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Cal Poly celebrates Earth Day, takes steps to preserve environment

Katie Hofstetter
MUSTANG DAILY



Peter Raven

World-renowned environmentalist Peter Raven encouraged Cal Poly students and staff to inform the public about global sustainability in his lecture "Biodiversity, Sustainability and the Modern University" on Friday night.

Raven, who was named "Hero of the Planet" by Time magazine in 1999, came to Cal Poly in preparation for Earth Day on April 22. His visit was sponsored by the Provost's Office.

In his lecture, given to an audience of approximately 1,000 people, Raven called on the school as a whole to set an example in moving toward global sustainability.

"Particularly appropriate to Cal Poly, we can improve the technologies we use, which themselves have an alarmingly tough impact throughout the world," he said.

During his visit to San Luis Obispo, Raven toured Cal Poly facilities as well as organic vineyards in Edna Valley and the San Luis Obispo Botanical Garden.

Raven attended UC Berkeley for his undergraduate and received his doctorate from UCLA before teaching at Stanford for nine years. A California native, he praised the San Luis Obispo environment.

"Here it's the mixture of Northern and Southern elements growing

together that make it so incredibly exciting biologically," he said.

But Raven warned about what the current state of consumption worldwide, and especially in the United States, will eventually mean for the planet. He estimated that half of the world lives on less than \$2 a day while one-eighth of the population could be considered starving based on caloric intake.

He also predicted that another 2 billion people will be added to the world's population before there is global sustainability.

"We will reach sustainability at some point. We have to," he said.

"I think the choice we have to make is will it be a soft landing or will it be a hard landing? Are we going to be clever enough to be limiting population, to be figuring out better and less wasteful ways to consume? Will we be finding better technology to use so that we can find this sustainable condition while this earth is still rich and diverse and beautiful?"

Raven said to conquer the problems contributing to the earth's destruction, individuals must promote international understanding, learn, vote and act practically and politically.

"It's extremely important to learn," he said. "The only way to learn effectively in these fields is by doing."

Raven's speech is part of Cal Poly's implementation of the Talloires Declaration, signed by President

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STUDENT ENTREPRENEURS



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Mediums co-owners and business partners began their screen printing business as a hobby and now the business, operated in a shop in San Luis Obispo, makes a variety of products.

Mediums in the making: Students start local business

Ronnie Meehan
MUSTANG DAILY

When Cal Poly business students Lance Brandenburg and Ryan Reyes started screen printing, it was only a weekend hobby. However, this weekend hobby has now blossomed into their own screen printing shop in San Luis Obispo called Mediums.

"Ryan and I did it just for fun and never thought long term," Brandenburg said. "The more we started doing it, we really got into the industry and learned a lot of things."

Brandenburg, 22, and Reyes, 22, will be graduating from Cal Poly in June. They also share ownership with Cal Poly graduate Matt Johnson, 23, and UC Santa Barbara graduate Spencer Kellogg, 23.

Mediums, which is located off

Broad Street on Capitolio Way, does custom screen printing on promotional products like T-shirts, hats, shot glasses and banners.

Brandenburg said that while Cal Poly allowed him to learn the theoretical aspects of owning a business, it wasn't until he started his own company that he realized it was an entirely different world. "In the beginning I felt that Cal Poly hadn't prepared me at all — I was struggling and learning along the way. But the more we developed we get with Mediums, the more I am able to apply what I learned in school," he said.

Juggling college classes and starting a business is not always easy as the team discovered.

"It was crazy — we worked a lot of weekends. We joke around here that the neat part about owning your own business is that

you know you will have to work half the day, but it doesn't matter which half you work," Brandenburg said.

However, after many hours in the office, Reyes said that seeing results is gratifying.

"You don't see how tough it is until you sit back and realize how long it took to get to the point you're at now," Reyes said. "On the bright side, I think once you realize that you have the foresight to look ahead to future goals."

Brandenburg credits much of Mediums' success to the San Luis Obispo community.

"San Luis is an amazing place to start a business. We had so much support through the Chamber of Commerce," he said.

"I was blown away when we started meeting people in the local community and seeing how

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COMING UP...

EVENTS CALENDAR

WHAT: Cal Poly assistant professor of religious studies Stephan Lloyd-Moffatt will present "In search of Abraham: The Reception of Abraham in Judaism, Christianity and Islam."

WHEN: April 10 at 7:30 p.m.

WHERE: Philips Hall in the Performing Arts Center

WHAT: The Cal Poly Women's Center is hosting its annual "Remember Week" devoted to sexual assault and awareness and ending violence against women.

WHEN: April 10-14

WHERE: Contact the Cal Poly Women's Center at 754-2600 for a schedule of events throughout the week.

WHAT: Helen Zie will speak on "Crossing Boundaries: Social Change in the New Millennium" as part of the ongoing Provocative Perspectives Speaker Series.

WHEN: April 13. Breakfast will begin at 7:30 a.m. followed by the lecture at 8 a.m.

