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Robert E. Kennedy Library
Seven labs (both PC and Mac) for computers.

Librayment and lawn
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Business Lab, Building 3, third floor
Free computer classes and supplies for sale.

Dexter Lawn
Trees for shade in fresh air and plenty of sunshine.

Courtyard by Science Bldg
Some tables and chairs for fresh air and sunshine.

University Union
1,800 computer work stations.

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Robert E. Kennedy Library
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The Learning Commons has eight new glass-enclosed study rooms, each equipped with a 42-inch flat screen television that can be used for power point projects and other media work. Students can book their laptops up to display work on the screens.

Both PC and Mac labs are available on the second floor and feature up-to-date engineering and design programs.

The most popular computer lab is the PolyConnect Open Access Lab located on the first floor, but plan to arrive early if you want to use it, as it can get crowded.

"Around 12 to 3 it becomes busy" said Saud Alagarin, an aerospace engineering sophomore, who works at the lab desk. "There is about a four-tofive-minute wait most of the time."

The library has a total of about 300 student workstations and offers wireless internet on all five floors of the building.

Stocks surge higher; credit worries persist

Joe Bel Bruno and Tim Paradis

NEW YORK — Wall Street snapped back Tuesday after its biggest sell-off in years amid growing expectations that lawmakers will salvage a $700 billion rescue plan for the financial sector. But the set-up credit markets where businesses turn to raise money showed no sign of relief.

The recovery in stocks wasn't unexpected as carnage on Wall Street often attracts bargain hunters, though questions remain about how investors will proceed. Without a bailout plan in place to absorb sourcd mortgage debt and other bad loans from battered banks, investors are left wondering what might restore confidence in lending.

Major stock indexes were almost a side show during the sesion, with the credit markets as the main event. A key rate that banks charge to lend to one another shot higher, a tightening see Bailout, page 2

Hopes for Jewish sorority

Bridget Voltri

Rosh Hashanah began at sundown on Tuesday night, signaling the beginning of the Jewish New Year and possibly a new chapter for the women of Alpha Epilson.

The club and associate member of Panhellenic is hoping to become the first Jewish-interest sorority at Cal Poly.

Alpha Epilson formally started last December and currently has 19 active members. They presented during the first night of formal fall recruitment, but due to their associate member status, will hold their recruitment a week after the other sororities.

Interested women can check out the group starting on Thursday Oct. 2.

"We seemed to have a lot of interest from girls at the WOW block party and farmers market, so hopefully we will have a big rush this year," said biology senior Jessie Singer.

Though Alpha Epilson isn't a full member of Panhellenic, they participate in all campus Greek events, hold weekly meetings, and perform local charity work.

"We exist and are supported by Panhellenic," said civil engineering senior Jesse Sieger.

