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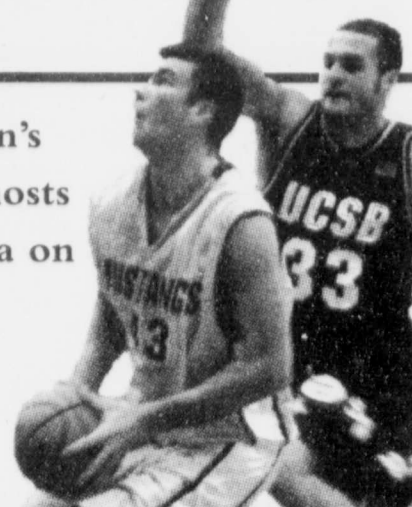


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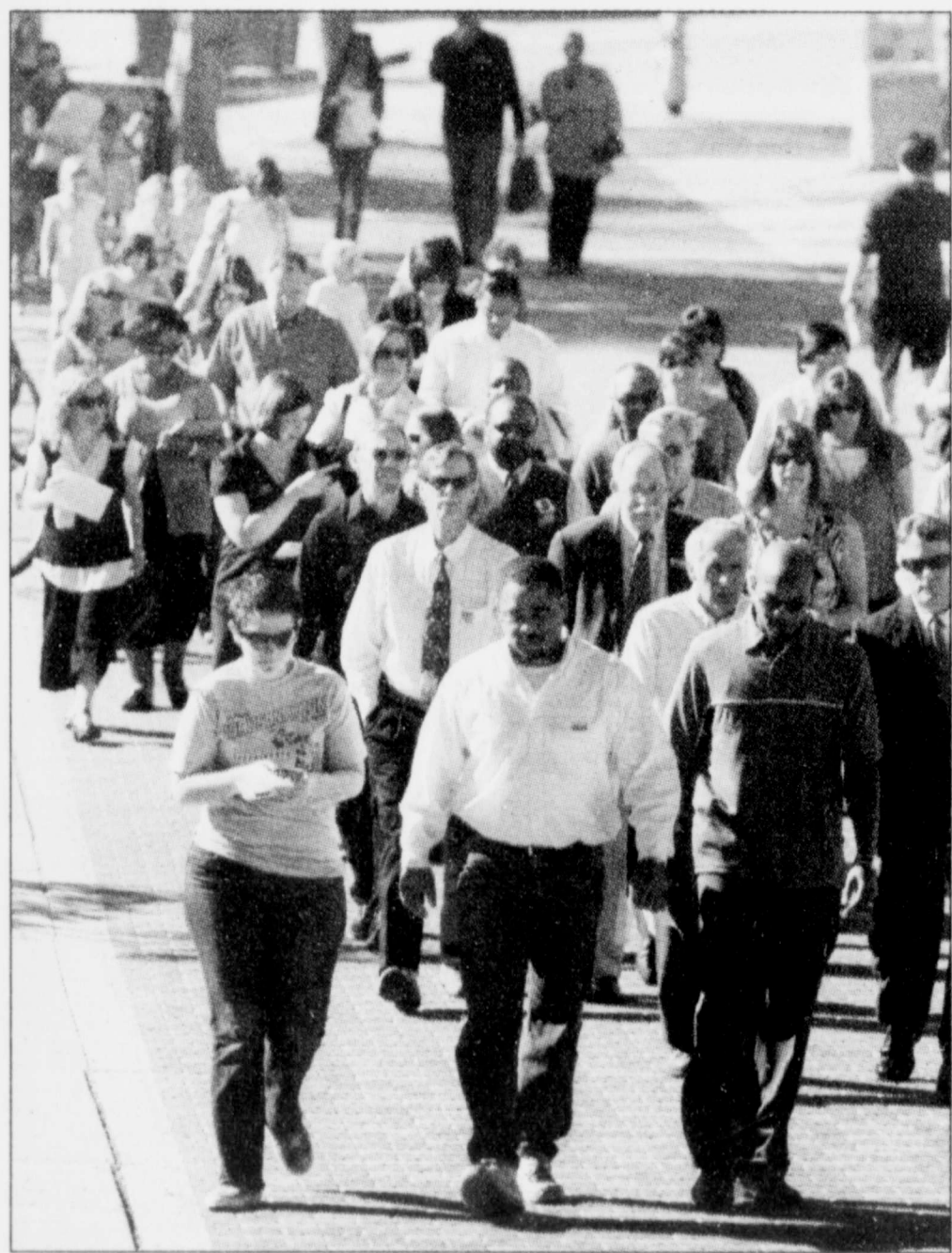


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Cal Poly marchers honor MLK's dream



ASI President Angela Kramer marches with a crowd of faculty and students to commemorate the birthday of peace activist Martin Luther King Jr.

