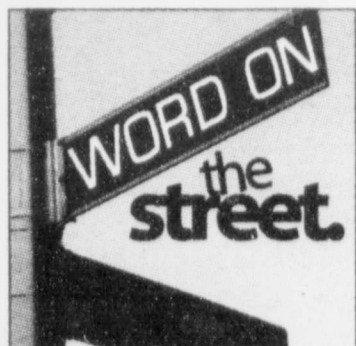


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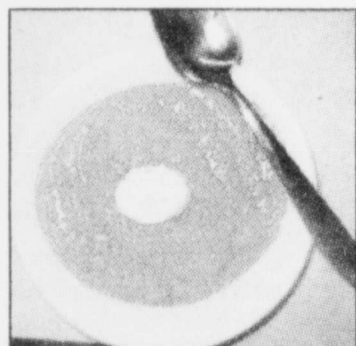
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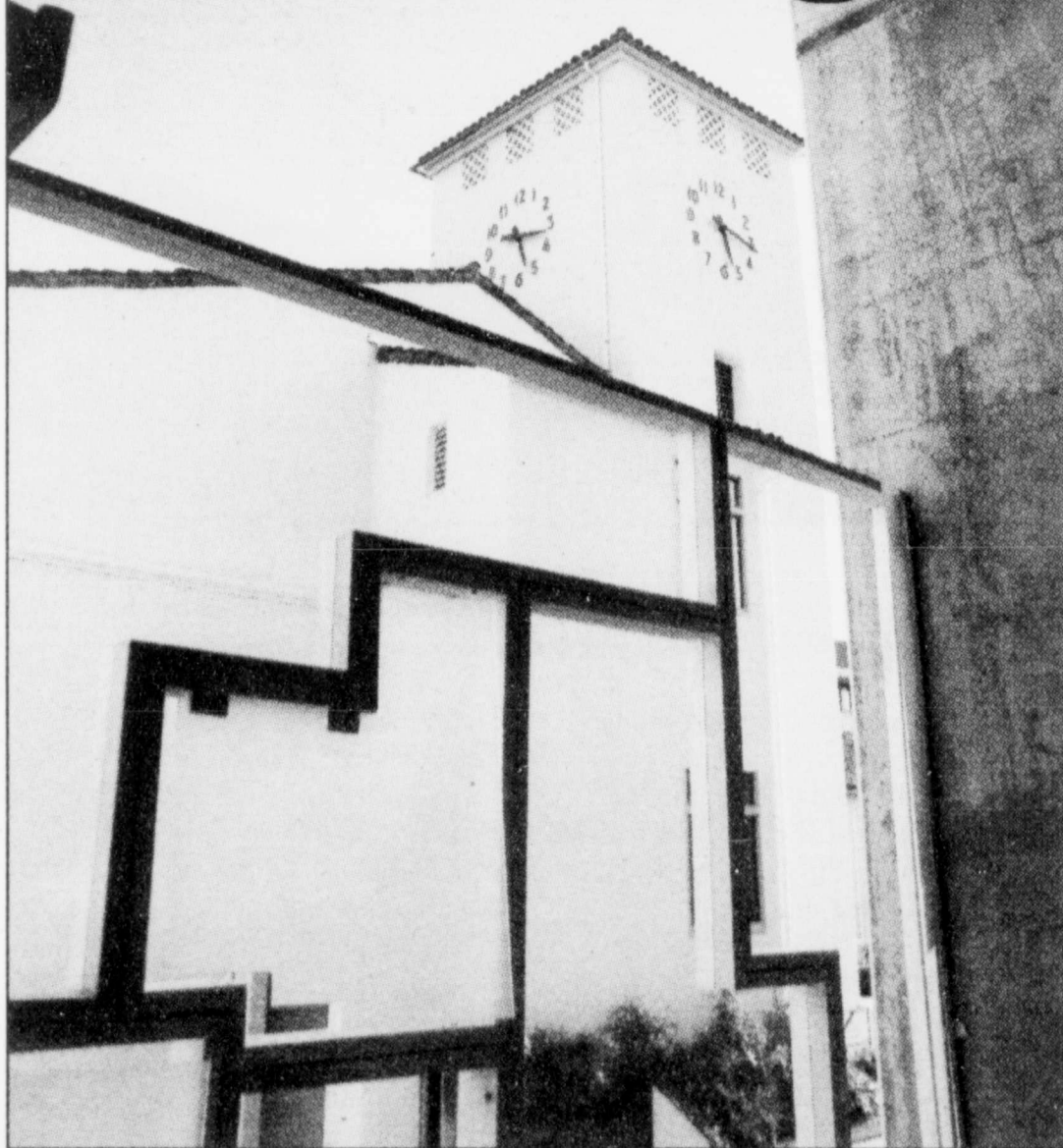


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## In the clamor and the clangor



GRAIG MANTLE MUSTANG DAILY

The ringing sound heard by the Cal Poly community every hour is not from bells. It is a recording of the Westminster Abbey bells in England.

Cary Conrady

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Every hour, from 7 a.m. until 10 p.m., the sound of brass bells can be heard across campus, emanating from the clock tower by the Business and Education buildings. However, the "heartbeat" of Cal Poly is not produced by real bells; it is simply a recording of bell sounds.

Built in 1942, the clock tower was sans bells for more than 10 years. In 1953, Cal Poly purchased a mechanical "carillon bells" system for \$6,270. Imitating the sound of the bells in Westminster Abbey in England, the system was stored in a tiny basement room below the Education building.

The sound of bells were made by strikers hitting metal plates, similar to a xylophone. Like a piano player, rolls of punched paper told the strikers which notes to play. A microphone picked up the tones, which were then amplified from the eight speakers in the tower.

Unlike now, the clock tower used to play more than just the chiming of bells. On special occasions, the system was used to play holiday, religious and patriotic music. The amplifier system could also be used to make announcements. Clubs and organizations would use the amplification system to make campus-wide announcements from the tower. However, as the campus expanded, the center of activity shifted from the clock tower area to the University Union Plaza and the

use of the tower faded.

About 10 years ago, Cal Poly upgraded the amplification system, replacing the mechanical system with an electronic system.

"What you hear now is a recording of the old mechanical chimes," explained technician Pete Woodworth. "The system is on a timer, programmed to ring every hour."

Some Cal Poly students wonder why the clock tower doesn't have real bells, like UC Santa Barbara's Storke Tower, which is home to 61 bells. Most of those students think the electronic system doesn't sound like the real thing.

"You can tell it's a recording," engineering junior Bryan Davenport said.

"Yeah, it definitely sounds like a recording. Sometimes I can hear the speakers maxing out," engineering junior Ryan Jefferson agreed.

Woodworth guessed that Cal Poly chose mechanical and electronic bell systems, as opposed to actual brass bells "because of the cost," he said.

To have the same type of sound would take at least 25 bells that would weigh 79,464 pounds and cost thousands more than the newer electronic systems.

So next time the bell tower chimes, releasing you from a two-hour lecture, try to pretend that you're really hearing the bells of Westminster Abbey in England, as opposed to a recording amplified from the basement of the Education building.

## Missing person, deaths plague SLO County

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF REPORT

The body of a Grover Beach man was discovered at the base of a cliff in Pismo Beach Monday, according to Pismo Beach police. The body was identified as 34-year-old Jude Moersdorf, whose vehicle had been abandoned in the Pelican Point restaurant parking lot.

Moersdorf's ex-wife had filed a missing persons report Monday morning that stated he had not been seen since March 1, which prompted the search. Police are investigating, and there are no signs of foul play, although police said the incident appears to be a suicide.

A weekend search for the missing Cayucos woman proved fruitless. Dorothy Autrey, 84, was reported missing Feb. 21. The San Luis Obispo Sheriff's Department is conducting an investigation and searched Autrey's home for possible evidence of foul play in addition to air and ground searches. No suspects have been named in the case.

William Meredith Harvel died in the San Luis Obispo County Jail Sunday after being found unresponsive during a bed check. Harvel, 73, was being held for allegedly firing rounds of his shotgun inside his trailer in an Oceano trailer park. He hit other homes in the area and was taken into custody after a stand-off March 18.

He was cleared for incarceration by paramedics on the scene. Sunday, Harvel had just completed a psychiatric evaluation and was staying in a special medical cell when he died. CPR was attempted for 20 minutes after he was found unresponsive.



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Jon Tapper holds a pair of unredeemable gift cards from bankrupt retailer The Sharper Image on Monday.

## Gift cards become worthless when retailers file for bankruptcy protection

Anne D'innocenzio

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NEW YORK — You know that Sharper Image gift card you got for Christmas? Right now, it's worthless. And other gift cards in your wallet could lose their value, too.

As more retailers file for bankruptcy or go out of business, more than \$75 million in gift cards are at risk of becoming worthless pieces of plastic this year.

"If I knew this was going to happen, I would have used them right away," said Jon Tapper, a public relations executive from Boston who received two Sharper Image cards as business gifts just a few weeks ago. Their total face value is \$50.

"I love gift cards, but now this makes me think twice."

The Sharper Image announced late last month that it was suspending the acceptance of gift cards, at least temporarily. It urged shoppers to check the company Web site later this month for an update. That is typical of businesses that reorganize under Chapter 11 bank-

ruptcy, which treats gift cards as a loan to the company, not as cash.

For many shoppers, it's a harsh lesson about the risks of gift cards. Consumers spent an estimated \$26.3 billion in gift cards at retailers alone last holiday season, compared with \$24.8 billion in 2006 and \$18.48 in 2005, according to the National Retail Federation.

C. Britt Beemer, chairman of America's Research Group, said "you will see a lot of frustration among customers. You basically stole (money) out of the customers' pocket. They will never forgive you."

The number of retail bankruptcies or liquidations this year is expected to reach the highest levels since the 1991 recession.

