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# Mustang

## DAILY

# Athlete indicted for manslaughter

By Andra Coberly and Graham Wolmack

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITERS

A Cal Poly baseball player was indicted on charges of manslaughter by a Honolulu grand jury Wednesday as the result of a 2001 car accident in Hawaii that killed a 58-year-old woman.

Business administration junior Nicholas Tudisco, who was 18 years old at the time of the accident, was charged after being accused of racing his 1999 Honda Prelude with another car, losing control and colliding with a Ford Aerostar van, killing teacher Elizabeth Kekoa

on Aug. 26, 2001, according to grand jury returns.

Tudisco, a Honolulu native, made admissions to investigators that he had been racing. He was accused of driving at speeds of more than 100 mph in a 50 mph zone on the H-1 Freeway in Kaimuki, Hawaii.

Tudisco, whose bail was set at \$100,000, will either voluntarily turn himself in or be extradited back to Hawaii. Executive assistant to the prosecutor Tom Fulton said he could receive up to 20 years in prison.

A preliminary hearing will not be set until he is returned to officials in Hawaii.

Tudisco could face both athletic and academic repercussions at Cal Poly once administrators verify the charges against him, which could come as early as today, associate athletic director Alison Cone said.

"We have a department policy that says roughly, if you're accused of criminal misconduct, you may be suspended and that decision is made by the athletic director and the provost," Cone said.

Cone learned of the charges from reporters at KCOY-TV, who called close to 4 p.m. Wednesday.

Kekoa, who sat in the front seat while on her

way to church, was in the van with her husband and mother, who were both injured in the accident. Tudisco was not hurt.

Initially, Tudisco was arrested on charges of suspicion of second-degree homicide, according to the Honolulu Advertiser. He was given a breathalyzer test, which turned up negative. He was released without being charged, pending investigation.

Kekoa's husband, Wally, had filed civil charges against Tudisco and his parents in March of 2002. The suit alleged that he was dri-

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**Accounting professor Janice Carr instructs business senior Vinh Hoang on personal tax filing. Senior accounting students will help taxpayers fill out their tax returns this year.**

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MUSTANG DAILY

## Tax help available for students

By Randi Block

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Taxpayers no longer need to dread April; help is here.

Those with an annual gross income less than \$35,000 can utilize trained Cal Poly accounting seniors to help them fill out tax returns this year. The offer is free for anyone meeting the income requirement. After the necessary forms are completed, local certified tax preparers will also review the papers.

The program begins Saturday and will continue each subsequent Saturday through March 15 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the third-floor

computer lab in the business building. No appointment is necessary, but people are asked to come by 2 p.m. to ensure everything will be completed in time. Parking is free on campus.

It is necessary to bring 2002 tax return forms and all tax-related forms from 2003, to the meeting.

The students who are preparing the forms are experienced in accounting. They have taken an introductory tax course and one of the other two elective tax classes the school offers.

"If students have taken two classes

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## Events Calendar

List of upcoming activities on campus

**What:** VITA Community Tax Service. Free income tax return preparation and assistance for low income taxpayers (gross income less than \$35,000) provided by trained and qualified Cal Poly accounting seniors.

**When:** Every Saturday, Jan. 31-March 13, 11 a.m.

**Where:** Bldg. 3, Rooms 306 and 307

**More Info:** Call Janice Carr at 756-1488

**What:** "Reflections." The Cal Poly Orchesis Dance Company's 34th annual concert with new work from guest choreographers. This year's program will feature a variety of dance styles, including ballet, modern, hip hop and Mexican folkloric dance.

**When:** Friday, Saturday and Feb. 5 to 7, 8 p.m.; Sunday, 2 p.m.

**Where:** Cal Poly Theatre

**More Info:** Call Maria Junco at 756-1248

**What:** Philosophy Speakers Forum. Professors from across the nation will speak at a philosophy forum.

**When:** Friday, 12 p.m.

**Where:** UU, Room 220

**More Info:** Call Ken Walker at 756-2811

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## Midterm Anxiety?

Professional and peer counselors are here to help

By JoAnn Sanders

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

The fifth week of winter quarter means that the academic year is halfway finished; but before students can celebrate they must first get through another set of midterms. Sometimes coping with or trying to overcome the mid-year slump can be difficult. For that reason, and many more, Cal Poly has two resources on campus where students are welcomed daily to talk about their problems.

The Cal Poly Counseling Center and the Peer Health Education center offer professional and peer help for issues facing Cal Poly students.

Depending on the severity of their issues — alcohol or drug abuse, sex, depression or anxiety — a student has a choice to talk to students or professionals. The services are free to students and adhere to a strict rule of confidentiality.

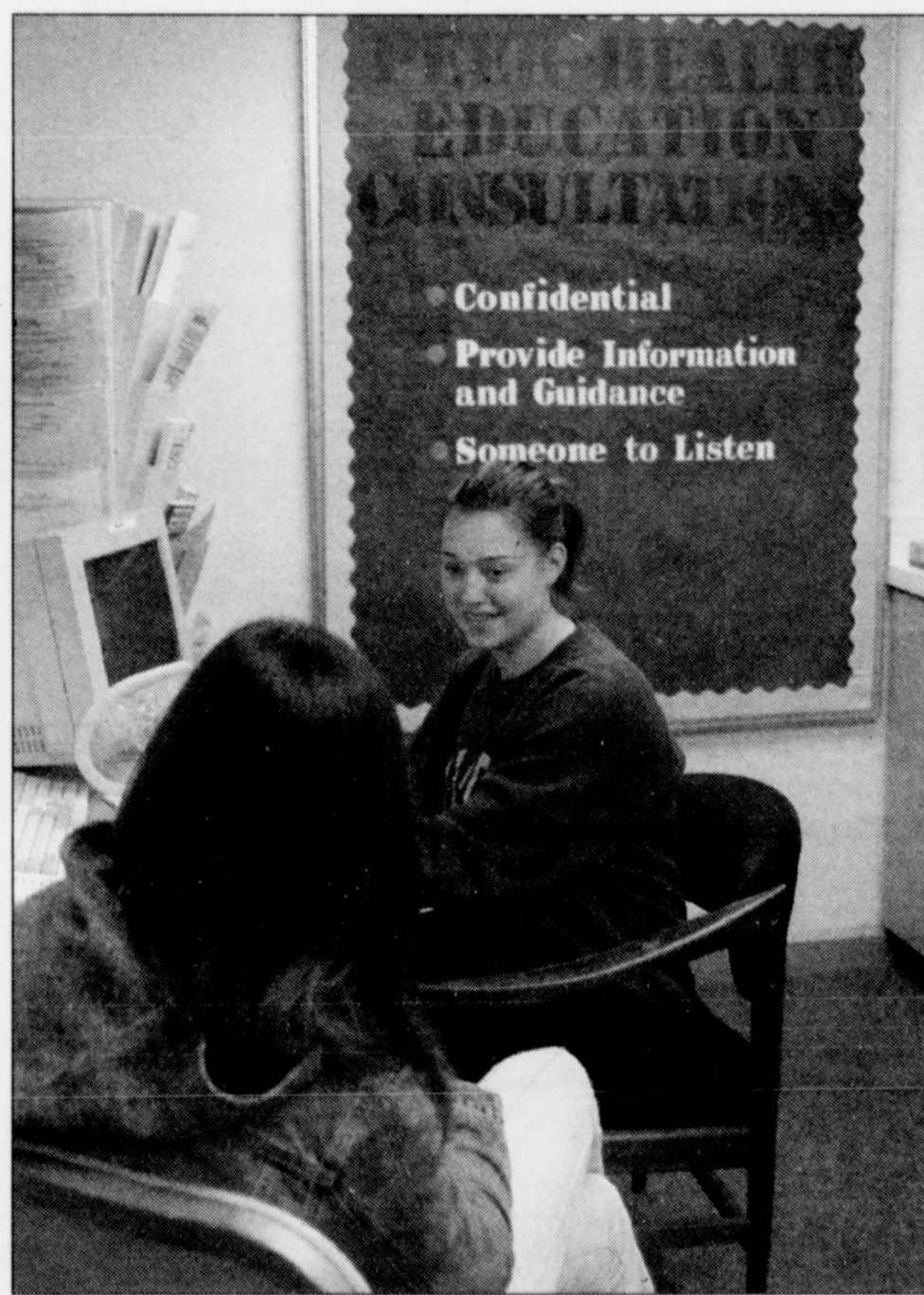
Elie Axelroth, a Counseling Center psychologist of 20 years, said students come in the center for a variety of reasons, the most common relate to anxiety and depression. Causes include unhappiness with one's major, relationships ending, communication problems or simply a susceptibility to depression.

"There is a lot of anxiety in our culture so it's understandable that students are feeling, well, pretty anxious," Axelroth said.

Peer Health Education offers three different programs for students. The E.R.O.S program which stands for Education Resources on Sexuality, gives presentations and educates students about different topics such as HIV/AIDS, contraception and sexually transmitted infections. In addition, there is a Nutrition Team, a Thoughtful Lifestyle Choices Team and a resource center known as A.S.K. Poly that provides student access to health and wellness information from computer software programs. Each program is student operated.

Speech communications senior and E.R.O.S. team coordinator Laura Dole has worked at the Peer Health Education center for the past year. Dole said she feels there is less pressure for students to come in to the Peer Health

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Kimberley Johnson, EROS team peer counselor, talks to a student at the Peer Health Education center on campus.





## Local Weather


### 5 - Day Forecast

**TODAY**  
high: 64° / low 42° 

**FRIDAY**  
high: 60° / low 41° 

**SATURDAY**  
high: 59° / low 38° 

**SUNDAY**  
high: 62° / low 39° 

**MONDAY**  
high: 61° / low 42° 

### Sunrise/Sunset

rises: 7:04 a.m. / sets 5:27 p.m.

### Tides

high	3:46 a.m.	4.81 feet
	5:50 p.m.	2.86 feet
low	11:28 a.m.	1.24 feet
	9:31 p.m.	2.49 feet

### California Cities

CITY	TODAY'S HI/LO
San Diego	67°/49°
Anaheim	71°/46°
Riverside	70°/42°
Los Angeles	70°/50°
Santa Barbara	66°/45°
Bakersfield	61°/42°
Fresno	58°/42°
Santa Cruz	61°/44°
San Jose	60°/44°
San Francisco	59°/50°
Sacramento	58°/44°
Redding	58°/44°

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in tax, we figure they must be interested in the field and this is good experience for them," said accounting professor Janice Carr.

The students receive credit or use the program as a senior project.

Carr is advising the program along with accounting professor Jack Robison.

No off campus locations will be available this year due to the necessity of filling out many of the forms on the computer instead of doing them manually.

Cal Poly has been a part of the program for the past 12 years.

## R. Kelly can't visit Jackson, judge says

By Don Babwin  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHICAGO — R. Kelly won't be mingling with Michael Jackson during next month's Grammy festivities: A judge has ordered the R&B star, who is awaiting trial on child pornography charges, to stay away from the King of Pop, himself facing child molestation charges, when Kelly attends the awards.

