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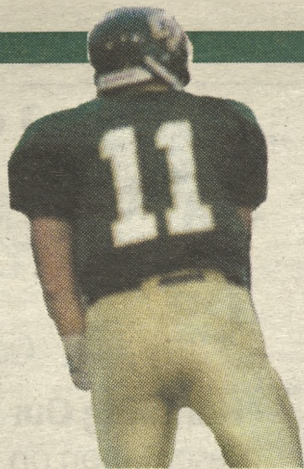
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## DAILY

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**Indigenous Peoples' Month****Celebration honors American Indians**

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By Abbey Kingdon  
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

A speech tonight by Chumash elder Joe Talugan will kick off the American Indian Student Association's contribution to Indigenous Peoples' Month.

The club will host a variety of events ranging from frybread sales to craft fairs, in order to educate Cal Poly about American Indian culture and issues.

Understanding another culture brings a better understanding of life, and understanding comes through education and awareness, Taluga said.

Talugan's speech will offer Cal Poly students education of the Chumash culture and history. He said he plans to discuss the impact of the Spanish missions on Chumash society among American Indians.

"The Chumash were a productive society," he said. "The missions changed the course of history."

Talugan researched seven generations of his family, finding along the way that the Chumash experience was not unique.

"Most indigenous people were altered forever when they came in contact with Europeans," he said.

AISA adviser Tony Domingues said he hopes that education about the Chumash will alter cam-

pus perceptions of Cal Poly and San Luis Obispo.

"People don't realize this is Chumash land," he said. "The history books make the indigenous culture past tense, but it's actually living history."

Talugan said that culture is the foundation of a person, and all traditions deserve respect. Events like Indigenous Peoples' Month are important to race relations.

"We're on the right track; we just have to keep working," he said.

AISA President Lucia Stone agrees.

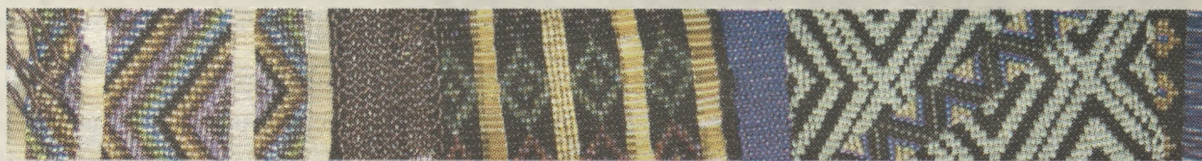
"In a time of global tension, it is important to understand other cultures," she said.

Frybread, a common sweet-treat at American Indian festivals and celebrations, will be offered in the University Union this month as part of AISA's contribution to Indigenous Peoples' Month.

"It's better than a Krispy Kreme," Stone said.

Whether students prefer handmade or handmade, both will be part of the craft fair AISA organized as part of Indigenous Peoples' Month. Students can try loom weaving, instructed by AISA advisor Marlene Cartter, or select from an array of intricate beadwork. The beadwork includes

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**Writer, leader visits Poly event**

By Andra Coberly  
MUSTANG DAILY NEWS EDITOR

One of the most famed American Indian patriots, author and leader Russell Means, will be coming to Cal Poly.

Means will speak Oct. 21 from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Orfalea College of Business building Rotunda, room 213.

The visit comes in honor of the Indigenous Peoples' Month celebration, co-hosted by the Multicultural Center and American Indian Student Association, said Tony Domingues, co-advisor of American Indian Student Association.

"Means is one of the most important American Indian figures of today," Domingues said. "Over the last 35 years, he has set an example of what American Indians can accomplish through hard work and selflessness. In the early 1970s, when they were thought to be almost non-existent, Means brought much needed public attention to the plight of American Indigenous people."

As a freedom fighter and revolutionary for American Indians, Means has successfully brought global attention to the culture's many injustices

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**New club aims to educate**

By Stephen Harvey  
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

They are hooping and hollering, dancing around a campfire, while others trade gifts and talk about the issues troubling their lands. A man with a big headdress walks among the crowd talking with deliberate care, saying deeply spiritual monologues.

This is how many people think of American Indians.

Journalism senior Lucia Stone, president of Cal Poly's new

American Indian Student Association, said she has a vision that students will learn that Native Americans are not just stereotypes derived from movies, books and other media portrayals.

"My goal is to have everyone (at Cal Poly) know and understand what AISA represents," Stone said. "The responsibility of the club is to let people know about American Indians."

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**Davis speaks at LGBT Center opening**

By Alexa Ratcliffe  
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Red and purple balloons lined the walkway leading to Cal Poly's newest addition as the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Center opened its doors for the first time last Friday.

The new LGBT Center, located in a modular facility between the University Union and the biology building, will serve as the first-ever facility on Cal Poly's campus geared toward sexual diversity.

"We basically have the same setup as the Women's Center and the Multicultural Center," said Pat Harris, assistant director of Student Life and Leadership.

Mike Sullivan, president of Gays Lesbians Bisexuals United, spoke during the reception, as did Sharon Davis, wife of Gov. Gray Davis.

Davis spent the day on-campus and attended the reception to wish the students well on their new venture. She spoke to those who were gathered to discuss the rise of diversity in California.

"She largely talked about the legislation of California and how they are working to make it a more equal state," theatre arts senior Jonathan Bench said. "She also referred to a quote from a Kennedy, that stated something about everyone's boat being lifted in these times of rising waters."

Bench explained that the center would be useful to many different types of students.

"It can serve as a lounge area for students or as a place to hold meetings," he said. "The center is not just for the LGBT community. It is also a place for education and sexual awareness."

Harris said she hopes that the

opening of the LGBT Center will lead to more acceptance of the gay community on the Cal Poly campus.

Bench said he agrees with Harris and hopes that the LGBT Center will help to dissipate discrimination around the campus.

The reception had about 60 people gathered in support for the new LGBT Center.

"We had a great turnout," Harris said. "We had students, people from the community and all of the administration attend."

The LGBT Center is completely run by student volunteers and is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. every weekday. It can also be arranged for the use of group meetings during the evenings.

Students wishing to know more about Cal Poly's new LGBT Center can e-mail Pride@calpoly.edu, or call 756-PRDE.

**Locals protest war with Iraq**

MATT MORENO/MUSTANG DAILY

Los Osos resident Monica Kelso walked in Saturday's "Walk for Peace Against War in Iraq." About 150 protestors marched in downtown San Luis Obispo to protest President Bush's actions in the Middle East.



