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Capps tops Bordonaro

With 95 percent of precincts reporting, Capps leads by 8 percent

By Joe Nolan
Daily Staff Writer

With almost all the votes counted, Democrat Lois Capps stands on the brink of stepping into the 22nd District Congressional seat left empty by her husband Walter's October death.

As of 11 p.m. Tuesday, Capps had an 8.4-percent lead over Republican Tom Bordonaro in the

race for Congress, with 95 percent of precincts reporting.

Nearly all the absentee ballots had also been counted.

Capps won 57 percent of the votes in Santa Barbara county. Bordonaro had 40.6 percent and Libertarian candidate Robert Bakhaus had 1.8 percent.

In San Luis Obispo county, Bordonaro led Capps with 50 percent of the vote with 115 of 134 precincts reporting. Capps had 48

percent and Bakhaus had just over one percent.

Despite Bordonaro's support in San Luis Obispo, the Santa Barbara vote was enough to push Capps over the top.

In San Luis Obispo county, 65,150 votes had been counted by 11 p.m. while in Santa Barbara county 82,933 people voted.

Capps, 60, announced last

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THE VOTES ARE IN...



Lois Capps

Democrat
Lois Capps
78,952—53.3%

Republican
Tom Bordonaro
66,567—44.9%

Libertarian
Robert Bakhaus
2,564—1.8%



Tom Bordonaro

With 337 of 356 precincts reporting

Getting to know candidate Dan Geis

By Mark Hartz
Daily Staff Writer

Working 30 hours a week to pay for school; spending 30 hours a week in the ASI office as the Chief Financial Officer; double-majoring in political science and agriculture business, all the while trying to maintain a social life.

It's a tough schedule that keeps senior Dan Geis going. The ASI presidential candidate likes it that way.

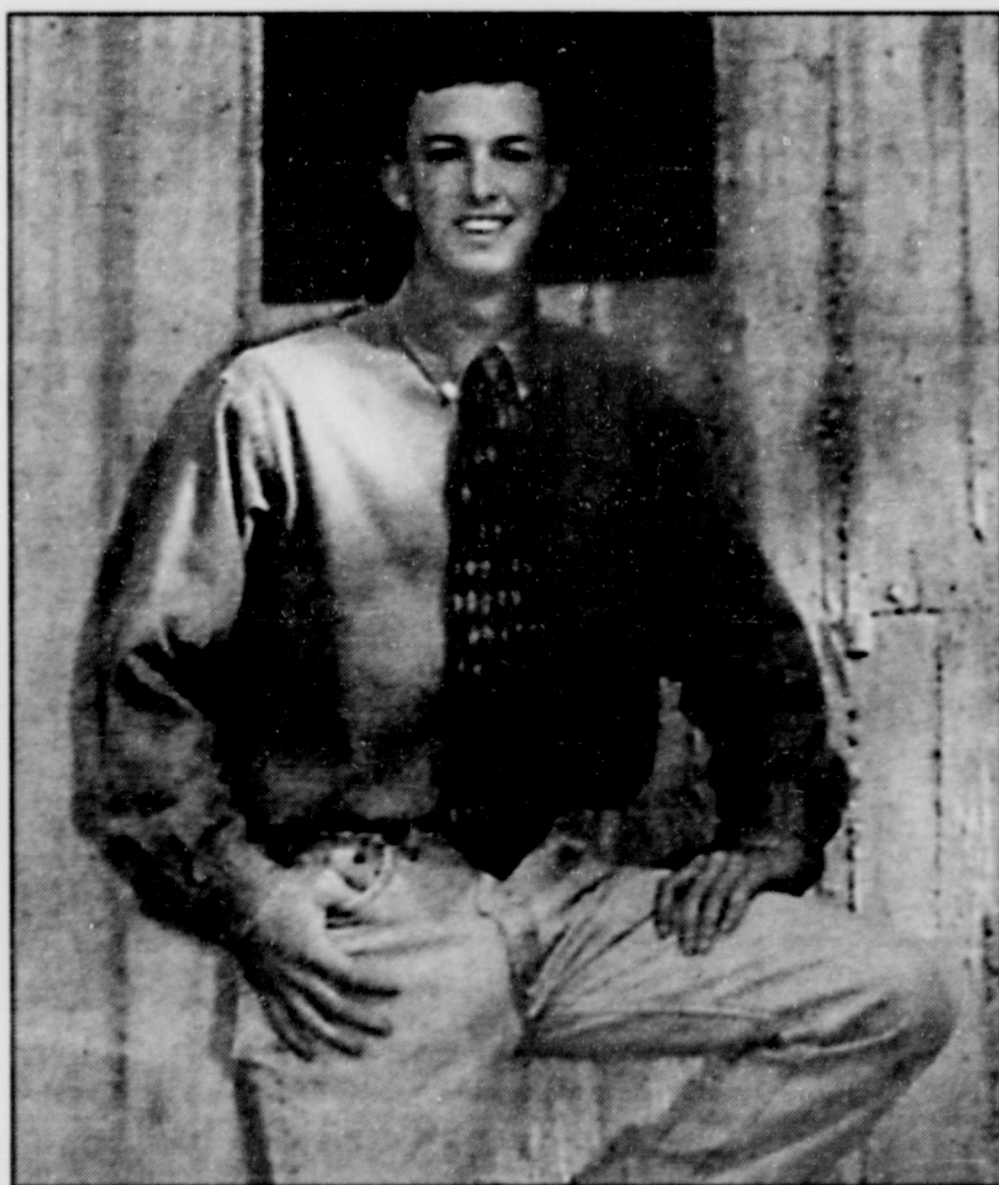
At first glance, he is the nice, quiet kid everyone has a class with. But with one conversation, the tall, skinny guy becomes the man who has everything under control—no matter how hectic things may get.

Geis said he wouldn't change his schedule. He learned time management working summers as a customer service representative at ESM, an agriculture business firm. He worked 80 to 90 hours a week traveling from Tulare to Chico, and said he learned how to deal with a variety of people.

He plans to quit his job as a cook at Old Country Deli next quarter to focus more time on ASI.

When he's not working or dealing with school activities, he's also the Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity and he said he likes to play golf, hang out downtown or strum a guitar.

"I never played a musical instrument before I picked up a guitar two years ago," he said. "I've never had that artistic outlet. I had zero artistic ability and now that I have something that can be construed as that, it's pretty neat. It's a different thinking process. You can do it alone and still be creative."



Daily photo by Steve Schueneman

ASI candidate Dan Geis wants to add the presidency to his packed schedule.

Geis' favorite ice cream is mint chocolate chip, and when he's not licking a cone from Julian's, he likes to play intramural basketball and golf with his friends.

"It's just a good time," he said. "You go out (to the course) with a couple buddies, get a six-pack of beer, smoke some cigars, and just play some golf."

Geis is the fourth of six children to attend Cal Poly. He said someone from his family has attended the school since 1988.

"We're very much a Cal Poly family," he said.

Geis said he feels Cal Poly

doesn't get the recognition it deserves. He said the quarter system gives graduates better skills when they graduate, and a wider base of knowledge.

"We're in the CSU system, and we're part of Humboldt State and Fresno State and Chico State when we're such a higher-caliber school," he said. "And they're good schools, but they're not Cal Poly schools. Studies have shown that we're compared, in terms of applicants, against private schools and the upper-level U.C.s.... We're so much better than just

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'Byzantium' winners revealed

Alicia Kagel
Daily Staff Writer

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Each year, the English department sponsors a creative writing contest. The winning entries get published in the literary magazine, "Byzantium," and the authors are awarded cash prizes. The contest is open to any student enrolled in the university, regardless of major or writing background.

The contest's panel of judges announced the top three winners in each of the poetry and short story/fiction categories Monday.

The magazine started six years ago as a senior project and has continued as a legacy in the university's literary world. In 1996, Byzantium received an honorable mention in a national competition of university literary magazines.

And the winners are:

Susannah Clay Jenkins took

first prize, for the third straight year in fiction, with a story titled "The Sound of Somebody Saying Your Name." Her story was about a woman in her 30s who wins the Publishers Clearing House Sweepstakes. This character takes care of her senile, older parents and spends her time waiting for the prize patrol. Jenkins, an English graduate student, was surprised she won first place again.

"I feel lucky, I've been surprised each year I won," she said.

Jenkins is the only person to win first place three years running in the contest's 28-year history.

Contest coordinator and English professor Al Landwehr said, "I've

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Willey goes before the grand jury in Clinton case

By Larry Margasak
Associated Press

WASHINGTON - Kathleen Willey, accompanied by an FBI agent assigned to the office of Whitewater prosecutor Kenneth Starr, appeared Tuesday before a federal grand jury that wants to know more about an encounter she had with President Clinton.

Starr's office has indicated a special interest in Mrs. Willey, according to news reports, to determine whether she was asked by someone with ties to the administration to alter her account of the November 1993 meeting with the president.

A former White House volunteer, Mrs. Willey was likely to be questioned about whether she was urged to deny that Clinton made an unsolicited sexual

advance during their meeting. She was seeking a paid job at the time because her family had desperate financial problems. Her husband had committed suicide the day she met with Clinton, although Mrs. Willey did not know about his death at the time.

Mrs. Willey was one of the few witnesses in the seven-week grand jury investigation to show up at the federal courthouse here in the company of Starr's investigators rather than private attorneys.

Her attorney, Dan Gecker, did not return repeated phone calls to his office in Richmond, Va.

Mrs. Willey declined to speak with reporters as she was spirited into a car to be driven away

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NEWS *briefs*

Wilson appoints Poly professor to state position

Gov. Pete Wilson named Cal Poly Associate Dean Richard Zweifel to the Landscape Architect Committee of the California Board of Architectural Examiners.

The committee regulates licensing and practice of architecture and landscape architecture in California.

Zweifel has taught landscape architecture here since 1973, and has served as the College of Architecture's associate dean since 1984.

