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Guest lecturer presents 'Googleplex-ing' history

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The Christopher Cohan Performing Arts Center's main auditorium filled with students, faculty and community members on Feb. 24 for Google's Vice President of Product Management Marissa Mayer's presentation, "Innovation at the Googleplex."

At 11:10 a.m., true to Poly time, the lights in the auditorium dimmed but the room was still brightly lit by computer and iPod screens.

Computer science department chair Ignatios Vakalis took the stage to introduce Mayer and said he was very happy to see a diverse audience in attendance.

"It's amazing to see so many people from so many different majors out here for this presentation," he said.

Mayer took the stage and began with the beginnings of Google. She was the first woman hired by the company in 1999 when the company had only eight employees.

"My first job was to hang the sign outside our first office," she said. "My first big engineering fear."

Mayer's colorful PowerPoint presentation followed the life of Google and her role in its development.

"We started in a garage," she said. "And grew from there."

Mayer said she and founders Larry Page and Sergey Brin were faced with many questions in their startup stage. The most important question to them was, "Why does the world need another search engine?"

To that, Mayer said, "Well if you can do it better than anyone else, why not?"

Google has always been different from other search engines. The turn of the century was a time of flashy websites and flashy ads, and Google wasn't about any of that. The simple, white website Google is famous for was unbranded when it first launched.

Mayer described a study in which they had Stanford students pair up and search. Many students stopped and waited, staring at the computer screen.

"When I asked them what they were waiting for, they said 'I'm waiting for the rest of it,'" she said. "They were expecting one of those flashy 'punch the monkey' sites."

Money was a question, too. The site's revenue comes from sidebar ads, which earn them cents every time searchers click on them. Google has created a billion-dollar company by selling only on nickels and dimes.

Mayer said the ads on the page are designed to make searches easier.

"If you're searching for concert tickets, the ads that come up might be even more helpful than the search results," she said. "They've supposed to make your search experience better."

Mayer went on to explain the experience of being a Google employee. The eclectic office, filled with T-Rex statues and see Google, page 2

"Googleplex-ing" history
They shouldn't allow the fees to be implemented if we can't have access to the gym for essentially half a year.

— Vince Benvin
Biomedical engineering junior

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colorful outdoor patios, is a place where creative thinking is highly encouraged. While Google employees work hard, the company also gives them the space to work on projects they're passionate about.

"We call it '20 percent time,'" said Mayer. "That's when we don't pay for the Recreation Center to be built.

But not all students feel the same. Matty Moretus is an industrial engineering junior and said he focuses on the other facilities the fees still pay for on campus.

"This sport is what the Recreation Center incorporates a lot more than just the gym, like intramurals and the sports complex," he said.

Even so, Murphy said if Cal Poly is not willing to relocate fitness equipment, the university should find another alternative for students.

"Since the fees aren't being reduced, (Cal Poly) should provide us with off-campus gym memberships," Murphy said.

Even though students are still required to pay this fee, local gyms might see an increase in memberships from students willing to pay additional money for gym access.

Club 24 manager Sanaz Rahimi said although she was unaware of the surprise closure until the Mustang Daily's call, she wants students looking for other gym options to consider Club 24 because of its convenience (it is the closest gym to Cal Poly, located on Foothill Boulevard), among other reasons.

In the past Club 24 has waived the enrollment fee for Cal Poly students unable to access the Recreation Center. Rahimi said this is an option the gym will consider, especially after seeing students come to Cal Poly should relocate equipment for us to workout somewhere else on campus.

— Chris Murphy
Civil engineering junior

She’s kind of amazing. She’s the first woman to be hired at Google, and it just goes to show that gender stereotypes are changing.

— Bria Sullivan
Computer engineering freshman

Bria Sullivan said she felt inspired.

"She’s kind of amazing," she said. "She inspired people in a world that seems to think in a very linear manner.

"It’s really impressive to see that she set the standard," she said. "Now I see how, if you think far enough outside the box, you can change what the world expects.

"It says something when someone like Marissa Mayer takes time out of her schedule to come here," she said. "It says a lot that she came here, to Cal Poly."
Official government opposition forms in Libya, sparks protests across Middle East

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The Obama administration appeared Sunday to welcome the formation of a national opposition government in Libya, with Secretary of State Hillary Clinton saying "we've been reaching out" to forces trying to oust dictator Moammar Gadhafi and are prepared "to offer any kind of assistance that anyone wishes to have from the United States."

