**GIVING PEACE another chance**

Rachel Giffman

Cal Poly English professor Kevin Clark's first recollection of the peace symbol dates back to the days when he watched horrific, graphic scenes of the Vietnam War repeatedly headlining the evening news in the mid-1960s. Despite his conservative upbringing in the suburbs of New Jersey, the images deepened his already growing connection with the protesters who frequented the evening reports, holding the peace symbol to protest the war and promote a new social consciousness.

In 1968, Clark headed to the University of Florida just as protests were becoming a worldwide movement. By his sophomore year, like many youths of the era, he traded his crew cut for a mop top and instead of nodding his head in compliance, he gave the establishment the middle finger...along with the index.

"The peace sign became associated not simply with protesting the war but a kind of consciousness in which you favored tenderness, love, obviously peace and pacifism over aggressiveness, militarism or violence," Clark said. "It suggested it's good to work together rather than work alone...The peace sign was everywhere."

This year marks the 50th anniversary of the peace symbol, a logo as archetypal to protesters and proponents of peace as the cross is to Christians. Gerald Holtom designed the symbol in 1958 as the logo for the campaign for nuclear disarmament in Britain. In semaphore, a naval signal language that employs flags to represent letters, an "N" (nuclear) is two flags held out in an upside down "V" and a "D" (disarmament) is a flag held straight up in the air. The lines inside of the circle, which originally stood for "N" and "D" have, over time, become an international message of peace.

Later, an activist who said no to nukes in Britain brought the sign to the U.S. for use in the civil rights movement. It soon spread to anti-Vietnam War protests and then to many resistance movements throughout the world over the last five decades.

"The peace sign is a world symbol. It's not a U.S. symbol particularly," said Cal Poly modern U.S. history professor John Snetsinger. "I think it actually has always been a unifier of young people, worldwide, questioning governments and wars with the general protest of hoping for a new world."

The peace sign serves as a "historic link" between the political climates of the 1960s and today Snetsinger said, adding, "there are similarities between (the Iraq War) and the Vietnam War." He said both wars had infinite timelines and were never declared by Congress. Americans use the peace symbol today to suggest alternative thinking to the aggressive militarism of the current administration, Snetsinger proposed.

Although linked with the 1960s, the peace sign now encompasses a larger population than just activists. While Clark perceives the peace symbol of the past as a representation of community and counterculture, today, peace seems to have expanded its underground roots into the mainstream. Sororities, carpool groups and multiple boutiques in downtown San Luis Obispo sport the peace sign, a symbol Holtom purposely did not copyright.

Nationally, the symbol has become posh as well. Barney's New York Inc.'s fall theme is "Peace and Love; Have a Hippie Holiday." Along with gorgeously expensive peace symbol jewelry and clothing, famous designers will make dresses honoring the 50th anniversary of the symbol for the New York store. Tiffany and Co. offers peace sign pendants in the modest thousand-dollar range and Target has a more affordable price line.

Alpha Chi Omega president Stephanie Hamilton said her sorority's fall T-shirt, "Peace, Love, AXO," was something "cute and different on campus" with no intention of political undertones, Julie Grimes, manager of Charm Jewelry and Accessories in downtown San Luis Obispo, said she sells peace jewelry because the see Peace, page 2

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**Sorority members compete for charity**

Alex Kacik

Proceeds from the 2nd annual Greek Goddess philanthropy event will benefit two local sexual assault resource centers. It's sponsored by the fraternity Delta Sigma Phi.

"We think we are doing more than what is expected of us," said Joe Ciocinski, DSP's engineered leadership chair. "Sororities are often more interested in (sexual assault prevention). We want to show that we aren't just guys that are out there to party or have fun; we want to raise money and do more than what we are typically stereotyped as."

Six sororities will each select one member to compete in three events at 8 p.m. tonight in the Chumash Auditorium. Lindsey Beaucar, a business senior and last year's Greek Goddess winner, described the event as "definitely one of my favorite experiences in college."

