director Yang Jianxin.

"All these refugees have lost their homes — their clothes and possessions are buried," he said. "We are doing what we can to help them."

As he spoke, the ground rumbled with the latest of what he said were hundreds of aftershocks felt in the past week. Refugees nearby jumped, and some ran from their tents in confusion, before calm settled after the 10-second tremor.

The entire quake zone is jittery. The Sichuan Seismological Bureau, one day after triggering a panic in the provincial capital of Chengdu by issuing a public warning of major aftershocks, said in a statement Tuesday that the city was not a high risk area and was strong enough to withstand big tremors.

In the An Xian camp, more people are expected to show up in the next few days as more survivors make their way down from the mountains, Yang said. Some 300 people are either dead or missing from the Chaping area's main town, which still has about 1,800 survivors living in the mountains, he said.

Many of them, like Chen, made the 10-hour-plus hike down from the mountains with only the clothes they were wearing.

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Kennedy diagnosed with cancerous brain tumor

Glen Johnson
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Sen. Edward M. Kennedy was diagnosed with a cancerous brain tumor Tuesday in what could be the grim final chapter in a life marked by exhilarating triumph and shattering tragedy. Some experts gave the liberal Massachusetts Democrat more than three years — and perhaps far less. “As a general rule, at 76, without the ability to do a surgical resection, as kind of a ballpark figure you’re probably looking at a survival of less than a year,” said Dr. Keith Black, chairman of neurosurgery at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center in Los Angeles.

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“Sen. Kennedy and the Kennedy family have faced adversity more times in more instances with more grace and more determination and more courage and more determination and more grace than most families have ever had to,” said Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass. “Every one of us knows what a big heart this fellow has. He’s helped millions and millions of people — from the biggest of legislation on the floor to the most personal.”

Kerry added, “This guy is one unbelievable fighter.”

Kennedy’s doctors at Massachusetts General Hospital said he had a malignant glioma in the left parietal lobe, a region of the brain that helps govern sensation, movement and language.

Seizures can be caused by a wide variety of things, some of them relatively minor. The finding of a brain tumor — and specifically a glioma, an especially lethal type — was about the worst possible news.

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YANGON, Myanmar (AP) — The United Nations has received permission from Myanmar to use nine helicopters to ferry relief supplies to stranded cyclone victims, U.N. Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon said Tuesday as he warned that relief efforts are at a "critical moment."

"We have received government permission to operate nine WP (World Food Program) helicopters, which will allow us to reach areas that have so far been largely inaccessible," Ban told reporters in New York before departing on a trip to Myanmar.

His announcement was not immediately confirmed by officials of Myanmar's military government.

"I believe further similar moves will follow, including ex­pediting the visa process for workers seeking to enter the country," Ban said. "I'm confident that emergency relief efforts can be scaled up quickly."

The U.N. Undersecretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs John Holmes was in Myanmar to persuade the junta to let in more foreign aid. He told reporters in New York before departing on a trip to Myanmar that the U.N. wants to support aid efforts, "as we would do in any other country in any disaster of this scale, where clearly the size of the tragedy outweighs the capacity of any country to deal with it by itself."

The junta appears to be slowly relenting to foreign pressure. The official death toll stood at about 78,000, with 56,000 more people missing. Conditions in the low-lying Irrawaddy River delta remained precarious, with survivors facing disease, malnutrition and exposure to the elements.

"Speaking at a news conference a day after visiting the delta, Holmes said he had suggested the junta make "better use of in­ternational expertise and assets" and ensure "all possible routes in for aid are open, whether they be by land or sea or air."

The U.S. military has several helicopters on standby on a warship off the Myanmar coast and in neighboring Thailand. The U.S. is already flying supplies in from Thailand on C-130 cargo aircraft, at a rate of about five flights a day. But the planes go to Myanmar's biggest city, Yangon, from which it is a difficult journey to the Irrawaddy delta.