Zweifel also privately practices in Wisconsin and California.

San Luis Obispo County demographics released

The numbers are in and counted. The population of San Luis Obispo County has declined within the last year. The number of Hispanics in the county and city has grown slightly.

The figures were recently updated by the Chamber of Commerce in the Data-Pac report. These demographics have been a useful tool for businesses and marketing strategies. It includes comparisons of the city of San Luis Obispo to other areas of the county, the county as a whole, California and the country. Figures include statistics on population, household and family income, ethnicity, occupations and education.

The Hispanic profile is new to this year's report. Hispanics make up 13.1 percent of the city's total population and 16.9 percent of the county's total population. The majority are of Mexican descent.

The city of San Luis Obispo has relatively expensive housing, but the average income is below national levels. Countywide, the average income is above the national average and an above average share of the labor force is employed by the state government.

The report is available to the public for \$25 for members of the Chamber and \$35 for non-members.

Lloyd Bridges, craggy-faces hero of 'Sea Hunt,' dies at 85

By Oscar Musibay
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES - Lloyd Bridges, whose half-century in acting ranged from the drama of "High Noon" to the daft "Airplane!" to the adventure of TV's "Sea Hunt," has died, his agent said Tuesday. He was 85.

Lee Stollman, a spokesman for the William Morris Talent Agency, said Bridges died in Los Angeles, but had no other information. Bridges had been hospitalized in mid-January with a mild concussion after a fall in his home.

The tall, craggy-faced, blond actor enjoyed amazing resiliency throughout his career, even surviving the film industry's political blacklist. He also fathered a new generation of actors. Sons Beau and Jeff, who started acting as youngsters on "Sea Hunt," became stars in their own right.

Bridges trained as a classical actor, but he soon learned to be more versatile. He played every kind of role in 25 B movies, starred on Broadway, worked in seven television series, even appeared in musical comedy. In his late years he was rediscovered as a farceur, often spoofing his own stalwart image.

Although he was featured regularly on the live television dramas of the so-called golden age of the 1950s, he didn't become a household name until he took on the role

of an underwater investigator on the syndicated series "Sea Hunt," which ran for four years starting in 1958.

He then went on to star in four network series: "The Lloyd Bridges Show," "The Loner," "San Francisco International Airport," and "Joe Forrester." In his last television role he played the editor in chief of a Washington, D.C., newspaper in the short-lived ABC series "Capital News."

Lloyd Vernet Bridges Jr. was born Jan. 15, 1913, in San Leandro, near San Francisco. His father was a businessman whose enterprises included a movie theater. The boy became a movie addict and watched screenings of the same film over and over, observing technique. He applied what he learned in drama classes at Petaluma High School.

Lloyd also was a star athlete, playing baseball, basketball and football at the University of California, Los Angeles.

"My dad wanted me to be a lawyer," he recalled in a 1968 interview. "I majored in political science, but all I wanted to do was act."

After graduation, Bridges was cast in a minor role in a modern-dress "Taming of the Shrew" that played the West Coast and went to New York. Bridges stayed on in New York and in 1937 made his Broadway debut with a small role in "Othello," starring Walter

Huston.

"I went to New York to do classical drama, but nobody else was doing Shakespeare," he said in 1978. "I had to unlearn what I had been taught and muddy up my diction to get work."

He joined with others in forming the Playroom Club, which performed contemporary dramas off-Broadway. During slack periods he appeared in stock and taught drama at a private school. Unable to make a dent on Broadway, he returned to California to pursue a movie career.

Bridges was placed under contract at Columbia and made his debut in the 1941 "The Lone Wolf Takes a Chance." A string of pot-boilers followed, and he even appeared in a Three Stooges short, "They Stooze to Conga." His only major films were the fantasy "Here Comes Mr. Jordan" and "Sahara," starring Humphrey Bogart.

His career improved after he left Columbia. He appeared in "A Walk in the Sun," "Abilene Town" and "Ramrod." His big break came with the controversial "Home of the Brave," which attacked racial prejudice in the military. Bridge's performance as a sympathetic member of a platoon torn by racial strife won critical acclaim.

Bridges played Gary Cooper's vengeful deputy in "High Noon" and other important roles followed until he was caught in Hollywood's Red purge.

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Top U.N. diplomat heads for Baghdad Microsoft boosts push to adapt Java programming

By Louis Meixler
Associated Press

MANAMA, Bahrain - An American-led team of U.N. weapons inspectors ended its latest mission to Iraq on Tuesday after searching eight sensitive sites—areas that Iraqi sources said included the Defense Ministry and barracks of the elite Republican Guards.

The six-day mission by American Scott Ritter and his 50-member team had been considered a first test of Iraq's compliance with a Feb. 23 accord on the U.N. searches for banned weapons.

Janet Ann Sullivan, a spokeswoman in Baghdad for the U.N. inspectors, declined to identify the sites visited by Ritter's squads but

said: "All sites were inspected to the satisfaction of the inspection team."

The pro-government Al-Iraq newspaper said in a front-page editorial that Ritter "will not get more than what the other inspection teams have gotten—nothing."

Also Tuesday, a U.N. envoy arrived in Bahrain to form a diplomatic group to accompany arms inspectors on the true test of Iraqi compliance: searches of Saddam Hussein's palace compounds.

Iraq once vowed it would never open the palaces to arms inspectors. But under threat of a U.S.-led attack, it backed down as part of last month's accord with U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan. The accord brokered a compromise by which the palace inspections

would go through, but only with an escort of U.N. diplomats.

The first inspections of palaces are expected later this month.

The U.N. envoy, Jayantha Dhanapala, was expected to leave for Iraq from Bahrain early Wednesday. He is to present his plans for forming the team of diplomatic escorts in meetings with Iraqi officials this week.

Dhanapala says he would prefer diplomats based in Baghdad—which would rule out American or British diplomats—but has not put restrictions on the members.

Iraq insists it has fully cooperated with the inspectors and destroyed all of its chemical and biological weapons and long-range missiles.

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after a full day of testimony.

ABC News and Newsweek have reported that Nathan Landow, a Democratic fund raiser from Maryland, urged Mrs. Willey to deny that Clinton made a sexual advance.

Landow has denied he did so, contending that he knew Mrs. Willey through his daughter, a White House volunteer, and his son-in-law, Michael Cardozo—a trustee of the president's first legal defense fund.

Lawyers for Paula Jones, who has filed a sexual harassment civil suit against Clinton, also have been interested in Mrs. Willey's story. They're trying to

show a pattern of employment favors or harm, depending on the response of women to Clinton's alleged sexual advances.

Mrs. Willey did get a paid job in the White House counsel's office, which lasted about 10 months and later got a nonpaying position as a U.S. delegate to an international summit in Denmark.

Just what occurred around the Oval Office is not clear. Linda Tripp, a former White House staffer, has told Newsweek she encountered Mrs. Willey outside the Oval Office—with her make-up smeared and clothing disheveled, but appearing happy.

Clinton's lawyer in the Jones case, Robert S. Bennett, later

questioned Tripp's truthfulness.

According to the Washington Post, which has reported extensively on Clinton's deposition in the Jones case, the president said he recalled the meeting with Mrs. Willey because she was so upset about her financial situation.

Clinton denied that he groped Mrs. Willey, but said he embraced her and may have kissed her on the forehead, the Post reported.

Meanwhile, Clinton has accepted an apology from the journalist who wrote the article that sparked Paula Jones' sexual harassment suit against the president and sowed the seeds for the current White House sex scandal.

By David E. Kalish
Associated Press

NEW YORK - Microsoft Corp. is stepping up its drive to encourage software designers to use its own version of the Java programming language, in what some see as a possible blow to efforts to establish an alternative to the Windows operating system.

Microsoft plans to unveil new tools on Thursday that make it easier for software developers to write Windows applications in Microsoft's version of the Java language.

The announcement was expected to be endorsed by Apple Computer Inc., expanding a relationship started last summer when Microsoft took a \$150 million stake in its one-time rival.

Sources close to the plans, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said the announcement would be made at the Internet World trade show in Los Angeles.

Microsoft's latest steps widen the industry rift over a software language that was intended to enable developers to write software that runs on all computers, from PCs to workstations, freeing people from excessive reliance on any one type of operating system, such as Windows.

Sun Microsystems Inc., which developed the Java lan-

guage, has sued Microsoft, alleging Microsoft hijacked the language to create a version that works only on Windows computers and not rivals' products.

Sun maintains Microsoft, in its zeal to protect its business, is abusing its dominance of operating system software for personal computers to fracture the drive to create a universal software language.

Microsoft, of Redmond, Wash., is one of more than 100 software companies licensing the Java language from Sun. It plans to offer its developers updated technology for using the Java language, strengthening an ongoing effort to encourage them to write Windows applications in Java.

"To the extent (Microsoft encourages) people to start using Java for Windows, it dilutes the cross-platform message," said David Smith, an industry analyst with the Gartner Group research and consulting firm, based in Stamford, Conn.

Details of Apple's role weren't disclosed. But some industry analysts expected the companies to unveil plans for the Java software written by Windows developers to also run on Apple's Macintosh computers. An Apple spokeswoman did not return a phone call seeking comment.