This may be their year. The Panhellenic board, which is comprised of women from all the different campus sororities, will help decide, said agriculture senior and Panhellenic president Katy Wiegand.
Wireless
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Julian A. McPhee University Union
Another major study finds the University Union features wire­
less internet throughout the entire
building including Sun Luis and Bishop's quiet study lounges.
The university union also pro­
vides 18 computer workstations for those without laptops.
Dexter sophomore Bridget
Lindens studies at the University Union for its convenient loca­
tion; “It’s a lot closer than the li­
brary, it gets really good wireless
connection for my computer and there is always room,” she
said.
Dexter Lawn
Dexter Lawn has long been a popular place to relax be­
tween classes by throwing fris­
bees or just chatting with friends, but the flat grass area is also an inviting place to study.
Lindens hangs out on the
lawn during her breaks. “It’s re­
ally big so even if there is a lot of
people you can still privately
study at home again.
Mustang Wireless- outside
I didn’t know we had wire­
less internet outside,” English
sophomore Carol Connell said.
Her refrain reflects a com­
mon misconception among Cal
Poly students.
Many students don’t realize that campus doesn’t just offer wireless internet in the majority of its buildings, it offers it outside too.
There are three other places to work online outside besides Dexter Lawn. Mustang Wireless is available by the Recreation Center pool, in the courtyard by the Science building, and in the patio and lawn of the library.
Department technology
The Ortega College of Busi­
nies has a lab of over 100 com­
puters open to all students. The lab is located on the third floor and offers free classes on multi­
media programs such as Power­Point.
The Graphic Arts building features the Design Reproduc­
tion Technology and Electronic Publishing Laboratories for graphic communication majors as well as Mac classrooms for journalism students.
The Collaborative Inte­
active Integrative Digital Design Studios, located in the architecture building, gives architecture stu­
dents a place to work with the latest design software for their projects.
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less locations visit http://wire­
less.calpoly.edu/coverage.html.
Sorority
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To become official, Alpha Epsi­
on will need to prove to the Panhellenic executive board that it is ready. Once accepted, Alpha Epsilon will attempt to get backing from a national Jewish-interest sorority.
Alpha Epsilon should be pre­
senting and applying in Decem­
ber or January,” Westgaard said. “Hopefully it will get accepted by a national chapter.”
Although the women of Alpha Epsilon came together through a religious commonality, you don’t
have to be a Jew to hang with this crew.
“We are a tight knit group who became friends through a com­
mon bond,” Barash said. “We just want girls who are excited and nice, girls that are willing to take the extra time to get the sorority
off the ground and get it started. We need girls that want to be­
come leaders.”
Hustons senior Andie Dekof­
sky’s involvement with Alpha Epsi­
on started long before she came to college. Her brother Cal Poly graduate Micah Dekofsky, was a founding father of Alpha Epsilon Pi, Cal Poly’s Jewish-interest fra­
taternity.
Members of Alpha Epsilon, the Jewish-interest group and associate
member of Panhellenic, hold meetings and participate in Greek events.
JOSHUA AYERS/MUSTANG DAILY
I saw the courage and brotherhood that was established through that organization,” Dekof­
sky said. “And I know that there was nothing like that for girls here.”
When Dekofsky came to Cal Poly she experienced what she referred to as “opposite culture shock,” because the Jewish com­
munity on campus is so small compared to her hometown. She decided to take matters into her own hands.
Dekofsky and a couple of friends formed an unof­
cial club which they dubbed “Nice Jewish Girls.”
Eventually the club evolved into Alpha Epi­
on.
If all goes well, per­
haps by next year Alpha Epsilon will have evolved again — this time into an
official sorority.
Bailout
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of the availability of credit that could cascade through the economy.
Traders on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange, still stunned from Monday’s 7.76 percent rout in the Dow Jones industrial average, feared that the government needs to approve a plan that will sweep away the fears that hobbled the credit markets.
While U.S. political leaders have vowed to revist the is­
 sue, the House isn’t slated to meet again until Thursday.
“If it doesn’t pass, then look out below,” said Jason Weisberg, an NYSE trader for Sec­
port Securities. “It could get ugly.”
Though the blue-chip index rose nearly 500 points by late afternoon, the main worry for traders is that a lack of a plan will make it nearly impossible for some companies to find basic operations like making payroll. Par­
ticipants in the credit market buy and sell debts that companies use to finance operations.
The benchmark London Interbank Offered Rate, or LIBOR, that banks charge to lend to one another, rose sharply Tues­
day, making it more expensive and difficult for consumers and businesses to borrow money. In addition, credit card debt and more than half of adjust­
able-rate mortgages are tied to LIBOR, so an increase isn’t welcome for many consumers.
LIBOR, for 3-month dollar loans rose to 4.05 percent from 3.88 percent on Monday; LIBOR for 3-month euro loans, meanwhile, rose to 3.27 percent, from 3.22 percent Mon­
day.
Critics of the bailout package believe that it was too costly and wouldn’t have done enough to jump-start lending. To maintain pres­
sure ahead of Thursday’s likely vote, Presi­
dent Bush and in a statement from the White
House early Tuesday that the damage to the economy will be “painful and lasting” unless Congress passes the bailout plan.
On Wall Street, traders likely will proceed cautiously while they gauge prospects for resurrecting the bailout effort, which was backed by leaders of both parties.
Traders also will likely focus on how the bloodbath will look on paper Tuesday marks the final session of the third quarter — and
what is typically the worst month for the stock market — so some portfolio managers might try to do what they can to dress up their per­
formance. Others might simply wish to dump holdings in an unpopular corners of the mar­
ket like the financial sector.
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WASHINGTON (AP) — A longtime friend of Sen. Ted Stevens has taken the stand as the star witness in the Alaska Republican's corruption trial.