"It was really positive for sorority relations and unity," she added. "In fact I was nervous that it may be caty or really competitive but I have good friends to this day from (the event)."

In the Fashion Scramble, DSP members will stand on stage wearing only bikinis as each woman selects outfits for them. Ciocinski said "The women will have one minute to dress their subject and the most creative outfit wins."

"Joe came out dressed in his boxers and I got to pick out a pile of really interesting clothes from Good Will, dress him up," Beaucar said.

The Sports Challenge tests the women's athletic ability. The first to shoot a basketball, kick a soccer ball, throw a football, flip a flip cup and sink a root beer pong cup wins, Ciocinski said.

The final event is the Talent Show, where each woman has five minutes to show her skills and may be accompanied by three housemates.

"It's probably the only philanthropy event that gives girls a see Sorority, page 2
Hundreds protest Prop 8 Saturday

Several hundred protestors gathered Saturday morning to protest the passage of Prop 8, the proposition banning same-sex marriage. Speakers included former San Luis Obispo City Council member Paul Brown and councilmember Christine Mulholland (pictured). After gathering, the protestors marched down Osos Street to Mitchell Park.

RACHEL GLAS MUSTANG DAILY

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chance to showcase some of their talents... It was just fun to see what the other houses brought out," Bespre said. "You had six other houses so you got a lot of variety ... people singing, dancing and doing skits." 

A panel of judges will score the event including Ultimate Fighting Championship fighter Chuck Liddell, Associate Student Inc. president Angela Kramer, the director of San Luis Obispo Sexual Assault and Recovery Prevention Center (SARP) and Sexual Assault Free Environment Resources Center (SAFER), and Channel 6 anchor and reporter Carmen Corral. Matt Gaines of MG Sports Supplements will MC the event, Ciesinski said.

When marketing the event last year, DSI* met some resistance when some sororities misinterpreted the event.

"Some houses weren't a fan of it because they felt it was putting them in the spotlight and putting girls out as a lot of people," Ciesinski said. "It's not that at all; it's a friendly competition to raise money for a good cause." 

So in the end, the Stones declare there is something happening here.

"Let's be honest about it; nobody really wants to get up in front of 800 people and do some crazy events," Ciesinski said. "It takes somebody special, outgoing and fun that wants to represent their house and have fun at the same time!"

He described last year's event as loud and crazy, an electric atmosphere. Ciesinski wants to duplicate that vibe by opening doors an hour before the competition begins so people can get excited, enjoy the disc jockey, drink some free Monster energy drinks and learn more about SARP and SAFER. There will be a raffle for Sigma Phi Epsilon member John Murphy, who is recovering from an accident this summer. DSI* will also raffle off a Nintendo Wii and an iPod Shuffle.

DSI* raised over $4,000 last year through ticket sales and donations. Ciesinski stressed that this year's fundraiser will benefit from the event.

"Both centers have been affected by the current economic status and we are going to do our best to raise as much money for them as we can,"他说. "We want people to know that there are resources out there that you can go to if you have been a victim of sexual assault. Tickets can be purchased at the door for $7.

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"Do you think Hillary Clinton should be named U.S. Secretary of State?"

"No, because she was in direct competition to Barack Obama."

Josh Angel, materials engineering junior

I think that there is a strong chance that it will work well for Obama. I'm not sure she is the right person, but that is my sense of it."

Joan Blau, communication studies professor

"I don't know; they seemed to clash a lot on foreign policy during the primaries."

Erin Wehner, liberal studies junior

"I don't really know a lot about it. I followed the Republican side of the election."

Robin Loefler, liberal studies junior

Even as winds calm, more Californians flee fires

Residents look on as a wind driven Santa Ana fire threatens homes, in Yorba Linda, Calif., Saturday. Southern Californians endured a third day of destruction Saturday as wind-blasted wildfires torched hundreds of mobile homes and mansions, forced tens of thousands of people to flee and shut down major freeways.