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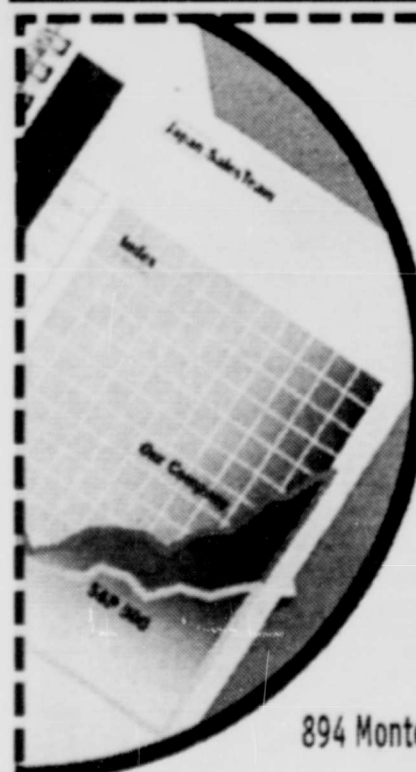
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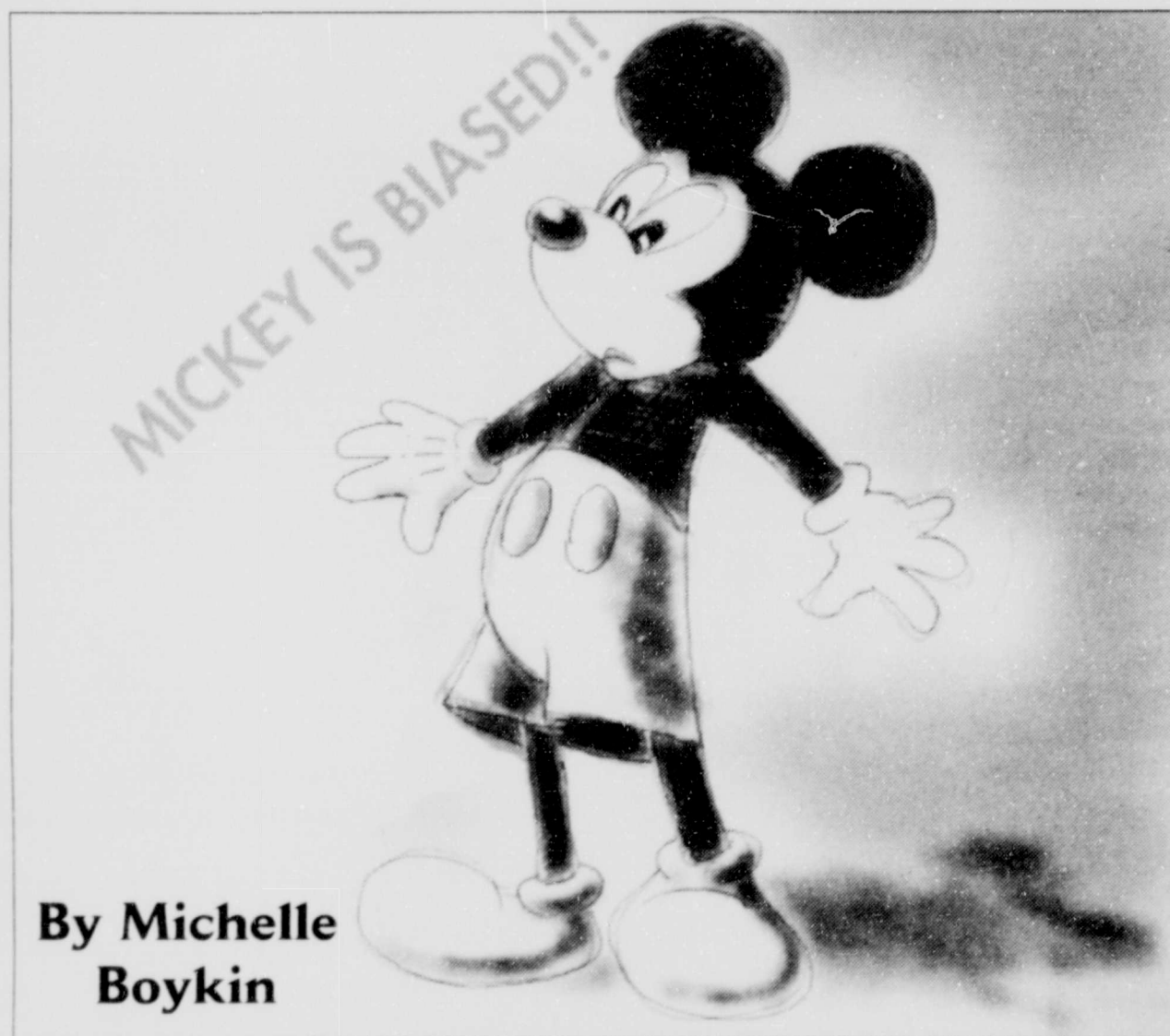
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Where are the Black heroines? Who cares what other people think!



By Michelle Boykin

As I watched "Pocahontas" on TV on Sunday, I was moved by the beauty of the film's animation and its message. It was my first time watching it in at least three years, and I was impressed with it all over again.

I watched as the story of a strong-willed, young Native American woman unfold, as she questioned the path that was expected of her. She chose to follow her heart, helping two cultures realize that the differences between them were not as great as they thought.

In the past few years, Disney has made some great movies about brave, young women of different cultures standing up for themselves: the Arabian princess Jasmine, Belle, the French girl from "Beauty and the Beast," the gypsy Esmerelda, even "The Little Mermaid's" Ariel. On Sunday, they previewed an upcoming summer release, "Mulan," which is the story of an Asian woman.

These heroines indicate definite advances from the weepy, pathetic, where's-my-prince characters of "Snow White" and "Cinderella." But as an African American, I am acutely aware that my culture continues to be left out of Disney's summer blockbuster lineup, and I cannot figure out why.

If the reason is because Disney thinks that we are not marketable, that no one wants to see a movie about strong black women, they obviously have not been paying attention lately. "Waiting to Exhale" was a blockbuster from the first weekend it opened and has been followed up by other successful films like "Set It Off" and "Soul Food." These films were popular because they gave America a look into black culture, especially women's, different from what other movies had been shown before.

If the reason is because they don't have a heroic main character, I think that is another weak excuse, for African-American history is bursting with them. They could, for example, present the story of Harriet Tubman, who risked her life helping hundreds of African Americans escape slavery before the Civil War. Surely she did more

with her life than travel the Underground Railroad all the time: wouldn't she, like any other woman, have experienced love? Women like Coretta Scott King, Myrlie Evers and Betty Shabazz, widows of slain civil rights leaders, who carried on their husbands' dreams of rights for blacks, would be good examples of historical leaders.

To these suggestions, Disney could argue that these women's lives are too extraordinary to be irreverently presented in animation, which is certainly a valid argument, but is still no excuse. If they dug far enough into African history and folklore, they could find a worthy character. If not, why not make one up? They obviously were not too concerned with historical accuracy when they presented Pocahontas on screen as a stacked, 16- to 19-year-old (she was actually much younger when the Europeans arrived) and John Smith as a young, handsome explorer (he was actually much older and had missing and decayed teeth).

Maybe Disney does not realize there is a problem with ignoring America's largest minority group (and Hispanics, America's soon-to-be-largest minority group). I do not know how many black animators they have, but Disney is obviously afraid to break its tradition of drawing heroines with fine, flowing tresses. In all fairness, Disney does incorporate blacks into its television movies, with the recent broadcasts of "Cinderella," starring Brandy Norwood, Whitney Houston and Whoopi Goldberg, and the Ruby Bridges Story. But we continue to be left off of its summer blockbuster list.

I realize that animating historic characters is a task which requires a great deal of research and sensitivity. But Disney, being the huge media conglomerate that it is, has the responsibility of reflecting the society in which it dwells if it wants to maintain its following of fans from every racial background. They've made huge leaps forward, but they've got a long way to go.

Michelle Boykin is a Daily Staff Writer and a journalism senior.

Editor,

I don't know if Mr. Ridley was trying to cause a controversy with Monday's article or if he actually believed the stupidity he was writing. Regardless, it was quite obvious to anyone with half a brain he was writing about a subject he knew nothing about.

Mr. Ridley first complains that he has little knowledge about his German heritage, but fears that if he proclaims love for his ethnicity he will be persecuted as a white supremacist or a Nazi. Mr. Ridley has finally realized what every non-white person undergoes in their pursuit to discover their roots. He is seeing how it feels to be stereotyped as something he is not and experiencing discrimination.

My heritage is Asian Indian, and in my desire to express how proud I am of my roots, I run into comments like: "Camel Jockey," "Sand Nigger," and my personal favorite "Apu the Qwik-E-Mart Clerk." At first these comments hurt (a lot) but now it's like water rolling off a duck's back.

Mr. Ridley, if you really are interested in pursuing your culture, no obstacle is too high, and you shouldn't care what people think. Personally, I could care less if you and your fellow Germans hung out, drank beer and ate bratwurst (if that is what Germans do). If you aren't interested, I can see how someone who has never really felt the pain of discrimination will run whimpering when first stung.

As for Mr. Ridley's views on Affirmative Action...you have got to be

kidding! For those of you who missed Mr. Ridley's article, he felt that since Affirmative Action isn't geared towards white males, he is being subjected to reverse discrimination.

I understand that you may have your panties in a knot about the fact that you may have missed a job opportunity because of Affirmative Action. Did you forget that employers usually pick a white male for white-collar jobs? For argument's sake, let's say that a minority beat out a white male for a job. I myself have been in this position. Do you have any idea how humiliating it is to know that you were hired because you have dark skin and not because you were the most qualified? One could argue that the minority did get the job. Yea...now I have no self-respect. This is what reverse discrimination is, Mr. Ridley...a no-win situation.

One would think that I would be upset at Mr. Ridley for his ignorance. However, I have no choice but to feel sorry for him. He is in college, an institution dedicated to knowledge, and he has apparently learned little about his fellow man. I hope the students of Cal Poly don't run around now trying to be P.C. because a minority got offended.

Unlike what Mr. Ridley suggested, I don't use my race as a bargaining chip; I use it as a tool to break down the walls of hatred and build a bridge of understanding.

Jason Pinto is a business junior.

Race isn't a bunch of crap

Editor,

In Bryan Ridley's melting pot opinion, he makes a valid point that whites are easily deprived of a cultural identity. I agree with Bryan that white culture is not often defined or celebrated through organized events. Yet I do not agree with the manner in which he carried out the rest of his argument.