Brian Riley, senior analyst at The Tower Group, estimates that shoppers could lose more than \$75 million just from stores and restaurant closings in 2008.

Tower Group's figure doesn't include mom-and-pop services like the local nail salon. Riley said such small operations, which are most vulnerable to economic downturns, pose the biggest risk to gift card holders.



# Palestinians suspend peace talks; Israel continues Gaza offensive

Ibrahim Barzak

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GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip — The Palestinian president suspended peace talks Sunday as Israel brushed off international criticism and vowed to press ahead with its Gaza offensive until militants halt rocket attacks.

Israeli Defense Minister Ehud Barak said an even broader Gaza operation was possible, aimed at crushing militant rocket squads but also to "weaken the Hamas rule, in the right circumstances, even to bring it down."

The Palestinian death toll rose by 21, bringing the number killed to 109 since the latest bout of fighting erupted on Wednesday, according to Palestinian medical officials and militant groups. At least 54 Palestinians and two Israelis were killed on Saturday, the single deadliest day in more than seven years of fighting.

The Gaza onslaught has failed to protect southern Israel, where residents have faced repeated rocket attacks since 2001. Gaza militants fired more than 25 rockets at southern Israel Sunday, the military said, scoring direct hits on houses in the city of Ashkelon and the town of Sderot. Nine Israelis were injured, rescue services said.

Palestinian negotiator Saeb Erekat said peace talks with Israel had been halted.

"For the time being, the negotiations are suspended because we have

so many funerals," he said. It was unclear when the talks, relaunched last November at a U.S.-hosted summit, would resume.

The violence clouded an upcoming visit by Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice.

The Israeli and Palestinian leaders have set a December target for concluding a final peace deal. But instead of promoting peace, Rice will likely spend her visit this week trying to put out the latest fire.

The Bush administration demanded a halt to the fighting.

"The violence needs to stop and the talks need to resume," Gordon Johndroe, a spokesman for the National Security Council, said in Texas.

Before dawn Sunday, Israeli aircraft sent missiles slamming into the empty offices of Gaza's Hamas prime minister, Ismail Haniyeh. No one was hurt, but the attack was seen as a tough message to the Hamas leadership, which has refused to halt rocket barrages at a growing swath of southern Israel.

After nightfall, Israeli aircraft struck targets around Gaza City's Shati refugee camp and at Jebaliya, further north, where a militant was killed and four were wounded, Palestinian security officials said.

The Israeli military said it fired at gunmen in Jebaliya, hitting one person. It had no immediate comment on any attack on Shati.

Before midnight, Israel moved additional ground forces and armored



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Palestinians gather next to the rubble of a mosque that was used by the security forces of Hamas after it was hit in an Israeli missile strike.

vehicles into northern Gaza, widening its area of operation to about a mile, witnesses and Palestinian security officials said. Also, aircraft attacked two metal workshops in northern Gaza, wounding 10, they said.

The military said two weapons caches were hit and that the troop rotations were routine.

Eleven Palestinians, including a 21-month-old girl, were killed Sunday, and 10 others died of earlier wounds or were found dead, Palestinian medical officials said.

Roughly half of those killed since Wednesday were civilians, medical officials said. On Saturday, Palestinian leaders called the killings "genocide" and a "holocaust."

"We are following the aggression against our people in Gaza," Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas told reporters. He said he had contacted the U.N. Security Council, the European Union and Arab leaders "to work to stop this aggression."

Abbas has wielded little influence in Gaza since Hamas vanquished his forces and took over last June. In a symbolic move, he donated blood for Gaza residents at his West Bank office.

The normally bustling streets of Gaza City were eerily empty. The sound of verses from the Muslim holy book, the Quran, sounded from mosque loudspeakers mingled with the roar of Israeli warplanes and unmanned drones in the sky.

Hundreds gathered outside Gaza hospitals, waiting for bodies to be brought out of morgues for burial. Many, like schoolteacher Tawfek Shaban, a 44-year-old father of five, were holding small radios, listening to the news.

"Shame on the Arabs, shame on the Muslims, shame on humanity ... When will they act to stop Israel?" Shaban asked.

The reduced casualty count may have been the result of new measures imposed by Hamas. It told its fighters to use alleys for cover and avoid moving in large groups, ordered schools closed and set up roadblocks to keep civilians out of battle zones. In recent days, schoolchildren had left their studies to watch the fighting. The order forced children to stay at home.

The unrest spilled over to the West Bank, where Abbas and his Fatah faction run a rival government.

In the West Bank town of Hebron, a 14-year-old Palestinian boy was fatally shot in the chest during a pro-

test against Israel, Palestinian medical officials said. It was the first death in the West Bank connected to the Gaza offensive.

An Israeli military spokesman said youths staged a "violent demonstration," throwing firebombs and putting soldiers at risk. Later, about 2,000 angry Hamas supporters marched through the city streets, waving copies of the Quran and green Hamas flags. "Revenge. Revenge. Retaliate in Tel Aviv," the crowd chanted.

Schools and shops across the West Bank shut down to protest the operation in Gaza, and there were demonstrations at traditional flashpoints like checkpoints, watchtowers and patrol routes.

In Ramallah, home to Abbas government, club-wielding Palestinian security forces used tear gas and pushed back dozens of women demonstrating in support of Hamas. Security forces tried to stop TV crews filming and clubbed protesters, said Muhib Barghouthi, a photographer who was on scene.

The Gaza offensive also drew a chorus of international condemnation. The EU and U.N. chief Ban Ki-moon accused Israel of using excessive force. The U.N. Security Council urged Israelis and Palestinians "to immediately cease all acts of violence."

At the weekly meeting of his Cabinet, Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Olmert rejected the criticism.

"Nothing will prevent us from continuing operations to protect our citizens," he said. "No one has the moral right to preach to Israel for taking the elementary step of self-defense."

Olmert, commenting on the suspension of talks, said "attacking Hamas strengthens the chance for peace."

"I'm sure that beyond certain statements, the Palestinian leadership, the one with whom we want to achieve peace, also understands that," he said.

Israel regularly clashes with Gaza rocket squads, but it intensified its operations last week after militants fired salvos into Ashkelon, a city of 120,000 11 miles north of Gaza. By targeting a center like Ashkelon, only 25 miles from the metropolis of Tel Aviv, Hamas raised the stakes and added pressure on Israeli leaders to respond.

In Sderot, the town nearest Gaza which has suffered most of the rocket attacks over the past seven years, daily life has become almost unbearable. The rockets have killed 13, wounded dozens and caused millions of dollars in damage.

Egypt has cooperated with an Israeli blockade of Hamas in Gaza but opened its sealed border crossing with the territory Sunday to allow some of the Palestinian wounded access to medical care.

Egypt sent 27 ambulances to the Rafah crossing to transfer between 150 to 200 wounded, said Imad Kharboush, a medical official at a hospital in el-Arish, near the Israeli border.

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## WORD ON THE STREET

**"If you could time travel, where would you go?"**

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"Ancient Greece, because I studied abroad there, and all I saw was rocks. I'd want to see it in its heyday."

— Susan Chmelir, business senior

"The 1960s or the '70s. There were so many interesting things going on at that point of time — it was a whole different atmosphere."

— Clint Hebrew, electrical engineering senior



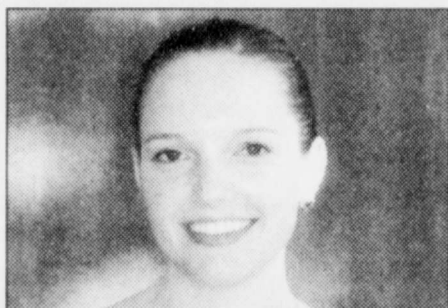
"I'd want to go to ancient Rome to see how it looked in its heyday, and to go to all the historical events that happened in that time."

— Christina Chiappe, social sciences senior



"The early 1990s, without all the technology we have now. It was just simpler."

— Amber LeBrun, industrial engineering freshman



## Briefs

### State

**GLENDAL (AP)** — John Ritter's widow has resumed testifying in a wrongful-death lawsuit against two of the actor's doctors.

Amy Yasbeck returned to the stand in Glendale Superior Court on Monday and told the jury about the actor's ebullient personality and devotion to his children.

The testimony is intended to support claims for \$67 million in damages against a radiologist who performed a body scan on Ritter two years before his death and a cardiologist who treated him the day he died in 2003.

**GRASS VALLEY (AP)** — A 43-year-old Grass Valley woman is facing two misdemeanor charges for allegedly serving wine and vodka at a sleep-over party she held at her home for a high school girls varsity basketball team.

School officials suspended 10 players from the Bear River High School team for 30 days in January, ending their season early. The Nevada County district attorney's office said the party took place at Nicole Frances Osterholt's home in December.

She is facing charges of contributing to the delinquency of minors and providing alcohol to minors.

### National

**WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. (AP)** — A man opened fire at a Wendy's restaurant around lunchtime Monday, killing one person before committing suicide, authorities said.

The shooter wounded at least three others. They were in critical condition, said Palm Beach County sheriff's spokeswoman Teri Barbera.

**WOODINVILLE, Wash. (AP)** — Fires gutted three multimillion-dollar model homes in a Seattle suburb on Monday, and authorities found a sign purportedly left by eco-terrorists that mocks claims that the homes were environmentally friendly.

"Built Green? Nope black!" said the spray-painted sign that bore the initials of the radical environmental group Earth Liberation Front.

**CHICAGO (AP)** — Car crashes are the leading cause of death for tweens and teens, and a new study outlines some of the most dangerous circumstances: Riding unbuckled with new teen drivers on high-speed roads.

These were the three biggest risk factors contributing to car crash deaths of passengers aged 8 to 17, the study found.

### International

**EMBAKASI VILLAGE, Kenya (AP)** — Dozens of people with assault rifles and machetes stormed a village in western Kenya early Monday, killing at least 13 people, including six children, police said. Some were burned alive in their homes.