Clinton's comments came as former high-ranking Libyan aides to Gadhafi who resigned since the uprising and his bloody crackdown began 12 days ago met behind closed doors in rebel-held Benghazi in eastern Libya, the country's second-largest city, to create an alternative national government. Organizers said the government will include liberated cities and towns and emphasized it was temporary.

With an unconfirmed death toll estimated in the hundreds to the thousands, Gadhafi still held the capital of Tripoli Sunday. Residents of nearby Zawiya said Gadhafi's forces were circling the outskirts of their city after being run out days ago.

Two men told McClatchy in separate interviews by cell phone that Gadhafi forces were attacking on the edges of the city but had not re-entered the center, but that they feared that could happen at any time. The men spoke on condition of anonymity, fearing for their safety. One of the men also said there had been about two dozen kidnappings in the city since Friday.

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House Speaker

The potential for a 2011 shutdown drew comparisons to the budget duel between President Bill Clinton and House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., that resulted in the government shutting down twice in the fall and winter of 1995-96. The first closure, in November 1995, lasted six days and resulted in the furloughs of 800,000 federal workers.

The second shutdown lasted 21 days, from Dec. 16, 1995, to Jan. 6, 1996, and resulted in 284,000 federal furloughs while another 475,000 employees worked without pay. Gingrich and Republicans were widely blamed for those government shutdowns. Mindful of the political consequences of such a result, Republicans, Democrats and the White House said last week that they didn’t want the government to close.

Still, some bad blood and unfinished business continues. While leading the compromise measure, Boehner also blasted Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., for blocking a Senate vote on a House-approved spending package that would cut more than $60 billion over the next seven months. The measure would pare such programs as job training and employment grants, health centers, high-speed rail, diplomatic programs, the Corporation for Public Broadcasting and reduce funding for border security.

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Bracing for a fight, congressional Democratic leaders continued to walk at the size and scope of the cuts in the House bill. “Republicans must abandon the extreme and arbitrary cuts they called for in their spending bill that passed the House ... and more closer to Democrats’ position,” of cutting spending in a smart, targeted way,” House Minority Whip Steny Hoyer said Friday.

Even some Republicans expressed concerns about the long-term impact of the proposed spending cuts.

Arizona Republican Gov. Jan. Brewer, who is lashed by GOP leaders for pushing through Arizona’s controversial new immigration laws, acknowledged that one cut approved by House Republicans could lead to 685 Border Patrol agents being let go, which could be a problem for her state.

“I believe that we need as much resources that are necessary to get our borders secure,” Brewer said Sunday on ABC’s “This Week.” “The bottom line is, is that the budget has not been completed. I’m hopeful that it will be reinstated by the dollars. And I hope those dollars end up in Arizona, and in Texas and in California.”

In state after state, the battle lines so far have fallen largely along party lines. In Iowa, Jill Ellsworth, a 41-year-old massage therapist from Urbandale, supports the substantial cuts, even though her parents are farmers who receive federal subsidies.

“I question my dad on subsidies,” she said.

But Democratic state Sen. Gene Fraise recalled hearing groans during a town hall meeting that he held recently in what he thought was a largely Republican crowd in Keokuk.

“They started complaining,” Fraise said. “They didn’t want to take money away from education.”

Though the chances of a government shutdown appear slim this week, some lawmakers and budget analysts worry that Republicans and Democrats will be unable to reach a long-term compromise on spending cuts and that the government might begin to lurch along on two-week funding resolutions. That could put the issue of cutting spending on a collision course with another volatile issue on Capitol Hill: whether or not to raise the debt ceiling.

The federal government could run out of money by March 31, and Congress must decide whether to raise the $14.3 trillion ceiling on federal borrowing.

Many of the new tea party-backed freshmen Republicans in the House and Senate say they’re against raising the ceiling or would only agree to raise it if Congress and the White House agreed to implement significant cuts in federal spending.

The potential threat of government funding and debt ceiling deadlines might make the voting public immune to the potential gloom and doom that each issue brings, said Ross Baker, a political science professor at New Jersey’s Rutgers University.