His thoughts seemed ignorant and childish. Of course each white individual cannot be directly blamed for past injustices, but, to a certain degree,

each individual involuntarily shares the responsibility to help rectify these wrongs. Until everyone is on equal ground (wishful thinking), the issue of race cannot be thought of as "a bunch of crap." Instead it must be discussed to full extent, and people must take interest in issues concerning other cultures. Open dialogue is imperative to surface-sensitive issues which have been suppressed for too long.

Holly Maddox is a business freshman.

Bubba's communication is best for ASI

Editor,

If the ASI President election was today, then my vote would go to Bubba Murarka. I like his plan to better communicate with students, especially the e-mail service where students can have their ASI questions answered.

Unfortunately, all I know about the candidates is from the recent Mustang article, and one was not even interviewed. But I do know that Murarka's plan for communication is far more relevant than Dan Geis's plan to work alcohol onto the campus. Geis said he didn't even want to reveal his ideas—what is he waiting for? It sounds too much like the situation where the clubs were not given fair time to consider the Pepsi "idea." That plan was revealed and enacted basically before many club members could drink a 12-ounce Coke.

Murarka, furthermore, is a visible per-

son. I know what the guy looks like, and he has quite a presence. That may sound high-school-officer-ish, but consider President Warren Baker. Not everyone could identify him among other middle-aged men (is he middle aged?). To a Joe Blow like me, knowing what our leaders look like keeps me from feeling detached.

Once the campaigns begin, I hope the corporate partnership idea is confronted. Students ought to know that if the CSU system is sponsored by corporations like Microsoft and GTE, we will get nice computers and hard drives. But we will also be privatizing a public university and narrowing our intellectual potential by thinking Microsoft all day. Most importantly, we will only be getting trained earlier for a future as just another docile worker. I don't want my education to be a job training session.

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What do you see when you see me? Is it your future doctor, lawyer, President of the United States? A mind with a vampire-like thirst for your knowledge, your experience, your stories? Or do you just see another student, riding your wave for a while before disappearing from your life forever? Or maybe you see nothing at all...

In my lifetime, I have had a thousand teachers, but there have only been a handful who have left such an impression touching my soul, and it is because of them that I will never be the same.

Are you among those special people? Don't you think that should be your goal? Or have you forgotten the reason which first drove you to teach?

I am compelled to share a story with you about a magnificent teacher I once had. Perhaps then you will be able to see the qualities I look for when I'm staring back at you.

What amazed me, from the very beginning, about this man was his love affair with his job. He loved what he taught so deeply, it captivated each and every one of his students.

By the end of the first week, he not only knew my first name, but my last name as well. He made his whole class feel like a family of explorers out on an adventure together.

He was always asking us questions, but he was never looking for the correct answers; he was looking for our answers, our opinions, our thoughts and feelings.

It almost seemed like he was making learning into a game. He took his subject and brought it to a level which would make it interesting to all of us.

He talked to us, not at us.

It was strange to realize one day, as I sat paying attention to him, that he was doing the same to me. So often I have teachers who never think it part of their job to pay attention to their students during a lecture. This man never faltered, though. He made it part of his job to listen to what we were telling him as much as we listened to what he was telling us.

I ended up with a "C+" in his class, and I went to his office to see him one last time. I told him my grade was indeed the grade I had earned, but for everything I had learned, my grade was incomprehensible—way beyond an "A."

And the good teacher, looked at me and smiled: "Thank you, Julie...thank you."

Julie O'Shea is a journalism junior.

Quit being so cheap, services are expensive

Editor,

I had to laugh when I read the opening of yesterday's article concerning the health fee increase. To quote Mr. Drake, "Students are footing the bill too much." This isn't a personal attack on Drake, but I had to laugh because this is such a typical response from most people in general whenever they are asked to open their pockets for services or improved infrastructure. People seem to have no sense of what it takes to provide services or are unwilling to share the burden.

"I want the electricity from nuclear power plants; however, bury the waste in somebody else's backyard."

"I'm paying too much in taxes; don't make any cuts in my parents' social security."

"The Health Center is overcrowded and needs more money; but, can't somebody else pay for it?"

It's appropriate for Mr. Drake to ask for the most while paying the least, after all, that's how we measure value. On the other hand, asking for improved services while getting somebody else to pay is either a sign of greediness or just not thinking clearly. We're all guilty of unclear thinking, especially when asked for our opinion when we have not had the chance to adequately check out all of the facts. (Such as when a reporter asks you a question moments after you first hear the subject matter.)

On the other hand, Kevin Rice who has written the con statement which can be found in the Health Services Voter Pamphlet, seems to be intentionally using flawed logic to manipulate the voters.

Mr. Rice urges you to vote no because, "Your vote doesn't decide if the fee increase will be implemented. President Baker gets the final say no matter what students want."

Huh? Hello! The lights are on. Is anybody home? "If" your vote really doesn't count then don't waste your time voting.

The fact is that your vote does count in a similar manner as to when you vote for President of the United States. President Baker gets the final say in the Health Fee Referendum: The Electoral College gets the final say in U.S. presidential elections. President Baker has been known to listen to and take the advice of the students.

Mr. Rice also implies that you are being asked to pay the bills of "high users and abusers." He then suggests that students pay \$5 or \$10 per visit with six free visits per year. Why the number six, Mr. Rice? Is that how often you visit the Health Center?

The truth is that on average students visit less than three times per year (12,464 students visiting 35,000 times as stated in the Voter Pamphlet).

Three times per year doesn't sound abusive to me. I don't know of any nor have I met any abusers. Other than what appears to be a thin-air assumption by Mr. Rice, I am not aware of any indication of abusers in the system. Even if we presume there is some abuse, I doubt that it could be so rampant to be causing the deficit.

Furthermore, what constitutes abuse?

Abuse is not a function of the number of visits you make. Complex medical or psychological conditions for which the physician asks you to come back for a follow-up is not abuse.

Have you ever known somebody who took over-the-counter medications followed by a first round of antibiotics and still had their illness?

Have you ever met anybody who was sexually abused and got through their ordeal with a single trip to the psychologist?

I'd like to ask Mr. Rice, "Are you paying your own way?" A \$2,100 tuition is a drop in the bucket for the actual cost of your education. The primary reason the tuition at Cal Poly is not more than \$15,000, like many private schools, is because of taxpayer support.

The CSU recently funneled money away from Poly because this campus was using more than its fair share of state funds to support all of the expensive technology; therefore, it's only fair that students pay their fair tuition based upon the amount of technology in their major. So I suggest that Mr. Rice, a computer science major, should pay \$4,100 tuition and give a tuition break to history majors. He should find this VERY FAIR since \$4,100 is still FAR less than \$15,000.

Mr. Rice also pointed out that part-time students pay the same as full-time students. So? This has nothing to do with the referendum.

Rice asked, "Shouldn't part-time students get a break?"

If part-time students get a break than should we limit their access to the Health Center or other services? "Sorry. Part-time students can see the doctor only on Mondays and Wednesdays."

"Part timers can only use the U.U. between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. Monday through Thursday." "Part-timers can use the computer labs only on the weekends."

Essentially, a "no" vote will likely mean reduced services and longer lines. A "yes" vote will likely avoid the deficit and provide expanded services, including; longer hours, addition of a 24 hour advice nurse and increase access to specialty services.

Finally, I must admit that I am not totally excited by the referendum, but it does seem quite reasonable. Also, Mr. Rice does raise a valid point or two in his argument against the referendum. If you are interested you can read about them in the voter pamphlet which can be found at the information desk in the U.U.

You can waste your vote by either not voting or being uninformed when you vote. The alternative is to seek out the truth and spend your vote wisely, whether it is for or against the increase.

Just remember that in a democracy you get the government you deserve.

Chuck Hambelton is an engineering science senior.

Tooting our horns for priority

Editor,

This letter is in response to the article which stated that ASI officers had received priority registration (March 9). I would just like to congratulate them on a battle finally won. Being a member of the Mustang Band, I understand how hard it is to schedule around mandatory meetings and activities.

For the last two years, there have been rumors that the members of the Mustang Band "might" receive priority registration. I believe we actually applied for it in the fall, but were denied. So we just made the best of our situation and scheduled our classes around mandatory rehearsals from 3 to 5 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays plus performances almost every weekend of fall quarter. There are many factors which forced us to rehearse during these hours, including limited daylight and limited locations for practicing.

Now, imagine just for a minute the 100 potential members of the Mustang Band trying to register for fall quarter. Recall the frustration that comes with Capture (kill her, kill the Capture Lady!) and imagine these 100 people trying desperately to schedule around this inconvenient rehearsal time. Obviously, not all of these people are going to be able to fit band into their schedule. As a result only 75 people are able to march with the Mustang Band. This doesn't seem like every big difference, but when you put together a half-time show, 25 people short is a very big deal!

Consequently, the band doesn't have enough people on the field and is probably not meeting its full potential.

Off the top of my head I know of two organizations that get priority registration. Those groups are the football and basketball teams. Let me see now, last time I checked, the Mustang Band has played at every single home football and basketball game. We would love to play at all the away games too, but I'm not going to open that can of worms. My point is, if the band (under the instruction of the Music Department and the Athletic Department) received priority registration, our performance would greatly improve. In addition, our schedules would be more open to the option of performances off campus.

Personally, I consider the Mustang Band a necessary part of the atmosphere which is created at athletic events. While we are not a division of the Athletic Department, I believe that the band aids in filling the gap between just going to a game and truly enjoying the game. We add something that brings the crowd a little closer to the spirit of the Mustangs here at Cal Poly.

Having priority registration can only lead to improvement in our performance. Please support the Band in our quest to keep the Mustang Spirit riding high.

Jeff Napior is an aeronautical engineering sophomore and a proud trumpet player in the Mustang Band.