Wealthy oil contractor Ihll Allen once was a trusted confidant of the senator. Now he's working with the Justice Department. The former friends barely looked at each other as Allen took the stand Tuesday in federal court in Washington.

Allen is expected to testify that his company, VECO Corp., performed more than $250,000 in free renovations on Stevens' home in Alaska. Stevens allegedly concealed that on Senate documents.

NEW YORK (AP) — Mayor Michael Bloomberg has decided to try to reverse the term-limits law he had long supported so he can seek a third term next year and help the city emerge from financial turmoil, a person close to the mayor who has been briefed on the matter told The Associated Press on Tuesday.

Bloomberg made the decision over the weekend and will announce it Thursday, according to the person who spoke on condition of anonymity because the announcement hasn't been made. The person said the mayor has been wrestling with the decision for the past couple of months.

International

JODHPUR, India (AP) — Thousands of pilgrims panicked by false rumors of a bomb stampeded at a Hindu temple in western India on Tuesday, killing at least 168 people in the crush to escape.

BAGHDAD (AP) — The number of Iraqi security forces killed in September rose by nearly a third to 159 compared with the same period last year, Associated Press figures showed Tuesday. U.S. troop deaths for the same period fell by nearly 40 percent to 25.

MOGADISHU, Somalia (AP) — Somali pirates said Tuesday they celebrated a Muslim holiday aboard a hijacked freighter and denied reports that three comrades were killed in a shootout on the vessel, which is being closely watched by a half-dozen U.S. warships.

The hijacking of the MV Faina — laden with 33 Soviet-made T-72 tanks, rifles and heavy weapons that U.S. defense officials have said included rocket launchers — was the highest-profile act of piracy in the waters this year. The U.S. Navy has said it wants to keep the arms out of the hands of militants linked to al-Qaeda in impoverished Somalia, a key battleground in the war on terrorism.

The pirates are demanding $20 million in ransom for the ship.

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WORD ON THE STREET

"Where do you usually take your laptop?"

"Dexter lawn or the Epicenter because it's always quiet and they have comfortable chairs."

-Justin Smith, electrical engineering sophomore

"(The) library because it's really nice and quiet, but you can't always get Internet there."

-Henry Augusta, computer engineering sophomore

"The couches in the library because I don't like sitting on chairs."

-Mari Palla, public policy graduate student

"I prefer the library... It's quiet and there's a power supply."

-Jong Park, electrical engineering sophomore

Compiled and photographed by Jennifer Titcomb
Voting for president begins in Ohio

Liz Sidoti

In the state that may again determine the presidency, voters started casting ballots Tuesday in a state critical to Barack Obama's hopes of winning the White House.

Both candidates voted early, while spending millions of dollars on television and radio ads, mailboxes with literature and even personal contact with voters. In addition, political parties warned that they would be very difficult to make up the disparity underscores the importance of Ohio.

In addition to early voting in the primary elections, Ohio is also critical to McCain's electoral strategy. Both parties are focusing resources on the state, and a loss for McCain here would be very difficult to make up with victories elsewhere given that he is losing the presidency itself.

Ohio is crucial to McCain's electoral strategy. Both narrowly won the state, and a loss for McCain here would be very difficult to make up with victories elsewhere given that the political landscape favors Democrats and several other key states are tilting toward Obama.
**sex column**

**If you can't stand the heat, don't play baseball**

Once upon a time there was a girl who spent the night at a boy’s house while she was visiting nearby. The next morning, her friend met her for breakfast, expecting to hear a nice, graphic tale of the escapades of the night before. Instead of the discussion she was expecting, however, she was met with a command: “Ask me if I had sex last night?”