National Police spokesman Eric Kiraithe said the attack in Embakasi village was over land, not the country's disputed Dec. 27 presidential election, which unleashed weeks of nationwide bloodshed.

Rabson Mbuya, who said his wife, three children and housekeeper were killed, said he was patrolling the area as part of his job in the police reserve when the attackers came.

**KABUL, Afghanistan (AP)** — A suicide car bomber attacked a U.S. base in eastern Afghanistan Monday, collapsing a guard post with American soldiers inside, an Afghan official said. Three NATO soldiers were wounded, a U.S. military official said.

Two Afghan policemen also were wounded in the attack, said Lutfullah Babakarheil, a district chief.

The attacker in the eastern Khost province rammed the explosives-laden car into the gates of the U.S. military base in Yaqoubi district, Babakarheil said.

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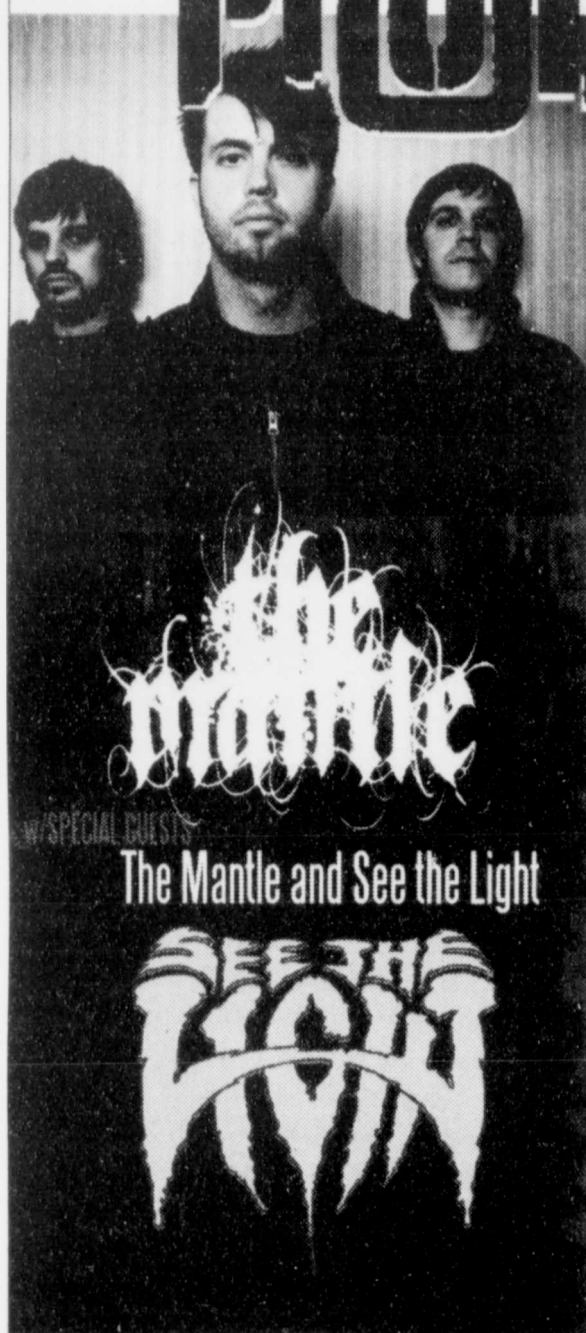
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NEWS

## Pilotless planes emerge as a top Israeli weapon in its aerial war with Hamas

Ibrahim Barzak and Aron Heller

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Palestinians say they know when an Israeli drone is in the air: Cell phones stop working, TV reception falters and they can hear a distant buzzing.

They also know what's likely to come next — a devastating explosion on the ground.

Palestinians say Israel's pilotless planes have been a major weapon in its latest offensive in Gaza, which has killed nearly 120 people since last week.

"Our experience is that the drone missile is successful in hitting its targets, and it's deadly," said Dr. Mahmoud Assali, a Palestinian physician who works in the emergency room of a northern Gaza Strip hospital that has often treated Palestinian gunmen hit by Israeli drones.

"The drone has a zone of around 15 meters (50 feet) where it decimates everything. It targets people and leaves them in pieces," Assali said.

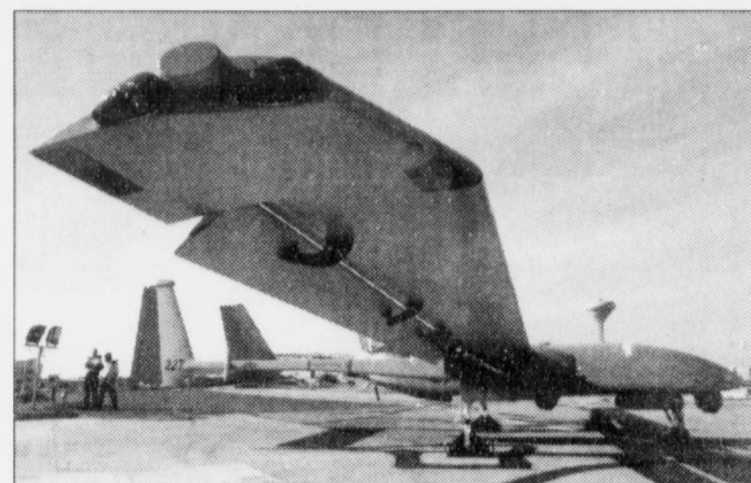
Israel is at the forefront of the drone technology that is increasingly being used in hotspots around the world. The unmanned craft provide a deadly and cost-effective alternative for armies to target enemies, without risking their own pilots' lives and reducing civilian casualties in heavily populated areas.

The unmanned craft are guided by remote control from the ground. Because of their small size and relatively low speed, their low-yield missiles can be aimed precisely.

The use of drones is shrouded in secrecy, and Israeli defense officials refuse to comment publicly on whether they are being used in airstrikes in Gaza. However, Israeli officers in private conversations have confirmed use of the weapons.

Wary Gaza militants using binoculars are on constant lookout for drones. When one is sighted overhead, the militants report via walkie-talkie to their comrades, warning them to turn off their cell phones and remove the batteries for fear the Israeli technology will trace their whereabouts.

A militant from the southern Gaza Strip who belongs to the Islamic Jihad group said drones were mostly used to



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Israeli Air Force officers stand next to the new Heron unmanned drone aircraft for surveillance missions.

target individuals, not structures. He said they often hovered at much higher altitudes than manned aircraft and their missiles were frequently more destructive, leaving deep gashes where they landed.

The militant said the drones usually targeted slow-moving targets, like people walking, or cars slowing down to avoid potholes in a road.

"It looks like it makes small circles in the sky, but before it's about to fire a missile, it slows down," the militant said, speaking on condition of anonymity because he feared being identified by Israel. "It's not like any other plane. You don't see the missile leaving, it's very quiet."

Damian Kemp, an aviation desk editor at Jane's Defence Weekly, said Israel is probably the first country in the world to use unmanned aerial vehicles, or UAVs, for both surveillance and to fire missiles. Israel is a world leader in the field and "capable of doing everything from the very small to the very large," he said.

He said drones were likely more accurate, cost-effective and safer than manned F-16 fighter jets and Apache helicopters.

"The key thing in a UAV is it does missions that are dull, dirty and dangerous," Kemp said.

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# Your Kitchen

## Boeuf Bourguignon

1 tablespoon extra virgin olive oil  
1/4 pound good slab bacon, cut into 1/2-inch cubes  
2 pounds beef chuck, cut into 1 1/2- to 2-inch cubes  
Salt and pepper to taste  
1 large onion, peeled and chopped  
3 or 4 thyme sprigs  
3 bay leaves  
2 cloves garlic, peeled and lightly crushed  
1/2 cup chopped fresh parsley leaves, plus more for garnish  
1 cup good red wine, preferably pinot noir  
12 small white (button) mushrooms, trimmed and cut in half or quarters  
1 bag frozen pearl onions  
Stock or water if necessary.

1. Heat oil in a Dutch oven or oven-safe casserole dish over medium heat. Add bacon and cook, stirring occasionally, until it is crisp and most of the fat has been cooked off, about 10 minutes. Remove with a slotted spoon, add meat and turn heat to medium high. Cook, turning cubes as they brown and sprinkling them with salt and pepper until meat is brown and crisp all over, at least 10 minutes. Remove with a slotted spoon.

2. Turn heat to medium, and add onions, thyme, bay leaves, garlic, parsley and more salt and pepper. Cook, stirring occasionally until onion softens, about 5 minutes. Add wine and let bubble for a minute, then return meat to pan.

3. Cover and adjust heat so mixture simmers gently for about an hour. Then add mushrooms, onions and bacon. Re-cover and cook until tender, adding a little more liquid if mixture threatens to dry out. Depending on meat, the dish could be done in as little as 30 minutes more, or three times as long. Taste and adjust seasoning, then garnish and serve, or cover and refrigerate for up to two days before reheating.

## Butternut Squash Soup

2 Tablespoons butter  
1/2 cup sweet onion, diced  
1 large butternut squash  
1 sweet potato, peeled and cubed  
2 cups chicken stock  
1/4 cup Mascarpone cheese (optional)\*  
Salt and pepper to taste  
Chives, garnish

1. Melt butter in large, heavy saucepan on medium high heat. Add onion, salt and pepper and cook until light brown and slightly soft, about 10 minutes.

2. Peel, cube and scoop out seeds from butternut squash. Be careful; the skin is tough. Add squash to onion and cook until edges of squash turn golden. Add potato.

3. Add chicken stock and enough water to just cover the top of the vegetables. Bring to a simmer and cook until squash and potato are soft, about 45 minutes.

4. When vegetables are soft, allow soup to cool slightly, either blend or mash to desired consistency. Add salt and pepper to taste.