Ban is expected to visit areas devastated by Cyclone Nargis as well as talk with officials and aid workers. On Sunday, he is scheduled to attend a meeting of aid donors in Yangon. Myan­mar, one of the world's poorest nations, claims losses from the disaster exceeded $10 billion.

In a photo released by UNICEF, survivors of Cyclone Nargis wash with water from a pond created by heavy rains.

State Briefs

LONG BEACH (AP) — A man killed by a police officer last weekend had taken a baton away from another officer during a struggle and was armed with it before he was shot, a police of­ficial said Tuesday.

The account — the most detailed so far from the police — differs dramatically from the story told by witnesses and family members, who said an officer shot an unarmed Koketi Mosesue three to six times as he lay on his stomach on a sidewalk in a street where neighbors were holding a birthday party.

Deputy Chief William Blair told a press conference that Mo­sesue charged at officers arrived and they struggled with him on a sidewalk, using their batons. He said Mosesue grabbed onto one baton.

FRESNO (AP) — High winds are hampering fire crews' efforts to battle a 300-acre grass fire blazing in rural Fresno Coun­ty that is drawing near to more than a dozen homes.

Residents are being relocated to neighboring towns.

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A Montia woman whose newborn son was found dead in a trash bin near the University of Southern California pleaded no contest to child endangerment Tuesday after four attempts to charge her with murder were dismissed.

Holly Ashcraft, 23, entered the plea in Superior Court to the charge and a special allegation that the endangerment resulted in death.

Under a plea agreement, she will be sentenced June 27 to time served in a state prison, plus three to six years as he lay on his stomach on a street where neighbors were holding a birthday party.

Desiree Dancy was named vice president, diversity and inclusion for The New York Times Company in October 2006. In this position, Ms. Dancy is responsible for developing, recommending and leading the implementation of diversity and inclusion program initiatives. Before joining The Times Company, Ms. Dancy spent 12 years in corporate diversity with major investment banks in New York, including Credit Suisse and Goldman Sachs. Desiree is a member of the Executive Leadership Networking Group.
Cal Poly Presents Forum on Higher Education in the Arab World on May 22

Cal Poly's International Education and Programs is sponsoring a forum on Higher Education in the Arab World on Thursday, May 22 from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Keck Lab of the Advanced Technologies Laboratory (Bldg. 007).

A panel discussion about higher education in the Middle East and North Africa will address educational reform in the Arab World, American universities in the Arab World, joint partnerships between Arab universities and international institutions, Arab students studying abroad, and technology transfer projects.

Moderator and Journalism Professor John Soares will lead the discussion that includes panelists:
- Algerian Fullbright Visiting Professor Fouad Bougouetta
- College of Engineering Dean Mohammad Nevin
- Retired World Bank Representative David Frentwil
- International Education and Programs Director John Battenburg
- Food Science Professor Hany Khalil
- College of Engineering Student Lori Atwater

A question and answer session follows the panel discussion. For more information about the forum, contact John Battenburg at jbattenb@calpoly.edu or 756-2945.
Iraqi troops enter Shiite stronghold of Sadr City

An Iraqi military spokesman said Tuesday that Iraqi troops have moved into Baghdad's Shiite militia stronghold of Sadr City in an attempt to establish government control in the Shiite militia enclave for the first time since Saddam Hussein's ouster.

Iraqis soldiers stand guard in the Shiite enclave of Sadr City in Baghdad.

Iraqi soldiers fanned out in Baghdad's Sadr City on Tuesday, taking positions on main roads, rooftops and near hospitals in an attempt to establish government control in the Shiite militia enclave for the first time since Saddam Hussein's ouster.

Iraqi soldiers, police and militias drove into the sprawling district, where most residents have remained in their homes. There were few reports of violence.

Some Mahdi Army fighters passed al-Sadr's Mahdi Army militia as it milled into the sprawling district.

Success relies on whether the truce holds with fighters loyal to anti-U.S. Shiite cleric Moqtada al-Sadr.

The large force in tanks and Humvees and on foot met no resistance from al-Sadr's Mahdi army militia as it rolled into the sprawling district.