The Chicago-based Kelly has produced two songs for Jackson: the 1995 hit "You Are Not Alone" and last fall's "One More Chance." Kelly is nominated for two Grammys at the Feb. 8 ceremony and had to get a judge's permission to attend the Los Angeles event; Jackson is not up for any awards and there are no indications that he even plans to attend the ceremony.

Prosecutors and Kelly's lawyers said they never raised the issue of a meeting between Jackson and Kelly during a hearing this week about Kelly's travel. Cook County Circuit Judge Vincent Gaughan made the edict on his own, they said. The judge could not be reached for comment.

Kelly's lawyer Edward Genson said Monday's ruling, first reported by the Chicago Sun-Times on Tuesday, was not a problem.

"What's the difference if someone makes an order not to see someone he didn't want to see in the first place?" Genson asked.

Kelly, already a Grammy winner, is nominated for best contemporary R&B album for his double-platinum album "Chocolate Factory" and best male R&B performance.

Kelly was arrested in June 2002 after a videotape surfaced that allegedly showed him having sex with an underage girl. He has denied the charges alleged in a 21-count indictment.

Jackson has pleaded innocent to seven counts of performing lewd or lascivious acts on a child under 14 and two counts of administering an intoxicating agent, reportedly wine. He was arrested in November.

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Education center.

"You are sitting with someone who is a student and it's not that big of a deal," Dole said. "We go to the same school and are similar ages. We know what's going on in the world and in the times."

Traditional and professional counseling services are offered at Counseling Services, located in the Health Center. Counseling center offers "individual psychotherapy and counseling" from five trained counselors. Services are free to undergraduate or graduate students. Counseling Services offers help for extreme crisis or emergencies such as the death of

loved ones.

Teresa Rush, office manager for Counseling Services, said the center has seen roughly 500 students a year. As a parent who has a child at Poly she said she is glad that there are counseling services available on campus.

"As a parent I feel more comfortable knowing that there are counseling services because a counselor can be more objective as opposed to a parent or friend who is more emotional," Rush said.

Rush said she also understands the stigma that is associated with students or other people seeking professional counseling services.

"I think the smarter students come in. They are the ones that are more confident to ask for help," Rush said.

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ving in more than 100 mph and had modified his car with "high performance parts," according to The Honolulu Advertiser.

A transfer from Cuesta College, Tudisco was a quiet player known for his arm and moreover his speed. Having stolen 21 bases last year at Cuesta, Tudisco was expected to play a reserve role for the Mustangs.

He had just begun his first season at Cal Poly. After coming off the bench Friday and Saturday, in the season-opening series against University of San Diego, Tudisco started Sunday in left field, going 0-for-2 in the loss. He practiced Wednesday evening with Cal Poly, and assistant coach Jarek Krukow said he noticed Tudisco's sad demeanor.

"He seemed a little depressed, very much to himself, didn't talk much," Krukow said. "Then again, he usually doesn't."

However, Tudisco's teammates were unaware of his legal situation. His close friend on the team and left fielder Brandon Roberts said he didn't think anything was amiss when coach Larry Lee pulled Tudisco aside.

"I thought he was talking to him about his swing or some baseball thing," Roberts said. "It didn't seem like he was in trouble with the law."

Teammates were then left to discern Tudisco's fate as he disappeared into the clubhouse for the remainder of practice to talk on the phone.

"I did not know a damn thing," right fielder Chalon Tietje said. "... He's just a really nice guy, and I didn't see this coming."

Neither Tudisco nor Lee could be reached for comment.

## SB to ban pesticide at parks

SANTA BARBARA (AP) — The City Council voted to ban pesticide use at 13 city parks and create no-spray zones around playgrounds, creeks and picnic areas.

The city will also add two residents to a staff committee that will oversee the city's new pest management plan.

More than 20 people told the council that a pesticide ban was needed.

"Pesticides hurt the kids," said 8-year-old Joshua Chittick. "The pesti-

cides hurt the animals, too. ... I want the weeds, not the sickness."

The city wants to focus on non-chemical alternatives and acknowledge that in some areas people will have to get used to seeing weeds or parks not as nicely groomed, officials said.

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**What:** Hearst Lecture Series.  
**When:** Friday, 4 p.m.  
**Where:** Bldg. 3, Room 213  
**More Info:** Call Laura Joines-Novotny at 756-2490

**What:** "Human Face of Globalization." Marie Dennis, director of the Maryknoll Office for Global Concerns and vice president of Pax Christi International, will speak on her experiences in the Third World and the progressive economic and cultural enterprises.  
**When:** Tuesday, 7 p.m.  
**Where:** Chumash Auditorium  
**More Info:** Call Sister Mary Pat White at 543-4105

**What:** Ravel, Mozart will be focus of lecture, recital. Composers Maurice Ravel and Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart will be the focus of a lecture-recital by Cal Poly music faculty member Katherine Arthur, soprano, and staff accompanist Rudolfas Budginas, piano.  
**When:** Feb. 5, 11 a.m.  
**Where:** H.P. Davidson Music Center  
**More Info:** Call Jo Ann Lloyd at 756-1511.

**What:** Wilderness Safety Class. Poly Escapes is hosting the Wilderness Medical Institute to present a wilderness first aid training course. Cost is \$110 for students.  
**When:** Feb. 7 to 8  
**Where:** University Union  
**More Info:** Call Poly Escapes at 756-1287

**What:** Student Piano Recital. Event is free and open to the public.  
**When:** Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.  
**Where:** H.P. Davidson Music Center  
**More Info:** Call Michele Abba at 756-2406

**What:** Vocal Recital: French and Italian Music. Katherine Arthur, soprano, will present a vocal recital of French and Italian music. She will be joined by Rudolfas Budginas, piano.  
**When:** Feb. 5, 11 a.m.  
**Where:** H.P. Davidson Music Center  
**More Info:** Call Michele Abba at 756-2406



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## National Roundup

**ANCHORAGE, Alaska** — A federal judge in Anchorage ordered Exxon Mobil Corp. on Wednesday to pay \$6.75 billion in punitive damages and interest to thousands of fishermen and others affected by the 1989 Exxon Valdez oil spill.

"We have now closed the trial court doors for the last time in this litigation after 15 years," said David Oesting, lead attorney for the plaintiffs. "We're definitely on track to the end of the entire dispute."

In Wednesday's ruling, U.S. District Judge Russel Holland ordered Exxon Mobil to pay \$4.5 billion in punitive damages and about \$2.25 billion in interest.

The money is to go to 32,000 fishermen, Alaska Natives, landowners, small businessmen and municipalities affected by the nearly 11 million gallon spill in Prince William Sound.

**DENVER** — A bison boomlet is under way as Americans look for an Atkins-diet-friendly and mad-cow-proof alternative to beef.

Although the bison industry is just a baby when it comes to U.S. meat production, there are signs of heightened interest as producers recover from a mid-1990s slump brought on by overproduction.

A good indicator of the bison industry's turnaround is Ted's Montana Grill, a national chain of 18 restaurants co-founded by media mogul and bison ranch owner Ted Turner. The chain is expected to double in size by the end of the year.

**WASHINGTON** — The Bush administration is asking Congress for \$760 million next year to reduce the risk of wildfires by thinning national forests.

The amount is at least \$80 million more than current spending and would allow forest managers to treat up to 4 million acres at risk of fire — an increase of about 300,000 acres over current efforts. The acreage is quadruple the amount treated in 2000, when a record 8 million acres of forest land burned.

The plan announced Wednesday would fully fund the so-called "Healthy Forests" law passed by Congress last fall. Most of the thinning projects — which include prescribed burns and removal of underbrush that serves as fuel for wildfires — would be focused on areas near homes and communities.

**AIKEN, S.C.** — Soul singer James Brown was arrested Wednesday after he allegedly pushed his wife to the floor during an argument, authorities said.

Brown, 70, was charged with criminal domestic violence and was to remain jailed until a bond hearing Thursday morning, Aiken County sheriff's spokesman Lt. Michael Frank said.

— Associated Press

## World Roundup

**LAGOS, Nigeria** — North Korea has agreed to share missile technology with Nigeria, the Nigerian government said Wednesday — a deal that would take the secretive communist nation's missile business to sub-Saharan Africa.

Nigeria, the continent's most populous nation and West Africa's military giant, would join Libya, Iran, Egypt, Pakistan and Syria among countries reported to have received North Korea's help with either missiles or missile technology.

Nigeria, which is not at war or under any known threat from other countries, said any missile help would be used for "peacekeeping" and to protect its territory. It said it was not seeking nuclear technology or weapons of mass destruction.

**LONDON** — A judge cleared Prime Minister Tony Blair's administration Wednesday of any direct involvement in the suicide of a government expert on Iraqi weapons, but criticized the BBC for its reporting of the scandal that shook the British leadership.

The chairman of the British Broadcasting Corp.'s board of governors resigned hours after the report was issued by appeals judge Lord Hutton, who was appointed by Blair to investigate the death of weapons expert David Kelly.

Hutton concluded the government did not act in a "dishonorable, underhand or duplicitous" way in revealing Kelly's identity.

**ISLAMABAD, Pakistan** — The founder of Pakistan's nuclear weapons program and a top aide had black market contacts that supplied sensitive technology to Iran and Libya, Pakistani intelligence officials told The Associated Press Wednesday.

Dr. Abdul Qadeer Khan, long revered as a national hero in Pakistan, and Dr. Mohammed Farooq, former director-general of the Khan Research Laboratories, also have failed to account for funds in their personal bank accounts, the officials said, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Both men deny they helped Iran and Libya, the officials said, as an investigation into nuclear technology trade nears an end.

**BAGHDAD, Iraq** — A suicide bomber driving a van disguised as an ambulance blew up his vehicle Wednesday in front of a hotel frequented by Westerners, witnesses and police said. Iraqi police reported four people were killed, and South Africa said one of its nationals was among them.

In the southern city of Nasiriyah, about 10,000 followers of a radical Shiite Muslim cleric forced the coalition-appointed governor to leave his office, insisting they would recognize only elected leaders.

— Associated Press

## College Roundup

**BINGHAMTON, N.Y.** — A group of Binghamton University alumni is considering using legal action against the university if it continues with its plans to cancel the varsity wrestling program at the end of this season.

In a press release, President Lois B. DeFleur stated that an attorney representing the group "informed us that, should we refuse to reinstate the wrestling program, the group would begin litigation and a negative public relations campaign aimed at attacking not only our decision, but also the reputation of the university and its staff."


The decision to cut the sport was made in October after an August recommendation by athletic director Joel Thaler to nix the program rather than make across-the-board cuts throughout the athletic department.

**CARBONDALE, Ill.** — The idea is simple. If voter-registration booths come to college students, voter turnout will skyrocket.