5. Stir in a dollop of Mascarpone cheese and garnish with chopped chives.

\*Mascarpone is an Italian cheese similar to sweet cream cheese and adds a wonderful creaminess to the soup.

# Comfort in the kitchen

If there's one thing I love more than eating, it's talking about food. And I don't just mean like, "Oh, that's yummy." I'm talking full-on, in-depth discussions on the contrasting textures of a well-made Reese's Peanut Butter Cup to hour-long debates on whether Tom Keller's Ad Hoc restaurant is a true expression of his talent.

I grew up in the kitchen under my mom's feet, asking to help in whatever way I could. I remember being responsible for the toppings on her homemade pizzas and how grown-up I felt when she let me make the Christmas English toffee all by myself for the first time. The kitchen has always been a comfortable place for me; it feels just like home.

Now that I've been on my own, the kitchen is still my favorite room in the house. I love playing Martha, and I jump at any opportunity to celebrate with food. And it's this time of year — the cold nights, early sunsets and rainy weather — that make coming home to a warm kitchen so great. Slow-cooked tender meats; rich, roasted root vegetables; and creamy, hot soups are all necessary.

One of my favorite comfort foods is Boeuf Bourguignon. It's a rich beef stew cooked with wine. The traditional recipe is taught to culinary students as the archetypal example of French cooking. Cuts of beef are browned with crispy bacon, then cooked with wine, carrots and herbs. Small sweet onions and earthy mushrooms are then sautéed and added to the pot at the very end; they add the most delicious, buttery and homey finale to the dish.

My mother taught me how to cook this dish in her large dark-blue Le Creuset Dutch oven — the first one she could afford when she was broke and just out of college. She handed the pot down to me when I left

for school, and it is my most treasured possession. I make this dish at least once a month, when the weather starts to cool down and I crave the Bourguignon's familiar, comforting taste. The crispiness around each bite-sized piece of beef from cooking it in this well-used pan is unbeatable.

The bonus to this dish is that no pricey cut of meat is required. Some recipes suggest using filet, but I find that unnecessary. Other cuts are just as good and can be around one-tenth of the price. It's the perfect dish to begin and then leave alone while studying or relaxing. Plus, you will be amazed by the smells coming from your kitchen. It's a time-consuming meal to make, but it is also well worth the effort. I love to serve it with a toasty baguette and green salad to compliment its heartiness. Moreover, it's better once you let it sit, and it makes amazing leftovers.

For nights when I don't have much time but crave a warm, comforting meal, I love to make soups from seasonal vegetables I buy at Farmers' Market. There is a little restaurant in Yountville that makes the best butternut squash soup every winter. I missed it so much my first year at school that my roommate and I recreated the recipe, putting our own twist on it. Sweet potatoes make this dish tasty and hearty — the perfect compliment to a homemade grilled cheese or roast beef sandwich.

So cozy up on these rainy nights and cook with some friends. These smells will bring you back home, no matter how far you are from Mom.

Sinead Brennan is an agricultural business senior and Mustang Daily food columnist.

## DE SHMIRE "the whole shebang"

by Sinead Brennan



# Get free food & drinks with frequency cards

Do you love the smoothies at Lucy's Juice? Is Julian's coffee a morning ritual? Do you spend all your money on burritos at Veranda Cafe?

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The cards are designed to allow customers to save money when buying their favorite items on campus. Campus Dining offers frequency cards for use at



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## The collision of religion and film: A top 5 list

Michelle Norgan  
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Religion is a part of most human endeavors, and it has worked its way into films for many years. When it comes to how modern cinema meshes with religion, there are many ways they tie together.

According to religious studies professor Stephen Lloyd-Moffett, there are at least three kinds of religious films, including "inspirational" films, films focusing on religious questions in a secular way, and films in which religion is the backstory for a character.

"The 'inspirational' film intends to dramatize the events of a religion or followers without much criticism," Lloyd-Moffett said. "Every religion has them."

These films are often ones that repeat religious stories in order for people to see the message in hopes of converting them. It is a way to reach a modern-day audience that would rather watch movies and TV than read, and another way to get the message across.

Films that tackle a religious idea or question from a secular viewpoint "are usually the Hollywood films, though rarely the big blockbusters," Lloyd-Moffett said.

Finally, there are films that use religion as the backstory for a character in order to explain why they act the way they do in the film.

"These are usually the worst at portraying religion, because they have to rely on stereotypes because they do not want to develop any real religious depth," Lloyd-Moffett said.

So how do these ideas show up in modern films? The question is complicated and could fill quite a number of books on the subject. In the interest of time and space, I've put together a small collection of films that not only reflect these ideas but are also excellent films in their own right.

**1. "Baraka":** This film deals with humans in their natural environments, depicting how they live. It deals with life, death, war, fear and how religion interplays among all these ideas.

"Baraka" is one of the best films ever made; it tells a story without narration," Lloyd-Moffett said. "It lets the images speak for themselves."

When it comes to characterizing "Baraka," it seems to fit most into the category of films that tackle religion from a secular viewpoint — but this isn't a perfect fit. The film lets the viewers decide what conclusions to make, for although it places the images together in a specific order, the viewer is free to take them at face-value as beautiful pictures or look deeper into their complex meanings.

An example of this is a series of scenes within the movie showing high-rise apartment buildings. These were interesting in and of themselves — and then the film cut to large towers of crypts at a graveyard. I reconsidered my architectural observations and started thinking about how we are crammed next to one another in both life and death.

**2. "Jesus Camp":** This film is about a Christian children's camp, but it also deals with the relationship between religion and politics.

"Much of the film focuses on how politics and religion are blending not just at the camp but in this whole country," said Brenda Helmbrecht, an English professor who teaches a class on documentary films. "At the camp, these children are regarded as future voters who will ultimately be responsible for guiding the nation to righteousness."

Helmbrecht said when the children are told they are part of God's army in the film, they don't necessarily grasp this concept. They do, however, trust the adults in their lives and want to do the right thing according to their religious beliefs.

"If anything, I felt sad for these children in that they are not being taught what I think all children need to learn: how to think for themselves and make their own choices," Helmbrecht said.

When I first watched this movie, I felt almost frightened that these children were being taught

intolerance at such a young age. It was an unsettling idea to me in many ways.

"I think that if viewers find the images (convey a feeling), it's because of something they bring to the film, not something the film brings to them," Helmbrecht said.

In retrospect, I can see this idea is true. My past experiences and personal viewpoints about religious intolerance led me to feel unsettled by this film, but other viewers would get an entirely different perspective based on their own experiences. "Jesus Camp" and a lot of the other movies here are excellent in that they don't force the viewer into a single perspective; they allow them some wiggle room for their own interpretations.

Once again, I feel that this film fits loosely into the category of films that tackle religion from a secular perspective. But, like "Baraka," as a documentary it also has the purpose of informing the viewers about a topic.

**3. "Bend it Like Beckham":** Although this may not top everyone's list of good movies, it does fit into Lloyd-Moffett's third category of films (those that use religion as a back story for a character's motivations). In the film, the main character, Jess, wants to play soccer but battles her family's traditions and values, which are centered on their Hindu religion.

Lloyd-Moffett's idea that these films never reach any true depth of religion holds true throughout the film. The audience is told that Jess's family won't let her play soccer, because "she's Indian." She can't date her Irish coach, because "she's Indian." And while these ideas set up a very nice conflict for the film, they don't really explain why she's forbidden to do these things.

I've always considered this film to be secretly about family values more than religion. The truth is that Jess is prevented from doing these things because of her family's morals, attitudes and traditions. These do reflect their religion, but that is not always why her parents are upset. Several times in the movie, her parents seem to be more disappointed in her for lying to them than for breaking with their religious convictions.

She is encouraged to follow her family traditions, but mainly so she still fits in. Her family wants her to be happy, and to them, "happy" means conforming so she won't feel left out. At one point in the movie, Jess's sister asks her if she really wants to be the only one in the family with a non-Indian husband, the one everyone stares at during family functions. The idea isn't that she cannot see her love interest because he's Irish but that she may feel odd because she won't really fit into the family if she does.

Religion here is the easy answer for why the characters act the way they do. But when you dig deeper, this film has a really good message about family and happiness.

**4. "One Night with the King":** Here is a classic inspirational film that deals with the story of Queen Esther of Persia, a Jew who essentially saves her people from annihilation.

Although this is loosely a love story between Esther and the king, it is mainly about Esther's faith and being true to who she is. Esther is a strong character who finds her strength from her faith and fights to keep Persia from persecuting Jews. Based on a religious story, this film essentially champions the cause of the religion and shows the Jewish faith in a good light.

The problem this film runs into is stereotyping. This happens often in films, and in this case, Jews are represented as peace-loving, innocent people about to be persecuted for no reason except blind hatred. According to Lloyd-Moffett, stereotypes show up often in films because they are an easy way out.

"These movies often create a false image of a religious type and then show how this image is compromised," he said. "As such, it is often not useful for reflecting the true nature of religious life."

**5. "Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade":** This film fits into the category of having a religious backstory that explains the character's motivations. Indiana Jones is out to find the Holy Grail, not because he wants it, but because he has to do so to find his father, and later, to save it from the Nazis. Throughout the film, Jones treats the Grail as something halfway between an archaeological curiosity and a burden. He doesn't really believe the story but understands that his father and the Nazis do.

Throughout most of the movie, the religious aspect is there simply to explain why Indiana gets into boat chases, fiery situations and escape scenes. It's a common thread that ties together all the really appealing action scenes but doesn't have any depth.

Where this film moves away from this category and gets really good is in the end. Indiana has a moment where he "finds religion" and has to truly believe in order to save his father's life. The academic, detached search for this object becomes a true holy quest, where he has to use faith along with logic to succeed.

I love that the religious motivation behind the characters — the Grail — is something different

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# Escaping the stress of everyday life ... through time travel

It's a normal day: You go to work, come home, eat dinner and go about your other daily activities. Now imagine that all of a sudden, everything goes fuzzy and you wake up in an alley in New York City in 1968 with no clothes, money or clue where you are.