Not one to be misled, her friend replied as innocently as friends do: “I assume that you did have sex last night, otherwise you wouldn’t be telling me to ask about it.” Instead of answering outright, the girl again made the strange request: “Ask me if I had sex last night.”

“Oh,” the friend replied. “Did you have sex last night?”

To this, the girl said, “HALF”.

Confused at first, she learned exactly what her friend meant by her unusual answer after she spilled a few more details while in the midst of the deed, the boy she was having sex with screamed, pulled out of her, and jumped off the bed. He apparently had pulled his hamstring and now had to explain to his coach why he was unable to play in the next afternoon’s baseball game.

The story teaches us that sex can be compared to baseball in a few ways:

In order to score you have to round the bases, a glove is an important accessory in order to play the game right. And, perhaps most importantly, that warming up is always a good idea. Without it, someone will end up with a pulled muscle.

For example, to stay in the world of baseball, the pre-game warm-up, is an integral part of any sexual experience in order to avoid injuries of any sort. According to a lecture in “Ludicrous Sexuality,” the excitement phase, or the stage synchronous with foreplay, is one of the longest of four phases of the human sexual response cycle.

Around occurs from both physical and visual stimulation, from activities such as touching, being touched, dry humping, oral sex, or even just an active imagination and good visual of your partner’s backside. With an adequate amount of warming up not only will your body actually heat up temperature-wise, but there will also be other physical responses. A woman’s vagina will start lubricating and become larger and more elastic, and a male will gain a full erection. Both sexes often have erect nipples, a faster heart rate, and quicker breathing during this stage.

Sex is the most likely next step, once both parties are ready. Either that, or an evening going back to the basics of that often-skip or overlooked pre-game could be in order.

So what’s the take home message? No matter who you choose to engage in sexual activities with, even if you are athletic or have amazing endurance, warming up to prepare your body for the sensations and consummation it could be put through during your treas is a good idea. Kudos to you if you’re naturally flexible, as it means less twisting and turning for your partner. But nonetheless, with great power comes great responsibility. And three strikes means you’re out.

Feel free to send Melissa Newman your own funny sex stories, comments, or questions to her column e-mail: CMNewman24@gmail.com. She’ll try to respond to them all whether it as an e-mail or for stories to share with your fellow Mustangs. Any responses in upcoming articles will be anonymou.

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**Fake news not as influential at informing voters**

Jenna McGuire

A new study suggests that entertainment news shows such as “The Daily Show” and “The Colbert Report” may not be as influential in teaching voters about political issues and candidates as previously thought.

Previous studies have reported up to 48 percent of all adults and 66 percent of young voters used fake news shows as sources of campaign news in the 2004 presidential election. But researchers from Ohio State University have found reasons to discount how effective these shows are at informing the general public.

The study found that people who watch fake news shows learn far less about political issues and candidates than people who watch television news.

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October: Latino Heritage Month

Jennifer Titcomb

October is Cal Poly’s celebration of Latino Heritage Month and an unprecedented amount of activities scheduled. The Multicultural Center started the planning process last spring with students doing most of the organizing. Students are encouraged to come to the events, because “it actually is good to see other world views and how other people live,” said psychology senior Antonio Ramirez. “I think it makes you humble and you learn to appreciate a lot and other people’s culture as well. You get to meet a lot of different people from other places.”