Josh Ayers
MUSTANG DAILY

About 50 people participated in a silent march from Dexter Lawn to the red handprint area near the Sandwich Factory to honor the birthday and life accomplishments of civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr., Thursday afternoon.

The march, which took place in unseasonably warm weather, traveled uphill and seemed to symbolically mirror the uphill challenges that civil rights leaders faced decades ago in their efforts to create a more equal American society.

"I recognize that over the past 40 to 50 years, we've had such an intense struggle with civil rights," said Associated Students Inc. President Angela Kramer. "Since Dr. King, we really have come a long way."

Kramer gave a brief speech prior to the march in which she touched on the upcoming inauguration of President-elect Barack Obama, which will take place the day after the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday Monday.

"It's kind of nice to be celebrating the birth of Dr. King and also the birth of a new nation at the leadership of a president that happens to be African American," she said before her speech.

But even with the paramount accomplishments of the civil rights movement, Kramer said that there is still a lingering attitude of abhorrence toward the idea of diverse society.

"It's also a reminder of how much further we have to go," she said with regards to the recent presidential election. "Even now in 2009, you have parts of the country and even in this area, with people who are so filled with hatred based on something so culturally important, but so trivial as race."

March participants were mostly faculty and staff

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Bush says he acted in nation's best interest

Deb Riechmann
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON (AP) — Reflecting on two tumultuous terms in the White House, President George W. Bush defended his tenure in a farewell address Thursday, arguing that he followed his conscience and always acted in the best interests of the nation.

"You may not agree with some tough decisions I have made, but I hope you can agree that I was willing to make the tough decisions," Bush said, according to excerpts of his prime-time speech released in advance by the White House.

A bookend to eight years indelibly marked by terrorism, two wars, recessions and a push for democracy, the speech offered Bush one last chance before he leaves office Tuesday to defend his presidency and craft a first draft of his legacy for historians. He is scheduled to deliver the speech from the White House East Room, with just 112 hours left in his presidency.

Bush is spending his last weekend as president at Camp David. The speech is his final public appearance until he greets President-elect Barack Obama on Inauguration Day at the White House's North Portico.

Bush called the inauguration of Obama, the first black president, a "moment of hope and pride" for America.

"Standing on the steps of the Capitol will be a man whose story reflects the enduring promise of our land," he said in wishing the best to Obama, incoming first lady Michelle Obama, and their two daughters.

Bush's presidency began with the worst terrorist attack on U.S. soil and ends with the worst economic collapse in three generations.

"Even in the toughest times, we lift our eyes to the broad horizon ahead," Bush said with his trademark optimism. "I have confidence in the promise of America because I know the character of our people. This is a nation that inspires immigrants to risk everything for the dream of freedom. This is a nation where citizens show calm in times of danger and compassion in the face of suffering."

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When the gym is not an option

Cassandra Keyse
MUSTANG DAILY

Are you tired of waiting in line for a half hour or more to get on that elliptical machine at the gym? Would you rather not have to wake up at the crack of dawn or wait until late at night to work out without being surrounded by the crowds of students?

If you answered yes to either of these questions, then maybe an alternative workout is for you. There are a variety of ways to get fit that are not only beneficial to your body, but provide other useful perks as well.

Poly Escapes

On campus, Poly Escapes combines endurance, cardiovascular and upper-body strength training with a love of all things outdoors in order to provide students with an alternative workout. Activities such as rock climbing at either the rock wall in the University Union, or a trip to Cabrillo or Bishop's Peak build "both mental and physical strength for the core and upper body," said Austin Gardner, industrial engineering senior and Poly Escapes front line representative.

Gardner went ice climbing during his first trip with the organization and thinks that

the trip provided both cardiovascular and upper body training.

"You have to hike out in the snow to get to the climbing spot which is where you get more of the cardio, and then you are pulling yourself up the wall," he said.

Physical Education Class for Units

If you are in need of a few extra units, one option is to enroll in a kinesiology course such as a team sport or an aquatics class to get fit on a bi-weekly basis.