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Hey slobs, garbage cans are there for a reason

Editor,

Yesterday, as I walked into my history class located in the Agriculture Building it became apparent to me that the only way to describe the condition of the room was to call it a "dump."

On my seat were three unread copies of Mustang Daily. After knocking over a Pepsi can with my left foot, I noticed another two copies under my desk. I scanned the room and noticed at least 20 other copies lying in various states around the room.

That wasn't all. To complete the cornucopia of messiness were snot rags of

different shapes and colors and about 30 of those stupid flyers that some guy sticks in your face in the U.U. There were also food wrappers, Pepsi cans (I couldn't find any Coke cans) and coffee cups.

Now I'm not going to give you some stupid lecture about taking pride in your school because it is obvious that you don't care about that. The condition in room 225 in the Ag Building shows how immature, selfish and uncaring some Cal Poly students can be.

Why should anyone pick up after you? Is it laziness or ignorance that

makes you leave your disgusting tissues and sticky cans on the floor after lecture? Have drinking binges and bong rips wasted your short-term memory so much that you can't remember even bringing the articles into the room with you?

Now the solution is very simple and there are tools available to help you. They are called TRASH CANS and they are located at the front and rear of each room. USE THEM. That is all you need to do.

George Steinbach is a history junior.

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been teaching here for 28 years and she's the most talented student I've ever had."

English senior Wendy Conti entered her work for the third year in a row and took second prize in fiction for her story titled "Infinite Revolutions Around the Sun and Counting." The last two years she received honorable mentions. Conti is this year's editor of "Byzantium," but she wasn't excluded from the contest as all entries are judged anonymously.

Jenny Wells, an English graduate student, won third prize for her story titled "Leaving." Wells' story was about a newlywed daughter who becomes pregnant and goes to visit her family in St. Louis because her father is battling what they think might be cancer.

Wells said the story is based on fact. The narrator is based on her mom and the other characters take after her mom's family.

This is the third time Wells entered the contest. She received an honorable mention for her entry in 1996.

POETRY

English senior Sarah Hickman won first prize in the poetry contest for her poem titled "I Don't Want To Be A Nouveau-Hippie." She said her character rejects some of the typical characteristics of nouveau hippies for a more intense, valuable experience.

Hickman, who had never entered the contest before, said, "I've been writing poetry for as long as I can remember. I decided to enter the contest because I had nothing to lose since I'm graduating this year. It was time to give it a try."

English major Amy Wevodau took second place for her poem titled "Succession."

Sharon Arnold won third prize for her poem "Are They Drunk or Is This That?"

Arnold is a staff member in the chemistry department. She was eligible for the contest because she is taking a poetry writing class.

First place winners receive \$100. Second place winners receive \$75 and third place winners receive \$50.

The nine poetry and four fiction writers who received honorable mention will also be published.

Landwehr said he received more entries this year than in any previous years, with 80 poems and 50 short stories.

"Entries come from just about every major imaginable," said Landwehr. "Winners are often English or journalism majors, but not always."

Judges were all English faculty members except Mary Kay Harrington, the coordinator for the Writing Skills Program.

The judges, chosen by Landwehr, are picked because they are all writers and don't teach the poetry or fiction writing classes. This is meant to ensure they don't see a student's work they might be familiar with. There are three judges for each division.

"The judges in each division read all the manuscripts and decide individually who they'd like to win. They then get together to fight it out and agree on the winners," Landwehr added.

Doug Keesey, English professor and poetry judge, said, "Three judges help make the decision more of a consensus rather than an individual's opinion."

This was Keesey's sixth time judging the contest and he said he enjoys seeing the number of students writing poetry.

Fiction judge and English professor Mark Roberts said, "A lot of the stories had a very confident voice that stuck out. Seven or eight were really strong. It was hard to choose between these."

Harrington, also a fiction judge, said, "The top three stories were really magnificent. They floated to the top after reading all the entries."

She said she would like to see students take more care with editing.

"Mistakes take you out of the story and suggests that they were not very careful," she said.

"Byzantium" will be on sale at most bookstores, including El Corral, April 18. Winners will also read their work at Cal Poly on April 18.

Excerpts from "Byzantium" short story winners**The Sound of Somebody****By Susannah Clay Jenkins**

I am not an ambitious person by nature. Honestly. When I found out that my parents needed full-time care, I dropped my dreams of becoming a beautician like that! No second thoughts, no hemming and hawing, not for me. I knew I was the only one, or the Chosen One, as I like to call myself. I certainly couldn't count on George to resurface and help. I don't have much of a life now, not in the social sense at least. Sure, I've got a handful of friends, but none who can swap bedpan stories with me, and certainly none who care to come over for a glass of prune juice. Whatever ideas I used to have of my life as an adult, whatever gives I used to believe in, have all been waylaid by inevitable chance, and so here I wait, ready to take control, ready for The Prize Patrol.

I must confess, I half want The Prize Patrol to catch me in the shower. I think it would be somehow convincing to

answer the door in a towel. A little sexy, a little innocent, certainly earthy and clean. To have all of football-watching America see me half naked would be good for my love life, that's for damned sure, but the only problem is that it's hard to stay wet when you're waiting for halftime to be over. For a while I try to continually spray myself down with a water bottle and squirt some Wet Look gel into my hair, but it only makes me appear sweaty, so I quickly check on my parents and then jump back in the shower.

Never trust the minutes on a clock, that's all I have to say. I don't care if it's digital, analog, or some stupid ass lit-up countdown for a football game, none of them are reliable. Real time is in your head. It's in houses and pictures and people's eyes and the sound of somebody saying your name.

Infinite Revolutions Around the Sun and Counting**By Wendy Conti**

The French man is silent, only his eyeballs ticking back and forth between the corners like a pendulum. Tick, tick, tick, marking the passage of time. This day, this fiery trip which was supposed to take back me from Siberia to Sumatra, seems to have slowed down. Time seems to me as endless as all the water before me, all the water on earth. Time feels slower than trying to run in water, from the moment the captain emerged from the cabin, strolled over to the closet containing the life jackets, and then began passing them out. Even with the crush of people grabbing for the jackets, it took me a while to rise from my seat. I was reading a book, and I remember placing my barrette in the page I was on to

save my place.

One arm wrapped around the French man's chest, I use my free arm to cut wide swaths around the British man. He watches and says nothing. His treading and his movements are quiet and stealthy, hardly producing a ripple. He follows us at a distance, stopping when I stop to rest. All the while, I'm aware of his dark eyes fixed on me. I wait for him to say something more, preparing defensive retorts in my head, but he says nothing. More than a hundred bloated corpses are bobbing about, bumping and gently sending each other off in different directions, like a strange, silent cocktail party where the people are easily offended and rebuffed.

Leaving**By Jenny Wells**

At night, Tom and I sleep in my old room on the softness of daisy sheets, white and pink. We dance barefoot on the linoleum to the hum of the music in Tom's head, then fall into each other onto the bed.

"No one had ever been in here with me."

"Well, I should hope not." He smiles as I stroke his sideburns. We kiss and now he handles me like a fragile vase. He kisses my breast, neck, lips. "How are you feeling?"

"I think my dad's more sick than he's telling us."

Tom rolls off me, pushes a strand of hair out of my

face. "Don't worry sweetheart. We'll talk to the doctor on Tuesday." He presses his thumb over my left eyebrow, pushing the tension out of my forehead. "You always worry so much."

"I know but I want him to-I have this horrible feeling."

"That what?" He takes my hand in his.


"That the baby won't know his grandpa."

"Shhh-we don't know what's going to happen. Everything may be fine. It's not in our hands."

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GEIS

a CSU."

After he graduates from Cal Poly, he wants to go to grad school or law school at U.C. Davis.

"My grades are all right, but I'm hoping on a lot of other things to get me in, my activities and what-not. But that's two years away right now, so I'm concentrating on this. I haven't thought too much beyond the next three months," he said.

In 10 years, he said he hopes to be three or four years into his business life

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or in law, happily married and about ready to "enjoy" his life.

Geis said his pet peeve is ignorance.

"I don't mind if you have an opinion, but when it's made under ignorance or a naive statement without knowing the facts, and you haven't made the effort to go out and get the facts...it just hurts everybody," he said.

Geis said he has no regrets—job, major or school—and is proud he is in a position to possibly be ASI president for "the best school

"I don't mind if you have an opinion, but when it's made under ignorance or a naive statement without knowing the facts, and you haven't made the effort to go out and get the facts...it just hurts everybody."

— Dan Geis
ASI presidential candidate

in the United States."

Judge refuses to throw out verdict for Unocal patent

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — A federal judge Tuesday refused to overturn a jury verdict in favor of Unocal Corp.'s patent for a cleaner-burning fuel — a decision that could drive up gas prices in California.

A jury decided in October that Atlantic Richfield Co., Chevron U.S.A. Inc., Exxon Corp., Mobil Oil Corp., Shell Oil Products and Texaco Refining & Marketing Inc. violated Unocal's patent. The decision also required they pay Unocal 5.75 cents a gallon of fuel produced after March 1, 1996 — which would amount to about \$69 million.

U.S. District Judge Kim Wardlaw's ruling Tuesday means the oil companies will have to pay the judgment, which analysts say may drive prices up by as much as a

nickel a gallon in California.

But the fight isn't over yet. Wardlaw still has to rule whether Unocal obtained the patent improperly.

Unocal, based in El Segundo, Calif., obtained the patent in February 1994 and was sued in April 1995 by the defendants, who sought to overturn the patent. Unocal filed a countersuit seeking the royalty and damages.

The six competitors claimed that Unocal's patent was invalid because it was developed as Unocal and other companies were working together on a formula for gasoline that would meet California standards. Unocal has said that, under the terms of the companies' collaboration, the other firms were free to develop their own formulas and patents.

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November she would run to finish the term of her late husband. Capps was a nurse for 20 years in the Santa Barbara School District and a teacher at Santa Barbara City College off and on for 10 years. She made education and health care the cornerstones of her campaign. She has said there needs to be an increase in school resources and class sizes must be reduced.