## Weather Watch

### 5-Day Forecast

**TUESDAY**  
High: 74° / Low: 50°

**WEDNESDAY**  
High: 74° / Low: 48°

**THURSDAY**  
High: 77° / Low: 48°

**FRIDAY**  
High: 75° / Low: 47°

**SATURDAY**  
High: 76° / Low: 49°

### Today's Sun

Rises: 7:08 a.m. / Sets: 6:29 p.m.

### Today's Moon

Rises: 3:36 p.m. / Sets: 12:48 a.m.

### Today's Tides

Low: 12:47 a.m. / .2 feet

High: 8 a.m. / 4.1 feet

Low: 12:58 p.m. / 2.8 feet

High: 6:30 p.m. / 4.6

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Like my mother, I have strong leadership abilities and I care. After I came to Cal Poly, I understood the need for a club like AISA."

Vice-President Jessica Atiya, microbiology senior, said that she felt that AISA is a good thing for all students, not just those with Native American heritage, but also for those students who do not have any ties to American Indians.

After taking "Cultural Images of Native Americans," a Cal Poly ethnic studies course, Stone realized she needed to take part in how people view American Indians.

"My job is to help define what it is to be Native American in this day and age and to correct how the media portrays us," Stone said.

The club began last spring with the help of Donna Langston, former chair of the ethnic studies department.

AISA isn't the first American Indian club on campus. In the 1990s, there was the Native American Student Organization.

The organization was active on campus but eventually became inactive when some of the key student leaders graduated.

"We are starting out strong with lots of activities for Indigenous Peoples' Month," said Tony Domingues, co-advisor of AISA and senior assistant director of Admissions and Recruitment. "But we have had only a handful of students at our meetings this year."

Domingues is co-advisor with Marlene Cartter, associate registrar, and

Domingues said that they are both excited to be a part of AISA.

"We are their mentors," Domingues said. "We definitely want to be there for the students."

Domingues said they strive to improve the historical, political and cultural knowledge base for both native and non-native peoples.

"A major outcome of American Indian student organizations is the support they give to each other," he said. "American Indians have the lowest college enrollment percentage of all major ethnic groups in the United States. Our students working together can help one another stay in school, and hopefully watch each other graduate."

AISA has been working with the Multicultural Center to organize events in the coming weeks.

A big project for AISA is the researching of the origin of Chumash Auditorium. The conference hall was named in the 1970s by Cal Poly students to honor the Chumash peoples' land where Cal Poly now stands.

The group's goal is to gather information for a commemorative plaque they are trying include in the renovations of Chumash Auditorium next summer.

Stone would like to see AISA take trips, such as hikes to Poly Canyon to see the Chumash art. She also wants to hold camping trips and bonfires; anything to enjoy the land on the central coast.

"I want to do fun club activities," Stone said.

This year the membership for the club is limited, and Stone encourages anyone to come and see what AISA is about. They will be meeting Oct. 14 from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m., and also every Tuesday in October in UU, room 216.

## What's Going On

Coming up this week

- \***Honoring Our Elders** - Tonight there is a presentation on the history of the Chumash in Chumash Auditorium at 7 p.m.
- \***Salsa dancing** - Tuesday night at 7:10 p.m. in bldg. 5, room 225.
- \***Senior project help** - Wednesday at 5:10 p.m. in the library, room 111h.

## The California Polytechnic State University Foundation's Annual Audit FY 2000-01 has been completed.

Public information copies available at Foundation Administration (Building 15)

## First lady visits campus



CARISSA DUNCAN/MUSTANG DAILY

Gov. Gray Davis' wife, Sharon, visited the Cal Poly Science Department last Friday. Davis also spoke with young Democrats.

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bracelets, key chains, purses, anklets and necklaces.

Other Indigenous Peoples' Month events include the showing of "Bontoc Eulogy," a film about people of the Philippines, a discussion of Native American stereotypes and a presentation called "A Celebration in Dance."

Stone encourages students with a variety of backgrounds to take part in Indigenous Peoples' Month. She said that thinking on a global level will make students well-rounded. Stone said that Indigenous Peoples' Month reminds people that cultures of original inhabitants are oppressed.

"We recognize that there were lots of people stripped of a culture," she said, "but that resulted in lots of people with more than one culture. I'm waiting for a day when we are all mutts, and we can celebrate all cultures."



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## National Briefs

**Meat producer expands national recall to 27.4 million pounds of deli products**

PHILADELPHIA — Wampler Foods recalled all cooked deli products made since May at a suburban plant and halted production because the meat is possibly contaminated with listeria, authorities said Sunday.

The recall of about 27.4 million pounds of meat is the largest in USDA history. It follows an Oct. 9 recall of 295,000 pounds of turkey and chicken products at the plant in Franconia.

The company voluntarily expanded the recall to all cooked deli products made from May 1 through Oct. 11 and halted production Saturday at the facility about 25 miles north of Philadelphia after receiving test results of samples taken from floor drains.

At least 120 illnesses and 20 deaths were caused by listeria in eight Northeast states since last summer. The genetic strain that caused those illnesses is different than the strain found at the plant, officials said.

**Who's in, who's out, who's waiting as Bush builds 'vast coalition' against Saddam**

WASHINGTON — President Bush promises to be at the helm of a "vast coalition" against Iraq.

Unlike his father's 31-nation force for the Persian Gulf War, how-

ever, it is a coalition slow to gather and lacking in marquee players.

Bulgaria has provided an airport. Romania guaranteed air bases and airspace rights to U.S. fighter jets. Qatar is upgrading its al-Udeid air base and letting the Pentagon set up a command center and pre-position armored brigade equipment there.

If the lineup looks like small-fry now, some experts expect it not to be for long.

With Congress' overwhelming vote to authorize a military strike if necessary to disarm Iraq and remove President Saddam Hussein, the U.N. Security Council and skittish would-be coalition members will fall into line, said Bill Taylor, former director of National Security Studies at West Point.

"The ones who pay any attention to our democracy understand that the hand of the president is strengthened enormously by Congress going along," Taylor said.

**Modest girls' clothes rule runway at Mormon fashion show**

COSTA MESA, Calif. — Nine-hundred girls and their mothers attended a fashion show in which denim skirts fell to the knee and pants that show belly buttons and rear ends were paired with shirts that cover the exposed skin.