“It’s kind of like the air raid drills we used to have,” Baker said. “After a while it becomes routine and the enormity of nuclear war fades.”

Or, Baker added, the dual threat could lead to more political games of chicken.

“There is a constituency, particularly among conservatives, for a shutdown,” he said. “And there are liberals on the president’s side who probably think this would be good for Democrats.”
Tea party holds conference to focus on political policy

Robin Abcarian

Two years ago, they got mad. They made homemade signs and attended rallies. They stirred grass-root groups. They voted in the midterm elections and helped deliver the House to a new Republican majority. Then, suddenly, for many in the "tea party" movement, the question was: Now what?

"Fiscal responsibility, constitutionally limited government and free markets," responded Mark Meckler, the Grass Valley, Calif., attorney who co-founded Tea Party Patriots, a coalition of 3,300 groups.

About 2,000 supporters gathered this weekend in Phoenix for what was billed as their first national policy conference. Having helped elect half of the 100 new members of Congress, tea party activists said they don't plan to sit back and take it easy.

Congress has heard from them on federal spending, the debt ceiling and what they say are federal intrusions on states' rights. Planning for the long term, they have settled on the deliberately grand idea of a 40-year plan. The focus will be on policy, not politicians. "��licians get in their way.

"��licians are a fungible commodity," Meckler said at the Phoenix Convention Center. "We are going to put, ready to listen.

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Another albatross has returned to its bird, believed to have been mostly in the North Pacific Ocean. It is the second transplanted albatross to return to the island, following the first one confirmed on Feb. 10, the authorities said.

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White Gowns exhibit inspires recycling and innovation

Melinda Forbes is an artist and a dressmaker, but above all, she is a self-proclaimed recycler and sustainability guru.

From her organic gardening classes to her recycled book art classes, Forbes' passion is brought to life in different ways. So, when a fellow artist suggested Forbes expand her small display of white dresses in Linnea's Café in San Luis Obispo, the idea for The White Gowns exhibit was born.

The show, which opens March 4 at the San Luis Obispo Museum of Art (SLOMA), will feature approximately 22 dresses created by Forbes and local artists Jennifer Blue, Peg Eckert and Nancy Martin. All of the gowns were made exclusively from reused and recycled materials.

Gold beading, lace trim and delicate white flowers constructed from used fabrics are just a few of the dainty details on the gowns, which conjure up images of princesses, fairy dust and fields of flowers perfect for frolicking in.

Forbes said the hope of the gowns in the exhibit would convey messages inspiring interest in recycling and innovation.

"There is a lot of precious stuff out there that has been cast off," Forbes said. "I want people to be inspired and say 'Wow, I can do that.'"

For example, someone else's old silk items became useful vintage silk that Forbes used for stitching her gowns, which was mostly done by hand.

"Creating beauty does not have to be going out and buying things to enrich our lives," Forbes said. "It can be achieved using what we already have."

And that is exactly what the artists have done. The recycled materials used range from thrift store clothing and old workwear to items like plastic and buttons. Anything goes in the realm of clothing reconstruction, but for this exhibit there was one rule: all white materials.

"Working with just white is not that normal for me, I love colors," Forbes said. "But white is so beautiful. You can layer it and the light shines through it."

Forbes said lighting will be important for illuminating the dresses, once they are on display. Some will be hung from the ceiling, while others will be worn by dress forms.

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The inclusion of the notebooks gives the exhibit an interesting and personal touch.

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The domino effect of revolution in the Middle East

Andrew Nemno is a wine and viticulture sophomore and Mustang Daily conservative columnist.

For the second time in a row, I went into this week’s column looking for a domestic issue to write about to get away from the Middle East. But the more I researched, the more I could not ignore what is going on halfway across the world.

There is no doubt in my mind that however the dominions fall in the Middle East, it will have a significant effect worldwide as these countries search for democracy. This is not meant to cause alarm but simply to prepare you for the worst. The reason I say that we must be prepared is because there are many serious theories on how this may unfold.