Capps has also said she would like to improve access to health care and protect the Central Coast from off-shore oil drilling.

Capps' term will expire Jan. 3, 1999, though she has said she will run for November re-election.

Tuesday afternoon, Bordonaro's San Luis Obispo Field Coordinator Todd Harris seemed optimistic about the race.

"There have been a higher number of absentees than usual," said Harris. "That favors (Bordonaro) because republicans typically vote with a higher propensity of absentees."

County Clerk-Recorder Julie Rodewald said the county issued over 39,000 absentees, more than ever issued before. Rodewald anticipated a 60-percent voter turnout out of the district's 126,000 registered voters.

Capps' San Luis Obispo Field Coordinator Blake Selzer said Tuesday afternoon he was uncertain how the race will turn out.

"I think it will be a very tight race," Selzer said. "But I think the choice issues are important to voters and that's why they'll choose (Capps)."

A relatively low voter turnout was evident at 6:30 p.m. at the San Luis Obispo County Government Center, where elec-

tion worker Millie James had been signing in voters since 6 a.m.

"We figure we have, including the absentee ballots, less than 40 percent at this time," she said.

James said most of the voters seemed happy to be exercising their right to vote, but several had complaints about the tone of the Bordonaro/Capps campaigning.

"We have had several comments about the negative advertising and how much they don't like it," she said.

Students had different reasons for endorsing one candidate over the other. Business sophomore Mike Kimbrough said he liked Capps because she doesn't want to be a career politician.

"She has more of a fresh outlook on politics and how it affects the people she's representing," Kimbrough said. "Because she's not concerned with being a career politician she's more concerned with the people's views."

Another student said being a career politician is necessary.

"I feel Bordonaro's the true politician," business sophomore Matt King said. "While normally that may not be a good thing, the Central Coast cannot stand for inexperience and Lois Capps."

Supporters of either candidate agreed education was a key issue, but disagreed on who had the answer.

"I like Bordonaro's beliefs on education, and I believe they will work well in the California education system," said physics sophomore Dan Seaman.

Business junior Jean Garascia said Capps had the right approach to education improvements.

"Being a teacher, I think she has the students' best interests at heart," Garascia said.

Alleged cookie thief gets an earful

Associated Press

OAKLAND — A man handcuffed to his theater seat for allegedly stealing a cookie is accusing Oakland police of excessive force.

And he's just as angry about what came next: being forced to listen to an officer's rendition of the 1970s pop song "Escape," also known as the "Piña Colada Song."

Oakland's police review board will decide Thursday whether Julian Aldarondo has a legitimate reason to be miffed at police.

He was detained in June after

someone reported that he stole a ginger-peach cookie from a nearby store. Instead of arresting him, officers cuffed Aldarondo to his seat at the Jack London Cinema while one on them sang the catchy Rupert Holmes song about a couple's quest for love via personal ads.

Officer Anthony Toribio said he sang the tune after Aldarondo told them he was a recording artist.

"I thought if I sang some of the words he might recognize it," Toribio said. "I did not attempt to offend."

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Environmental, taxpayer coalition chides Clinton budget

By Scott Sonner
Associated Press

WASHINGTON - The Clinton administration's 1999 budget proposal got a near-failing grade Tuesday from liberal conservationists and fiscal conservatives teaming up to cut wasteful and environmentally harmful spending.

"We give the administration a 'D' for dismal," said Gawain Kripke, appropriations project director for Friends of the Earth.

"The Clinton-Gore administration offers a budget that bristles with spending and subsidies for polluters," he said.

Taxpayers for Common Sense and the U.S. Public Interest Research Group are also partici-

pating in the "Green Scissors" campaign, which advocates an end to spending on a range of projects, from taxpayer-financed logging roads to controversial subsidies for dam building, highway projects and the nuclear energy industry.

The groups say their agenda would save taxpayers nearly \$50 billion and help protect the environment.

"The administration should be on the cutting edge of trimming waste from the budget. Instead we are too often seeing pork barrel politics as usual," said Ralph DeGennaro, executive director of Taxpayers for Common Sense.

Although they worked to help elect the Clinton-Gore ticket twice, conservationists have become

increasingly critical of the administration on the environmental-protection front.

The coalition flunked the Energy Department, Defense Department and State Department. The Agriculture Department, which includes the Forest Service, was awarded a "D." The Army Corps of Engineers got a "C."

The administration's best showing was the "B" given the Interior Department for "good work on mining and parks."

No one at the White House Council on Environmental Quality was immediately available to comment, a White House spokeswoman said Tuesday.

The Agriculture Department's

poor grade is based in part on continued support for farm programs that encourage excess use of chemicals that lead to pollution through agricultural runoff, the coalition said.

The administration has done nothing to reform the subsidized cotton program and has been silent or opposed congressional attempts to cut tobacco, peanut, market-access and sugar programs, the groups said.

The Clinton administration has played a "disappointing role" in efforts to cut logging-road spending, they said, and proposed only small cuts in salvage-logging programs that the Green Scissors campaign recommends eliminating.

The Forest Service also drew criticism for exempting the Pacific Northwest and Alaska from an otherwise promising temporary moratorium on road building in most roadless areas of national forests.

The Transportation Department is planning hundreds of millions of dollars in unnecessary highway projects and the Energy Department is spending tens of millions of dollars on unneeded commercial nuclear power research and development, the groups said.

The campaign also calls for a new Energy Department review of a proposed nuclear-waste repository in Nevada.

Power deregulation possible by month's end Kim returns to Congress

Associated Press

Technicians are guardedly optimistic that the complex computer systems making possible energy deregulation in California will be ready by the end of the month.

That's the new, self-imposed deadline for two agencies setting up the state's new competitive power market. Computer problems had postponed the start of deregulation, originally planned for Jan. 1.

The California Independent System Operator—which will coordinate the movement of power—and the Power Exchange, or PX—which will act as a kind of electricity trading floor—are testing their computers.

PX's systems are working as they should, said spokesman Ed Freudenburg. ISO computers aren't there yet, but progress is being made daily, the agency said Monday.

"We found bumps in the road and we have basically identified the problems," ISO chairman Jan Smutny-Jones said.

The state decided last year to allow competition in California's \$20 billion electricity market.

Utilities such as Pacific Gas & Electric Co. and Southern California Edison will continue to generate power. But they will sell it wholesale to retailers through a new electricity exchange.

Consumers and businesses will be able to choose from which com-

pany they buy power, much the way they pick a long-distance telephone carrier.

ISO, based in Folsom, will manage the state's power grid, coordinating and ensuring the reliable transfer of electricity. PX, based in Alhambra, will establish prices through electronic bidding.

Proponents say competition will help reduce energy costs. Although decontrol hasn't begun, residential users already have received a 10 percent rate cut.

ISO and PX have until Sunday to let federal regulators know if they are ready to go at the end of the month, said Gary Heath, head of California's Electricity Oversight Board.

Associated Press

WASHINGTON - A day after his sentencing for accepting \$230,000 in illegal campaign contributions, Republican Rep. Jay Kim of California appeared to go about business as usual Tuesday.

After arriving in Washington on a late-night flight from California, Kim attended meetings of the House International Relations Committee and the House Transportation water resources and environment subcommittee. He is a member of both panels.

Kim, who hadn't yet been

hooked up to his electronic leash, also voted in favor of a bill allowing a Holocaust remembrance in the Capitol Rotunda and another to study birth defects and prevention.

On the House floor, Kim kept largely to one corner of the Republican side of the chamber, where several colleagues slapped him on the back.

On Monday, a federal judge in California sentenced Kim to two months' home confinement under electronic monitoring for what prosecutors said was the largest case of campaign finance violations in U.S. history.

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first year the hammer became a women's event.

"I think this is my favorite event because I had an early success in it. I think that's why most people have fun doing what they do," she said.

Shanley said her throw won her the championship. Shanley said her other records at the University of Washington included throwing the 4-kilogram shot put 48 feet, and throwing the discus 173 feet.

After graduating from Tulare Union High School in 1994, Shanley started at the University of Washington. Although the beautiful scenery and the urge to leave California prompted her to go to school in Washington, Shanley said there were three reasons that made her come back to California after two years of college.

She said she got tired of the rainy Seattle weather. She also said she missed her boyfriend, Jeremy McDonald, a microbiology senior, who was already at Cal Poly.

But, Shanley said the main reason she wanted to leave Seattle was because of a disturbing incident which occurred as she was walking alone on campus one night.

"I was walking from the library down to the student athlete services one night and I was by myself about 8 p.m. Some guy snuck up behind me and hit me. He knocked me down and I went down a couple flights of stairs. Then some band members, I guess who had just come out of

practice, scared him away, so I don't even know what he wanted. I guess it was just a random act of violence," she said.

Shanley said the incident happened just over a year ago, and it is still on her mind. She said that she now knows never to walk anywhere alone at night.

"Something like that happens and you feel like you're a strong individual, but then when you feel the need to have family closer, I just needed to come back to California," she said.

Shanley transferred to Cal Poly Spring quarter 1997. She said she loves going to Cal Poly.

Shanley is close to her family and has become a part of the track team family also. She said she is good friends with the other female throwers on the team, who push each other to do their best.

Freshman Kristen Bryden competes in the same events as Shanley. Shanley said a little bit of harmless competition exists between the two.

"She's (Kristen) really catching on to the hammer really fast and it scares me. I consider her a freshman, a newcomer and I've been throwing it longer than she has," Shanley said. "She beat me at a meet two weeks ago. I had a far throw and I went up to her and I said 'come on Kristen, I know you want a piece of me, come on.' I was just trying to get her riled up and she went in and threw farther than I did."

Shanley said she threw the hammer 34.5 feet while Bryden threw it 34.75 feet, beating her by only a quarter of a foot.

"Kristen and I are now pushing each other to see who can get the shot put record first," Shanley

said.