A new bill, sponsored by Rep. Linda Chapa LaVia, D-Aurora, would require all public universities and community colleges to ask students if they want to register to vote when they register for classes.

According to the U.S. Census, only half of the 1.2 million registered voters between the ages of 18 and 24 went out to the polls in the last presidential election.

— University Wire



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## What does a promise ring promise?

Buy her a diamond and shut her up for a day. But show her the real meaning of commitment and shut her up forever.

The gift of a promise ring, or pre-engagement "ball and chain," implies that love between two people will last a lifetime. The ring wearer pinky-swears not to ditch the monotony of monogamy for a hot hook-up. The ring giver announces that his uncertain future will no longer be plagued by the search for Britney Spears look-alikes.

The promise ring symbolizes all the things a great relationship should have — trust, love and, of course, promise. If these qualities exist outside of the ring, there's no point in buying one just to placate the women's "need" for jewelry. By simply putting effort into the relationship, both parties make it obvious that there is a future.

Some women think the promise ring is like evidence in a trial — necessary to prove to the jury he is, in fact, in love. Isn't a character witness enough? If he's working until 3 a.m. at VG's, a ring is not going to change that he's probably getting his chicken quesadilla on with some freshman.

Vice versa, a glance at that tiny cubic zirconium might make her feel a little guilty for kissing Billy from algebra class. Sadly though, it probably won't stop her from doing it. If the faithful shoe doesn't fit, a magical ring will not make the problem disappear.

Of course, not everyone is a dirty cheater. Usually, a pre-engagement ring promises that there will eventually be an engagement. It's just delayed by lack of money or a demanding school/job schedule. Some people just don't want to settle down while still in college, which is understandable. But if the giver has no intentions of marrying, the promise ring is more like a painful practical joke.

The idea of a promise ring has come a long way since ancient times when bishops saw rings as a pledge to a spiritual union with the church. Although there is still a special pledge to love involved today, some of the reverence of the ring has been washed away. When a 10th-grade boyfriend offers a bowling alley ring to his girlfriend of two weeks, he promises to marry her someday. She believes him. Everyone falls for the romantic hero story, even at age 16.

Ring equals love. Who said women were bad at math? With this notion so firmly ingrained into her head, she will undoubtedly want solid proof of devotion. Appeasing an annoying girlfriend with a promise ring is akin to giving a begging dog scraps of filet mignon. Both will never learn.

"A woman who demands a ring will only demand more later," political science junior Dan K. O'Leary warns.

Every man whose girlfriend turns up the radio for Diamond Design commercials must take this into account. Buy her a few cookies a day and bombard her with "I love yous." This novel approach is cheaper than a ring and essentially means more. The daily effort is what keeps a relationship strong in the long term, not a silly ring.

Just like men are left out of the engagement ring process, they also do not typically wear promise rings. From a female perspective, it seems that men are fearful of visual signs of commitment. But perhaps they just don't wear jewelry.

"For a man, having a promise ring is like a warning beacon to other females," O'Leary said. "It means, 'keep your damn hands off him!'"

Valentine's Day is on the horizon. A promise ring would be superfluous. Although diamonds are measured in carats, true commitment doesn't come in jewelry.

Katie Schiller is a journalism junior and a Mustang Daily staff writer.

## Weapons of mass misinformation

It has been more than nine months since military operations commenced in Iraq to oust the dictator Saddam Hussein. Saddam was targeted in order to control the weapons of mass destruction, which he was purportedly manufacturing and hiding. In those nine months, United States and British forces have found little if any evidence of weapons of mass destruction or manufacturing facilities for them.

Recently, David Kay, the CIA's special advisor on the search for WMD's in Iraq stepped down, saying of the search for

### Commentary

WMD: "I don't think they existed" ("Former U.N. inspector to head WMD hunt in Iraq" CNN.com, Jan. 23). Kay's other comments since his resignation have pointed to errors the intelligence organizations made. It is his opinion that "the intelligence community owes the president (an explanation) rather than the president owing the American people." If any part of these allegations against the intelligence community serving the president is true, the United States and Britain must investigate and restructure the intelligence organizations before the president can trust the information from these groups again.

Both the United States and Great Britain have nearly disregarded Kay's assertions, stating that the removal of Saddam was enough justification for the war in Iraq regardless of the presence of any WMD. It must be

acknowledged that the ousting of Saddam is a positive development for Iraq, the Middle East and the world, as the world is a better place with Saddam in American custody. However, although removing him from power was one of the secondary objectives of the Iraq war, the main premise justifying the American and British military action was to find and remove WMD, which has not come to pass. The United States and Britain must not justify any possible errors in intelligence by highlighting the positive outcomes of the war.

Neither the United States nor Great Britain should be taking the possibility that their intelligence about Iraq's WMDs might have been flawed or exaggerated as lightly as they appear to be. Although the Bush administration has announced that they plan on reviewing pre-war intelligence to verify its factuality, it has not made any definite or concrete plans to do so.

If there were serious flaws or exaggerations in the data that the American and British governments based their claims to go to war on, those governments should immediately evaluate their data. After all, the findings of the intelligence community were responsible for the effects on thousands of Iraqi, American and British lives, as well as the billions of dollars of expenditures necessary to finance the war, keep the peace and rebuild Iraq. If the intelligence was wrong, then American and British administrations face the risk that they may have sentenced hun-

dreds to death due to some wrong or exaggerated facts. If this is the case, it is vital that both governments reconstruct their intelligence communities.

The initial phase of the war on Iraq is, for the most part, over. Although allied forces face a constant insurgency, any exit from Iraq during this vital period would probably lead to negative consequences for the Iraqi people. Yet, the inherent problem remains.

It is not certain whether the intelligence provided to the allied governments about Iraq's WMD was accurate. Whether these facts were wrong by error or on purpose through exaggeration is inconsequential. If they were not correct, something must be done about the situation. The United States and its allies are fighting an ongoing war against terrorism where intelligence is the main weapon. If that weapon is flawed, it could spell death and destruction for innocent people around the world.

The United States and Great Britain must immediately commence investigations into the veracity of the intelligence they were provided. If errors or problems are uncovered, they must be solved through organizational reconstruction or any other means that the governments of these countries have at their disposition. If mistakes were made concerning the intelligence of Iraq's WMD the same mistakes must not be allowed to occur again.

Alex Rosembat is a writer for Cavalier Daily at the University of Virginia.

## Stewart deserves to decorate her cell

Put away those Crock-Pots, kids — Mama Martha is going down. Martha Stewart, known for her self-named home decor empire, not to mention the magazine and TV show "Martha Stewart Living," will be going on trial for her naughty behavior. On June 4, Stewart was charged with crimes concerning the sale of close to 4,000 shares of ImClone Systems stock the day before the company began to plummet, according to CNN.com.

### Commentary

ImClone Systems ex-CEO Sam Waksal was convicted of insider trading in 2002 when he gave friends and family information that the cancer drug Erbitux would be rejected by the FDA. Stewart, being one of Waksal's buddies, knew of the information and sold her stock before the news was made public. According to CNN.com, Waksal is currently serving a seven-year jail sentence. Will Martha be joining him in the slammer?

Stewart's house and home teachings began when her first book, "Entertaining," was published in 1982. Before she got into her home-design spiel, she was an established woman working on Wall Street for 15 years. But she grew tired of the stress of the street and moved to a farm in Connecticut and launched a catering business. After the book, big things came her way — such as a stint as a Kmart spokesperson, a magazine, a TV show and a spot on the New York Stock Exchange, which lasted a mere three years.

This summer, Stewart sadly stepped down

from her position as CEO of Martha Stewart Omnimedia as a result of her indictment but will still remain on the board as chief creative officer. But let's be real here, the company is named after her and everything she's accomplished. I don't think the title of "chief creative officer" is really going to cut it.

Stewart has pleaded not guilty to all charges, which include obstructing justice and securities fraud. According to CNN.com, Judge Miriam Goldman Cedarbaum has placed restrictions on Stewart's defense arguments, which no doubt limits Stewart's team. It's bad enough that a fair jury for this case was hard to find because of its exposure in the media.

The thought of Stewart behind bars is completely novel. The irony of America's most well-known home decorator living in a prison cell is no doubt humorous. I can almost picture Stewart making a three-course meal for Andrew Fastow (former Enron CFO), John Rigas (Adelphia founder) and sons, and Sam Waskal while teaching them how to sew the perfect pastel drapes to both cover up those dreadful prison bars and keep the noise from the inmates out. However, the chances of Stewart actually doing time don't seem high.

Celebrities are lucky when it comes to legal cases. Their status helps them get off or get a light sentence. But with Martha's case beginning this week, it can easily be said she is being made an example of because of her celebrity status. As much as I dislike her and

her crazy crocheting fans, and as much as I wish my thought of her spending even just one night in jail could be entertained, it just will not happen. She got a tip, sold her stock and obviously thought nothing of it until the investigation slapped her in the face. You would think that after working on Wall Street for 15 years she would know better than to go and sell 4,000 shares of stock. She could've easily avoided the situation if she'd kept the stock, especially since there seems to be a newly positive outlook for the very drug that put her under two years ago.

According to CNN.com, it looks like Erbitux will be approved within the months to come, in light of new information that the drug can help cure colon cancer. Isn't the stock market a bitch?

However, maybe Stewart will be convicted and, in that case, her fans will go crazier than they already have. If you go to save-martha.com you can find "Save Martha" T-shirts, gardening hats and aprons. Don't forget to look at the "Save Martha" plan that includes sending e-mails to friends and community members about the case concerning how unfair it is that she is being "attacked" by the government. No matter how insignificant the money is — especially considering the severity of the Enron scandal that left hundreds penniless — she did break the law, let greed get to her and must face the consequences.

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# Proudly taking the 'Walk of Shame'

San Luis Obispo, 11 a.m. on Sunday: There is a hideous creature haunting the streets of San Luis Obispo. She lurks downward along Chorro Street toward her lair, causing grandmothers and babies to gasp as she chugs down the sidewalk. She is a miserable sight, with one eye

crusted shut and the soles of her feet blackened from the grit of asphalt. Her dress hangs on her body like rags on a clothesline. With one hand she shields her face from the scorching rays of the sun, and with the other she loosely grips the straps of her 4-inch stilettos. In her wake, she

churns the air, mixing with it the aroma's of day old perfume, Chalupa breath and vodka tonic. She reeks of sex.

Who is this creature, you ask yourself? What sort of horror novel has released her from its pages like a devil released from hell? From what bog has the wretched thing risen and to what purpose could her reckless wandering serve?

As she approaches, her face begins to focus. You realize that you recognize her. She is not

some beast of the night, hellbent on tormenting the city. It's that chick from biology class, doing what every college student does at least once a quarter throughout their college years.

She is proudly walking the walk of shame.

UrbanDictionary.com, the quintessential source of cultural lexicons, defines Walk of Shame as "whenever a female sleeps with a guy and in the morning she has to walk out of his place looking like a ho." Masterful. I couldn't have put it better myself, except that it happens to guys too ... or so I've heard.