"The Christina Aguilera and Britney Spears look is not the only way to be," said Karen Baker of Rancho Santa Margarita. Baker and Carol Starr of Mission Viejo are two Mormon mothers who approached

Nordstrom about the show.

Baker said it was a struggle to find appropriate dresses for proms and other formal events.

Flowing gowns had capped sleeves instead of spaghetti straps. Slits in skirts did not rise to the thigh.

Mothers said they usually must alter dance dresses by adding sleeves, filling in necklines to cover busts or making blouses to wear over revealing tops that showed too much stomach.

Styles for prom dresses range from Cinderella-style formals with beaded bodices and full skirts to velvet sheaths. The one similar characteristic: Girls can wear a regular bra underneath.

## International Briefs

**Bali nightclub bombing kills 171 in what police call Indonesia's worst act of terror**

BALI, Indonesia — A bomb destroyed a crowded nightclub on the tourist island of Bali Saturday, sparking a devastating inferno that killed at least 171 people and wounded 300 — many of them foreigners. Officials said it was the worst terrorist act in Indonesia's history.

Authorities said a second bomb exploded near the island's U.S. consular office. Police said there were no casualties in that explosion.

The blasts came three days after the U.S. State Department issued a worldwide alert for terror attacks and highlighted fears by the United States and

others that Indonesia — the most populous Muslim nation — is becoming a haven for terrorists and that al-Qaida operatives are active.

There was no claim of responsibility for the bombing in the Sari Club at the Kuta Beach resort, which officials said killed Indonesians along with Australians, Canadians, Britons and Swedes.

More than 300 people were injured, at least 90 of them critically, officials said.

**Indians protest Columbus Day across Mexico, Central America**

COLOTENANGO, Guatemala — Thousands of Indians blocked highways across Central America and Mexico on Saturday, protesting Columbus Day and celebrating the region's Indian heritage.

Organizers of marches in Guatemala had originally predicted that participants would close Guatemala's borders with Mexico, Honduras and El Salvador, but only a few crossings were blocked.

Police and soldiers were sent out across the region to prevent violence, but no major disturbances were reported.

Saturday's protests coincided with the anniversary of Christopher Columbus' discovery of America in 1492. Many Indian groups oppose Columbus Day celebrations, arguing that the Europeans' arrival marked the start of the Indians' fight to maintain their traditions and land.

In Guatemala, 1,000 protesters blocked a highway near Colotenango,

170 miles northeast of Guatemala City near the border with Mexico.

**Iraq clarifies position on return of inspectors in new letter to U.N. officials**

VIENNA, Austria — Iraq has promised to behave "professionally" if U.N. weapons inspectors return to the country and gain access to Saddam Hussein's palaces and other suspect sites, the nuclear inspection agency said Saturday.

In a new letter sent to the Vienna headquarters of the International Atomic Energy Agency, Saddam adviser Gen. Amir al-Sadi said Baghdad sees no obstacles to a resumption of the hunt for weapons of mass destruction in Iraq, IAEA spokesman Mark Gwozdecky told The Associated Press.

Saturday's letter came a day after a letter from the Iraqis that appeared to ignore details of agreements hammered out with the inspectors on their eventual return. Gwozdecky characterized the tone of the latest letter as "more explicit and more positive" and an attempt by Baghdad to convey that it sees "eye-to-eye" with the United Nations.

"They made it clear in today's letter that they see no obstacles," he said, but added: "All of this is words until we get on the ground and get to test what the words mean."

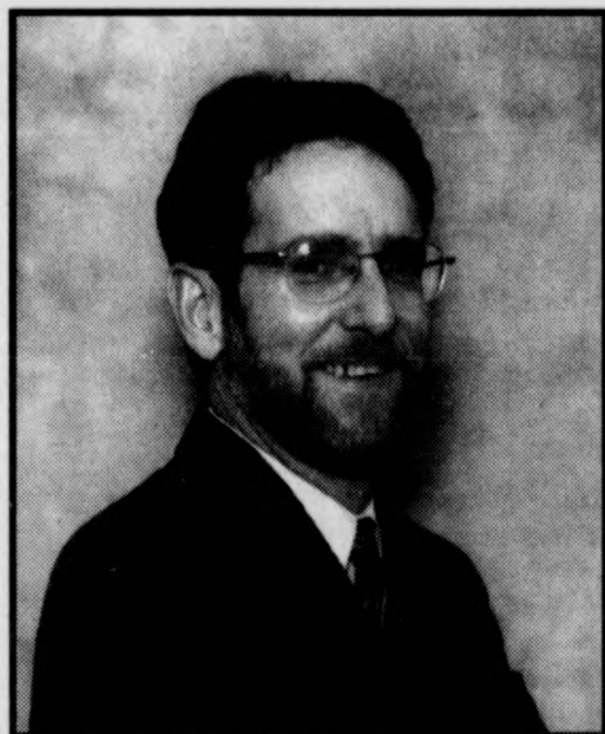
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# MP3 downloading doesn't hurt recording artists

A group of famous songwriters and artists condemned the act of illegal downloading in "Who really cares about illegal downloading?," an article printed last Thursday in the New York Times and Los Angeles Times. The controversial question was born with the

## Commentary

invention of Napster and other music sites. But who really does care about downloading music? Besides students the world around, I am definitely content with getting my music for free.

With all the money that well-known musicians make, people who enjoy listening to their music should be allowed to hear them any way they want. If listeners have access to MP3 downloading over the Internet or if they decide to purchase a CD, the choice should be theirs.

Popular artists like Britney Spears argue that

downloading their music via the Internet is illegal.

"Would you go into a CD store and steal a CD? It's the same thing," Spears said in an Associated Press wire story.

Excuse me, Brit, but it is not the same thing. Last time I checked, it was the store that loses money from a shoplifter. In fact, stores lose more money annually than a multi-million dollar singer that loses \$15. If Spears has a problem with her bank account, maybe she should cut the costs of all her plastic surgery. Oops, she did it again, didn't she?

Artists like the Dixie Chicks also say that downloading music is wrong.

"It may seem innocent enough, but every time you illegally download music a songwriter doesn't get paid," the Chicks said in the same AP wire article.

Has downloading become a moral issue?

Natalie Maines, your cowboys are already taking you and your sisters away into a world of wealth. Not to mention how much money you made on your new CD, "Home," which debuted at No.1 on the Billboard Country Album Charts. I doubt you will be left homeless because of the loss of a few bucks.