WHERE: Vista Grande Cafe

WHAT: Cal Poly computer engineering and computer science student projects exhibit.

WHEN: April 10 - May 12

WHERE: in the Learning Commons located on the second floor of the Kennedy Library on campus.

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Baker in 2004 and designed to educate students on the depletion of natural resources. The adoption of the declaration puts Cal Poly in the company of some 350 other universities dedicated to global sustainability.

"I wasn't aware of how much our school is involved in sustainability," said junior biology student Aneesa Masters.

Prior to Raven's speech, Dean of the College of Agriculture David Wehner spoke of the environmentally sound steps being taken by the college. He cited the addition of environmental protection management and earth science majors, as well as research into improved grazing practices and reduced erosion, as a few of the ways the college is working toward sustainability.

Wehner also announced in the fall that the name of the College of Agriculture will be expanded into the College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Resources.

Raven called the College of

Agriculture's commitment to sustainability "wonderful" and "ingenious."

He estimated that since 1950, soil erosion has increased 20 percent, there has been a 20 percent loss of agriculture land, more than one-third of forest land has been destroyed, carbon dioxide has increased by one-sixth and 6-8 percent of the ozone layer has been depleted.

Raven also said that by the year 2100 about two-thirds of the earth's 10 million organisms will be extinct, with the current extinction rate at 1000 per year.

"People being informed about organisms will not only be able to deal with them more intentionally and successfully, but they will actually care about them, they'll get more attached to them," he said.

Raven concluded his lecture to a standing ovation by the audience. There was another eruption of applause when Raven quoted Mahatma Gandhi who said, "The world provides enough to satisfy every man's need but not every man's greed."

Business

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they were willing to go out of their way to help us."

For other Cal Poly students who are interested in starting a business, Reyes and Brandenberg said that most importantly, "you have to really want to do it" and that though obstacles and frustrations are part of the game, once you get through them, you will be on your way.

The two also said that they will always feel connected to Cal Poly and the students who go there.

"If you're a Cal Poly student we will deal with you," Brandenberg said. "We give all Cal Poly students 15 percent off — I like dealing with Cal Poly kids because we can relate to them and I think we understand what they are looking for."

Reyes said he knows that a lot of work still lies ahead, but the future does not look as daunting as it did when Mediums first started.

"I'm just happy I found a way to stay in the city I went to school in. I love the city and I wasn't ready to leave," Reyes said.

Rising education costs take toll on California public service

Jackie Brosamer
DAILY BRUIN (UCLA)

LOS ANGELES — Because of the increasing debt load associated with higher education, college graduates face difficulty pursuing low-paying public service careers, according to a new report released Thursday by the California Public Interest Research Group.

In "Paying Back, Not Giving Back: Student Debt's Negative Impact on Public Service Career Opportunities," CalPIRG examines data surrounding the issue of student debt as it pertains to college graduates entering two public service careers: teaching and social work.

"Teachers and social workers play an essential role in American society and are critical to the functioning of our communities," said Justin Hotter, chair for the University of California-Los Angeles chapter of CalPIRG. "Because these jobs are so vital, it's especially important that they are financially feasible options for graduates."

Given increasing dependence on student loans, skilled and dedicated college graduates are deterred from taking or staying in these lower-paying jobs since compensation will not be sufficient to cover loan repayment and basic living expenses, Hotter said.

Student debt is defined as "unmanageable" when loan repayment constitutes more than 20 percent of pre-

tax income.

CalPIRG reported that 17.9 percent of public college and 28.8 percent of private college graduates have unmanageable debt starting as teachers in California.

Nationally, 37 percent of public college graduates and 55 percent of private college graduates would have unmanageable debts starting as social workers.

In the next decade, 2 million new teachers will be needed in the U.S. because of increasing population, said CalPIRG Campus Organizer Jennifer Tung. If these positions are not filled, classroom sizes will go up, decreasing the quality of public education, she said.

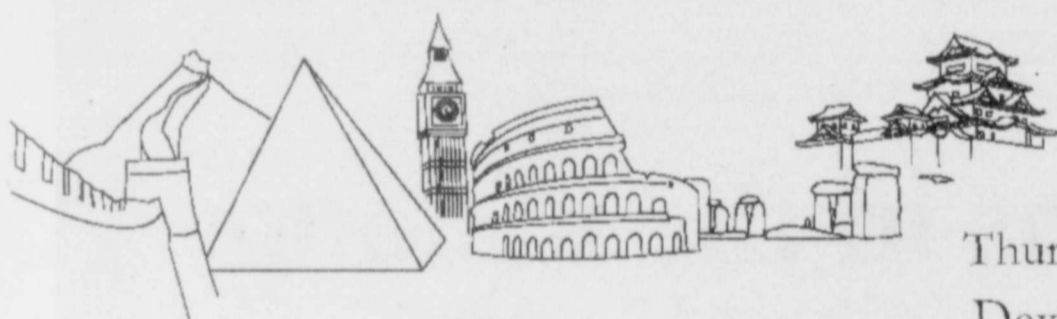
Social workers will also be in greater demand as the elderly population increases, Tung said.