A typical walk of shame begins by waking up mysteriously in the back bedroom of some woebegone apartment complex. After scanning the surroundings and making sure your kidney hasn't been stolen, you realize that you are in the final stages of a one-night stand. Sometimes this includes the unsettling news that you have just hooked up with a girl twice your weight. Damn. Since ol' Bessie is still snoozing you decide to do the principled thing and bounce the heck out of there. Getting home without anybody seeing you is the tricky part. Hence the shame.

Coming out of a mysterious apartment at 11 a.m. is like popping up from the subway in New York City. The light is blinding, and you have no clue which way is home. Added to this confusion is the self ridicule of having once again lowered your standards for the sake of a five-minute roll in the hay with a creature that looks like she should be eating hay.

Walks of shame can be as short as one apart-

ment away or as long as a couple of miles. My friend Molly told me that she once had to shame walk all the way from the Stratosphere to the Luxor in Vegas. A short distance of seven miles. By the time she got back to her hotel, it was time to go out again.

The worst walk of shames are the ones where you have to encounter roommates. There is nothing more awkward than getting caught trying to sneak out of someone's apartment with all their roommates sitting around the breakfast table wondering who you are. It's almost better to tie together some bed sheets and bust out of the window like an inmate breaking out of Alcatraz.

Of course, the hilarious thing about taking the walk of shame is that there is no explaining your way out of it. There is no good reason why a college student would be walking home in her formal gown at 11 a.m. on a Sunday. Everyone who passes by smirks a little.

Incidentally, it's mostly women who undergo the walk of shame. It's not that guys never do the walk. Indeed we do. For the most part, guys are proud of their conquests. We puff out our chests and point our chins skyward like the Alpha wolves we think we are. We practically float home after a hook-up. To us, the post sex swagger is a part of the mating ritual. Only when our hook-up buddies are especially nasty do we have to resort to shame walking.

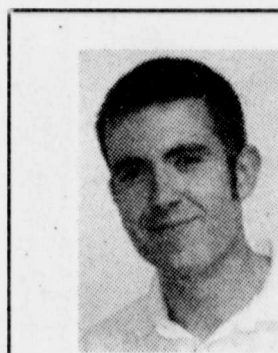
In the end, until we are all perfect specimens of the human form, shame walking will continue in this town and others like it across

the country. Only when mismatched hook-ups end their hold on the college-dating scene will walking the walk become unnecessary. Until then, I say we

embrace our shame walking and welcome it as a vital thread in the fabric of our college lives.

So the next time you see a bedraggled student inching their way home in their bar clothes, do more than simply smile and continue on your way. Throw them a honk and a thumbs up. Save the pointing and condescending laughter until after you've turned the corner. After all, it could be you next time.

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The J-Spot

## Reality television goes too far with 'Amish in the City'

I predict that in the near future we are going to see a reality television series called, "Watch America's Bachelor Get Up and Scratch His Butt."

This unique and interesting series is going to be a hit because millions of viewers will watch it and say, "Geez, at least I am not scratching my butt like that bachelor on TV.

Ha, ha, ha." Really, who is the fool in this case?

America loves watching the unfortunate predicaments that other people find, or put, themselves in. We love watching the contestants on "Fear Factor" eat cow dung. We tune in every week to see if the beautifully superficial Larissa is going to pick the obvious choice hunk or the unfortunate average Joe who doesn't have a chance in Hades. And we all think we can sing better than the rejects on "American Idol." Reality television series are successful because people love to see other people suffer.

Here is a pitch for a show: Televisе some Amish teens having sex, getting drunk, driving, wearing all sorts of crazy colors (like red!) and call the show "Amish in the City."

I wish that this were one of my silly predictions. Unfortunately, this will soon come to reality when the United Paramount Network launches its new reality show this summer that follows five Amish teens during their religious rite of passage called "rumspringa" which means "running around." Oh joy, let the fun begin.

For those who can't really place who the Amish are, think, Weird Al Yankovich circa 1996 "Amish Paradise." The Amish are the people presented in the video wearing drab, black pants and dresses, driving horse-drawn

buggies and looking like first cousins of Christopher Columbus and Adam Smith. Remember now? Beside their choice of fashion, or lack thereof, what you may not know is that the Amish have chosen their very strict way of life for good reasons.

According to the Web site [Pittsburghabout.com](http://Pittsburghabout.com), (80 percent of the Amish in America live in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania), Amish are a people who live a very strict way of life that encourages humility and separation from the outside world. In addition, a majority is adverse to technologies such as electricity, television, automobiles, tractors and yes, even cell phones. They feel these and other items used by secular people, cause vanity, create inequality and lead the Amish away from their close knit communities.

The event that will be televised, "rumspringa," is actually a rite that lets Amish teens experience secular activities such as premarital sex, drinking, driving, wearing colors and the like, so they can choose between Amish and secular lifestyles. Most teens, by the way, choose the Amish life.

CEO of the UPN Network Leslie Moonves assured the Television Critics Association that the show "is not intended to be insulting to Amish."

I don't have enough words to express my sentiments that that is a load of

crap! And I can smell it 10 miles away. This show will be competing with other reality shows like "The Simple Life" and "The Real World." Really, all it's going to

take to garner favorable ratings is one Amish teenager getting an insane sugar high from a can of Coke. These television producers are going to force the Amish teens to go against

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everything they value, put them in sexual situations that no doubt will be awkward for everyone involved and create a little Amish drama for all of us to tune in and watch. The worst part is that the Amish teens have no idea the effect that their actions will have on television viewers. It's likely that these teens have never even watched television.

America will laugh at the unfortunate Amish teens.

Ratings will soar. The show will be a success.

End of story.

The one good thing that may come out of this deplorable and degrading series is that Americans will have to take a good, long look in the mirror. We are laughing at our fellow Americans, regardless of their views, because they are not like us. We will put them in situations that will question their values and make them become over-sexualized, vain and stressed individuals like the typical American. And we will laugh at this denigrating process.

Now, that is a prediction.

What might also happen is the emergence of reality shows called "Watch Muslims Eat Pork," "America Marries Women to their Rapists" or "The First Black Person to Join the KKK."

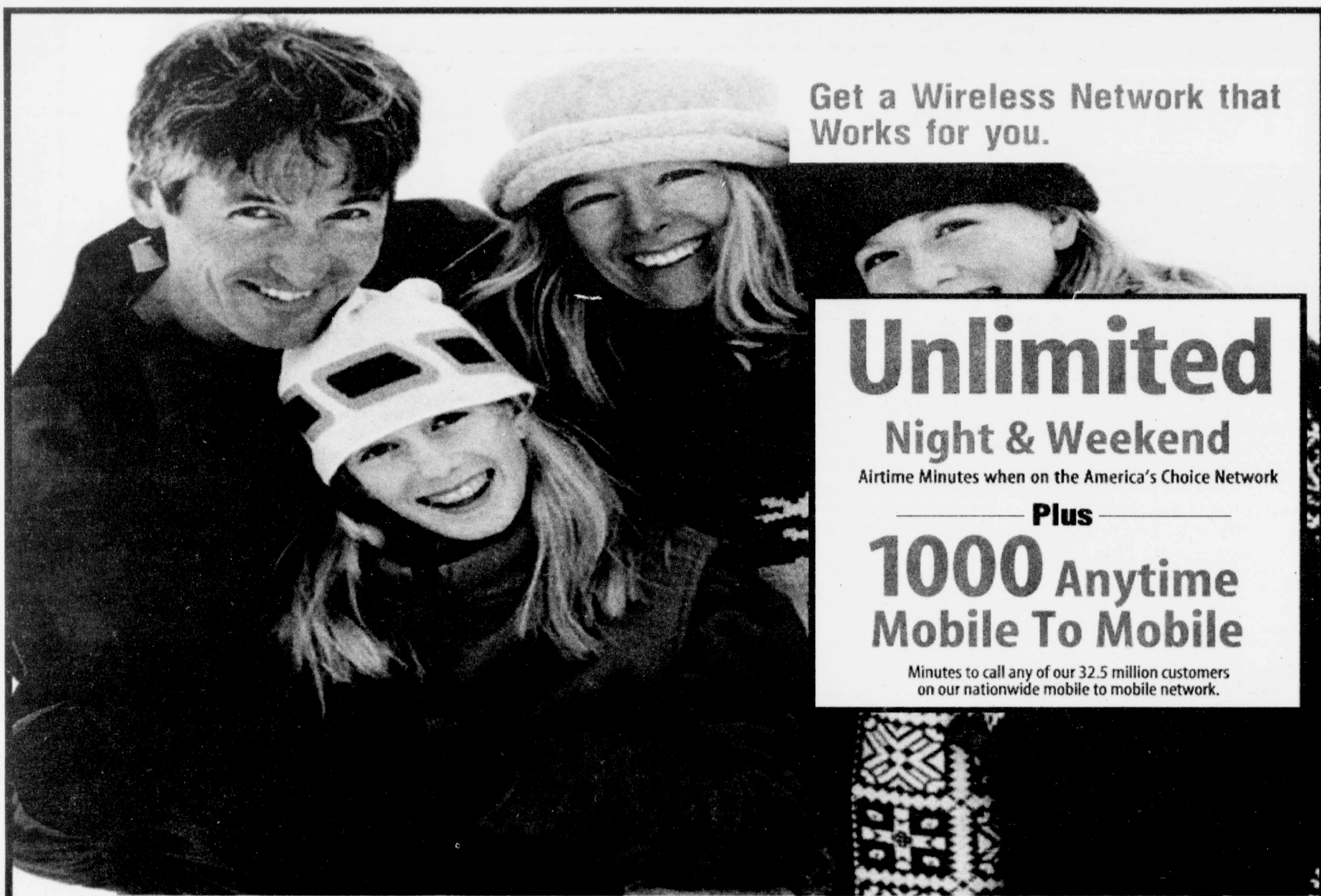
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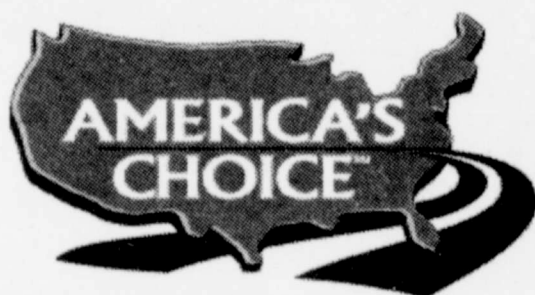