But their entry in such size has sparked fears that there could be violations of a truce, which was intended to establish security throughout the city after a separate truce was reached last week.

The move, code-named "Operation Baghdad," is the latest by Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki to impose government authority in areas controlled by armed groups. Besides the Basra offensive, an ongoing sweep launched a week ago in the northern city of Mosul aims to uproot al-Qaida in Iraq and other insurgents.

Under the truce, militiamen promise not to attack residential areas or the Green Zone, but they refuse to give up their light weapons. Iraqi forces promised to try to refrain from seeking American help to restore order. U.S. military officials said they would follow the Iraqis' lead, and no American forces were involved in Tuesday's deployment.

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But the fragile truce's survival could depend on how forcefully the troops try to reduce the Mahdi Army's long-unquestioned domination of Sadr City, home to 2 million Shiite Iraquiens.

Already, al-Sadr supporters were complaining of the heavy deployment.

"We were surprised by the size of the force," Sheik Salman al-Freiji, director of the Sadr Movement office in the district, told The Associated Press.

"Their entry in such size has sparked fears that there could be violations of the truce, which was intended to establish security throughout the city after a separate truce was reached last week."
The real dirt on farming films

Hayley Bramble
MUSTANG DAILY

Documentaries about farming are not typically at the top of most college students' must-see lists, but when you throw sustainability into the mix, some ears may perk up.

Cal Poly's Student Community Services (SCS) and HopeDance Films are hosting a two-part film series over the next two Wednesdays at 8 p.m. in the Sandwich Factory. The films tell two unique stories from America's heartland.

"We wanted to find a way to inform Cal Poly students about some of the issues going on with sustainability," said Tracy Owens, a communication studies sophomore and the film series coordinator for SCS. The film coordinator position is new to the organization this year. Owens will continue to plan film series next year during winter and spring quarters.

Owens said both films deal with issues of sustainability, particularly in agriculture, which applies to Cal Poly as an agriculture-based school.

The festival begins this Wednesday with "King Cairn," a documentary about two men who grow an acre of corn, the United States' most produced and highest-subsidized crop, in Iowa. The two friends then try to follow their crop through food processing to the dinner tables of America, but find some disheartening facts about turning and food in the U.S. along the way.

Bad Evans, a political science professor who teaches POLS 330, the world food systems class, will present the film and moderate a discussion after the screening.

The mini-series will continue on May 25 with "The Real Dirt on Farmer John," a documentary film about John Peterson, a Midwestern farmer who operates Angelic Organics. The Angelic Organics company supplies directly to — and only to — households. The practice is known as Community Supported Agriculture, or CSA. The film was written and narrated by Peterson himself.

"It's an epic journey of farming and what happened to it from the '50s to now," said Bob Banner, founder, publisher and director of HopeDance magazine, a local publication that ad-

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### A user-friendly guide to getting inked (Part 2 of 2)

Kory Harbeck

Last year, the Pew Research Center released a study labeling young Americans between the ages of 18 and 25 as Generation Next — a generation defined by their development alongside a technological evolution that witnessed the preponderance of personal computers, cell phones and the Internet.

The study explained the popularity of social networking sites such as Facebook and MySpace as a result of a “look at me” generation expressing itself. It is not surprising, then, that more young Americans today are turning themselves into canvases by getting more tattoos and piercings than in years past.

According to a 2006 study by the American Academy of Dermatology, more than one in three Americans between the ages of 18 and 29 have at least one tattoo, up from the national average of 15 percent.

Whether it is a sign of rebellion, a rite of passage or a bonding experience, college seems to be the perfect time to get inked. The study found that two-thirds of people who had tattoos got their first one before the age of 24.

Whatever the occasion, the Central Coast has a variety of venues for Cal Poly students who want to see their decision in stone — or skin, as the case may be — and scratch that inkling for a tattoo. Here’s a look at some pros and cons of the most popular spots:

#### Traditional Tattoo — San Luis Obispo (596 Foothill St. BC)

San Luis Obispo’s only tattoo parlor opened a second location three months ago on South Higuera Street, as ideal location for a tattoo parlor.