The following is a lineup of events for Latino Heritage Month:

**Cable**

- **Baton 4680**
- **Cairo SC**
- **Countdown to Final Crisis TP Vol. 3**
- **DC Universe Decisions #2 (Of 4)**
- **Green Arrow**
- **Black Canary Wedding Album HC**
- **Jonah Hex #36**
- **Justice League of America #26**
- **Nightwing #149**
- **Supergirl #34**
- **Superman the Third Kryptonian TP**

**Marvel:**

- **Cable #7**
- **Dark Tower Long Road Home HC**
- **Eternals #5**
- **New Exiles #12**
- **Sub-Mariner Depths #2**
- **Venom Dark Origin #3**

**Dark Horse:**

- **Gante TP Vol. 02**
- **Night of Your Life HC**
- **Savage Sword of Conan TP Vol. 04**

**Image:**

- **Four Eyes #1**
- **Invincible #63**
- **Witchblade #121**
- **Zero G #1**

**Spanish Cinema:**

- **Bikram Yoga**
  - It’s Hot
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**Mustang Daily Denim Sale**

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  - Straight Leg Flare

**Spanish Cinema Schedule:**

- **7:00, 9:15**
- **4:15, 6:45**
- **1:30, 3:00**
- **10:15, 11:45**

**Spanish Cinema Locations:**

- **Downtown SLO**
  - **Crazy JAYS 767 Higuera Street**
  - **Palm Theatre**
    - Located at 817 Palm St.
    - Downtown near the mission

**Spanish Cinema Prices:**

- **$10.00**
- **$7.50**
- **$5.00**
- **$2.50**

**Spanish Cinema Times:**

- **Weekdays:**
  - 1:30, 3:00, 4:15, 6:45
  - 9:30, 11:45, 1:30, 3:00

- **Saturday:**
  - 7:00, 9:15, 4:15, 6:45

**Spanish Cinema Attributes:**

- **21+**
- **Low Vision**
- **Wheelchair Accessible**
- **Closed Caption**
- **Concession Stand**
C’NN and NIK’. However, the study shows primarily taught viewers about procedures compared to those watching people who didn’t watch any political news shows on networks such as edge gain, but people who are ex-graduate student at C’SU.

“Both news and entertainment media seem to promote some knowl-edge gain, but people who are ex-posed to news gain more factual information and learn more about a wide range of important topics than those exposed to entertain-ment media,” said Young Mie Kim, co-author of the study and assistant professor of communication at OSU.

Kim conducted the study with John Vishak, who is a former graduate student at OSU.

The findings, which were published in the Journal of Communication, suggest that fake news shows are influential in forming impressions about a candidate based on their background, but are not as useful in learning about the issues and political proce-dures central to an election.

“The end result was people used fake news shows to update their impressions of the candidate immediately while news shows promoted learning about the candidate, issues, and procedures,” Kim said. “People who watched the news shows will presumably use the knowledge they gain over the long-term to develop their opin-ions about candidates and issues.”

Kim said these differences in knowledge gain may be due to how people are using fake news shows versus television news. Once people sit down to watch a show, they may have already decided how and if they will use the information presented in each segment.

“Entertainment shows may not be the best choice to learn about candidates or issues or political procedures because people use them to pass time or relax,” she said. “So they may not be paying attention to all the de-tails. On the other hand, news is meant to be for learning some-thing new, so people try to re-member more of the informa-tion shown.”

The study involved 85 peo-ple in a Midwestern city who were shown 20-minute video segments on the nomination of John Roberts for chief justice of the U.S. Supreme Court in 2005. Participants ranging from 18 to 64 years old viewed seg-men ts from either the NBC evening news and C’NN or “The Daily Show with Jon Stewart.” Both segments con-tained information about the nomination procedure, John Roberts’ personal background and issue positions, and reac-tions from Congress, political parties and issue advocacy groups.

A third group was shown a science documentary of equal length, to compare the effects of both news and entertainment shows to other forms of media without political content.

Before the study began, the participants in all three groups were similar in terms of their interest in politics and their viewer-ship patterns when watching news and the fake news programs.

Participants from the groups were then asked to write down, point-by-point, what they had learned in the videos. They then rated all the points as to whether they were positive or negative to the person or group mentioned.

The participants also took a 29-question test probing their knowledge of Roberts, the nomination procedure, the nominee’s issue positions and reactions to his views, and Roberts’ personal background.

Finally, they were asked to rate how much they liked John Roberts on a scale of 1 to 5.