Justin Pritchard

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State

MALIBU, Calif. (AP) — Los Angeles County Sheriff's deputies have arrested a 39-year-old man suspected of starting a fire near Malibu Creek State Park.

Sheriff's deputy Byron Ward said Suren Sahakyan was taken into custody around 5 p.m. Satur­day by deputies responding to a call that someone had started a fire on the shoulder of a road. A wit­ness who reported seeing the inci­dent quickly put out the fire.

Ward said Sahakyan was ar­rested not far from where the fire was ignited. He was booked for investigation of arson and held on $75,000 bail.

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In the wake of the U.S. Secretary of State?

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A powerful earthquake struck waters off eastern Indonesia early Monday, briefly generating tsunami­like warnings for coastlines within 600 miles of the epicenter.

Residents in nearby coastal towns fled their homes in panic, but there were no immediate re­ports of damage or injuries.

The U.S. Geological Survey put the quake's preliminary magni­tude at 7.5 and said it struck 54 miles from Gorontalo, a coastal town on Sulawesi island. It was centered 13 miles beneath the ocean and was followed by a strong aftershock.

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prevent flames from advancing to hillside neighborhoods. Air tankers swooped low over suburbs, red fire retardant billowing from their bellies as they painted defensive lines between homes and highways. Big helicopters shuttled back and forth on water drops.

The most threatening blaze had scorched more than 16 square miles in Orange and Riverside counties after crept Saturday and spreading through subdivisions entwined with wilderness parks. By midday Sunday, multimillion-dollar homes were being threatened in Diamond Bar in Los Angeles County and the out-of-control fire pushed northward.

Fire officials on Sunday morning ordered 1,400 more residents to evacuate; in addition to 26,300 who had already been told to leave.

Retired aerospace engineer Joe Gomez, who has lived in his palm-tree-lined Diamond Bar neighborhood for 45 years, stayed put despite being under a mandatory evacuation.

"I'm trying to use some logic here," said Gomez, 72, trying to gauge the direction of the wind and flames, "I don't think it's going to come down this way.

Gomez packed a bag with important documents in case he decided to leave. His wife, a stroke victim, lives in a church and adjacent mobile home compounds burned.

"We're trying to put her in the kitchen," said Gomez. "I think she would be really great at being secretary of state.

"My daughters were really thinking I was nuts. They said, 'These are multimillion-dollar homes.' I think we would be well received around the world," said Sen. Jon Kyi, R-Ariz.

"So my initial reaction is it would be a very good selection.

Both Clinton, Obama's fiercest rival for the presidential nomination, and New Mexico Gov. Bill Richardson, who also ran for the White House this year, interviewed with Obama in Chicago last week for the post, according to Democratic officials.

In an interview aired Sunday on CBS' "60 Minutes," Obama acknowledged meeting with Clinton last week but refused to say whether she was being considered for a Cabinet position. He also said the Republican party will be represented in his Cabinet.

Sen. Byron Dorgan, D.N.D., said he did not think Clinton, if nominated, would have trouble winning confirmation in the Democratic-controlled Senate.

"She's worked across the aisle, has good bipartisan relationships," Dorgan said. "In the role of chief U.S. diplomat, Clinton "would have instant credibility around the world."

He said the U.S. has "a lot of relationships to reestablish a lot of work to do, so I think she'd be a fine choice."

At a symposium organized by the National Bank of Kuwait, former President Bill Clinton said, "If he decided to ask her to do it and they did it together, I think she would be really great at being secretary of state.

Richardson has extensive foreign policy experience. He was President Bill Clinton's ambassador to the United Nations and has conducted freelance diplomacy for the U.S. in Sudan, North Korea and elsewhere.

Richardson and Clinton are not the only candidates Obama has talked to about the job, Democrats said. Kyi and Dorgan appeared on "Fox News Sunday." "We're a dinosaur in a sense."