"Even though they pay less, these professions are socially valuable because they directly shape our children and our futures," Tung said. "It's important that graduates are able to become teachers because otherwise society is going to be significantly harmed in the long-term by a deterioration of education."

Hotter said while the report only focused on two public service professions, many other socially valuable, lower-paying professions are similarly affected by increasing student debt, such as non-profit community work, journalism, the ministry or art.

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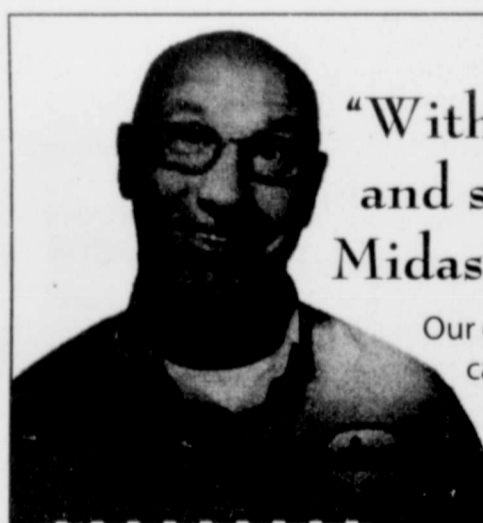
This mini fair is a great opportunity to talk to coordinators and representatives of study abroad and internship programs offered at Cal Poly.

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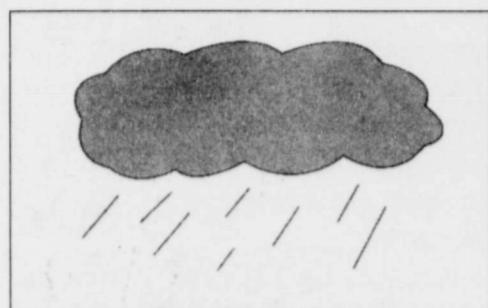
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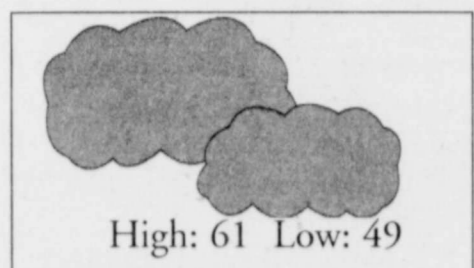
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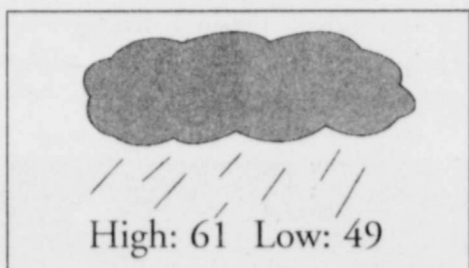
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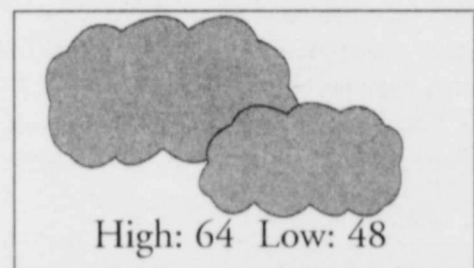
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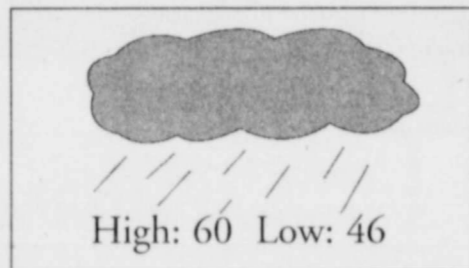
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The Face of Cal Poly presents...

Meet the Editors



Name: Frank Stranzl
Year: senior
Hometown: Petaluma
Major: journalism

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Atomic element: Americium
Word or phrase: Spicy
Food: I am a chocolate chip cookie addict
Board game: "ESPN Scene It," because I am undefeated.

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— change the Cal Poly mascot, what would you change it to and why?
The Penguins, because penguins are my favorite animal.
— be any character from anything who would you be?
Bobby Boucher, the waterboy.
— travel anywhere?
Australia, so I can meet the crocodile hunter, Steve Erwin.

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White House seeks to dampen talk of military strike on Iran

Nedra Pickler
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WASHINGTON — The White House on Sunday sought to dampen the idea of a U.S. military strike on Iran, saying the United States is conducting "normal defense and intelligence planning" as President Bush seeks a diplomatic solution to Tehran's suspected nuclear weapons program.

Administration officials — from President Bush on down — have left open the possibility of a military response if Iran does not end its nuclear ambitions. Several reports published Sunday said the administration was studying options for military strikes; one account raised the possibility of using nuclear bombs against Iran's

underground nuclear sites.

Britain's foreign secretary called the idea of a nuclear strike "completely nuts."