In an article from DeansPlanet.com, the editor-in-chief, Dean, disagrees with music artists campaigning against downloading and said, "How much money do these freaks need?"

Exactly. You're right Dean, especially when you said that the record industry and executives need to change the way they operate by either lowering the price of CDs or taking a pay cut.

The price of a CD is expensive, and paying \$20 per month for access to the Internet is a bargain for people. Will Doherty, a spokesman for an online civil liberties organization, said that by arguing MP3 downloading, artists are destroying

a new technology that provides alternative means of music distribution.

Local artists and bands who are just beginning did not have a voice among the 90 artists, leading me to believe that they are satisfied when people listen to their music, whether it's free or not.

Despite the fact that they are struggling to gain popularity; if people are listening to their music then that's enough for them. If listeners hear new artists' hits online and like them, the odds of these people going out and buying the CD in the future is high.

Until artists can figure out a way to profit from the technology of MP3 downloading, they probably won't be happy. They should keep their opinions about it to themselves.

Meredith Corbin is a journalism senior and Mustang Daily staff writer.

## Michigan case could have national impact

(U-WIRE) ANN ARBOR, Mich. —The Supreme Court is once again in session and the University of Michigan may find out as early as next month if it will hear the case against the affirmative action policy of the University Law School.

The court should hear the case in order to make affirmative action the law of the land, but it should also allow the student interveners make the case that the integration of higher education is essential to addressing the racial and socio-economic inequalities in the United States.

## Commentary

The university's case contends that diversity is vital aspect of effective higher education and our admissions policy is to achieve the most diverse student body. Therefore, it is a compelling interest for the state. Though the university presents a strong defense of its policies, it is not the whole defense for the university's affirmative action policy.

The student interveners' case is based on the fact that institutionalized racism has perpetuated a system of de facto segregation in higher education. The student interveners, as personal witnesses to the effect that diversity, integration — and their opposites — have upon a university's atmosphere, can make a compelling case which the Court can not afford to ignore.

The university should also stand in favor of allowing the interveners to present their case. It is in the university's best interest, if the Court should decide to hear this case. There is no better source than the student interveners from which to prove that integration is a state interest.

If the Supreme Court rules in favor of the university and its argument of preserving diversity then it will be a victory for our admissions policy. But if the court addresses the necessity for a system that preserves integration, it will be a victory for all that strive to correct the damages that racism and inequality have caused.

The precedent the court will set if it rules in favor of the university without hearing the interveners will only address the need for diversity. There will be no standard of implementing desperately needed systems of integration set for the rest of nation to abide by. Such a precedent would fail to address the institution of racial equality. The nation needs a legal precedent that does address these points and the only party that is currently fighting to establish this precedent is the student interveners.

Though it would be rare for the Supreme Court to hear the cases of interveners, the concept of integration is so vitally important to the United States legal system the court simply has little choice but to allow the student interveners to present their case to the nine justices.

To hear the most comprehensive arguments in support of the university's admissions policies, the Supreme Court, if it decides to grant certiorari in Grutter v. Bollinger, must allow the student interveners to make their case. Because integration is a compelling state interest, it is in the state's interest for the Court to hear this case.

Staff Editorial, Michigan Daily (U. Michigan)

## Letters to the editor

### Proposed curfew an attempt to gain power by police

#### Editor,

My girlfriend and I skipped out of the SLO Brew Dancehall on Saturday night, still rocking to Rastafari All-Star Junior Reid & the One Blood Band, when sirens and pulsing police lights filled the night at Higuera Street in front of Mother's. My car was blocked in by paddy wagons, police cars, bikes, an ambulance, a fire truck and a dozen armed, frowning cops.

They kidnapped my African descent friend after he told his story four times; he was trying to break up a pushing tussle his friend was in that resulted in one broken window at Mother's. My friend was handcuffed and escorted to the paddy wagon, along with two huddled crying college girls, to two already-filled police vans bound for jail.

When I asked what law had been broken, a skinhead cop threatened to "Talk to me!" The veteran-looking officer Bakenkauf replied, "I don't know what's going on." The city has since stated that the young people rounded up were later charged with being drunk in public. Why were there no breathalyzers or field sobriety tests? Wonder why it is punishable to be witness to a pushing match, and not for organized kidnapping with lies for the public?

Now the police propose to enforce a 1 a.m. curfew, punishable by fines and maybe a trip to jail! Say no to overpaid cops looking for ways to drum up the jail business; say no to the new curfew law. Crime is a problem with the police, not the good people of San Luis Obispo trying to break up the fight.

Cody Reinheimer is a speech communication senior.

### Treat ecstasy with an open mind

#### Editor,

Lisa Olmo's opinion regarding the possible use of the chemical MDMA ("Ecstasy") in medical settings misses the mark in several ways. She is correct in her listing of possible side-effects of human consumption of MDMA, but she does little to separate the possible from the likely. There are many drugs currently prescribed by the medical community that share many of the side-effects listed by Olmo in reference to MDMA. For example, the acne treatment "Accutane" can also cause suicidal thoughts, as can prescription antidepressants such as Prozac. Many people report a strange effect called "brain shivers" from these substances, in which they feel like they're being jolted by an electric shock. Antidepressants are often the first line of treatment for sufferers of traumatic experiences, but they require long and drawn-out treatment in which the patient may never be able to return to a drugless state of well-being. MDMA has not been

shown to cause physical dependence, and psychological dependence would be watched for during the treatment session.

The treatment recommended by proponents for therapeutic use of MDMA is a continuous dosing, but rather infrequent sessions in which a patient is given a controlled dose of the chemical in a controlled setting. This is not a chemical being prescribed to be taken home in a bottle of pills picked up from a pharmacy.

The word "legalize" is also a misleading term. What psychotherapists are asking for is a rescheduling of the substance from Schedule I, which does not acknowledge any possible medical use, to Schedule II or III, which are both controlled by the DEA, to allow for carefully monitored (by triplicate prescription) use in the same manner as methamphetamine and morphine, two other Schedule II substances which doctors may prescribe under the watch of the DEA.