Frank of Massachusetts, chairman of the House Financial Services Committee, said the companies are seeking $25 billion from the financial industry bailout for emergency loans, through supporters of the aid for General Motors Corp, Ford Motor Co. and Chrysler LLC have offered to reduce the size of the rescue to win backing in Congress.

President-elect Barack Obama, left, and Sen. Hillary Clinton, D-N.Y. greet supporters at rally earlier this year.

Former President Bill Clinton's globe-trotting business deals and fundraising for his foundation sometimes provokes attacks abroad by and with Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton, and it could cause complications for her if President-elect Barack Obama considers her to be secretary of state.
Shuttle links with space station

Space shuttle Endeavour lifts off from pad 39A at the Kennedy Space Center, Friday, in Cape Canaveral, Fla. Space shuttle Endeavour is on a mission to the International Space Station, Friday, in Cape Canaveral, Fla. Space shuttle Endeavour lifts off from pad 39A at the Kennedy Space Center, Friday, in Cape Canaveral, Fla. Space shuttle Endeavour is on a mission to the International Space Station, Friday, in Cape Canaveral, Fla. Space shuttle Endeavour lifts off from pad 39A at the Kennedy Space Center, Friday, in Cape Canaveral, Fla. Space shuttle Endeavour is on a mission to the International Space Station, Friday, in Cape Canaveral, Fla.
Winfrey, Lowe commiserate as SoCal paradise burns

Lynn Elber

Montecito is home to the rich and famous, but it’s not flashy. It’s exclusive, but not haughty. It’s not flashy. Montecito is exclusive, but not haughty. It’s far enough from the sprawl of Los Angeles for comfort — while still close enough for convenience.

People who live in this enclave tucked between the Pacific Ocean and the mountains call it a paradise, one that has long drawn old money and, in recent years, flush celebrities.

Among them are Oprah Winfrey and Rob Lowe, Montecito neighbors who commiserated by phone Friday during the taping of “The Oprah Winfrey Show.” While the homes of each had apparently escaped damage as of Friday evening, they talked at length about their friends and neighbors who weren’t so lucky.

“ lique,” said. “My house is fine. ... and I believe both of my friends’ houses survived.”

Residents extolled Montecito’s charms Friday, even as the Santa Barbara County community surrendered a swath of its multimillion-dollar homes to a brutal wildfire.

“It’s very expensive, very dramatic. It’s like the coast of Montecillo,” with a perfect Mediterranean climate, said longtime real estate agent Bill Vaughan, who pegged the median value of homes — despite the ongoing slump in housing prices — at $2 million.

Lush stands of oak and eucalyptus trees give a wooded accent to Montecito, Vaughan noted, as well as increase the fire danger. About 10,000 people live in the community, he said.

Families from the East Coast with industrial fortunes long ago discovered the area’s allure, to be joined later by stars who found a pocket of luxury and seclusion not far from the Los Angeles-based entertainment industry. Jeff Bridges, Ellen DeGeneres, John Cleese and Michael Douglas are among those who live in the area or once owned homes there.

Heather Locklear was driving in the area in September when she was pulled over for driving erratically and arrested. And Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger and wife Maria Shriver have purchased a 25-acre tract for $4.7 million.

“If I were an autograph hound I’d have a nice thick book,” said Debbie Ossey, owner of Tom’s Montecito Coffee Shop. But when Lowe or comedian Jonathan Winters or other famous folk stop in, they can be sure they won’t be pestered by fans, she said.