This is the life of Henry DeTamble in Audrey Niffenegger's incandescent novel "The Time Traveler's Wife."

It is the tale of a man who is born with a "chromosomal disorder" that causes him to travel to different places throughout time. His wife, Clare, first meets him when she is 6 years old due to the numerous trips he takes back to see her. He cannot control where or to what time period he goes, but he tends to go to places that make him feel safe when he's stressed in his current life. Henry goes to the past more frequently than the future and repeatedly returns to the moment of his mother's death.

The story is told from two points of view: Henry's and his wife's. The prose switches between the two and

changes dates frequently, but Niffenegger never loses the reader. The dates and ages of the characters don't matter except out of pure curiosity.

There are events that are a mystery to the reader until much later in the book, when the story gets to

the time in his life that he left. Though time is continuous and certain to humans, Niffenegger's strong writing can make anyone doubt the sureness of time and place.

Clare finds herself in love with a man who is three times her age and disappearing on a regular basis when she is only 9 years old. She sees him vanish in front of her eyes the first time she meets him only to realize that he's not lying about time travel. She has to wait 18 years to actually meet the Henry of real time, who is eight years older than her.

The stress of time-traveling on Henry transfers to Clare and the reader. Due to Niffenegger's strength with words, both characters are understandable and relatable. Throughout the trials they encounter both medically and

emotionally, it is easier to understand the situation and their relationship. It makes sense that Clare is completely in love with Henry regardless of what happens to him and that Henry would do anything to keep her happy.

The suspense of Henry's life keeps the audience reading, and their relationship keeps the reader invested in their story. It is a perfect novel that executes time travel believably and intriguingly, and I would recommend it to anyone who wants not just a good story but also an interesting twist.

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to everyone. To Indiana, it is a way to save someone he loves; to his father, it's the ultimate test of belief; to the Nazis, it is just treasure. This film is great because it adds a special little twist and keeps itself more interesting than most of the films fitting into this category. It actually explores the idea of faith and what one needs to truly believe in order to succeed, but this belief is different for every person. In that way, it reflects real life and in many ways keeps away from the stereotypical examination of faith.

These films are by no means the only good examples of how religion plays into modern film, but they are personal favorites. They each fit a certain category of religious film but have their own unique way of doing so. The idea Helmbrecht raised — what you get out of a film has more to do with you than the film — is true of all these films, and explains why they appeal to me. I like them because something in them strikes a chord with me. Every person is different and will find a different meaning or emotion.

Perhaps one reason why films deal with religion as often as they do is that it is a common thread throughout much of humanity. Whether you believe or don't, religion is something about which everyone has an opinion. Because of that, filmmakers can be almost guaranteed to reach every member of an audience.

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## Check your PULSE

by Sarah Bailey



# The basics of sports nutrition

Not only does this beautiful weather give us an excuse to put off studying just a little bit longer, but it also gives us the opportunity to play more sports outdoors. Whether it's a pick-up game of volleyball at the beach, intramural softball or hiking Bishop Peak, your body needs a good source of fuel to get you through the activity.

Every day, it seems, you hear about a new study proving the performance of some eating strategy or nutrient you've never heard of. To make matters worse, all the sports nutrition companies make so many competing claims, you don't know who to listen to. However, fueling your body for optimum athletic performance is not as complicated as it may seem. Everything you need to know to get through your game or workout can be boiled down to a few basic tips.

### Keep it natural

The majority of the foods you eat should be as minimally processed as possible. As a general rule, the shorter the ingredient list in a food product, the better. Refined sugar, fried foods and processed oils should have a small place in your diet.

### Balance is key

No single food has all the nutrients you need for optimal health, so it's important to eat a variety of foods every day. A top performance food plan includes adequate protein for growth and repair, plenty of carbohydrates for

NUTRIENT	CONSEQUENCES OF NOT GETTING ENOUGH	HOW TO GET WHAT YOU NEED
<b>B vitamins</b> (especially B-12)	Reduced athletic performance	Try to eat two servings of meat, fish or eggs daily
<b>Calcium</b>	Increased risk of stress fractures	Eat three servings of low- or non-fat dairy products each day
<b>Iron</b>	Fatigue, anemia	Eat iron-rich foods, such as chicken with a source of vitamin C to increase absorption

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fuel or energy, and enough fat to meet an athlete's remaining energy needs.

Use the Food Guide Pyramid at Mypyramid.gov to select foods providing a good balance of carbohydrates, protein, fats, vitamins and minerals. Adjust the amount of food you need according to your size and energy needs of your sport.

### Don't skip breakfast

Try to keep it balanced with some protein, a healthy carbohydrate, and a small amount of fat. Some examples include an egg-white omelet with fresh berries and a piece of whole-wheat toast, or a smoothie with skim milk, fruit and yogurt.

### Have a mid-afternoon snack

This will curb your appetite and provide fuel for your after-work walk or workout at the gym.

Some great snack ideas include: reduced-fat peanut butter on a multigrain cracker; a couple of pieces of low-fat string cheese and an apple; cottage cheese with pineapple; or a low-fat cheese in a whole-wheat pita.

### Eat for recovery

When you finish a workout, many of your muscle fibers are damaged from exertion, your muscle fuel stores are low, and you're at least slightly dehydrated. Proper nutrition is required to rebuild and refuel your muscles and re-hydrate your body. Specifically, you need protein for tissue repair, carbohydrates to restock your muscles with fuel, and water to re-hydrate.

The sooner you supply your body with these nutrients, the better; in the first hour after exercise, the muscles are able

to use nutrients for recovery much efficiently than at any other time.

### Avoid common deficiencies

Athletes can suffer from a handful of nutrient deficiencies that may have negative consequences not only for their athletic performance but also for their general health. Fortunately, they're all easily avoided with a balanced diet.

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# Honoring the fallen, but not their widows

## Staff Editorial

THE DAILY VIDETTE (ILLINOIS STATE U.)

Recently, presidential debates have discussed the issue of immigration. Most politicians claim border security must be tightened and policies should be stricter.

It seems that this tightening of security is not exclusive of U.S. borders. U.S. legislature has also made the "widow penalty" in the case that an immigrant marries a U.S. citizen, and the U.S. citizen dies unexpectedly before immigration can review green card applications.

Under the "widow penalty" the widowed immigrant would be deported, as he or she would not have the ability to prove the marriage was not merely a means to come to the U.S.

This has, unfortunately, been the case for Diana Engstrom, an immigrant from Kosovo whose husband, Todd, was killed in Iraq nine months after the marriage.

The couple met in Kosovo in 2002 when Todd was serving as a United Nations special forces commander. They dated for about two years before marriage, and spent three weeks together as a married couple before Todd went to Iraq to work as a private security contractor for the U.S. Military.

Now, Diana Engstrom lives in Bloomington with the threat of deportation looming over her head. According to her lawyer, Brent Renson, Engstrom would have been allowed to stay in the U.S. if her husband had been serving in the military when he died.

Still, the Daily Vidette Editorial Board wonders why immigration officials are not more sympathetic to her situation. Her husband died in Iraq, working under contract with the U.S. Military, and now she might have to face deportation because of circumstances she had no control over.

Is this country so worried about illegal immigrants infiltrating our borders that legislation has mandated that we turn our backs on people like

Engstrom, who speaks English, holds a job, and whose husband died while helping this country's cause in Iraq?

Shouldn't immigration officials and the government be more respectful for someone who died helping the military?

If the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services was going to review Engstrom's application while her husband was living, why dismiss her now?

Perhaps immigration officials should still interview Engstrom, and any family or friends who knew Engstrom and her husband to provide proof that the marriage was not a sham, if the fact that they dated for two years before marrying does not serve as enough proof that the marriage was genuine.

Perhaps U.S. legislation should be changed to be more sympathetic toward cases like Engstrom's to help those who are not conventional military widows but still lost their spouses in U.S. Military-related causes.

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# Click it or lose it: Joseph's story

On Oct. 26, 2007, I witnessed something life-changing: I saw someone roughly my own age die from a car accident. Joseph received fatal internal injuries that night — injuries that potentially could have been prevented if he had been wearing a seat-belt.

I should begin by explaining how I ended up on a deserted sideroad off Highway 46 at the scene of an accident. I was writing a profile piece on a paramedic for a journalism class and decided to go on a ride-along with

him. I did not expect to see anything major that day, maybe minor chest pains or a little blood — not a “Code Red” situation.

It seemed to be over as fast as it began. We arrived on the scene to find a 22-year-old male lying on the ground surrounded by firefighters. He missed a curve in the road and drove his SUV through a fence.

The fence was a barricade to protect people from an approximately 35-foot drop to the ravine below. His car flipped before coming to a stop; the front bumper, hood and windshield were smashed in. He was ejected from the car upon impact since he was not wearing a seat-belt. The firefighters found him lying in the dried ravine and carried him back up to the road on a stretcher.

I watched in complete shock as a firefighter attempted to perform CPR. I will never forget how young he looked — I could not help but be horrified that this young firefighter was trying to save someone his own age. Afterward I realized the older firefighters let him perform CPR because they knew it was hopeless. The victim had such horrible internal injuries that blood came out of the breathing tube placed down his throat. The lead paramedic soon took over for the firefighters and hooked the victim to the heart monitor — a flat line

*“The worst part was watching his three friends, who were driving in a separate car, hear ‘He’s been pronounced.’”*

went across the screen.

How could someone so young be dead? The worst part was watching his three friends, who were driving in a separate car, hear, “He’s been pronounced.” One of his male friends ran to the broken portion of the fence and collapsed to the ground. In that moment I realized how short life can be and to make use of every moment I have.