Lisa Olmo is right in saying that we are not fully sure of the long-term effects of ecstasy use; however, this is true of any substance on the market. Under controlled consultation, those at greater risk for the more dangerous short-term side-effects (which are very rare even in uncontrolled recreational use) can be carefully monitored for complications. Also, it is important to note that infrequent dosing along the lines of one dose per month has not been shown to correlate with any cognitive differences. Overall, more testing of the substance needs to be done before it's moved into the mass market, but I suggest we keep an open mind before making judgments based upon media sensationalism and hearsay.

Greg Rice is a biochemistry freshman.

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# Administration misses mark on sex education

George W. Bush and his administration are obviously not the most liberal politicians in Washington. It's a statement that explains why they never cease to spark a fire within my left-winged mindset.

In a recent budget proposal, the Bush administration has attempted to increase spending on abstinence-only sex education programs in our country by \$73 million.

## Commentary

These abstinence-only programs are intended to prevent unwanted teen pregnancies and the spread of sexually transmitted diseases, and institutions that are funded through this program are mandated to abide by federal rules. These programs are to advise that abstinence until marriage is the only option. The use of contraception may not be discussed, except to say that condoms are not 100 percent effective.

In an ideal world, this sounds like a dandy plan. We teach kids that it is not in their best interest to have premarital sex and they, of course, will hang onto every word we say. It couldn't be any easier. No more unwanted teen pregnancies!

Thanks Dubya. You're brilliant.

Wait a minute. When are these conservatives going to wake up and realize this is not the case? In all reality, most of us know that this is not the way the world works. In a society that has become increasingly open to sexual activity, why must we pretend that teenagers have remained sheltered from this brave new world?

Kids are kids and teenagers are teenagers. Pre-marital sex is seemingly inevitable for most of them.

About 43 percent of students lose their virginity by the 10th grade and 61 percent lose it by the 12th grade, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Since we know most teenagers are going to have sex before marriage, don't you think we should inform them on how to protect themselves? And I don't mean any of this "condoms are not totally effective" nonsense. I mean getting down to the real nitty-gritty of sex education, from viewing a picture of genital warts to putting the condom on the banana. You know, the really fun stuff.

Students must learn about the birth control pill, sponges, spermicides and other contraceptive products to prevent pregnancies. They need to be educated about all the various STDs, and what they can do to prevent getting one.

Now don't get me wrong—I'm not saying sex education teachers should not recommend abstinence. In fact, most already do. But along with that, students must be notified about all their options when they decide to become sexually active.

In a recent study, the Sexuality Information and Education Council of the United States discovered that parents and guardians overwhelmingly support these comprehensive sex education programs. Eighty-one percent of those surveyed would rather their student be educated about birth control and sexually transmitted diseases than experience an abstinence-only course.

Some conservatives believe teaching about birth control methods is a discreet way of saying, "Hey kids, here's how a condom works; go have yourselves a good time." And heaven forbid we actually hand them out. Apparently, doing this means we might as well be paying for a hotel room.

Studies, however, show the contrary. Comprehensive courses have been proven effective in increasing the use of contraception, and in no way have been proven to initiate early sexual activity or increase the number of sexual partners, according to the National Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy.

Come on, politicians. Just because Clinton no longer occupies the Oval Office doesn't mean that people aren't having sex. Let's face our reality and get it on—safely, of course.

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# Elections too real for television

First came "Survivor," "Big Brother," "The Bachelor" and "American Idol." Now, FX is set to stage a game show in which the winner will get to run for president.

Yes, president of the United States of America.

I admit that at first I thought this was a terrible idea. I am not a fan of reality shows in general, and I think that politicians

already behave too much like

actors who play politicians on television.

But what truly frightened me was thinking just what a large percentage of the vote this candidate would be potentially able to grab. Even as conservative as my own mother is, I believe that there was a time last TV season when she would have voted for Kelly Clarkson from "American Idol" for president.

The new show was conceived by R.J. Cutler, the guy who produced the 1993 Oscar-nominated documentary "The War Room," about the 1992 presidential campaign of Bill Clinton.

To vie for a chance to be crowned "American Candidate," applicants must fill out questionnaires, make a video in which they explain why they think they should be picked, kind of like those "Survivor" audition tapes, then collect 50 signatures on a petition supporting their candidacy. These must be live people, not Musty or SpongeBob.

Oh yes, they must also be natural-born American citizens who have lived in the United States for the last seven years and be at least 35 years old as of Jan. 20, 2005.

This is thanks to that pesky U.S. Constitution, not the rules of the show.

The competitions will reveal the candidates' core beliefs, oratory skills, wisdom, stamina, leadership, family background, ability to answer multiple-choice questions, proficiency with Elton John songs and their

ability to eat bugs.

A handful of presidential hopefuls will get whacked each week, based on a point system that factors in competition results, the live audience's preferences and telephone and Internet voting.

Each episode will originate from some location that just screams America, like Mount Rushmore, Gettysburg or the Statue of Liberty.

The winner will decide for him or herself whether to actually run for president that fall.

Should he or she

decide to go ahead, the producers will follow the candidate and telecast the campaign trail in a weekly series, right up until election night.

The greatest reason I worry about

"American Candidate" is that, like it or not, we live in a world that is dominated by the media; the producers don't seem to realize the power their show could have.

With a weekly program specifically designed to present candidates and help voters make their choice, and with FX footing the bill, the only concern for the candidate will be appealing to voters and competing effectively with other candidates.

Talk about free airtime.

In a Sept. 20, 2002 interview on National Public Radio, Cutler claimed that his show "wouldn't give an advantage to its winning candidate should he or she decide to run."

Maybe not, at least not any more of an advantage than the World Wrestling Federation gave Jesse Ventura or Hollywood gave Ronald Reagan?

Come on, neither Ventura nor Reagan entered show business with the intent of becoming president. And while the Democratic nominee will spend the spring

of 2004 largely out of the public eye, the people's candidate will continue to be on every week.

I doubt that reformers who have long-sought free airtime for candidates had in mind "Fear Factor"-esque faceoffs to see who can keep their hands in a pot of worms the longest. After all, the show is to be aired on FX, home of "Son of the Beach" and "Ally McBeal" reruns.

Does it frighten anyone else that many nonvoters, particularly young people, who find politics deadly boring may see this as

their way to screw authority, make a mockery of politics and put Ozzy or Anna Nicole in the White House?

It is highly unlikely, of course—I hope—that a new TV show on a cable network will produce America's next

president. But, if "American Candidate" is successful and produces a contender who has an impact on the 2004 election, the major parties and the media might have to take a second look at how they have conducted recent elections.