Dan Bartlett, counselor to Bush, cautioned against reading too much into administration planning.

"The president's priority is to find a diplomatic solution to a problem the entire world recognizes," Bartlett told The Associated Press on Sunday. "And those who are drawing broad, definitive conclusions based on normal defense and intelligence planning, are ill-informed and are not knowledgeable of the administration's thinking on Iran."

Experts say a military strike on Iran would be risky and complicated. U.S. forces already are preoccupied with Iraq and Afghanistan, and an attack against Iran could inflame U.S.

problems in the Muslim world.

British Foreign Secretary Jack Straw, in an interview with the British Broadcasting Corp., said Britain would not launch a pre-emptive strike on Iran and he was as "certain as he could be" that neither would the U.S. He said he has a high suspicion that Iran is developing a civil nuclear capability which in turn could be used for nuclear weapons, but there is "no smoking gun" to prove it and justify military action.

"I understand people's frustration with the diplomatic process," Straw said. "It takes a long time and is quite a subtle process. The reason why we're opposed to military action is because it's an infinitely worse option and there's no justification for it."

The U.N. Security Council has demanded Iran suspend its uranium enrichment program. But Iran has so far refused to halt its nuclear activity, saying the small-scale enrichment project was strictly for research and not for development

of nuclear weapons.

Bush has said Iran may pose the greatest challenge to the United States of any other country in the world. And while he has stressed that diplomacy is always preferable, he has defended his administration's strike-first policy against terrorists and other enemies.

"The threat from Iran is, of course, their stated objective to destroy our strong ally Israel," the president said last month in Cleveland. "That's a threat, a serious threat. It's a threat to world peace; it's a threat, in essence, to a strong alliance. I made it clear, I'll make it clear again, that we will use military might to protect our ally."

Vice President Dick Cheney told the pro-Israel lobbying group AIPAC last month, "The United States is keeping all options on the table in addressing the irresponsible conduct of the regime. And we join other nations in sending that regime a clear message: We will not allow Iran to have a nuclear weapon."

Immigration near the top of nation's concerns

Will Lester
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — People are now about as likely to mention immigration as the economy when they are asked to name the most important problem facing the United States, though both rank behind war in Iraq and elsewhere, an AP-Ipsos poll found.

Immigration's rise in the latest survey about the nation's top problems suggests the public is keeping close watch on the immigration debate in Congress and reaction around the country.

"Nobody is happy about the war, but the war is far away — the immigration issue is right here," said Dagmar Washington, a nurse from the Atlanta suburbs.

Efforts in the Senate to pass sweeping immigration legislation faltered Friday, leaving in doubt the prospects for passage of a measure that offered the hope of citizenship to millions of men, women and children illegally living in the United States.

The rise in public concern about immigration over the last three months has been substantial.

When people were asked this past week to name the top national problem that came to mind, 13 percent said immigration — four times the number who said that in January. Roughly the same number, 14 percent of those polled, named the economy, according to the poll of 500 adults conducted April 3-5. The survey has a margin of sampling error of plus or minus 4.5 percentage points.

More than 11 million illegal immigrants are believed to be in this country now, with thousands more coming in all the time. About 1.2 million illegal immigrants were apprehended last year along the nation's border with Mexico, according to immigration officials.

Ron Smith of Corpus Christi, Texas, has a front-row seat.

"A lot of it is happening where I live," said Smith, who lives about 150 miles from the Mexican border.

"When I was younger, the amount of illegals coming across the border was a lot less," said Smith, 51. "Now, I think there is a systematic disregard for the border patrol."


As immigration concerns have grown, economic worries have dipped. Only 14 percent now say the economy and related issues are their top concern, compared with 24 percent in October.

While consumers remain edgy and the housing market is cooler, the economy is believed to be growing at a brisk rate so far this year. Solid hiring totals during the last month pushed the unemployment rate to its lowest point in more than four years.

For Shirley Mosko of Tampa, Fla., the economy is a big concern that is tied closely to the war in Iraq.

"Iraq leads to this nation's economic problems," she said. "We didn't have the huge deficit before the war. I want to see the people of Iraq to form their own government, let them take control of their own country and I want us to get out of there as soon as we can."