“The cool thing is we got to design the layout ourselves, so we had more say in what it looked like,” piercer Jeremiah Vasquez said.

The building has large glass windows that let in a lot of light, dispelling the usual grunge feel of a parlor. The couches are big and clean, making the waiting experience comfortable.

Sample artwork is available, but the gallery’s atmosphere is enhanced when combined with the stylistic decoration of the shop, making the waiting room an ode to pinup girls and mckabilly, with a touch of Asian culture to throw things for a loop. With a staff of five artists, each with separate booths, the experience feels very individualized.

For those unfamiliar, Cherry Blossom provides an invaluable tool: notebooks containing pictures of actual work done by each employee to help with the decision-making process.

Nestled into a strip mall on El Camino Real, the shop can be easily missed, but the building opens up quite nicely and does not feel cramped like some other places.

#### Manakin — Pismo Beach (161 Pomeroy Ave.)

Tucked around the corner from Main Street, Manakin boasts a friendly staff and, most interestingly, does post the same pre-made designs prevalent on the walls of nearly every other tattoo parlor in the area. An emphasis is placed on unique, one-of-a-kind designs that, when combined with the stylistic decoration of the shop, makes the atmosphere much more like an art studio than a tattoo parlor.

Mothership Tattoo and Piercing — Pismo Beach (751 Dillaire St.)

The first thing that stands out upon entering Mothership is the bright, psychedelic colors that radiate from every surface. “We like it to look like a circus on acid” cause that’s what appeals to people with tattoos,” artist Josh Salazar said.

Sandy floors give way to the store’s location less than a block away from the ocean, and Salazar said business picks up in the summer when everyone descends on the beach.

Mothership operates with a $70 minimum and specializes in custom tattoos and use of color.

#### Tiger Rose — Pismo Beach (590 Dillaire St.)

Though small, it is one of the most well-known tattoo parlors in the county. As one customer put it, “It's where the locals go.”

The artists are an experienced and close-knit group that keeps the environment light-hearted and relaxed. The store is open from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. daily through Thursday, and 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Friday and Saturday.

Cherry Blossom — Atascadero (8459 El Camino Real)

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Cherry Blossom — Atascadero (8459 El Camino Real)

The waiting room is an ode to pinup girls and mckabilly, with a touch of Asian culture to throw things for a loop. With a staff of five artists, each with separate booths, the experience feels very individualized.

For those unfamiliar, Cherry Blossom provides an invaluable tool: notebooks containing pictures of actual work done by each employee to help with the decision-making process.

Nestled into a strip mall on El Camino Real, the shop can be easily missed, but the building opens up quite nicely and does not feel cramped like some other places.

Manakin — Pismo Beach (161 Pomeroy Ave.)

Tucked around the corner from Main Street, Manakin boasts a friendly staff and, most interestingly, does post the same pre-made designs prevalent on the walls of nearly every other tattoo parlor in the area. An emphasis is placed on unique, one-of-a-kind designs that, when combined with the stylistic decoration of the shop, makes the atmosphere much more like an art studio than a tattoo parlor.

Mothership Tattoo and Piercing — Pismo Beach (751 Dillaire St.)

The first thing that stands out upon entering Mothership is the bright, psychedelic colors that radiate from every surface. “We like it to look like a circus on acid” cause that’s what appeals to people with tattoos,” artist Josh Salazar said.

Sandy floors give way to the store’s location less than a block away from the ocean, and Salazar said business picks up in the summer when everyone descends on the beach.

Mothership operates with a $70 minimum and specializes in custom tattoos and use of color.