Since the season has begun, Shanley said the relationship among the entire team keeps improving.

"We're starting to learn each other's names more. I think the more meets we go to, the more we see them actually running and we have to cheer for them, the names tend to stick in your head," she said.

Shanley said the reason she doesn't know the sprinters and pole vaulters as well as the other throwers is because practices are spread out, and they do not all practice in the same area.

Competition exists between the men and women track and field teams according to Shanley.

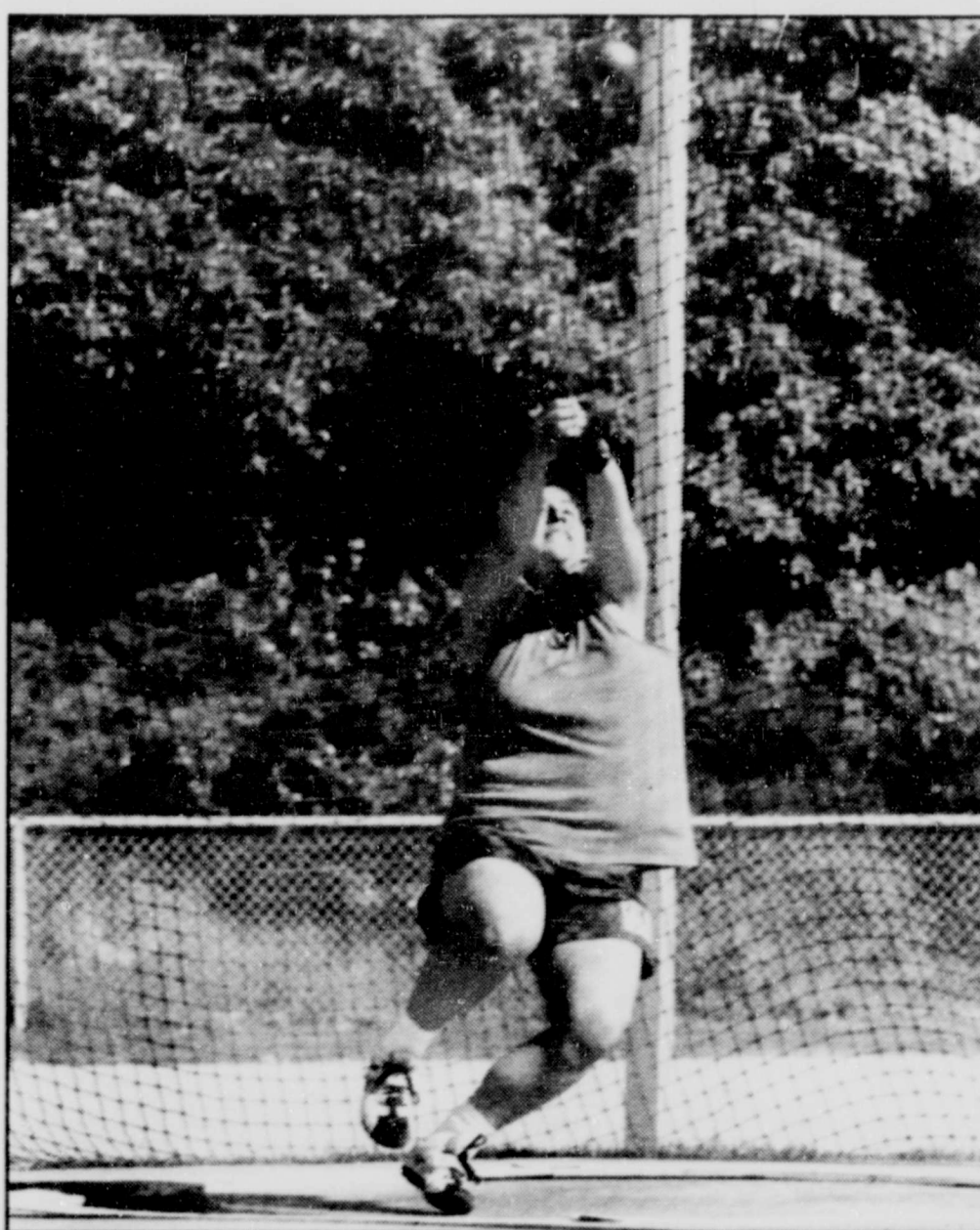
"There's this one guy who throws the hammer and he always is trying to make sure he throws farther than me. We keep it going. We put pressure on each other and our coach helps. He helps a lot, he instigates it to keep us all going," she said.

Shanley said that since she began throwing her parents have been totally supportive.

"My parents are like my two best friends," she said. "They'll drive through snow, rain, anything to go to my meets."

It was Shanley's father who helped get her interested in competing. In the fifth grade Shanley said her father, who was a high school track coach, taught her how to throw the shot put for the Junior Olympics. He also helped her learn to throw the discus her sophomore year of high school.

"He had to really, really convince me to throw the discus. I was so comfortable throwing the shot, I didn't want to try anything



Daily photo by David Wood

Junior Soozie Shanley practices throwing the hammer. After only three meets, Shanley has already broken the school record twice.

new," she said.

Shanley said her boyfriend is also a main source of support.

While in Washington, she tore a bicep while lifting and had to have shoulder surgery. She said it was because of the strain from throwing and swimming for most of her life.

"He's always looking out for me especially as far as my shoulder is concerned, and making sure I'm icing and warming up correctly," she said.

Shanley said after she graduates, she hopes to get her Master's degree in health administration.

Arizona, Kansas lead All-America basketball team

By Jim O'Connell
Associated Press

Only three schools were needed to make up the AP All-America team.

Antawn Jamison of North Carolina was the top vote-getter on the team Tuesday. He was joined by Arizona guards Mike Bibby and Miles Simon and Kansas teammates Raef LaFrentz and Paul Pierce.

These are the sixth and seventh sets of teammates voted to the first team, and the first since UNLV's Larry Johnson and Stacey Augmon in 1991.

Jamison, a junior forward, was one vote shy of being a unanimous

selection of the national media panel, the same group that selects the Top 25 every week.

LaFrentz, the only returning All-America from last season, became the third repeat selection in the '90s, joining Tim Duncan of Wake Forest last year and Shaquille O'Neal of LSU in 1992.

Jamison, the Atlantic Coast Conference player of the year and a second-team All-America last year, was voted to the first team on all but one of the 70 three-team ballots and had 348 points.

Bibby, the sophomore guard and Pac-10 player of the year, had 68 first-team votes and 346 points in the 5-3-1 point system.

The Kansas teammates were third and fourth in the voting.

LaFrentz, the Big 12 player of the year the last two seasons, had 65 first-team votes and 340 points, 39 more than Pierce, the junior forward who received 51 first-team votes.

Simon, the Final Four MVP last season as a junior, received 18 first-team votes and 162 points.

Jamison, 6-foot-9, was the first Tar Heel to be the ACC player of the year since Michael Jordan in 1984. He shot 61 percent and averaged 22.9 points and 10.2 rebounds, the first Carolina player to average 20-10 since Billy Cunningham in 1964-65. He was the ACC tournament MVP last week, playing through a groin injury as the Tar Heels won their rubber match with Duke and moved back to No. 1 in

the final poll of the season.

"I have said this all year, and I certainly was convinced again this past weekend at the ACC tournament, Antawn is a real warrior," first-year Tar Heels coach Bill Guthridge said. "He has worked hard to improve his skills and used his talents within the framework of helping our team win basketball games. He has always put team goals ahead of individual accomplishments."

Bibby followed a sensational freshman season by averaging 17.2 points, 5.9 assists and 2.4 steals for the defending champion Wildcats. He led the team with 67 3-pointers.

Simon joined Damon Stoudamire and Sean Elliott as the only Arizona players to total 1,500

points and 400 assists. He averaged 17.3 points, second on the team to third-team All-America Michael Dickerson, and 4.5 assists.

"I am very pleased for three of our guys and what they've accomplished, not only this season but their entire careers," Arizona coach Lute Olson said. "These honors are a reflection of their individual play and a reflection on our program as a whole."

LaFrentz, a 6-11 senior who shot 54 percent, missed nine games with a broken finger on his non-shooting hand but still became the first Kansas player in 27 years to average double figures in points (19.7) and rebounds (11.2). He will finish second in both categories on Kansas' career list.

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WOMEN'S LACROSSE

The women's lacrosse A team beat UCLA 13-10, while the B team also conquered UCLA 10-8.

MEN'S VOLLEYBALL

The Men's Volleyball varsity team beat Santa Clara in a close match, 15-9, 17-16, 15-10. But they lost to Fresno State, 10-15, 7-15, 13-15.

The Men's Volleyball junior varsity team was victorious in a hard fought battle over No. 4 San Francisco State, 16-17, 7-15, 15-11, 15-8, 15-12.

WOMEN'S WATERPOLO

Women's Waterpolo placed fourth out of eight teams at the U.C. Santa Cruz Tourney.

SKI TEAM

The Ski Team placed third in Giant Slalom at June Mountain and second in the Giant Slalom at Mammoth. Individually Chris Weigand placed third overall at Mammoth and Greg Gerken placed second overall at Mammoth.

MEN'S LACROSSE

The men's lacrosse defeated Occidental, 19-1, and Hayward, 19-3, in Mustang Stadium last weekend.

RUGBY

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were so happy for her, and proud. This is a great accomplishment, especially in her senior year."

Gavert, who has coached Knipfer all four years, said that not having her return next year will be "tough, because it's hard to replace that caliber of pitcher, and she's also a quality person as well, so it's a real loss."

During the games, when Knipfer is not leading the team on the mound, she is encouraging her teammates in the dugout, Gavert said. She also works at the Child Care Center on campus and volunteers with Block P, an athlete organization that helps out with various community activities.