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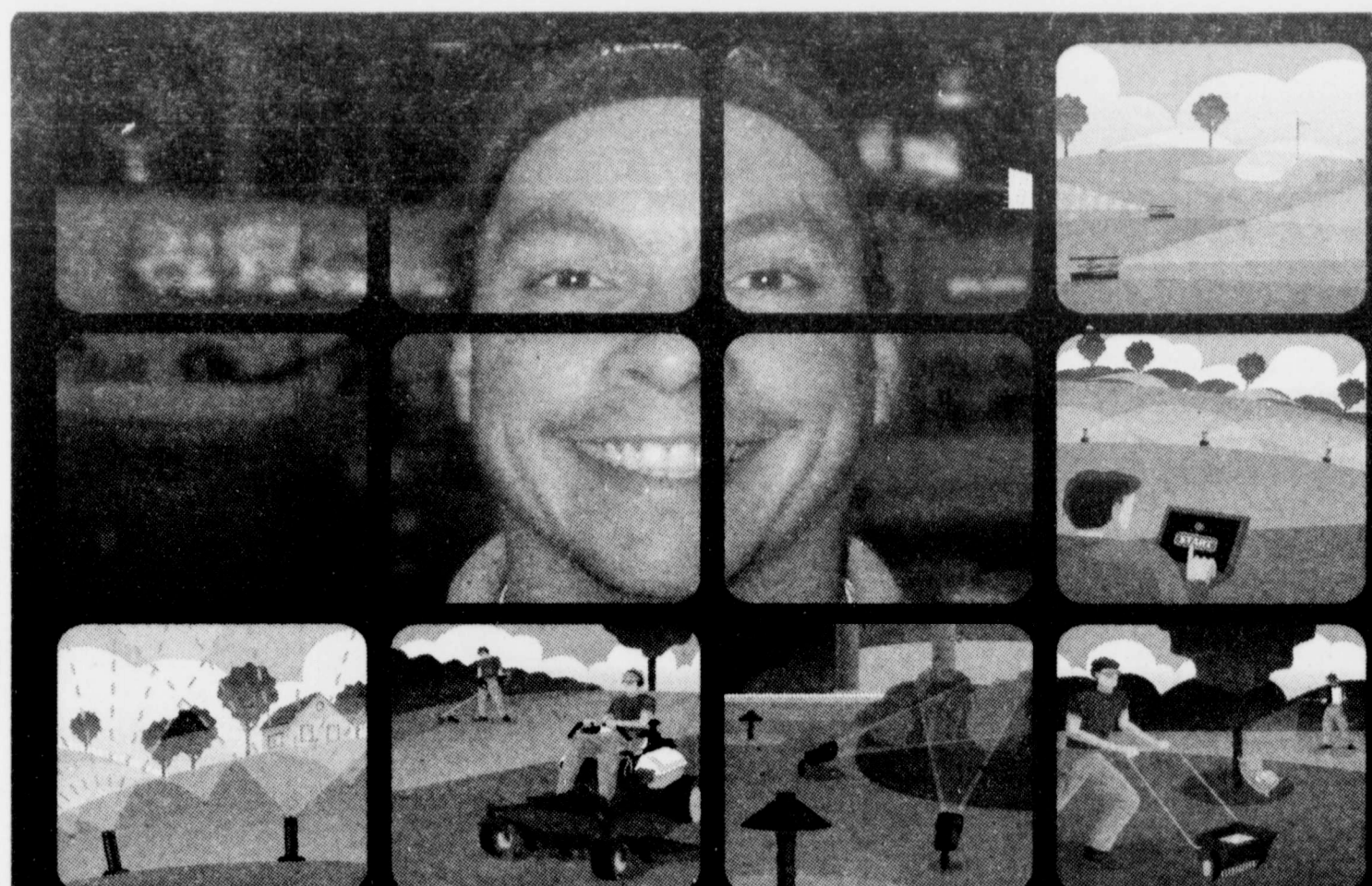
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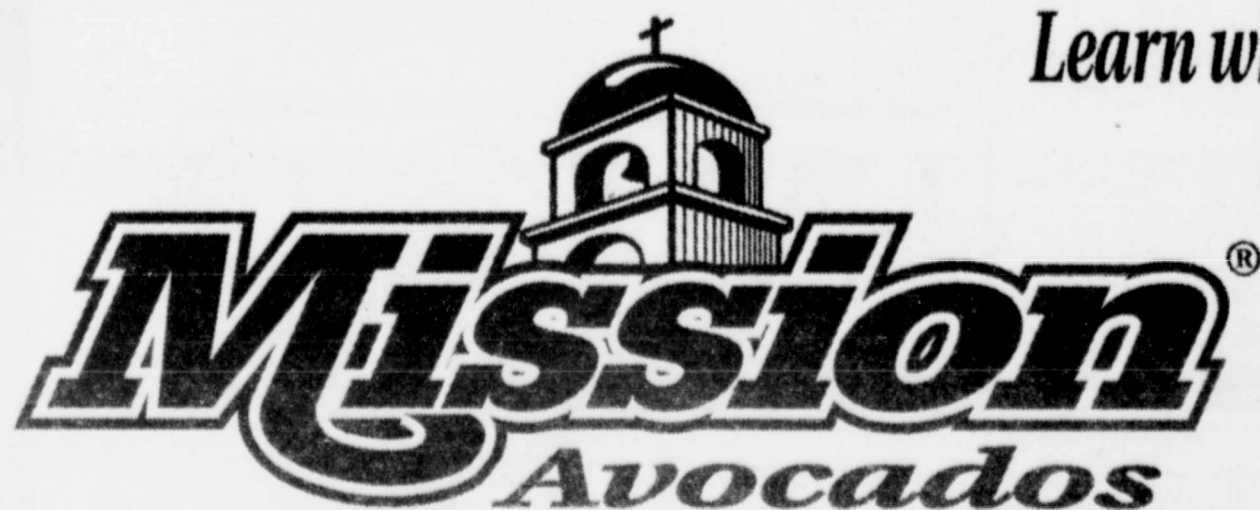
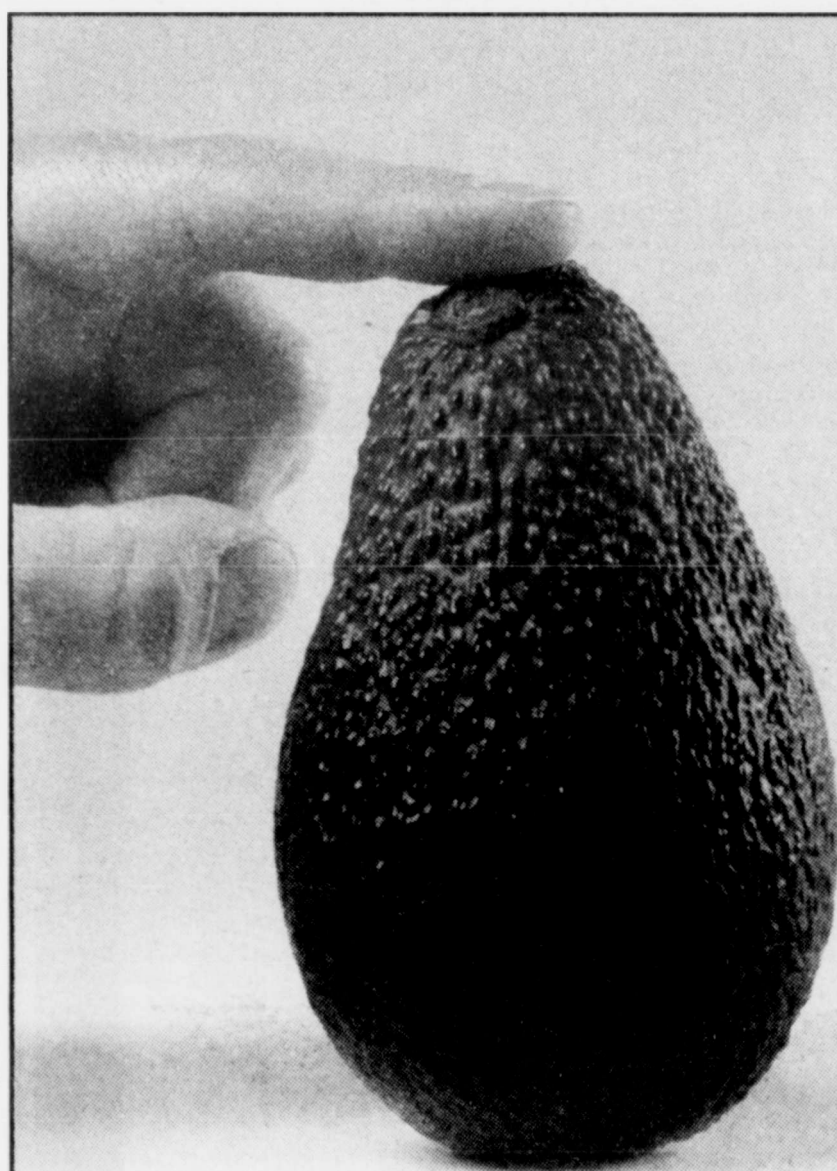
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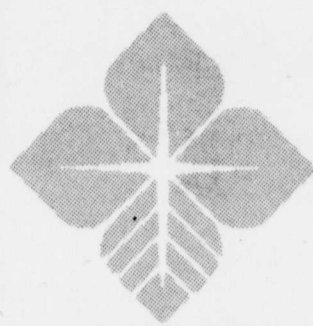
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# Kerry rolls over N.H. rivals

By Calvin Woodward  
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The opening acts behind them, Democrats transformed their presidential campaign into a national battle Wednesday with John Kerry, fresh from his New Hampshire win, ready to open an advertising blitz in all seven states that vote next and his rivals scrambling to stay competitive.

North Carolina Sen. John Edwards, campaigning in his native South Carolina in a crucial test of his candidacy, voiced confidence he can improve on his fourth-place New Hampshire primary showing.

"Now we're going to places where I feel I will be very strong," he said Wednesday.

The final New Hampshire precincts reported Wednesday, affirming Kerry as the winner with 84,229 votes — 38 percent. Howard Dean placed second with 57,788 votes or 26 percent, and the lingering race for distant third ended in Wesley Clark's favor in a squeaker. He finished with 27,254 votes or 12 percent, only 839 votes more than Edwards, also at 12 percent.

Connecticut Sen. Joe Lieberman trailed with 18,829 votes, or 9 percent. Rep. Dennis Kucinich got 3,104 votes, 1 percent.

Edwards did not repeat his surge to a strong second place in the Iowa caucuses but pinned his hopes on the state of his birth.

"I'm going to win in South Carolina. I'm in this for the long haul," he said.

When asked on NBC's "Today" show whether he'd run as a vice presidential candidate, he ruled it out. "No. No. Final. I don't want to be vice president. I'm running for president."

Kerry's big win Tuesday stopped Dean short in his attempt to rebound from a third-place finish in the Iowa caucuses a week earlier and gave the Massachusetts senator all the promise — and peril — of wearing the mantle of front-runner.

"Now this campaign goes on to places all over this country, and I ask Democrats everywhere to join us so that we can defeat George W. Bush and the economy of privilege,"

Kerry, relaxed and beaming, told supporters before leaving New Hampshire to open the next stage of his campaign in Missouri, after a stop in Boston.