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UU GALLERY

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2	WANT to write a spicy column on drinking culture? Submit a Velvet Rope story to mustangdailydiversions@gmail.com .	04/10
3	WRITE your thoughts in "Women's Words," a creative writing group on Tuesday, April 11 in the Women's Center at 6 p.m. Refreshments are provided.	04/11
4	SEE local bands Dominic Castillo and the Rock Savants and Red Lights on Tuesday, April 11 at Downtown Brew. Tickets are \$4 at the door for the 21 and over show.	04/11
5	LISTEN to Cal Poly music faculty member Amber Ferenza play with a free basoon recital with special guests pianist Mark Menzies, Kathryn Pisaro and Julie Faves at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 13 in Room 218 of music building at Cal Poly.	04/11
6	THINK about a talk given by a second-generation Chinese-American, Helen Zia on Thursday, April 13 in the Vista Grande Café at 8 a.m. following breakfast at 7:30 a.m. Zia has outspoke on issues ranging from women's rights and homophobia.	04/13
7	SWOON your partner after learning swing dancing on Thursday, April 13 for the last of a three-part lesson at 8 p.m. in Bldg. 5 room 225. Cost is \$2.	04/13
8	WATCH an early screening of "American Dreamz" on Thursday April 13 at 8 p.m. at the Downtown Centre Cinema. The comedy stars Mandy Moore, Chris Klein and Hugh Grant. A limit of two free tickets per student is available in the UU Epicenter, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.	04/13
9	CATCH an anniversary screening of "Leave It to Chance," a romantic comedy made by Cal Poly alumni filmmakers on Friday, April 14 at 6:30 p.m. in the business silo. Tickets are available at the door or in advance in the UU across from the multicultural center. Proceeds will help the Pilipino Cultural Exchange program.	04/14
10	TAKE a date to see the new comedy "Bench Warmers" with David Spade and Jon Heder. The movie is playing at the Downtown Centre Cinema every night this week.	04/14

Last chance to catch free flicks this quarter

Jennifer Boudevin

MUSTANG DAILY

For students longing to watch their favorite classics on the big screen, Associated Students Inc. (ASI) just might hold the opportunity.

Again presenting its popular quarterly film series, ASI Events hosts "Oldies but Goodies," a trio of films to be screened for free on campus.

Formerly held at Chumash Auditorium, the showings are now at a new venue — Spanos Theatre — a move triggered by student request.

"A lot of people requested more comfortable seating and a better quality of sound and picture," said Nicole Stivers, ASI Events student supervisor of marketing and public relations. "We decided to move the movie screenings into the Spanos Theatre in direct response to these requests."

According to a press release, the first film of the quarter, "Ferris Bueller's Day Off," was shown April 3.

The next movie in the series, "Dazed and Confused," will be presented at 8:15 tonight.

This film follows a group of incoming high school and junior high students through their adventures on their last day of school in 1976.

"The movie series is a lot of fun for



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groups of friends to come to," Stivers said. "The movies are free and you get to see some of your favorite films on the big screen one more time."

"Animal House," the final movie of the series, will be shown April 17 at 8:15 p.m.

Doors at the Spanos Theatre open at 7:45 p.m. for each showing. Seating is on a first come, first serve basis.

For more information about the spring quarter movie series, call ASI Events at 756-1112, e-mail asi.events@asi.calpoly.edu or visit asi.calpoly.edu/uu/events/.

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Office couples: Good or bad?

Dilemma: Over the past few months I have developed feelings for a girl that I work with. I want to ask her out, but I'm scared to pursue it because I am unsure of the consequences in dating a coworker. — Matt F.


When closely working with a group of people in the same location from 9-to-5, it's inevitable that relationships will blossom. It's when these professional relationships develop into romantic interests that several ethical issues are brought to the table. Most professionals think that romantic relationships at work can cause potential conflicts and should be avoided if possible. Many companies forbid any form of intra-office dating. However, this level of restriction disregarding all forms of intra-office dating may invite productive employees to walk out the door in order to carry on with their relationship. Other companies simply don't have guidelines because it can be an uncomfortable issue. Nevertheless, there are companies who support romance as long as certain rules are followed. Southwest Airlines, for example, has 2,000 of its 35,000 employees married to each other. Even Bill Gates met his wife, Melinda, while she was a project manager at the company.

In case your company hasn't already addressed guidelines, here are some basics to abide by in

The Line

BOTTOM

With Aliza Elbert and Jennette Ballas



"Tackling everyday ethical issues in the business world."

order to steer clear of romantic disasters at work:

- Don't "act like a couple" on company time. Excessive interaction between you and your partner may affect your productivity and make co-workers feel resentful.
- Don't discuss sexual experiences with co-workers. What happens with you and your partner should stay between only you and your partner. It is also not professional. Do not discuss troubles between you and your spouse or lover.

• Avoid confrontational situations, such as break-ups, at work. No one wishes to hear other individuals' dirty laundry.

• Don't advertise it. Co-workers will be a lot more tolerant of the relationship if they don't feel awkward about it.

• Don't repeat risqué stories or jokes.

• Don't indulge in PDAs (Public Displays of Affection)

• Don't date a client.

• Don't date an intern.

• Don't date a boss or subordinate.

When this happens the subordinate's professional contributions will be diminished or dismissed. People might also start to perceive the boss as playing favorites.

• Don't even think about dating someone who is married. There is no need for explanation.

Nowadays, it's becoming more common among large organizations for companies to ask office couples to sign a "love contract."

This simply reaffirms that the relationships are voluntary, that the parties will inform human resources when the relationship ends and that both parties will behave ethically during and after the relationship. If a relationship goes bad, it is common that a company handle any confrontational situations as if the two individuals were never romantically involved.