### Tat Stats

Compiled by Hayley Armitage

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<th>Male: 33.3%</th>
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For those who answered “yes” to having a tattoo:

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Do you plan on getting another tattoo?

| Yes: 52.4% |
| No: 14.3% |
| Not sure: 33.3% |

If you got your tattoo done locally, where did you get it done?

| Traditional Tattoo: 35.3% |
| Mothership Tattoo and Piercing: 18.3% |
| Tiger Rose Tattoo: 17.6% |
| Tried and True Tattoo: 11.5% |
| Other: 29.4% |

For those who answered “no” to having a tattoo:

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Do you plan on getting a tattoo?

| Yes: 28.6% |
| No: 71.4% |
| Not sure: 40% |

For those who responded to the write-in question:

| A heart: 33.3% |
| "Heritage symbol": 11.1% |
| Celtic triquetra symbol turned into a hammer: 7.4% |
| A sweet little ladybug: 7.4% |
| Figure of Christ: 7.4% |
| Tribal Bold Head: 7.4% |
| Three waves: 7.4% |
| A tiger: 7.4% |
| Celtic Love knot: 7.4% |
| A Latin word: 7.4% |
| "Horns: 7.4% |
| Skulls, religious symbols, dice: 4.2% |
| "Ore is the symbol of my favorite band, the other is a word that means a lot to me": 7.4% |
| "A constellation of stars that I’ve liked since I was a child and each star represents a loved one that has passed away": 7.4% |
| "Marilyn, representing my organization": 7.4% |
Gospel Gossip proves brilliant and diverse

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The denial of same-sex marriage is unconstitutional

The American president knows he (or she) has a monumental duty to protect the country, but sometimes forgets about another responsibility: to protect the values of our Constitution.

As far as I’m concerned, Bill Clinton fell asleep at the wheel by allowing the passage of the Defense of Marriage Act (DOMA) and the Don’t Ask, Don’t Tell policy to effectively set the gay rights movement — a civil rights movement — back decades.

The main effect of DOMA is to ensure that no state is obligated to recognize a same-sex marriage, even if it may be recognized in another state. Given the controversial nature of this social debate, it may come off as a pragmatic compromise, but underneath it’s false veneer is an act that not only legitimizes unconstitutional behavior but also facilitates it.

The United States Constitution clearly states, “Full Faith and Credit shall be given in each State to public Acts, Records, and Judicial Proceedings of every other State.” This means that while states do not have to change their own policies to match another’s, they must recognize the merit of another state’s decision.

Therefore, if two people of the same sex fell in love and decided to get legally married in California, and then moved to a state that denied their legal status and thus denied them the benefits of being married (oppositional and survivor Social Security benefits, lower insurance rates, inheritance, etc.), they could rightfully sue the state for violating the Full Faith and Credit clause of the Constitution. This is why analogical striking-down of any sodomy laws in the United States, all we can do is place the nation’s Constitution above law.

The judicial branch of the United States is responsible for interpreting the Constitution and protecting the rights of all citizens. Hence, a lower court’s decision is subject to review by a higher court.

Therefore, if California allows gay marriage, then the United States Supreme Court has the authority to pass a law that supersedes part of the Constitution. “But Jake,” you might say, “don’t you need to pass a constitutional amendment before you alter the effect of one of its clauses?” Yeah, I thought so too... turns out the only way DOMA can be taken down is federally, through the Supreme Court. And to be honest, I don’t know if this Supreme Court (with the “best buddies” bloc of Thomas, Scalia, Roberts and Alito, and of which seven of nine justices were nominated by Republican presidents) would side with the Constitution or with conservatives.

The Don’t Ask, Don’t Tell policy is rife with different issues and concerns, but is still fundamentally un-American because it promotes offensive brand of inequality. First of all, I do not believe anyone in their right mind can legitimately question another’s love for their country simply because they have happened to be born gay. Bullets are blind, and so are the virtues of duty, honor and courage. They do not see straight or gay, they see commitment. So the question “Why shouldn’t gay U.S. citizens be able to serve in the U.S. military?” might be better framed, “Why shouldn’t U.S. citizens be able to serve in the U.S. military?” Perhaps the most relevant concern is whether allowing open gays in the military will threaten unit cohesion. For this issue, we can look to other places in the world that allow openly gay soldiers. In Britain, for example, openly gay Britons have been welcomed in the military since 2000, and since then, relatively none of the predicted discord, bullying or loss of effectiveness has occurred.