Montecito also has a sense of camaraderie.
"Quantum of Solace" breaks from Bond predecessors

Kyle L. K. McAuley

"There is something horribly efficient about you," Camille (Olga Kurylenko) says to a certain British spy halfway through "Quantum of Solace," the lean new action flick masquerading as a James Bond movie. Lead writer Paul Haggis has continued to take a chaste to the 007 formula, and here, as in "Casino Royale," pitting away the franchise's unnecessary affectations — cars with rocket launchers, Moneypenny, martinis done a Ian's way and death of Vesper, his lover from "Casino Royale," but the pacing and variety have never been better. Neal, he passes now and then for admonishment from M (Judi Dench) and to commiserate with Camille — his partner in espionage but never in bed. She and M ask Bond what Vesper would think about his vendetta. "I don't think the dead care about vengeance," he says with false detachment. Vesper, though, would be jealous of Camille, a woman of unassuming complexity — one whose flaws and idiosyncrasies are taken for granted, not announced in a Buffy Freshman face-off like the one that introduces Vesper Camille too soon represses, and admits to Bond with very satisfaction that she dept with the film's villain, Dominic Greene (a wonderful Mathew Rhys), to get closer to the Bolivian general who killed her family.

Lest the two spies seem like a dour pair, Haggis and Forster let them off the leash every now and then. Director Marc Forster ("Monsters Ball," "Solace") isn't weighed down by politics or noirish certaint way — has paid off. he (K 7 formula, and he has in "Casino Royale," par trill to watch. Forster's trigger finger itches though the whole action sequences. There's nothing as cool as the park- ing through its 106-minute runtime (the shortest ever for a Bond film). "Quantum of Solace" isn't weighed down by politics or noirish certaint way — has paid off. he (K 7 formula, and he has in "Casino Royale," par trill to watch. Forster's trigger finger itches though the whole action sequences. There's nothing as cool as the park-

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and community spirit that becomes her wealth profile, she said. "It's really pretty special. It's not snobby, wealthy people." Oussey said, adding that the town includes longtime residents who don't have big bank accounts or lavish homes. "Everybody supports everybody." And that would seem to include the rich and famous. Lowe said among the evacuating neighbors he saw was filmmaker Ivan Reitman, director of "Stripes" and "Ghostbusters," and a neighbor with whom he and Winfrey are mutual friends. "The next door neighbor's house, they were trapped behind their gates and could not get out," Lowe said.

"The next door neighbors the Simmons? You mean the Simms?" Winfrey asked.

"The Simmons could not get out of their gate. Their daughter was lost on the property and so I had another gentleman and I fired the gates open. We tried to contact the Simmons, and embers were raining down. They were in our hair, they were in the suburbs. The wind was easily 70 miles an hour and it was absolutely Armaggeddon." Winfrey said had she been among the evacuating neighbors she would' ve been. "The next door neighbors the Simmons? You mean the Simms?" Winfrey asked.

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As I finished casting my vote this last election day in San Luis Obispo County, I was surprised to see a number of stray black marks on my ballot. Turns out, I made these marks. After carefully filling each desired bubble on my ballot, the ink from the felt-tip pens provided at my precinct actually went through to the other side of the ballot. The marks went through so well that all I had to do was put a finger inside a bubble. Given the importance of this particular election and the many devastation-laden problems experienced in past elections, I am sure such a problem could be happening again, albeit in a different way. Making matters worse, this problem, I am sure, was not noticed even outside the precinct where I voted, and outside the county where I reside. This problem had a quick fix: Replace all felt-tip pens with ball-point pens or their equivalent. I implored the election officials present to do so, but their protocol would not allow for immediate action.

I then called the County Clerk's Office in San Luis Obispo and after some relatively minimal effort, I was put in touch with the County Clerk herself. She informed me that she was aware of the problem, that her previous review indicated that the bubbles on one side did not align with the bubbles on the other thereby reducing the possibility of an erroneous count, and that all ballots with stray marks would be counted by hand to ensure accuracy. The County Clerk did not agree with my recommendation to remove the felt-tip pens, asserting that the problem would be addressed in the way described above. As for my particular ballot, the election officials spoiled my initial ballot, and I was permitted to use my regular pen to effectively cast a second ballot, which, of course, may matter.