Aides were hoping the victory would open the spigot on high-profile endorsements. South Carolina Rep. Jim Clyburn and Iowa Gov. Tom Vilsack were endorsing Kerry, according to officials. Joining them were two former Missouri senators, Jean Carnahan and Thomas Eagleton.

Dean, once the heavy national favorite, said Wednesday, "We did what we had to do" to press on.

"We got some momentum back in the campaign, but it's going to take a long time to get back the momentum we had as front-runner status."

Clark and Edwards were under the 15 percent threshold for claiming delegates. Connecticut Sen. Joe Lieberman was fifth, with 9 percent.

The opening one-two punch of the campaign proved the ability of two small states, with a combined population of barely 4 million, to shape the contest before it ever reaches a large cross-section of America.

Now it's on to seven states with more than 21 million people and 269 delegates to the Democratic convention at stake.

The Missouri and South Carolina primaries are the richest prizes in a lineup next Tuesday that includes primaries in Arizona, Delaware and Oklahoma, and caucuses in New Mexico and North Dakota.

Kerry's victory means a flood of money is likely to flow to him heading into the wildly expensive races ahead, a series more dependent than Iowa and New Hampshire on television advertising and travel.

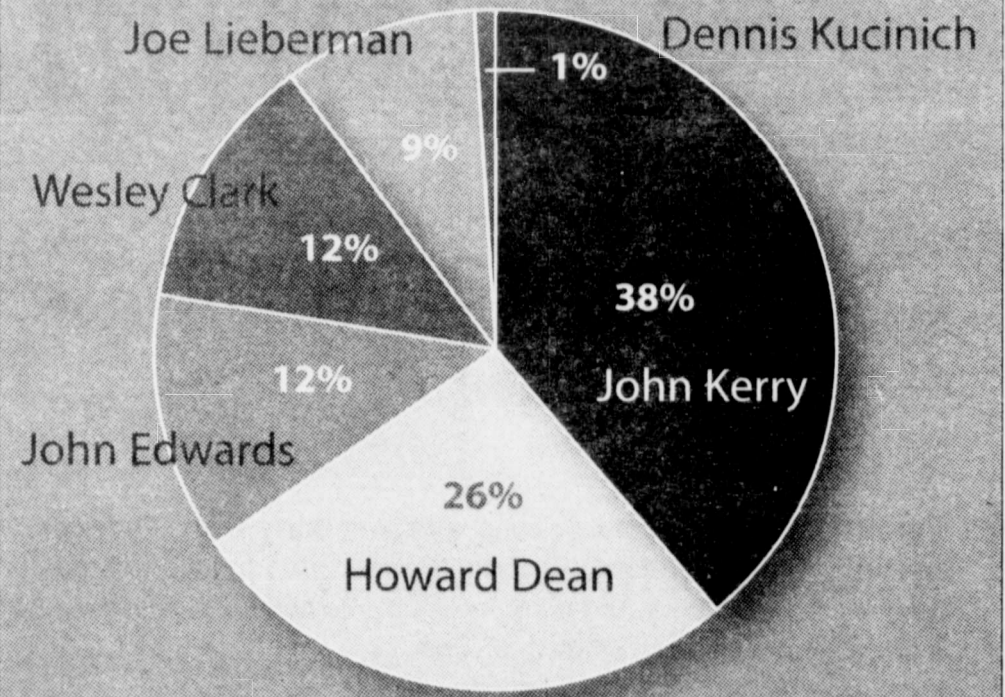
He was ready to go on the air Wednesday with commercials in all seven states. Clark, Edwards and Lieberman are limiting their advertising to states where their prospects seem brightest; Dean's plans were uncertain.

Dean raised more than \$200,000 in the 24 hours before the primary, but has been spending it just as quickly.

An AP analysis of the delegate count showed Kerry winning 13 delegates and Dean capturing nine. The others fell below the 15 percent threshold for claiming delegates.

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## Results from the New Hampshire primary



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## Electability still an issue

COLUMBIA, S.C. (AP) — In giving Sen. John Kerry back-to-back wins, Iowa and New Hampshire voters have deemed him to be the most capable of defeating President Bush in November.

But a tougher test for Kerry could come next Tuesday, in primaries in the South and West, where the "electability" of a Massachusetts Democrat seems more in question.

After all, the last Massachusetts Democrat to run for president was Michael Dukakis in 1988, easily defeated by Bush's father. And Bush's GOP supporters are wasting no time in portraying Kerry as a typical Massachusetts liberal.

No Northeastern Democrat has won the presidency since John F. Kennedy in 1960.

Recent polls showed that Sen. John Edwards of North Carolina has a slight edge in his native South Carolina.

And retired Gen. Wesley Clark of Arkansas had a slight lead in Oklahoma and was within striking distance of Kerry in Arizona, the polls showed.

Still, Kerry's performance so far has been impressive, given that he was in the back of the pack just a month ago. And polls can change quickly.

New Hampshire was the second contest in a row that he won with a lopsided vote.

Kerry, a decorated Navy officer wounded in Vietnam, drew heavy support from military households, while Clark found himself trailing anti-war candidate Howard Dean, a former Vermont governor.



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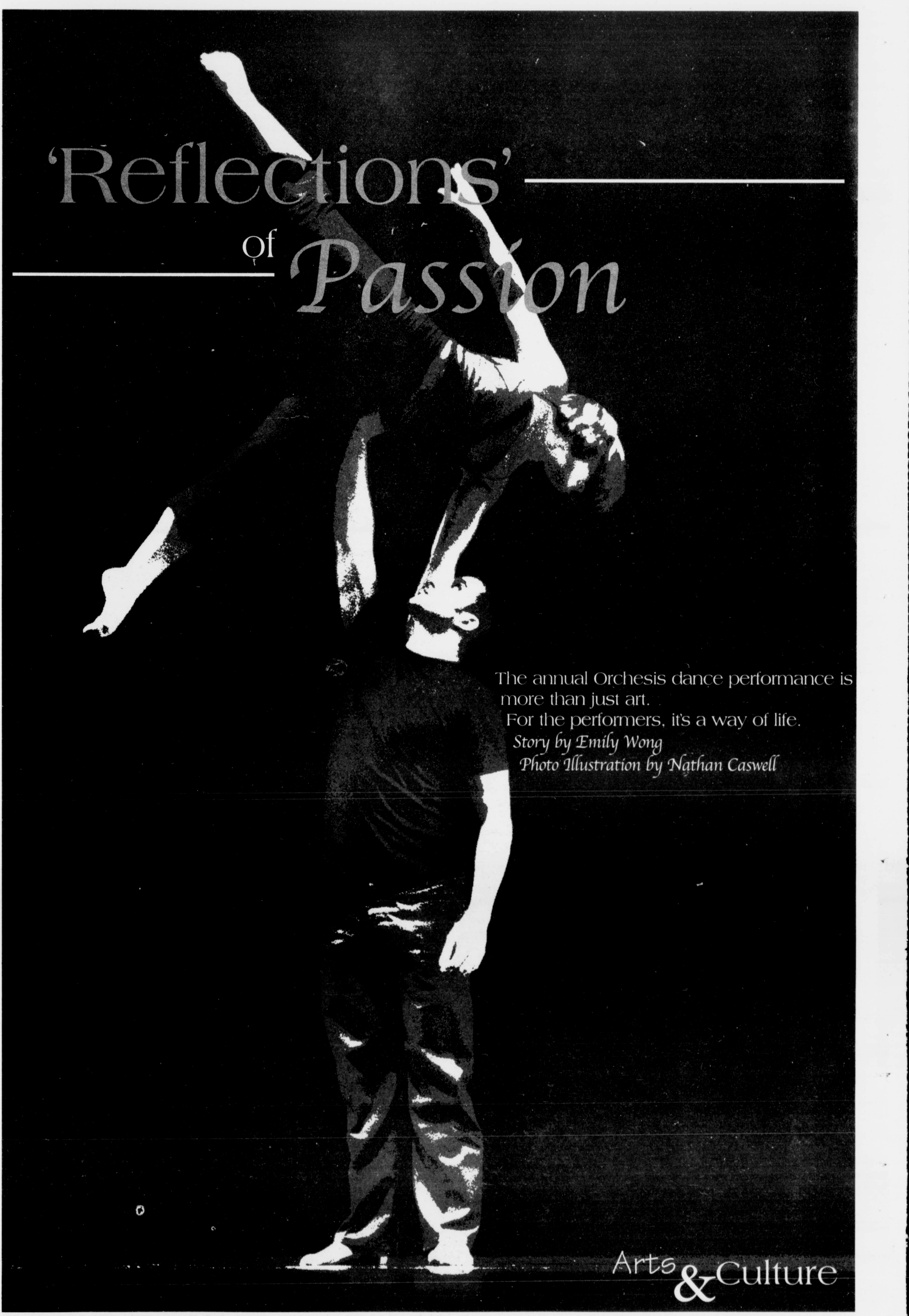
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# 'Reflections' of *Passion*

The annual Orchesis dance performance is more than just art.

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*Story by Emily Wong*

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## 'REFLECTIONS'

# Dance performance takes dedication, family commitment

Some children dabble in soccer and a weeklong stint in T-ball when they're growing up. But when her parents asked if she wanted to try something new, 5-year-old Amanda Alquist put her hands on her hips and told them, "No, I'm a dancer!"

## Dedication

Today, Amanda is proof of living a passion, a dream.

Amanda, a political science junior, wakes up early on weekends and trains late on weekdays. She dedicates an average of 18 hours a week to dance. She has been dancing for 17 years, making her debut in a preschool ballet class and culminating her experience in competitive dance in high school; that is until she joined Orchesis last year.

"Most of us have a lot of experience," Amanda said. "There is a mix of girls who have either grown up in dance studios or danced in high school, but the best part is that when we come together on stage you can't tell. We work well together."

Amanda is one of 28 women in the Orchesis dance company on campus. Members range in majors, from aerospace engineering to liberal studies, and include all class standings.

"Since there is no dance major at Cal Poly it's a non-competitive environment," Orchesis vice president and mechanical engineering senior Caren Carreiro said. "Here, we just do it out of love for dance. We are all different majors and have different dance interests."

Freshmen coming in to the program are able to seek advice from upperclassmen, and seniors have the opportunity

to take on leadership roles.

"It was a great way to come in and have somewhere to belong right away," biology freshman Naomi Guy said. "It helped make the transition from high school to college easier because I still had dance."

Students earn four units each quarter and work toward their annual concert in the winter. This year's 34th annual concert is titled "Reflections" and offers performances Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Feb. 5-7.

## Behind the Program

"Reflections' will show all the different personalities of the individuals who created each piece," said theatre and dance department chair Maria Junco.

The performance will showcase a variety of dance styles and pieces choreographed by faculty members, guest choreographers and students.

This year, after the theatre and dance department was forced to deal with extensive budget cuts, Junco decided to incorporate more faculty choreographers and add 70 guest student dancers from dance classes.