On a larger scale, the prospect of expand­ ing gay rights (allowing same-sex marriage and openly gay soldiers) is difficult for many Amer­ icans to swallow. The truth is there is no valid argument against gay marriage that is not simp­ ly a more socially acceptable form of bigotry or religious-based persecution, where in reality, not even everyone within a particular religion believes in the denial of governmental equality for same-sex partners.

Much like the president, it is the duty of this nation’s judiciary to protect the rights of law-abiding minorities (just like it did for black citizens), even if their lifestyle is unpopular to the majority. With a crucial victory in California, it’s important to not let up.

To any of my friends who happen to be gay, accept nothing less than equal rights. I know straight people have not always been the first allies in the fight for your equality, but as we learn about the injustice and unconstitutionality of the denial of your rights, more and more of us are willing to help... keep fighting. And we’ll have your back.

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NEWSTAFF

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A conservative first, Republican second

Yesterday, the Democratic Party continued its campaign with the proposed presidential nomination extending to the Kentucky and Oregon primaries. While I am happy to see the targeted destruction of the Democratic Party by Barack Obama and Hillary Rodham Clinton, something continues to tug at me about this election cycle.

Both democratic nominees contend they are the "stronger" candidate to defeat John McCain in November, and thus warrant your support. On the flip side, Republican urging support for McCain because he will faithfully prosecute the War on Terror, and won't destroy our country with massive social programs and tax increases — I believe a Democrat would. While the War on Terror is important; I cannot in good conscience urge support for McCain in November, and thus warrant in protest because they might think that, as Democrats, the "War on Terror" is not that leader.

Many people out there might throw a fit in protest because they might think that, as a conservative, I should support the Republican candidate. However, for all intents and purposes, I have been a conservative since conception, long before I was ever a Republican. After all, it was fortunate enough to arrive at this conception — I wasn't aborted.

I believe in limited government; low taxes, individual freedom; I stand for the sovereignty and security by securing our border; a hand-up, not a hand-out; the right to life; conservation and stewardship rather than environmental activism, free-market economies; and a strong national defense. Most importantly, I believe — as Reagan did — America is THE shining city upon a hill whose beacon light guides free-loving people everywhere.

Where did McCain go wrong? He has opposed the Bush tax cuts, terrorist interrogations, and an energy policy that would use our own oil resources. He also staunchly supported the unwinnable bill that generated tens of millions of newly legalized immigrants — immigrants who broke the rules to be here. He also co-authored the McCain-F假日od reform act, viewed by conservatives as an abridgement on our First Amendment Rights to free expression. Throughout the conservative spectrum, McCain is not our man. I am not the first to call attention to this. Several conservative commentators, such as Rush Limbaugh and Ann Coulter, have noted that when it comes to the general election campaign, McCain has as much work convincing Republicans to vote for him as he does with Democrats. Coulter has even gone as far as to openly support Clinton, a candidate whom she feels is more conservative than McCain.

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McCain and his fellow presidential candidates from the Senate are consensus builders — which is just fine if you are a senator, kindergarten teacher or marriage counselor. As president, however, you have to be the leader of the nation. You have to be able to not be liked. You have to be able to tell our enemies "no" ... Based on his record in the Senate, McCain is not that leader.

Ms. Beatie is exactly the man that I am. I will work out fine, but no one really knows for sure. As Beatie asserted to Oprah Winfrey last April, "I have a right to have a child." Sincerely, I have the right to overdose on heroine, but does that make it a healthy decision? Beatie is so self-absorbed with his own desires that he fails to see the moral implications that will have on others around him. How can anyone bring a child into this world under such bizarre circumstances is just plain sick. Why force a child to inherit what a man desperately needs to get through his pregnancy, since he is in denial over his circumstances is just plain sick.