The Bottom Line: We understand that you can't always control your feelings, but we want to remind you that in the work place you have to be smart.

Aliza Elbert and Jennette Ballas are both marketing concentrations with a knack for changing the world...one ethical dilemma at a time. This article is written on behalf of SIFE (Students in Free Enterprise) with a goal of teaching others about business ethics.

GUEST COMMENTARY

Illegal immigrants keep the American Dream alive

The primary reaction many Americans have to the topic of illegal immigration is one of xenophobia, the fear of the foreigners. Americans believe that immigrants steal wealth from honest citizens. However, immigrants are an integral part of our economy and our survival as a nation. If America wishes to continue growing and expanding, Americans must encourage more immigration and allow the assimilation of immigrants, legal or illegal.

A lack of knowledge on the subject of immigration has lead the public to many misconceptions. One of those misunderstandings is that illegal immigrants take more from our society's economic resources than they give back. Although there are no studies in composing all the costs and benefits of immigrant workers, immigrants do pay into Social Security. However, since they do not have Social Security numbers (SSN), they withdraw almost nothing from Social Security. Additionally, an estimated 80 percent of undocumented workers' earnings remain in the United States.

Furthermore, illegal immigrants

voluntarily seek to pay their taxes despite the personal risk. This is legally accomplished by using a little known program run by the IRS called the ITIN Program. The IRS gives an "individual taxpayer identification number" (ITIN), much like a Social Security number, to indi-

viduals without a Social Security number so they can pay taxes. The ITINs always begin with 9 to distinguish them from SSNs. Since 1996, seven million individuals have voluntarily signed up and paid their federal income taxes, despite the risk of deportation.

How many Americans would go out of their way to voluntarily pay taxes each year?

Voluntary tax payments are not the only reason immigrants are beneficial to American society. America also needs immigrants if the country

wishes to continue having a youthful and growing population. Why? A country requires a youthful population to support its older citizens. In addition, growing populations overtake shrinking populations.

The real-life realization of this threat is already eminent in Japan, a

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nation that had its baby boom one generation before us. The result: Japan has fewer young workers supporting more and more retirees, exasperated by the fact that Japan has almost no net immigration. Zero to be exact. This, in turn, has led to a decade long recession in the Japanese economy.

In the United States, our low birth rates and aging population are offset by a large net immigration of young workers. Consequently, the economy is able to grow out of ever increasing Social Security, Medicare

and Medicaid costs. As strange as it sounds, if the United States is to avoid recession or worse, depression, Americans must encourage more immigrants to enter the country and have more babies in the U.S.

If these arguments on the economic benefits are still not convincing; perhaps the costs will be more compelling. There are 11 million illegal immigrants in the United States. Imagine the manpower required to detain all of them, the money and land required to imprison them and the sheer number of buses running day and night necessary to send them out of the country. Even worse, after this great effort most will simply renter the country. America simply does not have the resources necessary to criminalize over 11 million people.

Xenophobia is not only a fear, but an irrational fear. Americans should understand, as a nation of immigrants, that encouraging more people like themselves to seek the American Dream will only benefit us all.

Alexander Thornton is a civil engineering freshman and Mustang Daily guest columnist

Baseball

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complete-game shutout with 10 strikeouts against Cal Poly two weeks ago at Baggett Stadium, struck out eight in eight innings Friday.

In game two, Cal Poly rallied for five runs in the ninth inning to beat the Matadors 7-6.

Mustang junior right-hander Gary Daley Jr. pitched 5.1 perfect innings, striking out six of the first 16 Matador batters in the game

before Cal State Northridge erupted for six runs on four doubles, two triples and a pair of walks to chase Daley in the sixth inning.

Matador sophomore right-hander Chuckie Fick held Cal Poly to two runs and four hits in 8.1 innings before the Mustangs rallied for five runs in the ninth to chase Fick.

Joe Rocchio, a junior right-hander who already had recorded a pair of saves against Cal Poly this season, relieved Fick in the ninth and surrendered a game-tying two-

run home run to Grant Desme followed by a go-ahead RBI double to left-center field by Matt Cooper.

Matador center fielder Johnny Coit made a diving attempt to his right, but the ball dribbled off his glove and Pat Pezet scored to give Cal Poly a 7-6 lead.

Senior right-hander Rocky Roquet gave up a two-out single in the bottom of the ninth, but nothing else for his seventh save of the season. He struck out two.

Desme and Bryan Kepner both

had two hits for Cal Poly and both hit home runs. For Desme, it was his seventh of the season. Kepner's blast, his second of the year, was a solo shot, also to center field, in the seventh inning and started the Mustangs' comeback from a 6-1 deficit.

The ninth inning began with Corey Barthel, in just his third game of the season, notching a single.

Barthel is 3-for-6 this season. Jimmy Van Ostrand walked and outfielder Jimmy Gardiner produced a two-run single to left field, drawing the Mustangs to within 6-4 and chasing Fick.