Knipfer was heavily recruited by several schools out of high school, including Northwestern University, Georgia Tech and

Florida State. She decided on Cal Poly because the San Luis Obispo area is similar to her hometown in the Santa Cruz area, and it is not too far away from her family in Scott's Valley. Her parents have been very supportive throughout

it worth their while to come out, by trying a little harder just for them. It's nice to relax with them after the game is over," she said.

Knipfer said this year's team is the best of all, because the seniors she started with as fresh-

what we're going to do at regionals. We're very optimistic this year," she said.

Last season was disappointing because the team was all set to win conference, with an unbeatable first half of conference play,

But the highlight of the season came when they beat UCLA, ranked third in the nation at the time, with a score of 1-0.

"It made us realize how good we are," she said.

When she isn't playing softball, 21-year-old Knipfer likes to hang out with her friends and her boyfriend, and enjoys shopping, hiking, running, and playing with her dog. After graduation, she wants to work in sales or advertising, and wants to get married and be a mom. But after this summer she will see which direction her life takes.

"I don't want to put softball completely out of my mind, but I'm not all gung-ho about it," she said. "Don't get me wrong, I would love to play, but I'm not going to put too much pressure on myself to make it."

"This year of all years we know how good we are and how far we can go. We know we can win conference, we're just thinking about what we're going to do at regionals."

Desarie Knipfer
Cal Poly softball pitcher

the 12 years she's been playing softball, and make it to almost all of her games in the state. Her dad even makes it to some of the out-of-state games.

"It's nice to have them around at the games. I always try to make

men have developed well over the years, and this year's freshmen are strong.

"This year of all years we know how good we are and how far we can go. We know we can win conference, we're just thinking about

but a downward slide in the second half.

"It's like when teachers say, 'it's easier to earn an 'A' than to keep an 'A'. It was easier to win than to keep it steady. There was a lot of pressure."

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Big West names
Knipfer Pitcher
of the Week

Cal Poly senior softball pitcher Desarie Knipfer was named Big West Conference Pitcher of the Week for the week of March 7.

Knipfer, the Conference Pitcher of the Year of 1997, went 3-0 over the past week, including a perfect game vs. Toledo on Sunday. Knipfer led the Mustangs to a 5-0 win over the Rockets by striking out 18 out of a possible 21 Toledo batters. For the week, she finished with 35 strikeouts in leading Cal Poly to wins over Cal State Fullerton (3-1), and U.C. Santa Barbara (1-0), and allowed just six total hits in those three games.

The All-America candidate lowered her ERA for the season to .60, and has 117 strikeouts and four shutouts this season.

SCHEDULE

THURSDAY

- Softball vs. New Mexico State at Las Cruces, New Mexico at 6 & 8 p.m.

FRIDAY

- Baseball vs. Cal State Fullerton at Sinshiemer Stadium at 3 p.m.
- Men's tennis vs. Gonzaga University at tennis courts behind Mott Gym at 2 p.m.
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SATURDAY

- Baseball vs. Cal State Fullerton at Sinshiemer Stadium at 7 p.m.
- Softball vs. Cal State Northridge at Northridge at 1 & 3 p.m.
- Men's tennis vs. Claremont College at tennis courts behind Mott Gym at 8:30 a.m.
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Professional perfection

By Michelle Boykin
Daily Staff Writer



Daily photo by David Wood

Senior softball pitcher Desarie Knipfer stands focused on the mound. With four shutouts so far this season and a .60 ERA, Knipfer is poised to take her team to the top of the Big West.

For Desarie Knipfer, this summer will be decision-making time. This season is the senior softball pitcher's last year of eligibility for college play, and she must decide if she will hang up her cleats for good, or continue on with professional softball.

"It's kind of sad that it's my last year, and it'll be hard when the season's over," Knipfer said. "But it's been an awesome four years, and I feel good, like I don't need an extra year to make it happen. I've done what I came here to do, softball-wise."

The major variable in her decision will be her performance this summer, where she will play, as she has for the past three summers, for the Southern California Jazz, an Amateur Softball Association (ASA) league team. The team is made up mostly of other college players and it plays all summer in various tournaments against other American and international teams.

From this league the players are selected for the U.S. National Softball Team, which represents the country in international play and the Olympics, so it's important for Knipfer to do especially well this summer to be chosen. If she isn't picked, or at least told that she has a good shot of getting picked next year, then she said she will call it quits.

Playing on the Jazz has been an amazing experience by itself. Knipfer has played with women from the Olympic team and from bigger universities like UCLA and the University of Washington.

"It was the best team I'd ever played on at that point in my life. It showed me how hard I had to work to be considered a good player," she said.

Describing Knipfer as a "good player" almost sounds like an understatement. She wowed everyone last Sunday with her perfect no-hitter against University of Toledo, which she wasn't even aware of right away, according to assistant softball coach Rhonda Gavert.

"She was completely unaware of what had happened," Gavert said. "She doesn't keep track of numbers and stats, she's so focused during a game. She's just worried about getting each out, each inning. We

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Shanley breaks school record

By Britt Fekete
Daily Staff Writer

Soozie Shanley doesn't throw the shot put, discus and hammer for the attention, popularity or even to be No. 1. Her reason is much simpler.

"I'm just throwing for fun," she said.

Shanley, speech communication junior, radiates friendliness, strength and most of all modesty as she talks about her sport.

"I like to be the underdog," she said. "I don't like going into competition and having people go 'oh she throws this far, we gotta catch her.'"

Catching Shanley, who said her best bench was 215 pounds and best squat was 295 pounds, has already proved to be a challenge.

After only three meets, Shanley has already broken the school record twice.

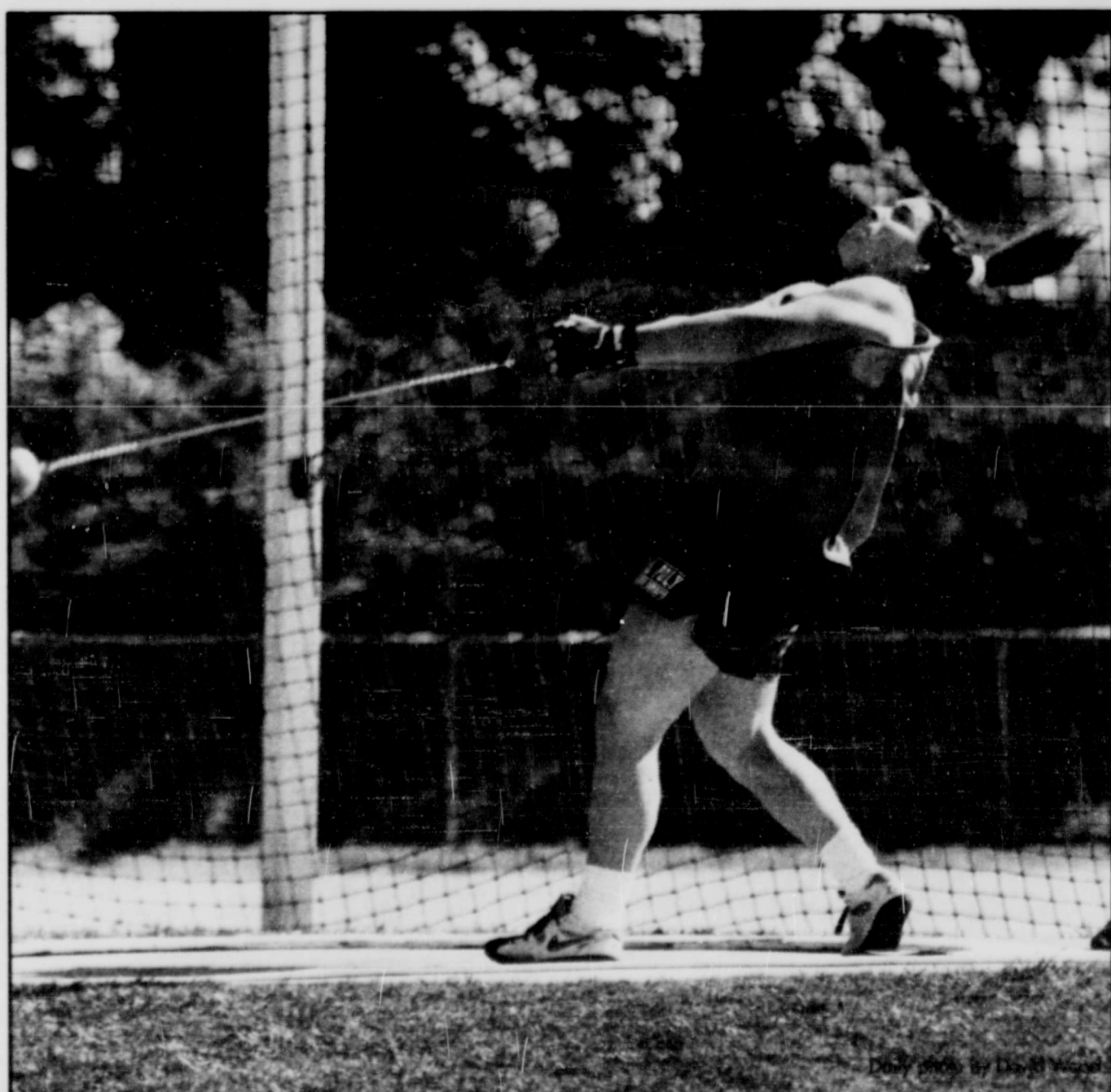
At Cal State Fullerton on Feb. 28, Shanley threw the hammer (a shot put attached to a cord with a handle that weighs about 10 pounds), 167 feet, breaking the school record.

"It wasn't a good throw for me personally, but it was a good throw for that day. For this early in the season I guess it was OK," she said.

Shanley said her farthest hammer throw was 179 feet in 1995 when she competed for the University of Washington, which was the first university she attended. This was where Shanley said she learned to throw the hammer.

"My first coach at Washington told me I was throwing it, and when they're paying for your school, you don't argue," she said.

Shanley said the 1995-96 season was the



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