The results showed that people who watched the NBC and C’NN news segment were able to recall more details about all Roberts than those who watched “The Daily Show” clip. They also averaged two more questions correct in the test. The real news clip led viewers to learn about who the nominee was and where he stood on important issues, while “The Daily Show” increased their under-standing of political policies and issues.

In contrast, people watching “The Daily Show” remembered more of Roberts’ personal background, which is important in forming impressions. More importantly, people who watch en-tertainment news learn more than people who don’t watch any political content.

“A lot of young voters and a lot of people in general watch these shows so we have a lot of entertainment media consumers. Entertainment media may not be ideal for learning about political issues and procedures, but it is still better than nothing,” she said.
Whose fault is it? Federal government more to blame than ‘greedy’ bankers

Recently, Wall Street's largest banks have been wallowing in or near the brink of bankruptcy.Assuredly, the ramifications of these collapses will bitterly affect average Americans. Last week witnessed bankers and their agent in Washington, Henry Paulson, request a staggering $700 billion from taxpayers.

Of course, we are advised that it is all for our own good as these banks are “too big to fail.” But when, I must ask, did America’s best interests marry those of its banks? Just imagine the stimulus that $700 billion might have on the economy were it spent elsewhere.

Let’s see how our two favorite presidential candidates are responding. Both Obama and McCain have outspokenly drawn the line between Wall Street’s woes and greed. McCain seems quite certain that we must do something about the other and Obama is even more inspiriting when he articulates that that something is regulation. Greed is the problem, so we must regulate and check greed to avoid future collapses.

The candidates’ perspective may be popular, but they are also naive. To hear the candidates talk you’d think they had uncovered a long concealed villain. But greed is hardly new or unnamed. Greed has been a part of the banking industry a long time and for just as long the banking industry has mollified this insidious aspect, usually successfully.

Yet, the candidates, the media, and the federal government all increasingly decry the bankers’ greed as though it is some foreign devil to be cast out. That they should seize such an absurd and practically useless explanatory variable at the outset is rather perplexing. It is even more unsettling to discover that the federal government — though it vehemently denies any foreknowledge of the present calamity — has been hopelessly entangled from the outset.

It is tempting to blame the bankers. It is the federal government more to blame for its policies and monetary manipulations, not only falsely laying the onus of these institutions deliberately influenced the financial market, printing fiat money and forcing lower interest rates upon lenders, is it any surprise that bankers were deluded into making malinvestments?

This is the chilling reality, yet it gets worse. The federal government, which bears the lion’s share of blame for its policies and monetary manipulations, not only falsely lays the onus of guilt upon the duped bankers, it also imposes the right to regulate.

"More regulation" is the rallying cry around which we are expected to rebuff and reinvigorate the eviscerated financial market. Few follies have a greater assurance of failure. Farmers have enjoyed better success inviting the fox to guard the henhouse.

The above is, at best, a cursory examination of a weighty and complex problem. But it requires us to serve our purposes: to restore and reinvigorate the eviscerated financial market. Few follies have a greater assurance of failure. Farmers have enjoyed better success inviting the fox to guard the henhouse. The above is, at best, a cursory examination of a weighty and complex problem. But it requires us to serve our purposes: to restore and reinvigorate the eviscerated financial market. Few follies have a greater assurance of failure. Farmers have enjoyed better success inviting the fox to guard the henhouse.

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Prop 8 protects marriage

In 2000, voters took to the polls and decided the fate of America for the next four years. By a very small margin, George W. Bush was elected president of the United States, but not after a whirlwind of argument, recounts and court decisions. Ever since, we have heard outrage over the alleged unconstitutionality of having the courts decide the election.

Now, in 2008, we face the same situation. Voters took to the polls and decided the fate of California in 2000. By a 61 percent majority, Californians decided to define marriage as being between a man and a woman. By no coincidence, states currently have legislation and/or constitutional amendments stating this.

Fast-forward eight years to June 17. Four judges decided to reverse the popular law. By court decision, 61 percent of Californians had their vote overturned. Has there been a proposition passed to legalize same-sex marriage? No. Has there been a legislative push to remove the law? No. Four judges decided so. The courts are designed to check and balance the legislative branch, not the people. For this reason, among so many others, I support Proposition 8 to insert the words "only marriage between a man and a woman is valid or recognized in California" into the state constitution.