Although I have always worn my seat-belt while driving, it was just a subconscious act. Passing the “Click It or Ticket” signs on the freeway never had an impact on me until that day in October — a seat-belt really could save my life.

According to the California Office of Traffic Safety, in 2005, about half (352) of the 705 unrestrained fatalities would have been alive today if they had been wearing their seatbelts. One simple action that takes virtually no effort could have saved their lives. Next time you get into your car, remember to “click it.” Do it for yourself, and do it for Joseph.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Changes in the future for the Kennedy Library

There are indeed plans in the works for the renovation and expansion of the Kennedy Library.

Architects were here last spring and fall helping us develop program plans. These plans were shared with the Academic Senate and some members of ASI.

The next phase of the project will seek funding through a statewide bond issue probably in November 2009. Once that is approved, we can move on to the design and construction phases. With luck, all may be completed by 2015.

That’s a long time to wait, so we will be introducing some modest improvements in the interim. Stay tuned!

**Michael Miller**

*Dean of Library Services*

### Disservice to cyclists

It’s always fun to flip through the annual “Best For” issue. Occasionally, I even find something new. However, I have to complain about your best bike shop results — you only listed two! Every other category had a first, second and third place, but in the bike shop category, apparently, the field wasn’t big enough. Of all the students you “surveyed,” were the only responses Arts and Foothill?

I pity the poor cyclists who haven’t discovered CBO on Monterey which offers mail-order selection and prices, and is the closest shop to campus (Disclaimer: I do not, have not and don’t plan to work for or with CBO.). Sure, Arts and Foothill are obvious choices for first and second — they advertise a lot and cater to students — but couldn’t you open up third place for another great option? Let’s try to dig a little deeper next time and introduce Poly students to a little bit more of SLO.

**Michael Stallman**

*Electrical engineering senior*

### Education failing because students don’t care

In response to the article about education in Monday’s edition:

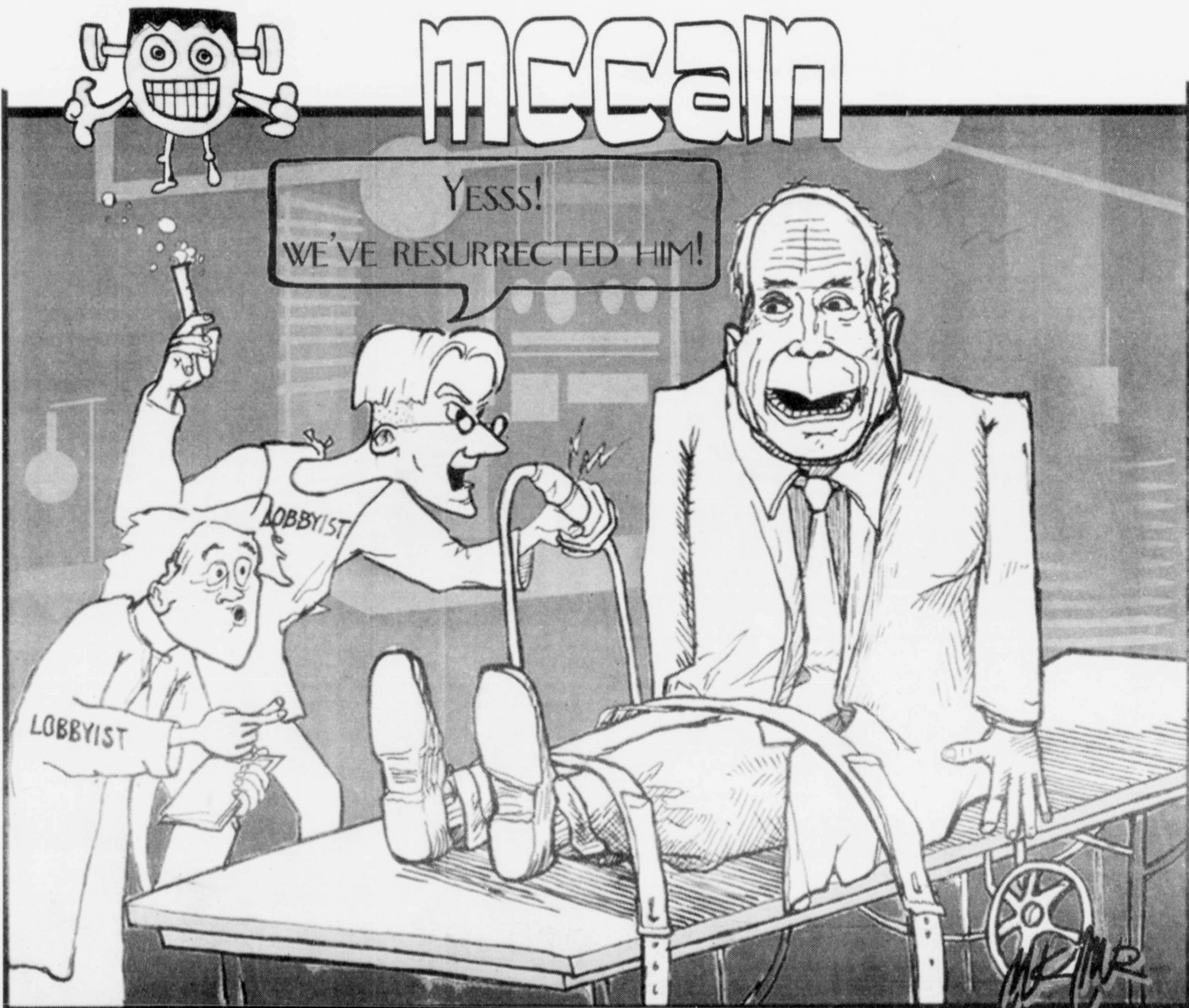
While Taylor Moore makes a valid point that the American education system is failing to adequately prepare students, she is missing a vital factor in the decline of western “intelligence.” That factor would be the desire to learn.

A wise man once said, “You can lead a horse to water, but you can’t make it drink.” Western youth are losing the notion that knowledge is power. All the money in the world, paired with a perfect curriculum, can’t force a kid to learn. The culture, pop and hip-hop included, has warped the young minds of this nation. Self-indulgence and laziness rule the day. We can’t bring test scores back up until young people regain a hunger for learning.

With the direction we’re headed in, the movie “Idiocracy” will become a documentary.

**Mike Raynor**

*Mechanical engineering senior*





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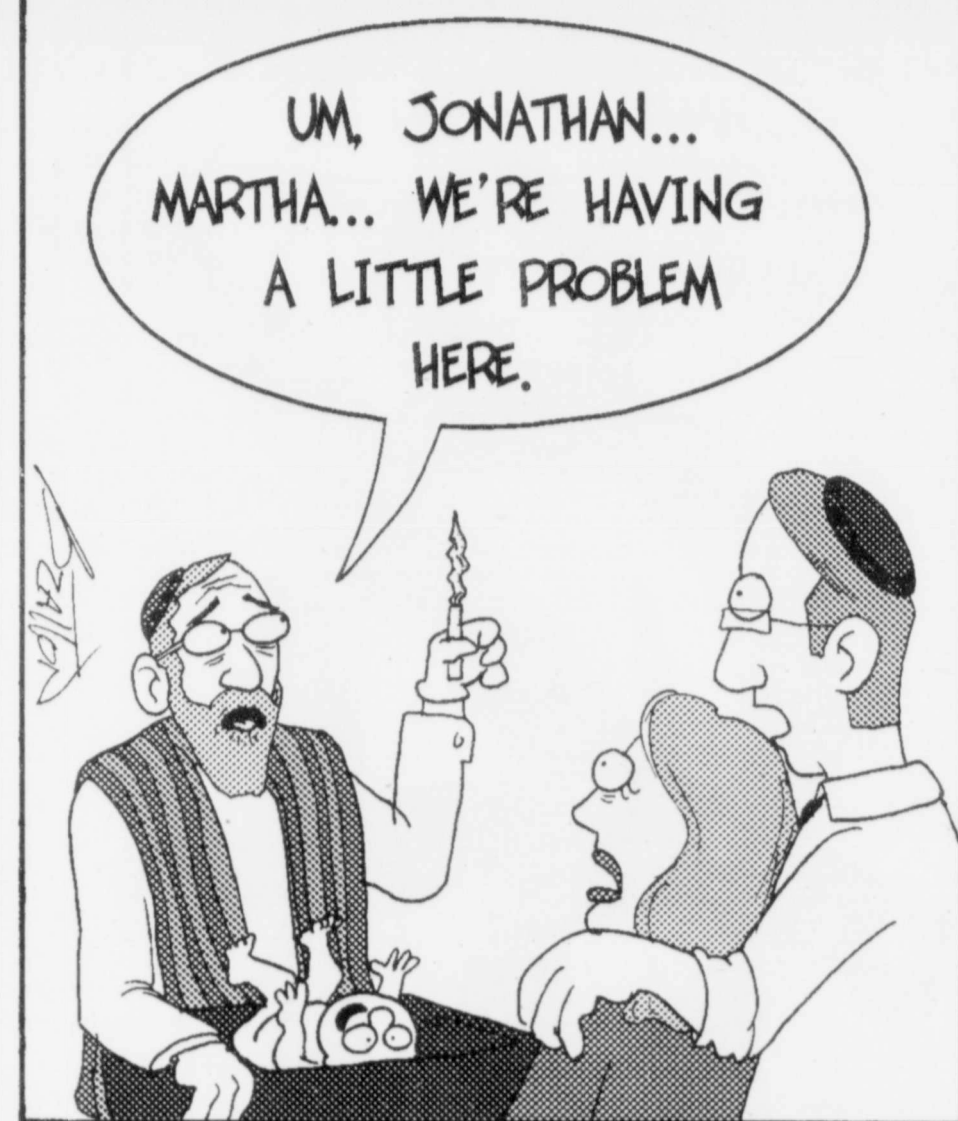