"The classes are all based on one sport like basketball, wrestling, or football," kine-

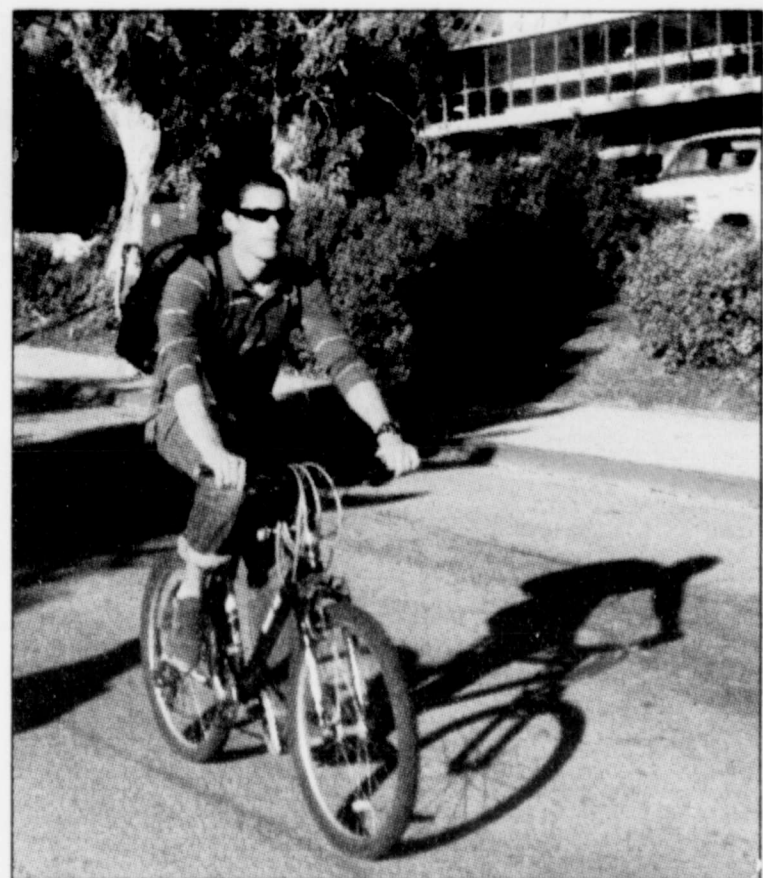
siology senior Dany Barragan said. "You learn the fundamentals from the beginning. There are skills testing that involve learning something in order to teach it back to someone. It's mostly cardio, but it's a good workout."

Each of the kinesiology classes are one to two unit courses and are open to all majors, however some spaces are reserved for kinesiology majors.

Self-Defense Class

Another useful workout opportunity is to take a self-defense class at the Recre-

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OMAR SANCHEZ MUSTANG DAILY

Riding a bicycle to campus is a great way to get some exercise and avoid the hassles of driving to school.

Workout

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ation Center. This quarter, martial arts classes such as Shorin-ryu karate or Muay Thai kickboxing offer basic self-defense techniques and defensive skills that might come in handy in the future.

"Right now we are learning how to attack first, because if you don't know how to attack and only know how to defend, you will usually get over-taken quite easily," said mechanical engineering sophomore Matthew West of the Muay Thai class. "We've learned techniques using our knees, the round kick, and a jab and cross punch and those are just the basic tasks."

Walking a Shelter Dog

For animal lovers and those who would like to be active in the community, try volunteering to walk a dog at Woods Humane Society. The organization is always looking for new off-site volunteers.

According to Courtney Hann, customer service representative for Woods Humane Society, becoming an off-site volunteer takes some training, but being able to play with a shelter dog for a day is worth it in the end.

"First there is an introductory tour of the facility, then there are two mandatory dog trainings where we train the dogs so that they are well behaved for potential adopters and then the volunteer has one session of off-site training," Hann said.

After the off-site training, the volunteer is ready to take specific dogs out on trips. These dogs are hand selected by the staff because they are the ones who most need the activity. Some activities that are popular among off-site volunteers are hiking Bishop's Peak or running with the dog down on the beach.

King

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JOSH AYERS MUSTANG DAILY

Cal Poly Vice President of Student Affairs Cornel Morton delivers closing statements following a silent march through campus Thursday that honored Martin Luther King, Jr.

members, but a handful of students and children also filed into ranks bearing ribbons symbolizing the legacy of King's efforts.

Preston Allen, executive director of University Housing, had the honor of handing out the rectangular ribbons, which sported five horizontal stripes of different colors. Preston said that the length of the ribbon represented the "longevity of the legacy," and that the different shaded stripes represented "the inclusion of all different colors."