"It served two purposes: It gave our faculty a chance to choreograph and it brought in students (who are) not in Orchesis into the program," Junco said. "It is an educational experience that they wouldn't have had before."

Orchesis members were paired with members from the modern dance and ballet classes to help assimilate them into the Orchesis family.

"We are such a big group as it is, so everyone is included," Carreiro said. "They really enjoy (being in the show) because their only other option is the



NATHAN CASWELL/MUSTANG DAILY

Performers in the Orchesis Dance Company earn four units for their participation in the troupe as they prepare for their annual performance. "Reflections" opens Friday.

student show (in the spring)."

The addition of guest dancers only adds to the infrastructure of the Orchesis company.

"The program is always in flux, always changing," Junco said. "There are always new ideas from the people coming in, which makes the program stronger."

Amanda's background in tap dance encouraged her to choreograph a tap piece that Junco calls "sassy and upbeat."

## 'Pure Fun'

"Tap is my favorite style of dance because it is pure fun," Amanda said. "It's amazing when you start with a song

and a concept and it turns into a dance."

And beyond tap, other traditional dance styles will be included.

"There is a lot more ballet in the show this year," kinesiology junior Rebecca Huffaker said. "There are two pieces on pointe."

All company dancers will perform in the finale, which was composed by Los Angeles choreographers Dennon and Sayher Rawles to Joe Crocker's "With a Little Help From My Friends."

"The Rawles' are famous for their professional work in both film and television, including choreography for 'Staying Alive' with John Travolta and 'Bugsy' with Warren Beatty," Junco said in a press release.

The Orchesis dance concert is sponsored by Cal Poly's theatre and dance department, the College of Liberal Arts and the instructionally related activities program office. Tickets for "Reflections" are \$9 to \$12 and can be purchased at the Performing Arts Center ticket office. The performance will be held in the Cal Poly theatre. Show time is at 8 p.m. with Sunday's matinee at 2 p.m.

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## Residents take it 'SLO' with personalized plates

By Leah Mori

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

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So it is with maneuvering through San Luis Obispo streets on a Saturday afternoon. If it's not pedestrians, it's other vehicles trying to park, or better yet, it's someone who has never before driven through town and is trying to take in all the sights at the expense of all who live on the Central Coast.

While stuck in a throng of cars, the time is best spent reading what people have displayed on their vehicles.

From the ever-popular bumper stickers and license plate holders to the actual license plate, the possibilities for car owners to enlighten others with their morals or show their interests are endless.

One can't drive through San Luis Obispo without seeing at least 10 Cal Poly stickers in the car windows of college students. At times, vanity plate owners even show pride for San Luis Obispo.

SLOSPRY and SLOLEE1 are two personalized license plates spotted around town and even on campus.

Kevin Spry, an alumnus and cur-

rent graduate student, is a long-time resident of San Luis Obispo. He and his fiancée, Lee Price, have chosen to personalize their license plates because it makes them distinctive.

"SLO on a Mustang is kind of an

personalized localized license plate on one of their cars.

"You don't get a lot of young people applying for personalized San Luis Obispo license plates," said Marge Zavala, motor vehicle field represen-

been interested in getting one.

One of the main reasons college students don't apply for localized vanity plates is because of residency.

"If I were to make San Luis Obispo my permanent residence, I might

pride in where they live."

The process to acquire vanity plates can take up to 90 days.

Applications can be submitted online at the DMV Web site, or at a local office. Plate fees can go toward special organizations. Whale tail plates fund coastal access trails, beach cleanups, wetland restoration and marine education in California. Yosemite plates support trail repair, habitat restoration, wildlife protection and more. California memorial plates support California's Antiterrorism Fund and scholarships for children of Californians who died in the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

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The plates are then sent back to the DMV office where it was requested. The requester is notified that the plates are in and can switch the new plates with the old ones at the DMV.

From there, it is all the way home to "SLO" with a personalized license plate.



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oxymoron," Spry said. "And Spry, what can you do with it?"

Although Spry lived in Monterey for 25 years, he never personalized a license plate to reflect the city.

"SLO just has a catch to it that's unique," he said.

However, with as many Cal Poly and Cuesta College students living in San Luis Obispo, it is rare to spot a

tative at the Department of Motor Vehicles. "It's mostly people around 40 or 45 years old who have lived here a long time. Their kids are raised and have gone off to college or other places."

Zavala, who was born and raised in the area, has worked for the DMV for 27 years. She does not have a personalized plate and said she has never

consider getting a personalized license plate," social science sophomore Kaitlin Costa said. "Since I'm only living here until I graduate, it doesn't make sense to get one, because when I move, no one will understand the meaning behind it. If other students or people who make the town their permanent home want to get them, it's a great way to show

## 'TELEVISION'

## Electra, Navarro make for more shocking, less funny reality couple

By Jaya Soni

MICHIGAN DAILY (UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN)

ANN ARBOR, Mich. — What happens when bad-boy rock star Dave Navarro falls in love with former "Baywatch" lifeguard Carmen Electra?

They make a reality TV show on MTV that adds to the lineup of superstar sagas such as "Newlyweds." But unlike Jessica Simpson, Carmen Electra has common sense — and therefore her show is just not as funny.

What Navarro and Electra do have over other teenie-bopper icons is their gothic sense of immortality and erotica. "Til Death Do Us Part" is the perfect theme for the couple that plans on spending eternity together. Determined to share their sense of commitment, the first episode follows the couple to a morgue for a nude photo shoot for their wedding invitation. The series continues throughout their entire pre-wedding process. They have a joint bachelorette/bachelor party

with only female strippers (because Electra believes male strippers are disgusting) and the wedding invite list will be filled with Hollywood stars.

Viewers may be surprised to see that Navarro has toned down his habits and Electra seems down-to-earth. During the show, Navarro

prides himself on kicking all of his addictions (except cigarette smoking). Future shows hint at the possibility of the risque behavior that many expect of the couple.

"Til Death Do Us Part" is more shocking than humorous. The reality series will answer all those questions pop culture fans have about the true

lives of the mysterious rock stars and wild cover girls. And though it seems as if the couple would have little in common, the show suggests that they are a match made in heaven.

Though Electra is not as morbid as her fiancé, the two personalities seem complimentary and make a realistic duo ... at least by MTV's standards.

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## State a year late in water standards

By Don Thompson

ASSOCIATED PRESS

SACRAMENTO — Two state agencies are violating state law by delaying adoption of what would be the nation's first drinking water standards for perchlorate, a component of rocket fuel that is spreading through the state's groundwater, legislators said Wednesday.

The Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment was required to develop its public health goal a year ago, while the Department of Health Services' deadline to set standards was Jan. 1.

"Additional delay is not an alternative" despite concerns by manufacturers, the defense industry and the military, said state Sen. Byron Sher, D-Stanford, at a legislative hearing. "It's time to get on with the job."

Sher called perchlorate "the most widespread and serious public health problem facing water utilities ... today," one that is rapidly becoming a concern to agriculture as the tainted water contaminates crops.

Terry Tamminen, new secretary of the Environmental Protection Agency, said a 2002 court order delayed the setting of an initial public health goal by his agency until a second review by University of

California experts.

That review was completed Jan. 12, and the EPA's Environmental Health Hazard Assessment Office now has 60 days to complete its work, Tamminen said. Once that goal is set, Health Services can set drinking water standards, he said.

Tamminen's timetable was disputed by Sujatha Jahargirdar of Environment California, who said there is no reason to delay a health goal that already has been adequately reviewed.

She and other environmentalists contend the defense industry wants to force further delay in development of standards and cleanup plans.

The Association of California Water Agencies joined the chemical industry in urging the state to wait for a study by the National Academy of Sciences later this year. Without that study, the state standards could be too low or too high, the association said.

Regulators should wait "to get the science right," said Craig Moyer, a lawyer and witness representing the chemical industry. "The idea of this being a delay tactic is ludicrous, when we're talking about a period of a few months."

Environmental groups and lawmakers countered that the federal study could take two more years or

longer.

California has a particular problem with perchlorate, which can cause thyroid disorders, because of its decades-long involvement with the defense industry, military and space programs.

The contamination has shut down hundreds of California wells that tap polluted groundwater, and spawned lawsuits from thousands of people who say years of drinking water laced with the chemical have caused cancers and other illnesses. Perchlorate also pollutes the lower Colorado River, the main water source for 20 million people across the Southwest.

A coalition of environmental groups this week wrote Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger asking for swift setting of water standards, and warning that delay could hurt the state's exports of vegetables, fruit and milk produced in polluted areas. The group's letter noted Canada now requires perchlorate tests on produce from the Imperial Valley because crops there are irrigated by the Colorado River.

Setting state standards is a necessary step to requiring polluters — including the Department of Defense — to clean up the contaminated groundwater, the groups argued.

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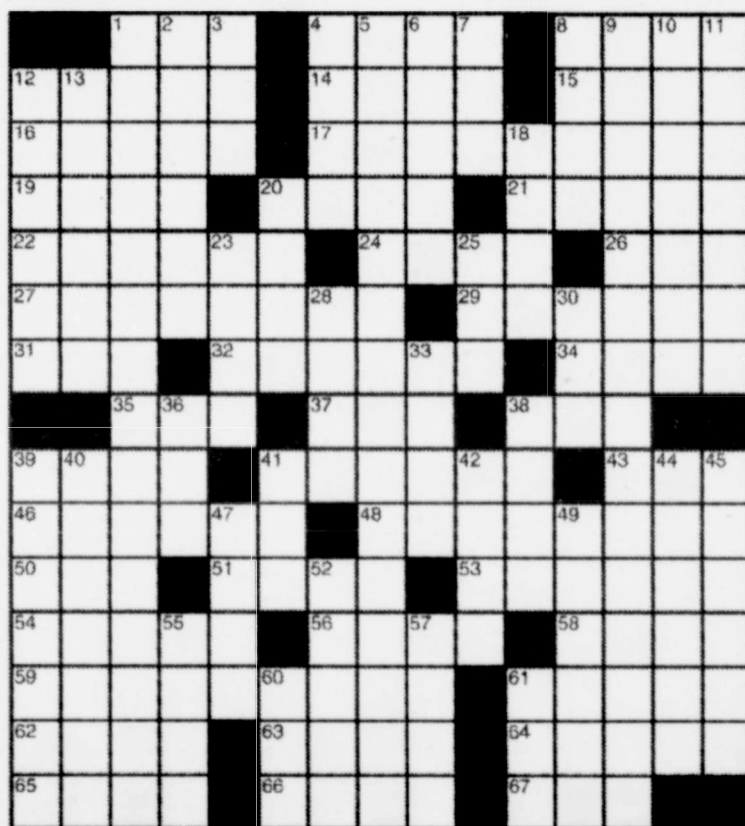
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53 They're often settled  
54 "Wait Until Dark" co-star, 1967  
56 Total requirement?  
58 Punchers

- 59 Like some modern signals  
61 Church recital  
62 Thickening agent in food  
63 Sea of \_\_\_\_\_, arm of the Black Sea  
64 "Borstal Boy" author  
65 Wails  
66 \_\_\_\_\_ Martin (cognac)  
67 What the Cubs play games in: Abbr.