California Law states that "registered domestic partners shall have the same rights, protections, and benefits, and shall be subject to the same responsibilities, obligations, and duties under law, whether they derive from statutes, administrative regulations, court rules, governance policies, common law, or any other provisions or sources of law, as are granted to and imposed upon spouses." (Family Code § 297.5).

A domestic partnership, if registered, has the same legal standing as a marriage. Proposition 8 protects marriage. It does not disrupt gay lifestyle. If Proposition 8 does not pass, there will be backlash to those who believe that marriage should be between a man and a woman, especially religions. In Canada, where same-sex marriage is legal, any minister who preaches that marriage should be between a man and a woman is likely to be sued for hate speech. Religious advisors who previously held the right to place children in homes with a mother and father could lose that directive. Charities of certain religions (Catholic, Catholic, etc.) may lose funding, forcing them to reduce operations or close, as seen in Massachusetts.

I believe that no one should be discriminated against if they are gay or lesbian; I support the California law in the previous quote. I also do not believe that I should be discriminated against because of my belief that marriage should be between a man and a woman.

William Stevenson is a statistics senior and a Mustang Daily guest columnist.

When I watch TV, all I see is the portrayal of the new American president as the potential savior of the American people. I’m pretty sure our new president is not going to be a one-man “cure all” for America’s problems. Well the first week of school is over and my college life is back to business as usual. I’m procrastinating as all my friends, binge drinking on the weekends, floating (unsusceptible) with girls and doing a good job at avoiding the exams around us of myself. But this year feels different to me. I am a fifth year now and I feel old. I know it’s not unusual for you to find myself thinking differently. Most of my thoughts now consist mostly of me gripping at something: I can’t get the classes I need even as a senior, I hate my landlord, my favorite football team is getting destroyed every week, the porn on my computer is driving me insane, the freshman year in the dorms is losing its luster.

I just look forward to each weekend with the prospects of liquid salvation. But the most serious gripe is that I have to get up and go to school; the classes may come and go as long as they are over, grab your ankles and enjoy the rest of the year.

Michael Macedo is a manufacturing engineering senior and Mustang Daily guest columnist.
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2. Each person takes a turn drawing one line connecting two dots. Only horizontal and vertical lines can be drawn.
3. The first person to close a square, wins that square. To keep track, place winners initials in the box.
4. Once one square is closed, that player gets to go again. They continue until no more squares can be closed.
5. Player with the most squares wins.

Girls & Sports by Justin Borus and Andrew Feinstein

My new girlfriend is nuts. She haunts me every two minutes.

Perhaps she likes hearing your voice.

You've got to dump this girl!!
to fire his coach at any time and it dragged out from there.

Kiffin did his best to deflect the controversy and never went to Da

vish to lobby for his job or a resolution. The team played much better the past three weeks, beating Kansas City and taking leads into the fourth quarter against Buffalo and San Die

go before losing.

"I know that we left this team a lot better than when we got here," Kiffin told RPIE. He is expected to have his own press conference on Wednesday.

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Bill Callahan, former Turner, Art Shell and Kiffin.

Oakland has lost at least 11 games for five straight seasons, tying the
dual Tampa Bay Buccaneers of the 1960s for the worst stretch in NFL
date. Since returning to Oakland in 1995, the Raiders have had just three

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Cal Poly also started 5-6 last year before dominating the Big West Conference and winning 18 of 19 in a regional-semifinals run.

Donovan Auld

"We were close," Auld said.

"I don’t think a few points changed the game," Auld added.

"We were able to capitalize on the mistakes they made," Auld said.

"It was a matter of consistency," Auld said.

"We were able to keep them guessing," Auld said.

"It was an important win for us," Auld said.

"We were able to get the job done," Auld said.

"We were able to control the tempo of the match," Auld said.

"We were able to apply pressure on them," Auld said.