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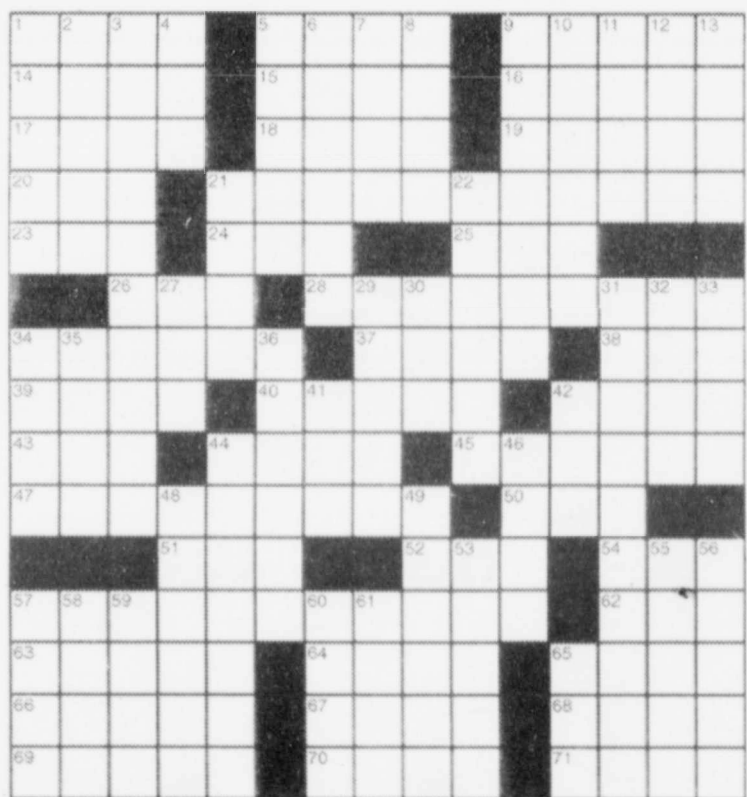
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- 44 P P P, in Greek
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- 50 Stephen of "The Crying Game"
- 51 Beehive State native
- 52 Timeline division
- 54 Carpet fuzz

- 57 Publication that is the key to this puzzle's theme
- 62 Conk out
- 63 TuneSmith's org.
- 64 "That's a shame"
- 65 Exec's note
- 66 Peach pit
- 67 Treat with grandmotherly love, with "on"
- 68 Kitchen dial site
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- 2 Blake of jazz
- 3 1998 role for Cate Blanchett
- 4 Butter slice
- 5 N.B.A.'s Shaquille
- 6 Egyptian temple site
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- 9 Make spotless
- 10 Big buzzer
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- 13 Hydrocarbon suffixes
- 21 After the buzzer
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- 44 Entered again
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- 48 New Orleans school
- 49 Hundred on the Hill
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- 56 Doers of drudgery
- 57 Track meet event
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- 59 Revered one
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- 61 Jillions
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• In Monday's Mustang Daily, a photo of Cal Poly women's tennis player Shannon Brady was accompanied by a caption wrongly identifying her as teammate Maria Malec. We apologize for the mistake.

## Eggleston

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leading Cal Poly in scoring and rebounding her junior and senior seasons, she has served as a volunteer assistant for the women's basketball team this season.

Mimnaugh opined that Eggleston's added track experience stands to help her athletic prospects with European agents.

"I think her track participation will only enhance her opportunities," she said.

Eggleston said that during her junior year she was expecting her career in basketball to end after playing the game for 12 years, but when her final collegiate season ended in 2007, she felt far from relieved.

"The fact that I can't play at all now, it really hurts me," she said. "Now I realize I'll probably never stop playing basketball."

However, just because basketball is Eggleston's passion, she says that will not affect how well she performs this track season.

"I'll think about basketball when I know something for sure, but right now track is my No. 1 priority," she said.

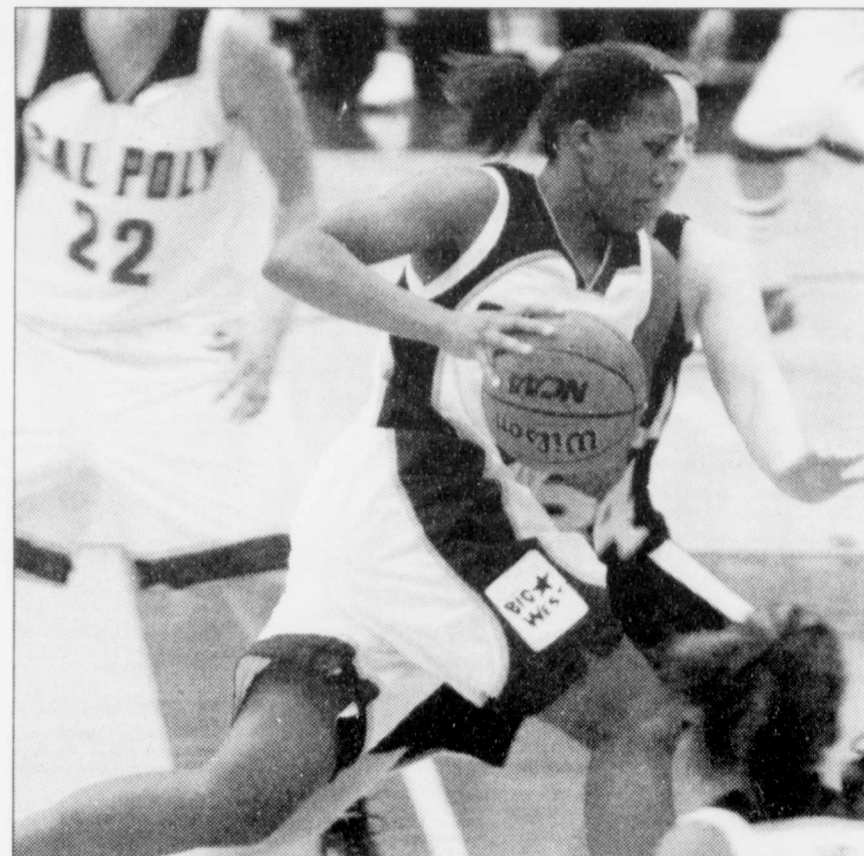
The Cal Poly track and field team competes at the UCLA Invitational on Friday and Saturday.

## 1,052

The amount of points Eggleston scored in her Cal Poly basketball career, fourth-most in school history

## 40.88

The distance in feet of Eggleston's Big West Conference-winning triple-jump mark in 2007



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Eggleston, Cal Poly's first two-time All-Big West Conference First Team honoree, missed just one of 110 games as a Mustang.

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# Jess of all trades, on the court and on the track

Cal Poly senior long jumper, triple jumper and hurdler Jessica Eggleston is finally able to enjoy a complete track season, yet looks forward to a possible pro basketball career overseas in the near future

Angela Watkins

MUSTANG DAILY

Track may not be her first love, but it's definitely Jessica Eggleston's current love.

The former basketball star has just begun her last and most promising season for the Cal Poly track and field team, and already has several first-place finishes under her belt.

At the team's first meet of the season Jan. 21, Eggleston won the long and triple jumps against Fresno State, Hawaii and Cal State Stanislaus, helping the Mustangs come in first at Fresno's newly renovated Arnold Memorial Track.

It was a decent opener, the industrial engineering senior said, but she has big plans for the rest of the season.

"I'm used to doing a lot in a small amount of time, so it's nice to start from a base — usually I have to do everything so quickly," said Eggleston, referring to the last four years she had to skip indoor track and go straight to outdoor track immediately after basketball season.

Although Eggleston's eligibility for basketball ran out last year, she missed a season of track her sophomore year after she played out the basketball season with a torn meniscus. Thus, this year she is still eligible to run track and this will also be her first full track season.

**I'll think about basketball when I know something for sure, but right now track is my No. 1 priority.**

— Jessica Eggleston

former Cal Poly basketball player and current track and field athlete

"I enjoy track, so it only feels right I finish all four years," she said.

Last season, she was the Big West Conference triple jump champion and an NCAA West Regional qualifier in that event, and also won the Big West triple jump at 40 feet, 10 ½ inches, earning an NCAA qualification.

She also finished sixth in the conference in the 100 hurdles, at 14.39 seconds and tied for sixth in the long jump, at 19 feet, 4 ¾ inches.

The Oceanside native said she thinks she can definitely make it to the regional level again and her coaches think she can make it to nationals, but she would have to start jumping more than 42 feet.

At the last meet she competed in, she won with a triple jump of 39 feet, 10 inches, and she says 42 feet is "doable."

But her goals do not end at 42 feet.

"I want us to win a women's outdoor championship because I don't think we've done that in a while," Eggleston said.