King, a Nobel Peace Prize recipient, was born on Jan. 15, 1929 and was perhaps the most prominent figure to emerge from the civil rights movement during the late 1950s and 1960s.

Up until his assassination in Memphis, Tenn. on April 4, 1968, King had been arrested nearly 20 times, traveled more than six million miles, delivered more than 2,500 speeches, campaigned for presidential candidate Lyndon Johnson and permanently etched his vision into the minds of Americans with his "I have a

Dream" speech, which he delivered to 250,000 people at the Lincoln Monument in Washington on Aug. 23, 1963.

Above all things, King emphasized the importance of non-violent protest.

Wednesday's march featured special guest and Salinas resident Sandra Towner, 49, who organized the on-again, off-again annual march while attending Cal Poly in the early 1980s.

"Pulling it together, I didn't think it was going to happen," she said as she recalled the first march.

She said that during those '80s marches, they often had students act out the roles of Rosa Parks and King, and that community members were also involved in the march.

Towner, who stood aside former mentor and Cal Poly director of student academic services Susan Sparling, recalled that the first march, which was put on by the African American Student Union — now the Black Student Union — drew a large number of people and required the assistance of the local law enforcement to block off the street to allow for demonstrators to march.

"I am just glad to see that it is still going on," Towner said. "I was a very militant person, rebellious at times. I was always like 'I want to be able to be apart of something' and this is, to me, it's a legacy I left. So to come back and know that they still want to do this brings honor."

The march ended with a brief speech by Vice President of Student Affairs Cornel Morton, who reiterated King's concept of each individual being capable of making a difference in the world.

Sparling, who witnessed the first march, said that about 100 people attended the original event and guessed that it took place in 1983.

"Almost every year since there has been a quiet and very respectful and important gathering like this," she said.

Bush

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An audience of about 200 people were being assembled to listen to the speech at the White House. They include about 45 people chosen for their personal stories, a practice normally reserved for a State of the Union address. The venue is a break from farewell addresses by Presidents Bill Clinton and Ronald Reagan, who spoke to the nation from the Oval Office.

"Like all who have held this office before me, I have experienced setbacks," said Bush, whose performance has drawn low public approval ratings for months. "There are things I would do differently if given the chance. Yet I have always acted with the best interests of our country in mind. I have followed my conscience and done what I thought was right."

Bush also prodded the nation to lead the cause of freedom and maintain its "moral clarity" in what he described as a choice between good and evil.

"I have often spoken to you about good and evil," he added. "This has made some uncomfortable. But good and evil are present in this world, and between the two there can be no compromise."

Not all presidents give goodbye addresses. Bush's father, President George H.W. Bush, did not. But the president's advisers said Bush wanted to thank the nation for the opportunity to serve and defend his legacy in his own terms.

On national security, he highlighted his administration's efforts to equip the nation with new tools to monitor terrorists, freeze their finances and foil their plots. But he also acknowledged some of his controversial policies, including the terrorist surveillance program and

harsh interrogation of suspected terrorists.

"There is legitimate debate about many of these decisions, but there can be little debate about the results," said Bush, who also reiterated his belief that spreading human liberty and freedom offers an alternative to extremism. "America has gone more than seven years without another terrorist attack on our soil."

Critics claim that while there has not been another attack on U.S. soil, the number of terrorist acts around the world has increased; Iran has gained influence in the Mideast; North Korea still hasn't verifiably declared its nuclear work; anti-Americanism abroad has emboldened extremists' recruitment efforts; and a safe haven for terrorists remains along the Pakistan-Afghanistan border.

Reflecting on Sept. 11, Bush warned Americans not to become complacent about the threat from terrorists.

"As the years passed, most Americans were able to return to life much as it had been before 9/11, but I never did," Bush said. "Every morning, I received a briefing on the threats to our nation. And I vowed to do everything in my power to keep us safe."

Touting his domestic record, Bush said he has presided over higher standards in public schools, a new Medicare prescription drug benefit, lower income taxes, added help for people suffering from drug addiction, and the appointment of two justices to the Supreme Court.

"We have faced danger and trial, and there is more ahead," Bush said as he passed off a huge set of challenges to Obama. "But with the courage of our people and confidence in our ideals, this great nation will never tire, never falter, and never fail."



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Israeli forces shell UN headquarters in Gaza



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A Palestinian firefighter gestures as he and others try to put out a fire at the United Nations headquarters after it was hit in Israeli bombardment in Gaza City, Thursday.