Look at the candidates we've been forced to choose from in the last few elections. Let's face it, most of us yawn our way through the campaign and vote for the guy who annoys us the least, which is often a difficult call.

We seldom feel a connection with the nominees because we are not really involved in the nominating process. I will give it this—"American Candidate" represents a unique opportunity for Americans to select a presidential nominee, to participate directly and immediately in the political process in a way we have never experienced before.

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# Young, but no longer 'invincible'

(U-WIRE) LINCOLN, Neb. —There was once a time I thought I could do anything. I could try anything. I could survive anything.

There was once a time when you could find me surfing an automobile, climbing a tower or leaping over a certain death to safety. Often I would be naked, just to add an extra element of danger and excitement to these activities. I had full confidence in dumb luck, dumb strength and my own dumb ass.

My step dad used to tell me his "young and stupid" stories in order to spare me the, ... well, just to spare me I guess.

But, what child heeds warnings these days? Certainly not me. But here I am still kickin', and one day maybe I'll even be able to tell my own children all of the fun stuff they shouldn't ever do, or if they do, at least how to do it right.

I was resilient. I was hearty. I was stupid, and I was certainly lucky.

I can't pinpoint the exact day I stopped being most of those things, but I know now I'm not.

I recently realized my own mortality.

I wish I could say I just got smarter, that I finally began to learn from my mistakes. The truth is, though, I have to thank my good buddy fear.

It's the fear of hangovers, broken necks and jail time that has made me lame.

Had to be there story: I recently spent 20 minutes or so watching a young teen-aged girl learn to ride a bike with the help of who I assumed was her grandmother and brother.

Her not knowing how to ride a bike at that age isn't the funny part; it's simply negligence. Her learning, however, was hilarity at its finest!

She could get herself on the bike fine, then her instructors would start to push as she pedaled. They would then let go, and she would swerve to the earth, sometimes landing in something soft, like a garden or a bush if she was lucky.

Sometimes, though, she'd hit pretty hard. I would laugh pretty hard no matter where she hit.

She never made it very far, so it was easy to watch without being spotted; I only had to move my car closer every five or six attempts.

Despise me if you will. Sure, she was hurt, but not too badly. She'd feel fine the next day.

That's my point; I wouldn't be fine, not anymore, not ever again.

This revelation was made clear to me Saturday after a 15-on-15 pickup tackle football game. We played for about four hours, which is actually a lot, no matter how old you are.

It was great: 30 guys trying to recapture something they had lost or they had never even had to begin with.

There was cheating and plenty of bitching, every play in fact, often poorly disguised as trash talking. It was like watching a pack of sorority girls fight, scratching and clawing over the remote if new episodes of "Friends" and "The Real World" were to run simultaneously.

The game was still really fun, however. There were hard hits, cheap shots and a couple of nice touchdown dances. Eventually the numbers began to dwindle as ankles twisted, noses bled and pinkies jammed. The heroes began to punk out one by one.

Some of us made it through the whole game, not because we weren't tired or rethinking our decision to ever play in the first place, but because we had something to prove to ourselves.

Yeah, yeah, it's pathetic. I know. We left everything on the field. Seriously, everything.

Somewhere on that field I pulled my groin and suffered a deep thigh bruise. Somewhere in the dirt lies my arrogance, confidence, fearlessness and any scrap of disillusionment having to do with my current place in life.

I've been waddling around in pain for almost a week now, like I have a load in my pants.

At least a load in my pants would feel liberating. Right now I just feel betrayed.

I've grown quite reflective and wise in my old age, and I think we eventually all slow down physically because we need to mentally.

Because if it were up to us, we wouldn't. If it were up to us, we'd be drunk and streaking down the street with our butts on fire, wouldn't we?

Andy Norman is a Daily Nebraskan staff writer (U. Nebraska)



# Nader imparts message of political activism

By Baghbani, Sadaf

DAILY UTAH CHRONICLE (UNIVERSITY OF UTAH)

(U-WIRE) SALT LAKE CITY – Former Green Party presidential candidate Ralph Nader had words of encouragement and motivation for students to get both an education and improve the world around them.

At a press conference before his speech Thursday night, Nader focused on corporate crime.

"Congress has not been paying attention to this for the past few months," Nader said. "There has only been a one-track mono-maniacal emphasis on the war in Iraq."

Student Body President Bill Edwards was worried that Nader's speech would follow the topics of his press conference, but was pleasantly surprised.

"I really liked that his speech focused on college life and how students can get involved instead of just his political policies," Edwards said.

At Kingsbury Hall, around 2,000 people attended. Breaking down the demographics, Nader asked how many students, faculty and community were at the event. About 60 percent were students, and less than 10 people were faculty.

"I think the fact that so many students attended was what showed that this was an actual success," Edwards said.

The audience was relaxed and sup-

portive of Nader's speech. Applause and standing ovations broke out many times in support of what he said.

"If you don't turn onto politics, politics will turn onto you in a disagreeable way," Nader said.

One of the key ideas that Nader emphasized was of the importance of being a citizen and the role people play as citizens.

"Being a citizen is one of the most important roles you will play besides parenting," he said.

Nader also stressed the importance of political activism when a person is young.

"Most social innovation, justice and creativity comes in your 20s and 30s," he said. "It's important to start seeing yourself in the important roles you'll play in your life."

One of the many concepts that Nader endorsed was a required citizen skills class at all universities.

"You're not citizens in waiting, you're in a perfect position to connect your studies with analysis," Nader said.

The speech also included three things that people could immediately get involved in.

"First establish a citizen skills course. Second, senators and representatives don't put their voting records on their Web," Nader said. "We also have to do something about the corporate crime wave."

## Web site promotes sex in university bathrooms

By Michael Barnett

THE GW HATCHET (GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY)

(U-WIRE) WASHINGTON – The Web site cruisingforsex.com is once again listing George Washington University bathrooms as hot spots for sexual activity, a year after University Police barred men from campus for incidents of lewd conduct.

For three years, UPD has nabbed numerous individuals for sexual activity in men's bathrooms on campus.

UPD reports a decrease in these "lewd acts" since May, when cruisingforsex.com stopped listing university facilities as meeting points for sex.

UPD barred 12 men from campus in October 2001 for seven incidents of lewd acts. A professor reported men performing oral sex in a Bell Hall bathroom Sept. 21, 2001.

Recent postings dated this September and October suggest that sexual activity has resumed.