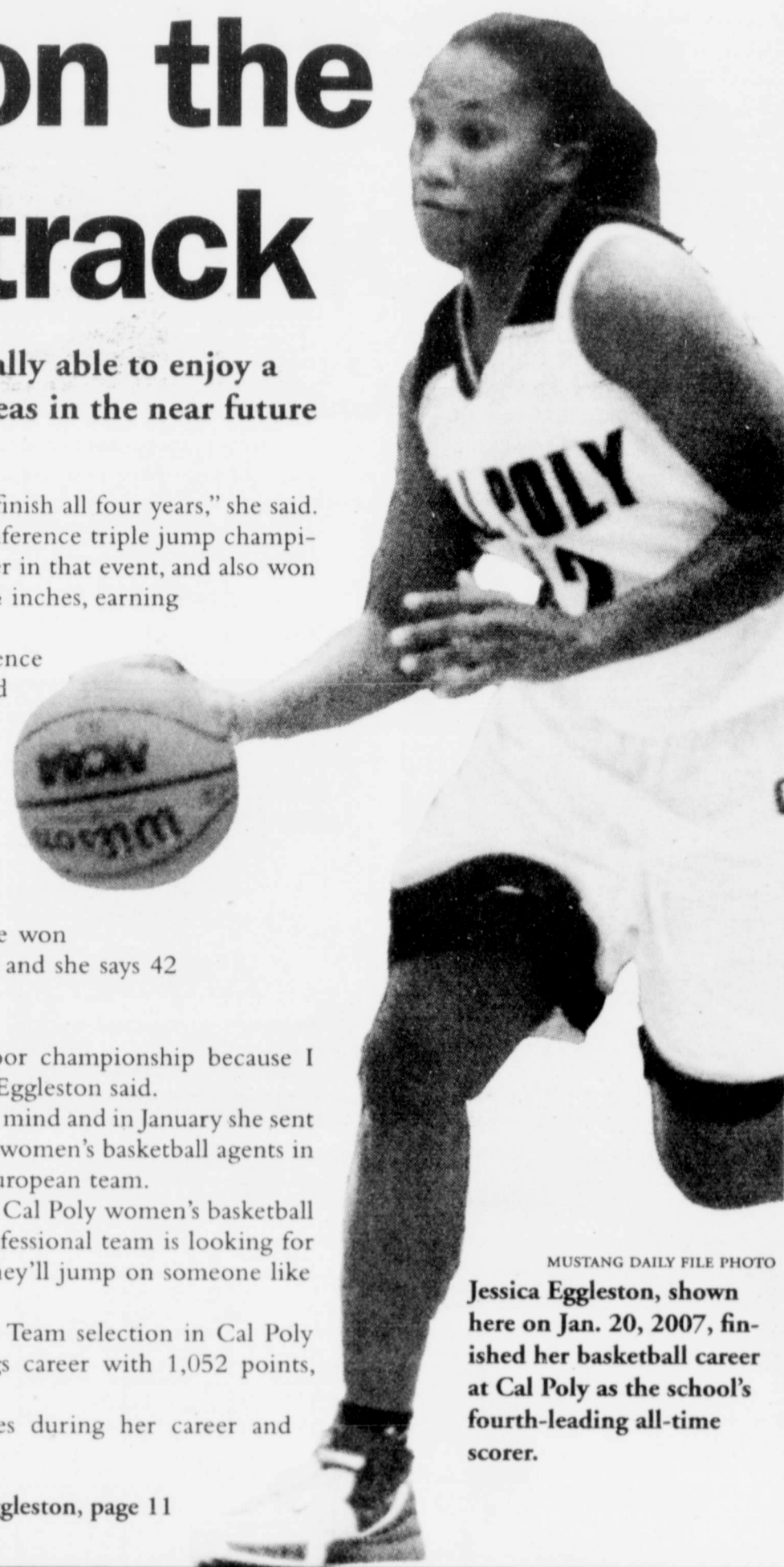
However, she still has basketball on the mind and in January she sent out her information to several European women's basketball agents in hopes that she will be considered by a European team.

"I think she'll be very successful," said Cal Poly women's basketball head coach Faith Mimnaugh. "Every professional team is looking for as quality of a player as Jessica. I think they'll jump on someone like her."

The first two-time All-Big West First Team selection in Cal Poly history, Eggleston finished her Mustangs career with 1,052 points, fourth-most in school history.

After missing just one of 110 games during her career and

see Eggleston, page 11



MUSTANG DAILY FILE PHOTO

Jessica Eggleston, shown here on Jan. 20, 2007, finished her basketball career at Cal Poly as the school's fourth-leading all-time scorer.

softball

## Mustangs sweep doubleheader against North Dakota

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF REPORT

Stellar pitching followed by an explosive hitting display carried the Cal Poly softball team to a doubleheader sweep of North Dakota on Monday afternoon at Bob Janssen Field.

In the opener, a 3-0 win, Mustangs freshman southpaw Anna Cahn earned the win by giving up just one hit and one walk to the Fighting Sioux (4-6) while striking out five batters in six innings.

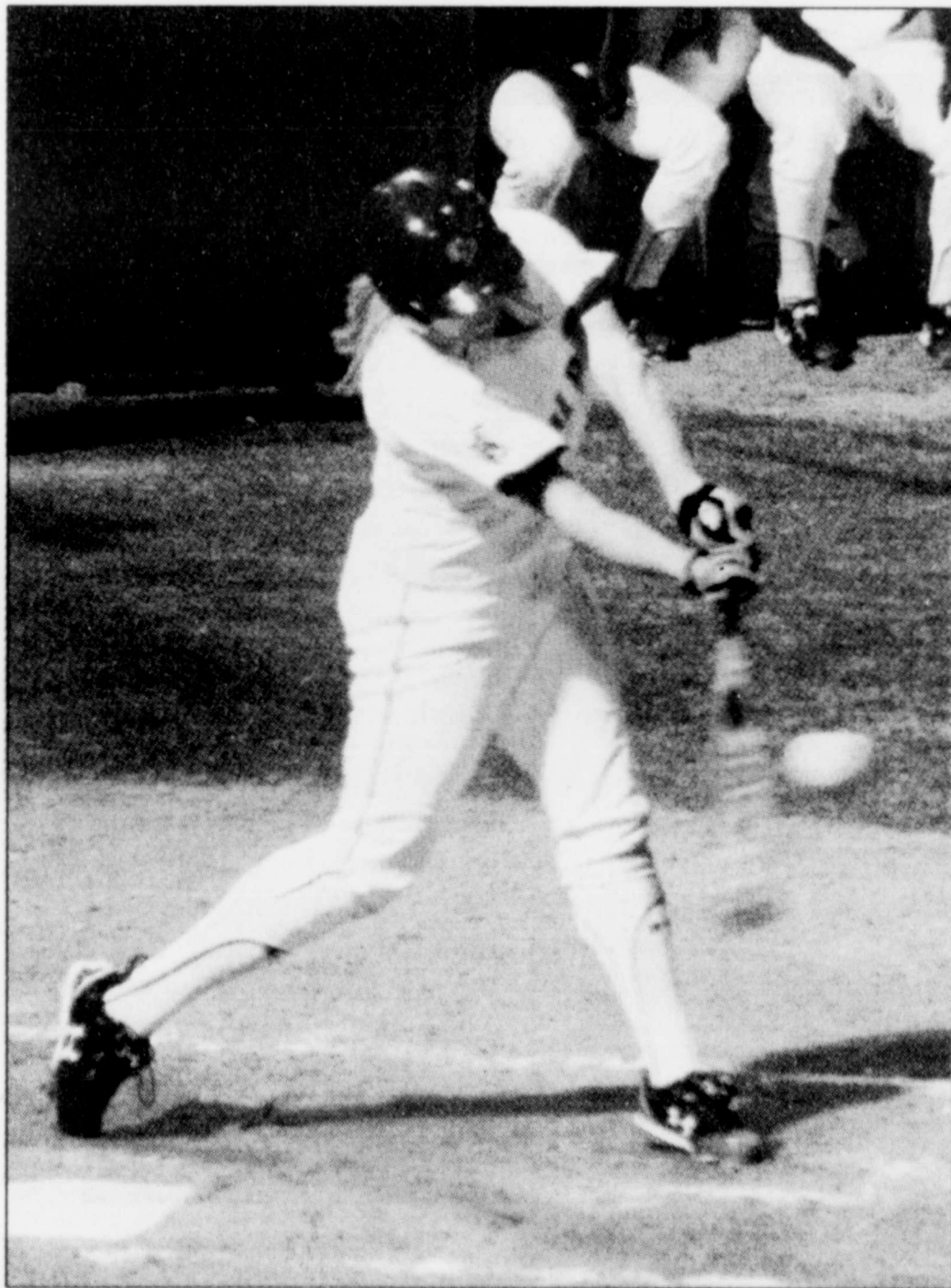
Senior designated player Sarah Iwata was 2 for 3 with two RBI for Cal Poly (7-8), and junior centerfielder Jenna Maiden was also 2 for 3.

Later, the Mustangs scored all of their runs in the first inning of an 11-2, five-inning rout. Nine of their 11 hits also came in the opening frame, when North Dakota sophomore righthander Alicia Pearce surrendered seven earned runs.

Maiden chalked up the victory despite only clocking two innings of work. Sophomore lefthander Helen Peña came on to pitch the rest of the way, compiling six strikeouts.

Junior shortstop Melissa Pura was 2 for 3 with a home run and three RBI for Cal Poly, while freshman rightfielder Brandi Gutierrez was 2 for 2, and junior second baseman Stephanie Tam 2 for 3, respectively.

The Mustangs next travel to the Bulldog Classic at Fresno State, which they will face at 7 p.m. Friday. Saturday, Cal Poly will take on Houston at 1 p.m. and Rhode Island at 7 p.m. before challenging DePaul at 11 a.m. Sunday and then Santa Clara at 1 p.m.



NICK CAMACHO MUSTANG DAILY

Cal Poly junior shortstop Melissa Pura was 2 for 3 with a home run and three RBI in the Mustangs' 11-2 win over North Dakota on Monday.

## Cal Poly wrestlers make school history

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF REPORT

Cal Poly wrestlers Chad Mendes and Chase Pami lived up to their top billings at the Pac-10 Conference Championships at the University of Oregon Monday. Both No. 1 seeds earned titles at their respective weight classes, making them the first Mustangs duo to each win Pac-10 championships in the same season.

Mendes, a senior ranked No. 1 in the country at 141 pounds, stayed undefeated, pushing his record to 27-0 by holding on for a 6-4 decision over Arizona State's Chris Dr-ouin after getting off to a 3-0 lead.

Pami (24-4), a sophomore ranked No. 11 at 157, made up for a 5-2 loss earlier in the season to Boise State's 10th-ranked Tyler Sherfey by breaking a 1-1 tie with a two-point takedown with just five seconds left in an initial overtime.

Both are among 39 Pac-10 grapplers who advanced to the national championships, held in St. Louis from March 20 to 22.