Ibrahim Barzak and Amy Teibel

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Israel shelled the United Nations headquarters in the Gaza Strip on Thursday, engulfing the compound and a warehouse in fire and destroying thousands of pounds of food and humanitarian supplies intended for Palestinian refugees.

Another Israeli bombardment on Thursday killed the Hamas security chief.

U.N. workers and Palestinian firefighters, some wearing bullet-proof jackets, struggled to douse the flames and pull bags of food from the debris after the Israeli attack, which was another blow to efforts to ease the humanitarian crisis in the Gaza Strip. Dense smoke billowed from the compound.

U.N. Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon, who is in the region to end the devastating offensive against Gaza's Hamas rulers, demanded a "full explanation" and said the Israeli defense minister told him there had been a "grave

mistake."

Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Olmert, who met with Ban later Thursday, said the military fired artillery shells at the U.N. compound after Hamas militants opened fire from the location. Three people were wounded.

"It is absolutely true that we were attacked from that place, but the consequences are very sad and we apologize for it," he said. "I don't think it should have happened and I'm very sorry."

The U.N. Security Council requested a briefing on the attack.

Interior Minister Said Siam was killed in an Israeli airstrike that flattened a home in Gaza City. Israel and Hamas both confirmed the death of Siam, who oversaw thousands of security agents and was considered to be among the militant group's top five leaders in Gaza.

Even as a top Israeli envoy went to Egypt to discuss a cease-fire proposal, the military pushed farther into Gaza in an apparent effort to step up pressure on Hamas. Ground forces thrust deep into a crowded neighborhood for the first time, sending terrified residents fleeing for cover.

Shells also struck a hospital, five high-rise apartment buildings and a building housing media outlets in Gaza City, injuring several journalists.

WORD ON THE STREET

"How do you feel about tuition possibly rising \$400 per quarter?"

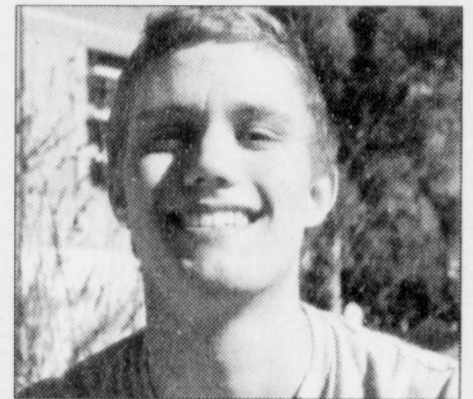


"Jobs are really hard to get so I think the best thing right now is to stay in school, and if tuition rises it's going to be hard to pay for it. We all want an education, but it'll be hard for everybody. I wish we knew what we're paying for sometimes."

-Brianna Wong,
food science senior

"It's not a good idea. We're already poor."

-Taylor Doyle,
general engineering freshman



"I'm surprised. I didn't actually think it could go any higher. Scholarships can only get you so far and that's what I'm on right now and that's just kind of bad news for all of us."

-Megan Martin,
earth sciences sophomore

"If it is going to improve campus, really go towards us and is necessary toward budget cuts, then I would support it. In the economy right now, if that's what they need then I guess we have to do it."

-Chelsea Buttress,
recreation parks and tourism senior



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Disabled jet ditches into NYC river; all rescued

David B. Caruso

ASSOCIATED PRESS

A US Airways pilot ditched his disabled jetliner into the frigid Hudson River on Thursday afternoon after a collision with a flock of birds apparently knocked out both engines, but rescuers pulled all 155 people on board into boats as the plane sank, authorities say.

There were no immediate reports of any serious injuries.

Federal Aviation Administration spokeswoman Laura Brown said Flight 1549 had just taken off from LaGuardia Airport en route to Charlotte, N.C., when the crash occurred in the river near 48th Street in midtown Manhattan.

The plane, an Airbus 320, took off at 3:26 p.m. and went down minutes later, Brown said.

"There were eyewitness reports that the plane may have flown into a flock of birds," Brown said. She added, "Right now we don't have any indication this was anything other than an accident."

Doug Church, spokesman for the National Air Traffic Controllers Union, said that the pilot reported a "double bird strike" about 30 to 45 seconds after takeoff and said he needed to return to LaGuardia.

The controller instructed the pilot to divert to an airport in Teterboro, N.J., for an emergency landing, Church said.

The plane was submerged in the icy waters up to the windows when rescuers in Coast Guard vessels and ferry boats arrived, opened the door and pulled passengers in yellow life

vests from the aircraft, whose fuselage appeared intact. The plane was sinking in the near-freezing water on one of the coldest days of the year, with the mercury around 20 degrees.