Several "cruisy" bathrooms are identified on the Web site, including those on the lower level of the Marvin Center and on the fifth floor of the Gelman Library. Individuals can post messages on the Web site about their experiences in these bathrooms.

UPD Chief Dolores Stafford said plain-clothes policemen continue to run undercover operations several times a month in places where incidents have previously occurred. Areas targeted for the undercover stings include the Marvin Center and Bell and Corcoran halls.

Some of the subjects caught in the past were GW students, Stafford said.

"Until we're sure that this behavior

and activity ceases, undercover operations will continue to take place," Stafford said. "We know which bathrooms have been popular in the past, and those are the ones we will be watching."

An individual posted a message on cruisingforsex.com dated October 2002 that he has met "several hot college guys" in the lower level Marvin Center bathroom. "If you are (or look like) a student, you won't have a problem, as long as you don't run in and out of the bathroom constantly," the person advised in the post.

University Police first uncovered sexual activity in GW bathrooms in November 1999. In some instances, more than 10 people were identified at a time, according to Stafford. In cases where the individuals involved are not GW students, they are barred from campus. GW students engaged in these behaviors will be identified and turned over to Student Judicial Services.

Lewd acts are not listed under the Code of Student Conduct. Other universities have encountered similar behavior in their bathrooms. Chief Anthony Diorio of the Boston University Police Department reports detaining several men in the past few months for having sex in bathrooms.

"This kind of behavior has been going on for a while," Diorio said. "We receive complaints from students all the time."

Other universities have found a different way to tackle this problem. At the University of California at Los Angeles, officials seek to educate students that this behavior is unacceptable on campus.

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and hardships, according to his web site at [www.russellmeans.com](http://www.russellmeans.com).

Means, an Oglala and Yankton Sioux Indian, spent his early childhood on Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota. He later went on to attend Oakland Community College and Arizona State University. His committed involvement with American Indian issues began in the late 1960s, when he directed Cleveland's American Indian Center, according to Means' autobiography "Where White Men

Fear to Tread."

In 1970, Means became the first national director of the American Indian Movement.

"We were a revolutionary, militant organization whose purpose was spirituality first," Means said in an article in "The Progressive."

Within the same year, Means lead a Thanksgiving Day demonstration with 200 other American Indians. Together, they seized the Mayflower, painted Plymouth Rock red and observed a day of national mourning.

By 1991, Means managed to capture a large audience by beginning his acting career, as well as developing his own media company,

T.R.E.A.T.Y. Means has starred in movies including "The Last of the

*"By acknowledging American Indian history, we are taking a step toward knowing how easily freedom can be stripped from a culture."*

**Lucia Stone**  
President of AISA

Mohicans," "Natural Born Killers" and as the voice of Chief Powhatan

in "Pocahontas."

Currently, Means is a candidate for governor of New Mexico and is involved with developing an immersion school, where lessons are taught orally in native tongue, which, he said, develops and utilizes the entire brain more completely than in a linear education module.

Domingues said that because Cal Poly lacks diversity, Means' knowledge and experience with American Indian issues can enlighten and culturally enrich Cal Poly students and faculty. He said that this should be of special importance to locals and students because Cal Poly and San Luis Obispo stand on Chumash land.

"In times of global tension, we need to stress the importance of acceptance, tolerance and open-mindedness, which permeates through Means' message," Domingues said.

Lucia Stone, AISA president, said that Means' message can encourage people to look at their personal freedoms.

"He wants people to evaluate and appreciate their freedom," she said. "Now, in many places around the world, people lack the personal liberties that citizens of America have. By acknowledging American Indian history, we are taking a step toward knowing how easily freedom can be stripped from a culture."

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## Cal Poly Women's Soccer

## Winning big in Big West

► Four Mustangs score goals in conference opener against Matadors

By Alexa Ratcliffe  
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Despite the cool, damp night air surrounding Mustang Stadium, the Cal Poly women's soccer team trampled Cal State Northridge in their Big West opener Friday night.

Coming off two losses last weekend, the Mustangs out-ran, outplayed and outscored the Matadors in their 4-0 win.

"We went into double-overtime with Northridge last year, so tonight's win was big improvement for our team," center midfielder Megan Gurney said.

Mandy Enfield set the pace for the game by scoring the first goal of the night just 46 seconds into the game, off a pass by Katie Collins.

Throughout the first half, the Mustangs played strong both offensively and defensively, and managed to keep the ball away from their end of the field.

In the second half, the girls wasted no time in getting down to business. Ten minutes into the quarter, midfielder Erin Martin found the back of the net with the help of an extremely accurate assist from forward Megan Schlegel.

Following the substitution of a new Northridge goalie, Cal Poly made a number of shot attempts. Both teams were slipping and sliding across the field fighting for the ball, but the



BRIAN KENT/MUSTANG DAILY

**The Mustangs sliced through the Matador defense for three second-half goals during Friday's 4-0 win over Cal State Northridge.**

Mustangs worked well together offensively as a team to make several close shots.

"This year we all have really good chemistry," Gurney said. "We all get along really well and play really well together."

It wasn't until the last 10 minutes of the game that the Mustangs scored their final two goals. Forward Alexa Jontulovich dribbled through several Northridge players to score the third goal of the night unassisted.

Sarah Squires scored the most exciting goal of the night with less than five minutes left in the game. Her powerful kick came from the far right corner of the field and found its way to the upper-left corner of the net. The perfectly placed kick put the finishing touches on the Mustangs' rout.

Goalkeeper Greta Shirdon had one save on the night en route to her fifth shutout of the season.

Cal Poly coach Alex Crozier was

pleased with how the Mustangs played their first conference game and credited the entire team for their effort.

"Everyone played really well," he said. "We made a few mistakes tonight but were lucky enough to not get caught at any of them."

Crozier said the Mustangs' upcoming schedule won't get easier anytime soon.

"Every upcoming game in our conference will be a tough game," he said.

## Cal Poly Football

## Mustangs snap five-game losing streak

► Starting quarterback injured in Cal Poly's first win of the season

CAL POLY SPORTS INFORMATION REPORT

The Cal Poly football team picked up its first win of the season with a 27-21 win on the road at Southern Utah Saturday.

Chris Peterson rushed for two touchdowns and Darrell Jones returned a kickoff 98 yards for another in the Mustangs' win.