Hindsight is 20-20, and hindsight is a very important factor in elections as the lessons learned in one election can be applied to those that follow. Let's look at what went right. A voter found a problem, the complaint was accepted and reported upward at the local level, the County Clerk's Office agreed to report the problem to the Clerk's Office, the Clerk responded to the voter within minutes, and most importantly, she was aware of the problem, had done a previous troubleshooting on its possible effect at the election, concluded no problem should occur, and implemented measures to ensure an accurate count at the end of the line. In short, our County Clerk owned the problem and was not above providing this information to the inquiring public.

As government responsiveness goes, this is one of the best examples I have seen. (Indeed, a simple visit to the SLO County Clerk's Office will reveal one of the most efficient, collegial and public-friendly offices you will ever see, public or private—a role model in my mind for all government to follow).

Yet, we could have done better here. How? By eliminating the problems in the first place. While providing a leaking boat with bigger buckets to dump out encroaching water may keep it afloat, wouldn't it be better to seal the leaks in the first place? In this election, using a different kind of pen may not have been so difficult. Not only would it have resulted in unblemished ballots, but it would also have saved time and money in reducing the need for hand counting of votes later.

Why were different pens not used? In addition to our County Clerk, we should also look to the California Secretary of State for an answer. And while we're asking about this, we should also ask why California utilizes different pens across county lines, with some counties opting for filling a bubble to vote while others require the connection of two arrows. Shouldn't these be standardized throughout California to avoid confusion? Of course Voting occurs on issues and districts that span multiple counties. Any survey expert can discuss the potential for abuses that may prevent more members of one county from doing something different to vote than members of another county.

Finally, we should also ask why the California Secretary of State allowed at least two counties (Santa Clara and Santa Cruz) to drop the write-in line and write-in designation for write-in candidates in the primary election ballots (I have heard her last question some months ago based on a previous concern, but have yet to receive a response). In the long and short of it, if our counties should have consistent, clear ballots that require voters to make only one type of mark to vote, with lines and designations provided where lines and designations are called for, and ballot procedures that avoid any possible unambiguous, stray marks be made on the ballot sheet whether or not the voter is accounted for later. Is that too much to ask?
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Cal Poly 30, Menlo 10; Cal Poly 26, SF State 13

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Cal Poly's Eric Maldonado (left) won twice Saturday at 149 pounds against Menlo and San Francisco State.

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line. Four plays later, the Mustangs capitalized on the turnover as Burden made his second touchdown catch of the game, a 2-yarder in the left corner of the end zone.

Cal Poly head coach Rich Ellerson said that the team's halftime speech centered more on mental adjustments than specific game planning.

"I thought the guys made a great emotional adjustment at halftime, as well as some real technical things that I thought really affected the second half," he said.

Junior safety David Fullerton agreed that with so much at stake, the Mustangs needed to make an emotional adjustment.

"We've got too much on the line — playing for a conference championship," Fullerton said.

"We came out (in the second half) and we were a totally different defense." The defense was aided by a rangy pass rush that recorded two sacks and multiple hurries in the second half.

"They did a lot better of getting pressure on the quarterback," Fullerton said. "(Denham) made some bad throws and that did a lot for us.

Cal Poly put the game out of reach midway through the third quarter as sophomore fullback Jordan Yocum ran straight up the middle for 43 yards. After a 29-yard field goal was taken off the board due to a UC Davis personal foul, Yocum finished the drive with a 6-yard touchdown run to give the Mustangs a commanding 41-21 lead.

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Mustangs senior forward Garrett Harris scored a team-high 24 points on 9-of-18 shooting as Cal Poly got its first win of the season on Sunday. Fellow senior forward Lisa McBride added 19 points in the win.

Cal Poly junior forward Becky Tratter also added double figures for the visiting Mustangs (1-1), with 13 points.

The Aggies tried to claw their way back into the game on a 29-yard touchdown pass to Rice, but they fell short of an 11-point victory.
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Atherstone, Waller, Houston win on Senior Night

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