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16. Gut stage fright
17. Sports award
18. In the money
19. Grizzly or Newton
20. Brightest of the planets
21. "What we do it's what we do"
22. Saddle horse
23. Need
24. In a shell
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Men's basketball follows LBSU loss with win over Fullerton

Mustang Daily Staff Report

The Cal Poly men's basketball team clinched the number two seed in the Big West tournament after a 1-1 weekend in Southern California. After losing to Long Beach State, their 75-70 victory over Cal State Fullerton on Saturday helped the Mustangs move to 15-13 on the season and 10-5 in conference.

The Mustangs battled conference-leading Long Beach State on Thursday but fell 61-55, as the 49ers clinched the regular-season conference title.

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However, 49ers rallied in the final four minutes working their way to a six-point lead. Guard Chris O'Brien scored a career-high 16 points for the Mustangs while guard Malik Love put up 10 of his own.

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The Mustangs caught a spark and began to pull away after guard Ashlee Burns drilled her second 3-pointer of the game with 5:28 to go. The shot began a 12-2 Cal Poly run and sealed the game for the Mustangs.

"She's been doing it for us all year," Clancy said. "She's a real spark when she comes off the bench. She has the green light because she can shoot it from anywhere in the gym. It's always great when there's a tough possession, we're scrambling, the ball is chucked out to Burns and she knocks down a beautiful three." Burns ended the game with 13 points, while going 3-of-5 from 3-point range. Clancy led the Mustangs with 24 points, while Blocher racked up 16. One of the unsung leaders of the night was forward Kayla Griffin, who came down with 13 rebounds and eight assists. She was a player who Clancy said was a critical part of the Mustangs' success.

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Women's basketball clinches co-share of Big West title

Center Abby Bloetscher was the Mustangs' second-leading scorer against Long Beach State Saturday with 16 points.

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The Cal Poly women's basketball team embraced history Saturday night, but the Mustangs (16-10, 12-3 Big West) are not satisfied yet. They defeated Long Beach State (8-21, 6-9) 61-48 to clinch a share of the Big West regular season title — the first time in program history. However, with one game remaining against second place UC Santa Barbara, the Mustangs are not in the mood to share.

"We want to put the first banner in Mott Gym, and we don't want it to say 'Co,'" head coach Faith Mimnaugh said. "We're not interested in 'Co.' We're happy that we're at least in that position, but Santa Barbara has enough banners in their gym."

Guard Rachel Clancy guided the Mustangs through a tough stretch in the first half after the 49ers took a 7-2 lead out of the gates. Yet, once Cal Poly began to work its way around the full-court press, the Mustangs were off to the races. Clancy hit a 3-pointer with 13:50 to go in the first half to take an 8-7 lead, and the Mustangs would not trail again.

"I know that when everyone sits down after their dinner tonight, and really thinks about it, they'll realize we made history tonight for Cal Poly," Clancy said. "It's just been a phenomenal season and everyone in the locker room is really contributing, and I think that's what makes it special. It truly is a team championship this year."

Over a span of nine minutes in the first half, Cal Poly turned a 7-2 deficit into a 19-7 lead, on the back of seven points from Clancy and poor shooting by the 49ers. Over the same stretch Long Beach State was 0-11 from the field.

The 49ers worked their way back in the final nine minutes of the half, clawing within three points on the final possession. 49er forward Courtney Jacob drove the lane toward center Abby Bloetscher and put up a shot with three seconds remaining. It bounced off the backboard, but ricocheted back to Jacob, who turned and shot as the buzzer sounded.

"It sucked going into halftime with a one-point lead, but maybe on the other hand it was good for us because it fired us up," Bloetscher said. "It happened and I think we responded to it well and completely shut them down in the second half."

A complete shutdown is not a bad description for the Cal Poly defense in the final period. After watching their 12-point lead shrink to one before the break, the Mustangs went on an 8-0 run during the first 5:20 of the second half. Cal Poly was one run away from grabbing its first win of the season. The Mustangs (0-6) dropped an 8-7 decision to Oklahoma State Sunday afternoon, marking the third consecutive game the Mustangs dropped to the Cowboys this weekend. The close score in the final game of the three-game series masked what was a tough series for Cal Poly. The Mustangs fell to the Cowboys 8-2 and then dropped a 1-0 decision on Saturday. Sunday, after Cal Poly cut four runs into a five-run deficit in the ninth inning, freshman left fielder David Armandariz struck out with freshman Tim Wise on second base.

Baseball drops three games to Oklahoma State