Cal Poly improved to 1-5 for the season and will return to action on Saturday, when the team travels to Moraga to take on Saint Mary's at 1 p.m.

The Mustangs got on the board first with 10:25 left in the first quarter, when Jeremy Konaris rushed for a 23-yard touchdown capping a seven-play 56-yard drive. The T-Birds answered back with a 31-yard field goal five minutes later, making the score 7-3 at the end of the quarter.

Peterson scored his first touchdown on a four-yard run to start the second quarter of play. The junior's touchdown concluded a 16-play, 80-yard drive by the Mustangs. Peterson

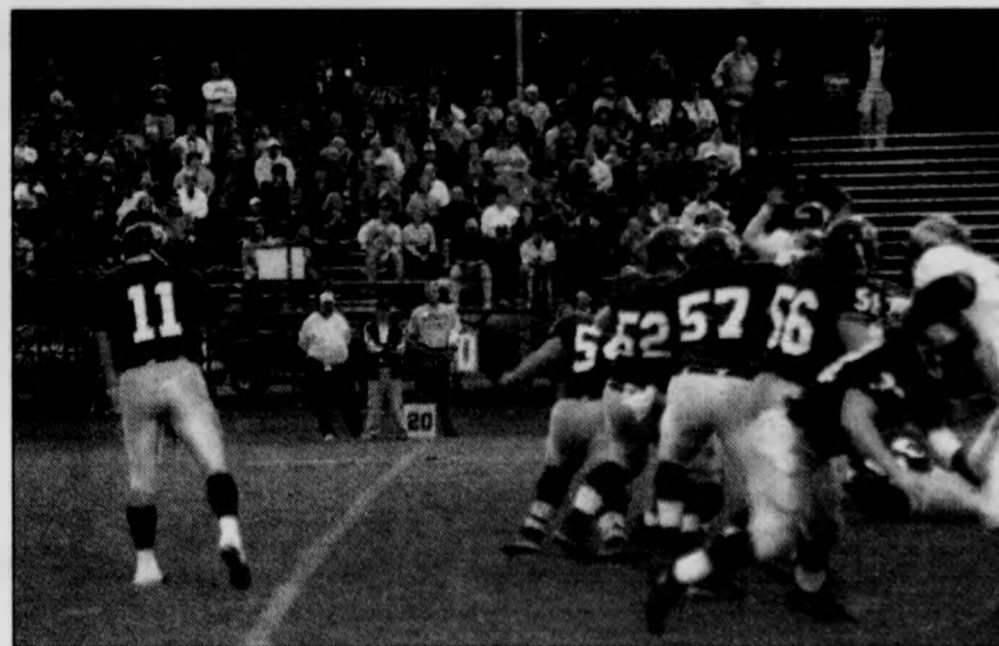
scored his second touchdown two minutes later on an eight-yard run to cap a six-play, 30-yard drive. SUU closed the half on a 10-yard rushing touchdown, making the score 21-9 after the PAT failed.

Neither side scored in the third period but both teams combined for 18 points in the final six minutes of the game. SUU scored the first touchdown on a one-yard rush, closing the score to 21-16. Jones returned the ensuing kickoff 98 yards for a touchdown to give the Mustangs a 27-16 lead after the extra-point attempt failed.

With 3:39 left in the game, SUU kicked a 27-yard field goal, closing the Mustang lead to 27-19. SUU blocked a Cal Poly punt through the endzone for a safety and the final score (27-21) with 1:53 left in the game.

Mustang strong safety Aaron Williams intercepted a Southern Utah pass at Cal Poly's 3-yard line with 58 seconds left to play, preserving the Mustang win. It was Williams' second interception of the season.

Konaris led the Mustangs in rushing with 48 yards on eight carries and



FILE PHOTO

**Cal Poly quarterback Kevin Cooper (11) was injured on a vicious hit during the second quarter of the Mustangs' 27-21 win Saturday.**

one touchdown. Kevin Cooper completed 7 of 11 passes for 57 yards while Ryan McCarty caught four passes for 35 yards to lead the team.

Darik Stollmeyer led the defense with 12 tackles (eight solo) and David Williams added 11 tackles (seven solo). Kelly Turbin had a fumble recovery along with his nine tackles.

The Mustangs as a team were out-gained 376 yards to 184 yards. Cal

Poly had 73 yards on the ground and passed for 111 yards. SUU had the edge in first downs, with 24 to Cal Poly's 16. Cal Poly was called for eight penalties for 89 yards while SUU committed 12 penalties for 132 yards.

Cooper was knocked out of the game in the second quarter and did not return. He was replaced by Peterson, who finished 5-of-17 passing for 54 yards.

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## SCORES

VOLLEYBALL	0
vs santa barbara	3
FOOTBALL	27
vs southern utah	21
MEN'S SOCCER	1
vs uc riverside	2
WOMEN'S SOCCER	4
vs cs northridge	0
WOMEN'S SOCCER	3
vs pacific	1
MEN'S TENNIS	eliminated in 2nd round
vs bulldog classic	

## SCHEDULE

MEN'S SOCCER	wed., oct. 16, 7 p.m.
vs cs fullerton	@ cal poly
VOLLEYBALL	fri., oct. 18, 7 p.m.
vs uc riverside	@ uc riverside
WOMEN'S SOCCER	sat., oct. 18, 2 p.m.
vs idaho	@ idaho
CROSS COUNTRY	sat., oct. 19
invitational	@ cal poly
FOOTBALL	sat., oct. 19, 1 p.m.
vs saint mary's	@ st. mary's
MEN'S SOCCER	sat., oct. 19, 7 p.m.
vs uc irvine	@ cal poly
VOLLEYBALL	sat., oct. 19, 7 p.m.
vs cs fullerton	@ cs fullerton
WOMEN'S SOCCER	sun., oct. 20, noon
vs utah state	@ utah state
MEN'S GOLF	mon.-tues., oct. 21-22
invitational	@ simi valley

## STATS

## By the numbers

3.5

sacks for Cal Poly's Isaac Dixon through 6 games, a team high

2

kickoffs returned for touchdowns this season by the Mustangs' Darrell Jones

18.4

average yards per catch for Cal Poly wide receiver Jonah Russell

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today's question

When was the last time the Cal Poly women's volleyball team made it to the NCAA tournament?

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Friday's question

How many times has the Cal Poly men's basketball team made it to the NCAA tournament?  
**ZERO**

Congratulations, Adam Leavitt!

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