"How does it feel to be a pregnant man? Incredible," wrote Beatie in his first-person article "Labor of Love." For the record, I truly sympathize with those newborns who are forced to life without a father who wants a child. Now, the biological advantages of being born to a transgender man and woman — the overwhelming burden of being born to a transgender man and woman — it's obvious to those newborns to inherit such a thing in their lives is just plain sick. Why hand down your identity crisis to your offspring, knowing it will subject them to such a high level of ridicule and prejudice? Like I said, life is already hard enough.

My utter disgust toward Beatie's decision wouldn't be so vehement if not for the fact that he could simply adopt. If Beatie feels he can provide such a nurturing environment in which to raise a child, why not give it to one of the millions of orphans who desperately need the environment provided by loving parents and a stable family.

Bear in mind that I am not criticizing Beatie from a religious perspective, but rather from a humanistic one.

Saidly, however, I think nothing will prevent Beatie from going through with his pregnancy, since he proudly maintains, "Our situation ultimately will ask everyone to embrace the grain of humanity and provide for those of ourselves that is normal."

Some possibilities aren't meant to be realized.

Meet Mr. Mom

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Bottom Line: there is no real substantial difference in the candidates as none of them are truly conservative. Many conservatives have been lost for some time as to what they should do when it comes time to vote in November. For me, this means I will not vote for president in this election. I take the privilege of voting quite seriously, and I cannot compromise my values just to vote for a candidate who pretends to be a conservative.

I regret to announce to the world that I am a conservative without a candidate and I am not represented by the party that was built upon conservative values. Until things change in the Republican party, I am a conservative in exile.

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5. Player with the most squares wins.

Girls & Sports
by Justin Borus and Andrew Feinstein

BILLSHANKS FROM THE NATURAL CHANNEL TAKES US INTO A NIGHT CLUB REARRANGEMENT ON THIS NIGHT, MALE HOMO SAPIENS APPEAR COMPLETELY DISINTERESTED IN WOOING FEMALES. IT'S AS IF WE'VE FOUND THE ONE THING THAT SETTERS MATES FROM AGGRESSIVELY PURSUING THEIR FEMALE COUNTERPARTS!

Last Ditch Effort
by John Kroes

Crossword
Edited by Will Shortz
No. 0409

Across
1 "The Divine Comedy" for one 28 "Was our water even made eye contact?" (complaint #1)
5 Elizabeth of "The Odd Couple" 33 ...Magnar
9 Housecat 34 Shell
14 It could be regulated 35 Sharphunting Annie
15 Mom of the Heat 36 Chart anew
16 High-end Honda 39 14-f
17 Windsor princess 41 Zig and zag
44 Au naturel 42 Money for money
46 Something Elizabeth II has? 46 Something (complaint #3)
47 "What are they growing the food?" (complaint #3)
50 I asked for tomato soup not gazpacho!" (complaint #1)
51 Seville 58 A little bit
52 Mornhandle 60 Making material
53 Actor Stephen 70 10 C-notes
54 Title of this puzzle