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- 1 Like ones starting over  
2 Vile  
3 Tally-ho, e.g.  
4 Pine (for)  
5 Opposite of making progress  
6 Twist  
7 School for future Lts.  
8 "Good!" in Genoa  
9 Traveling up a down staircase, e.g.  
10 Fill up  
11 Person in 39-Down  
12 Cab Calloway, King of \_\_\_\_\_  
13 Sheep  
18 "Das Lied von der \_\_\_\_\_"  
20 Designer Chanel  
23 \_\_\_\_\_ noir  
25 Bat wood



Puzzle by John Underwood

- 28 Beefcake poser  
30 Modern: Ger.  
33 Hawaii, once: Abbr.  
36 Old Mideast inits.  
38 "Hold on \_\_\_\_\_!"  
39 See 11-Down  
40 Explorer Vespucci  
41 Sneaky  
42 Narwhal feature  
44 Marcos of the Philippines  
45 It may be written on a chalkboard  
47 Classic New Yorker cartoonist  
49 Zoomed  
52 Throw  
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# Smells like Poly spirit: Fans get rowdy

By Hillary Schuler-Jones  
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

The Cal Poly men's basketball team may have lost its chance at a regular-season conference title with a loss to UC Santa Barbara on Jan. 17, but it hasn't lost its ultimate weapon against remaining home opponents: Mott Mania.

The phenomenon has become increasingly apparent at men's basketball games within the last few years, causing ordinary students to don Mustang-emblazoned T-shirts and burst into spontaneous cheer.

"(The students) have created tremendous enthusiasm and excitement in Mott," said head coach Kevin Bromley during a press conference Jan. 19. "I think they've created one of the best college environments in the Big West."

Nowhere was that enthusiasm more apparent than Mott Gym during the annual Cal Poly-UCSB game. It is the ultimate showcase for fanatic frenzy — the Colosseum of Central Coast athletics.

During the 2002-03 season, as the Mustangs beat the Gauchos on the court for the first time since 1998, Mott Maniacs took on UCSB fans from the bleachers. With a final score of 66-63, the men's team

walked away with the informal Central Coast championship. Mustang fans walked away with a renewed sense of pride and UCSB ... well, they just walked away.

Baker, assistant athletic director in charge of marketing. By tip off, hundreds of Maniacs, many sporting "Welcome to the Asylum" T-shirts, had filled three sections of bleachers

climbed as the Gauchos nailed shot after unanswered shot to stretch out a double-digit lead and eventually end the game 78-59.

The loss brought the Mustangs to 1-4 in conference play, effectively eliminating a shot at the regular-season Big West championship. The season's low points may be enough to break the spirit of fans from other schools, but this doesn't seem to be the case at Cal Poly.

Despite the rocky season, average attendance for games has increased to 2,859, up 121 people from last season, said Brian Thurmond, Cal Poly's sports information director. This is the third-largest average turnout in the 10-team Big West Conference, which is remarkable considering that Mott Gym's 3,032-person capacity is the ninth smallest in the league. On top of that, the game marked the fifth sell-out of the season.

"The fans show up, but it's the difference in them," Thurmond said. "It's phenomenal the support they've shown."

Paul Taylor, a business senior, is one such fan. An avid supporter of the team since his freshman year, Taylor has seen the good, the bad and the heartbreaking at Mott Gym, but he has never lost his enthusiasm

for the game.

Unimpressed with the Mott Maniac T-shirts at last season's Mustang-Gauchos stand-off, Taylor made his own shirts and formed a group of fanatics, the Sixth Man Crew, to "go on some road games and support the team from the stands."

"This season we just wanted to go all out and get crazy because it's the final season (for us)," he said.

Brian Brown, a political science senior and fellow Sixth Man, echoed Taylor's sentiments.

"We felt that the team needed a student organization that would get loud and rowdy behind (the team)," Brown said.

Taylor said the Mustangs' losing record has not affected fan participation or attendance at games.

"We're kind of on a losing streak right now but the crowd support hasn't gone away," he said. "I think it's become more of a social event."

Whatever the reason for Mott Mania, Mustang spirit plays a key part in the home-court advantage.

"If we played at the level of the student crowd, we would be undefeated right now," Bromley said.

Cal Poly will return home tonight to play Cal State Fullerton. The Mott Maniacs will be waiting.



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Fans have been colorful since last season's win over UC Santa Barbara, but interest may wane after the team's recent misfortune.

Last season's success only added to the anticipation of this year's face-off. The allotted 1,100 student tickets for the event had all been given out by 11:15 Jan. 13, said Chris

and were on their feet for a repeat performance.

Halfway through the grueling match, however, it seemed a victory was out of reach. Tension in Mott

## The highs and lows of baseball

When it comes to baseball, I can be a superstitious fan.

I'm all about rally caps, pennant curses, and when a leadoff batter gets on base after the first at-bat of a season, a part of me instantly assumes a fortuitous year lies ahead for his team.

With that said, last Friday night I had an intense psychic vision of a successful season for Cal Poly baseball. In the season opener against University of San Diego, senior second baseman Adam Leavitt reached first base in the leadoff at-bat for the Mustangs' offensive season.

Getting aboard wasn't easy. Facing the upper-80mph velocity of Torero hurler Kyle Collins, Leavitt pushed the count to 2-2 then before smashing a screamer—right to third baseman Freddy Sandoval. Still, with the grace of "Family Guy" Peter Griffin, Sandoval muffed the lightning bolt and Leavitt motored to beat his recovery throw to first.

It's too early to verify a steady spot in Victory Lane for Cal Poly in 2004, but Leavitt's initial trip to the plate certainly foretold the game. Leavitt had an RBI single in the fifth, the Toreros made three more errors and the Mustangs ultimately shut them out 4-0 on a combined three-hit by Jimmy Shull and Nolan Moser.

Words of celebration flowed in high supply after the opening victory. Last year's 26-28 Cal Poly team disintegrated late in the season and many players from that team are no longer with the program, creating a different vibe among the current squad.

"This is a good group to work with ..." coach Larry Lee said with a victory in his rearview mirror Friday night. "They're better physically, mentally, a lot more internal leadership, very self-motivated."

Unfortunately, Friday night's success vanished faster than the Firebird K.I.T.T. from "Knight-Rider" on Saturday and Sunday. Putting forth an offensive display more



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heinous and upsetting than the Olsen Twins sporting mullets, the Mustangs managed only seven hits over the final two games and were shut out by a combined score of 14-0.

It was as if Lo-Pan, the mysterious, white-skinned villain from "Big Trouble in Little China" invisibly stalked the field, diabolically shooting blue lights out from his eyes and mouth, obliterating any spark among Cal Poly players, exiling it to the handicap spaces in the parking lot outside Baggett Stadium. The Mustangs played like they weren't really at the ballpark.

More than anything, I didn't see the same resolve Saturday and Sunday that I saw among Cal Poly players on Friday night. Captain

Planet would've wept over the waste, as the Mustangs stranded 12 runners between the two games, repeatedly squandering scoring opportunities.

The pitching staff got rocked too, especially Saturday when San Diego blanked Cal Poly 10-0 and starter Josh Hobson didn't surpass a six-run second inning.

Altogether over the last two games the Mustangs used 11 arms, changing hurlers so steadily that pitching coach Jerry Weinstein should have come equipped with a bullpen car or at least a Segway scooter (only \$3,350 on Ebay) to alleviate his excess trips to the mound.

Maybe I was wrong to mentally bet a season on the Mustangs after Leavitt's initial at-bat Friday night, or perhaps January just is to damn early (and cold) to get a read on the team.

"Way too early to tell," said Weinstein, who's coached for more than 30 years. "Teams change ... they're young. Things will happen."

Additionally, Leavitt's quick to discount superstition.

"One at-bat is not going to determine the course of the season," Leavitt said Sunday. "I think that the way we handle ourselves after this loss will determine how the season goes."

Fair enough. Leavitt and his teammates can rely on a diet of hard-nosed and non-descript play, provided that leads to improved hitting.

Still, it wouldn't kill me to see what a few rally caps at future games could lead to.

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## Basketball tries to conquer road woes

• Flawless at home, winless on the road, Mustangs travel to Fullerton, Riverside

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The Cal Poly women's basketball team, perfect at home with an 8-0 mark but still in search of its first win on the road this season, hits the road this week for its next two Big West Conference games, visiting Cal State Fullerton (4-12, 4-3) on Thursday and UC Riverside (4-12, 3-4) on Saturday.

Thursday's game tips off at 7 p.m. while Saturday's contest will start at 7:10 p.m.

Last weekend the Mustangs handed Pacific its first Big West loss on Thursday, 75-63, and opened up a 20-point first-half lead en route to a 74-64 win over Cal State Northridge. Cal Poly is just two games off the pace set by UC Santa Barbara (6-1), with Pacific (6-2) second and Idaho (5-2) third.

Cal Poly and Cal State Fullerton are meeting in women's basketball for the 20th time Thursday and the Titans own a 10-9 advantage, though the Mustangs have won seven of the last eight. UC Riverside has an 18-17 edge over Cal Poly, but the Mustangs have won 14 of the last 23. Cal Poly split two games with both the Titans and Highlanders a year ago.

The Cal State Fullerton Titans, led by seventh-year head coach Maryalce Jeremiah (116-105 at

Cal State Fullerton, 379-250 overall, Cedarville '65), earned a pair of wins in the snowy Pacific Northwest last weekend, defeating Utah State 69-68 Thursday on a driving layup by senior guard Tamara Quinn with three seconds left and edging Idaho 68-65 Saturday on senior forward Jaime Wagner's three-pointer with 1:02 to play. Quinn had 22 points against Idaho and is 22 points shy of the career 1,000-point plateau. She has an 11.7 scoring average while sophomore forward Amber Pruitt is averaging 10.4 points and 6.4 rebounds a contest.

UC Riverside fell 75-59 at Idaho on Thursday despite Cassandra Reeves' 18 points but defeated Utah State 89-62 on Saturday as Astrid Spegal contributed 12 points and 10 rebounds while Reeves had 19 points. Reeves has a 14.8 scoring average while LaKeima Stephens leads the Highlanders in rebounding with a 6.6 mark.

Anderson leads the Mustangs in scoring at 10.6 with a 21-point game and three 17-point games this season. She also averages 2.5 steals and 2.8 assists per contest, among the leaders in the Big West. Paterson averages 10.4 points and 5.5 rebounds a game, with a pair of 19-point efforts to her credit this season.

Next week Cal Poly returns home to open the second round of Big West play against the Utah State Aggies (Feb. 5) and the University of Idaho Vandals (Feb. 7) at 7 p.m. in Mott Gym.