Desme greeted Rocchio with a 1-0 smash to center field, tying the game at 6-6. Pezet drew a walk and Cooper's double to left-center field scored Pezet with the go-ahead run.

The win went to freshman right-hander D.J. Mauldin (1-2), who relieved Daley in the sixth inning and allowed two hits in 2.2 scoreless innings with one walk and one strikeout. Rocchio (2-1), bidding for his sixth save, instead suffered the loss.

The Mustangs dominated in the final game of the series, winning 11-3 to keep pace with the leaders in the Big West.

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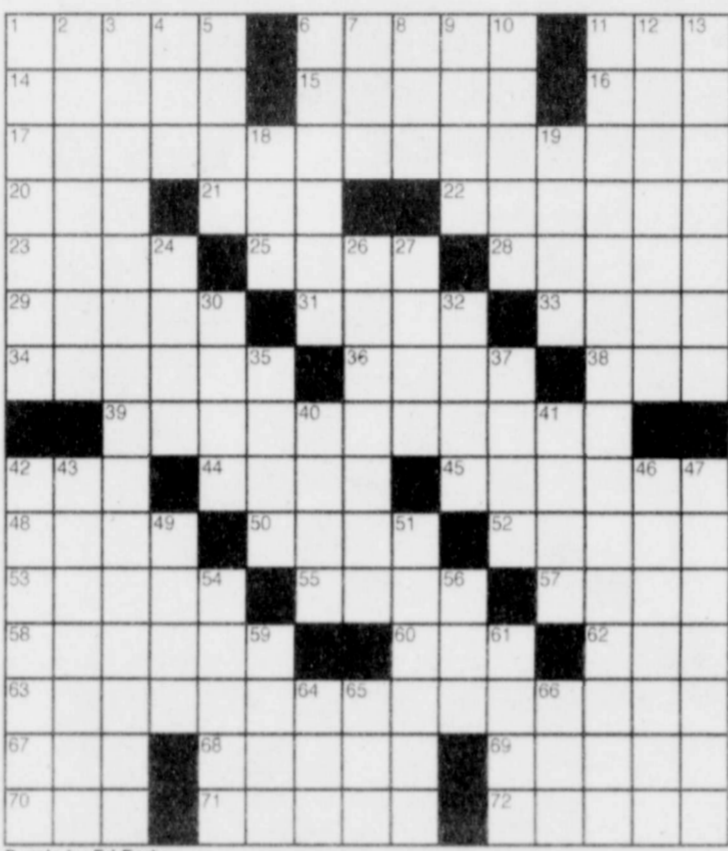
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- 23 One of 12 at Alcoholics Anonymous
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- 45 Endangered cat
- 48 Word after rest or restricted
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- 58 Home made with buffalo skin, maybe
- 60 _____ Paulo, Brazil
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- 67 Mel who played at the Polo Grounds
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- 6 Paid-for trip
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- 8 "_____ bin ein Berliner"
- 9 Lion player in "The Wizard of Oz"
- 10 Go 60, say, on city streets
- 11 1948 campaign cry
- 12 John who won tennis's U.S. Open four times
- 13 Midpoints
- 18 Chicago trains
- 19 Cruising
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- 27 Cattle that all have the same brand
- 30 Curve, as the back



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- 32 Numbers game with a card
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- 43 Points in the right direction
- 46 Cover
- 47 Specifically as one likes
- 49 Purina competitor
- 51 One of Santa's team
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nate injury to Mendes midway through the season gave Hanks the opportunity to gain some valuable experience.

Hanks, a sophomore, participated in the Fullerton Open and finished fourth in the All-California tournament Feb. 4. He participated in all Pac-10 dual meets except for one, against Boise State.

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Mustangs avenge Matador sweep

SPORTS INFORMATION REPORT

Cal Poly rebounded from an opening game loss to win the final two games of the series against Cal State Northridge at Matador Field in Big West baseball over the weekend.

Two weeks prior, the Matadors (16-19, 1-5) swept Cal Poly (20-15, 4-2) in non-conference action. The Mustangs avenged the losses with a pair of important Big West wins.

In the first game, Cal State Northridge snapped a 2-2 tie with three runs in the sixth inning, two of them unearned, and went on to beat Cal Poly 5-3.

Cal Poly scored once in the seventh as Brent Morel led off with a double, took third on a bunt single by Matt Cooper and came home on Brent Walker's single to right-center field. However, it wasn't enough to knock off the Matadors on Friday.

The Mustangs put their first two batters on base in the eighth as Josh Lansford singled up the middle and Bryan Kepner walked. But Matt Canepa's bunt in the air was caught by Matador pitcher Craig Baker, who threw to first base for a double play.

Cooper reached third in the ninth but was left stranded there.

Baker (5-5), who pitched a

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TOM SANDERS MUSTANG DAILY

Cal Poly's Brent Walker legs out a groundball in the Mustangs' 8-2 win over the Tigers on April 2. Walker was batting .261 going into the series against Cal State Northridge.