Down
1 Mild yellow cheese 41 No more
2 My Little (Help, help me)
3 Charge holders 42 Free local paper
4 Spicy cuisine 6 Prefix with sphere
5 Free local paper 7 Mantel pieces
6 Prefix with sphere 8 13th-century king of Denmark
7 Mantel pieces 9 Workshop fixture
8 13th-century king of Denmark 10 It had a homophone
9 Workshop fixture 11 Pal
10 It had a homophone 12 Pal
11 Pal 13 Pie hole
12 Pal 21 Motor City org.
13 Pie hole 22 Mishmash
21 Motor City org. 25 On fire
22 Mishmash 26 Ingenious
25 On fire 27 Excited, with "up"
26 Ingenious 28 Queen of Soul, familiarly
27 Excited, with "up" 29 German commander at the invasion of Normandy
28 Queen of Soul, familiarly 30 Marker
29 German commander at the invasion of Normandy 31 ... jacket
30 Marker 32 "South Park" boy
31 ... jacket 33 Stickering points
32 "South Park" boy 34 Adobe
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39 It has a homophone 41 Zig and zag
40 Apartment security feature 42 Money for money
41 Zig and zag 43 Morales of "La Bamba"
42 Money for money 44 Au naturel
43 Morales of "La Bamba" 45 Long past its prime
44 Au naturel 46 Something
45 Long past its prime 47 "What, are they growing the food?"
46 Something 48 Bloodshot
47 "What, are they growing the food?" 49 Brainwash
48 Bloodshot 50 Distant
49 Brainwash 51 Sevilla
50 Distant 52 W o n___
51 Sevilla 53 Sticking points?
52 W o n___ 54 Title of this puzzle
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Dale does not understand double entendre.
Athletes
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the top three among those to have
already achieved the "A" standard in or­der to compete in the 2008
Summer Games.
"I'm really excited," Day said.
"Having that Olympic standard
out of the way takes pressure off
now so I can just take it one meet
by meet, day by day.
Her legacy at Cal Poly won't
be confined to track, though.
After walking on to Cal Poly's
women's soccer team, Day earned
a permanent place by winning
the Big West Freshman of the
Year award in 2003.
But even Alex Crozier, the
Mustangs' soccer head
coach, said he's found himself
taken back by Day's more exclu­
sive talents.
Crozier told of once being
asked by his daughter to a Panda
Express whether Day could jump
over the building.
"I had to think about it," Croz­
er said. "Then I said, 'No, but
maybe some day.'
Cal Poly track and field direc­
tor Terry Crawford, who calls
Day a "coach's dream," joked she
told her star she "may want
to make placement," out of her
seven All-American certificates
— a total likely to soon become
eight.
"She's been a success story at
Cal Poly in every way imagina­ble," Crawford said. "Certainly,
we're going to see a lot more of
Sharon Day in years to come.

Rivalry
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communications Association's an­
nual convention, which attracted
about 20,000 people to New Or­leans, the Spurs were unable to find
hotel rooms in the city.
"We slept on the plane — as
much as you can sleep," team
spokesman Cliff Pachak said
Tuesday. "We tried to keep some
normal semblance of order."
Pachak said the team slept
on the plane with the mechanical
problems before boarding another
plane that was brought in from
Minneapolis.
The team finally took off after
6:30 a.m. Central time, Pachal­ski said, and landed in Los Angeles
about four hours later.
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Mendes, Day honored as Cal Poly Athletes of Year

Cal Poly wrestler Chad Mendes (above) and high jumper Sharon Day (right) were named Cal Poly's 2007-08 Athletes of the Year Tuesday night at Embassy Suites. Mendes was the top-ranked 141-pounder in the country for most of the season, while Day met the Olympic "A" standard in the women's high jump Saturday. BRYAN BERNER

Blalock, Wong to begin at national championships

Cal Poly women's tennis will experience a first Thursday when sophomores Brittany Blalock and Steffi Wong debut doubles competition at the NCAA Championships in Tuba, Okla. Blalock and Wong will take on Texas' Marjia Milic and Vanja Corovic, slotted No. 23 in the latest Intercollegiate Tennis Association rankings.

The Mustangs' 46th-ranked duo enters the championships confident, having already played many highly ranked teams during the regular season. They won two of five matches they've played against other duos selected for the championships, comprised of 32 tandems.

"You get a lot of experience playing those teams," Blalock said. "There's a bunch of different varieties, and I feel like that really prepaid us well going into this tournament." Blalock and Wong, who began the season in the top 25 (the top 60 qualified for the tournament), both seem to be approaching the field without many preconceptions.

"We did set a goal at the beginning of the year to make it to the NCAA's, and it was just such an added bonus when we found out," Blalock said. "We're going to look at it as an experience and go out there and compete our hardest."

Sharing such self-assuredness is Mustang head coach Hugh Bream, who said Blalock and Wong — named to the All-Big West Conference First Team following a 14-7 dual campaign — are "peaking at the right time."

He added Blalock's big serve and solid