Two wins on the track at UCLA

SPORTS INFORMATION REPORT

Cal Poly returned to Westwood this weekend for the second time in 2006 to compete in the Rafer Johnson/Jackie Joyner Invitational, hosted by UCLA. The Mustangs were led by Aris Borjas, who won the men's javelin event with a throw of 204-04; Willimena Cisco, who won the women's 100 meter hurdles with a time of 14.20; and Adrian Ruark in the men's pole vault, as the senior tied his personal best mark of 16-06.75 for the second time this year, leading him to a second place finish.

Borjas, a Fresno native who also competes on the Cal Poly football team, has not finished lower than third in any of the five meets he has participated in, while throwing javelin.

The first place finish is his third of the season, as the junior took first in the UCLA All-Comers meet on March 4 (207-01) and at the Cal Poly Invitational

March 18 (204-00.25). Borjas' personal best throw remains 210-03, a mark he reached March 25 at the Trojan Invitational held at USC. Borjas has already qualified for the NCAA Regional Championships May 26 at Provo, Utah as the qualifying mark is 202-1, a mark the junior has yet to throw under in 2006.

Cisco, the two-time defending Big West women's 100 hurdles champion won her second event of the season as the senior took first place at the Cal Poly Invitational March 18 (14.24). Cisco's closest challenger at the invitational was Cal Poly's Danielle Ayers-Stamper (14.57), who was running unattached at the event.

Mustang men who set new personal best marks fall at the invitational included senior Randy Samuel in the 100, finishing second with a time of 11.05 and in the 200 finishing fifth clocking in at 22.30 as well as senior Jason Holmes in the 400m

(49.75). Tom Phelps had a strong showing, competing in the 800 for the first time in 2006, finishing seventh in a field of 25 in a time of 1:54.38.

Freshman Whitney DeWeese had a stand out day in the women's shot put, as the Vista native was just shy of her personal best mark of 45-07.25(4/1), throwing for 44-09.50 at the invitational, which was good enough for third place overall. DeWeese also competed in the discus (119-00).

Sophomore Jhana Samuels finished sixth in the 400 hurdles and set a personal best mark in the process, clocking out at 1:04.46. Lindsay McManus nearly set a new best mark as well finishing in a time of 1:05.56, narrowly missing her best mark of 1:05.51.

Junior Nikki Chase set a new personal best mark in the 200m, eclipsing her old time of 26.05, with a time of 25.55 on Saturday. Amanda Thompson was at her best in the 200 as well setting a new best time of 26.02.

Mat-men receive academic honors

SPORTS INFORMATION REPORT

Redshirt freshman Nick Hernandez (174) was named to the first team Pac-10 All-Academic team Wednesday as a result of Hernandez's high level of excellence in both the classroom and on the mat. Cal Poly's John Hanks (125) was named to the honorable mention list as well.

Hernandez, who majors in kinesiology, carries a 3.83 cumulative GPA at Cal Poly.

The Chino native came out of nowhere in 2006, putting together an overall record of 18-10. He finished fourth in the Pac-10, and

became an NCAA qualifier after receiving an at-large bid by the Pac-10 coaches due to his stellar regular season.

Hernandez went 2-2 in the NCAA championships notching impressive wins over Alex Macrag of North Carolina and Matt Stolpink of Navy.

Hanks carries a 3.19 GPA as a business major at Cal Poly.

Hanks came into the 2006 season as the back-up to eventual Pac-10 champion and All-American Chad Mendes, but an unfortu-

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M. TENNIS

'STANGS SWEEP IN ARIZONA

The Cal Poly men's tennis team defeated Northern Arizona University with a decisive score of 7-0, sweeping the singles competition and winning two of three doubles matches. With the win the Mustangs improve to 9-8 on the season.

John Nguyen added another win to his 18-5 record, defeating Gareth Ducray 6-2, 6-1 at the No. 1 spot. Matt Baca, a consistent force at the No. 2 spot with a current record of 12-7, earned a 6-2, 6-4 win over Northern Arizona's Henrik Lilia. For Brett Van Linge it was a score of 6-0, 6-2 that put him on top against Trent Hayward.

Fred Dewitte brought it home for Cal Poly, winning 6-3, 7-6 against Brian Grooms. At the No. 5 spot Kyle Roybal improved on his 13-13 record with a 7-5, 6-3 win over Casey Ross. Aaron Elbert defeated Kyle Thieme 6-2, 6-2 at the No. 6 spot.

In doubles competition the Mustang team of Nguyen and Van Linge continues to rack up the wins for Cal Poly, defeating Ducray and Lilia 8-1. Nguyen and Van Linge improve to 18-5 in 2006. Baca and Dewitte proved their strength against Hayward and Ross, winning 8-6.

The lone loss for Cal Poly came against the Lumberjack team of Grooms and Thieme. Roybal and Nick Berger fought hard taking the match into a tiebreaker, but falling 8-7, 7-1 in the end.

The Mustangs continue play on Friday, visiting the University of San Francisco.

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