Witnesses said the plane's pilot appeared to guide the plane down.

"I see a commercial airliner coming down, looking like it's landing right in the water," said Bob Read, who saw it

from his office at the television news-magazine "Inside Edition."

"This looked like a controlled descent."

Barbara Sambriski, a researcher at The Associated Press, saw the plane go down from the news organization's high-rise office. "I just thought, 'Why is it so low?' And, splash, it hit the water,"

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Briefs

State

FRESNO, Calif. (AP) — Six environmental groups sued the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Thursday challenging a new Bush Administration rule exempting dairies and other large-scale livestock operations from having to alert officials when toxic emissions are released.

Earthjustice, which filed the suit in a federal appeals court in Washington, says the exemption threatens the health and safety of people living and working near lagoons that store farm animals' urine and feces, sources of dangerous ammonia and hydrogen sulfide.

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SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Labors unions, churches and advocacy groups spanning the ideological spectrum are weighing in on the effort to overturn California's ban on same-sex marriages.

Thursday was the deadline to file so-called friend-of-the court briefs in the litigation seeking to overturn Proposition 8. The measure passed in November with 52 percent of the vote.

Gay couples and half a dozen counties brought a series of cases arguing the measure is unconstitutional and was improperly put before voters.

At least 29 amicus briefs have been submitted to the California Supreme Court.

National

ALEXANDRIA, Va. (AP) — The American Civil Liberties Union filed a lawsuit Thursday challenging the constitutionality of a law that requires whistleblowers with allegations of war profiteering or other contract fraud to file their lawsuits in secret.

The secrecy requirements of the federal False Claims Act violate freedom-of-speech protections and have kept war fraud complaints in Iraq and elsewhere hidden from public view, the ACLU says in its lawsuit.

"Secret courts and secret proceedings have no place in this country," said Chris Hansen, senior attorney with the ACLU's First Amendment Working Group, in a statement.

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NEW YORK (AP) — A prominent lawyer accused of cheating hedge funds in a \$380 million investment ruse argued to be freed on bail Thursday, saying in court documents he's no risk to flee because his U.S. ties are strong and his foreign connections are weak.

Marc Dreier said all his relatives live in the U.S. and only a few of his business associates or friends live abroad.

Dreier, 58, has been jailed without bail since he was arrested in early December as he returned from Canada. He could face up to 20 years in prison if convicted.

International

MOSCOW (AP) — Russia's President Dmitry Medvedev has twice rebuked the government led by his predecessor Vladimir Putin in the past couple of weeks, raising questions of whether a rift is developing between the powerful former Kremlin leader and the man he chose to replace him.

On both occasions, Medvedev criticized the government for not doing enough to help industry and business cope with the global financial crisis, which has hit Russia hard.

"The planned measures are being fulfilled slower than we counted on and, most important, slower than the current situation demands," Medvedev said during a visit Sunday to an engine plant outside Moscow with government ministers.

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CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — A top Israeli envoy delivered his country's stance on a cease-fire agreement in Gaza to Egyptian mediators trying to seal a truce on Thursday. The Iranian president said the fighting showed Israel's continued existence in the region is "not feasible."

The development came as the U.N. Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon pressed Israel on a cease-fire, and Gulf leaders gathered in Saudi Arabia to discuss the conflict.

Meanwhile, Israeli troops pushed deeper into densely populated Gaza City on the 20th day of the offensive to rout out Hamas militants.



BEBETO MATTHEWS ASSOCIATED PRESS

Passengers in an inflatable raft move away from an Airbus 320 US Airways aircraft that has gone down in the Hudson River in New York, Thursday. It was not immediately clear if there were injuries.

Crash

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she said.

US Airways CEO Doug Parker confirmed that 150 passengers, three flight attendants and two pilots were on board the jetliner.

Joe Mazzone, a retired Delta Air Lines pilot, said it is not unusual for birds to strike planes. In fact, he said, when planes get ready to take off, if there are birds in the area, the tower will alert the crew.

"They literally just choke out the engine and it quits," Mazzone said.

Twenty-seven years ago this week, an Air Florida plane bound for Tampa crashed into the Potomac River after

hitting a bridge just after takeoff from Washington National Airport. The crash on Jan. 13, 1982, killed 78 people including four people in their cars on the bridge. Five people on the plane survived.

On Dec. 20, a Continental Airlines plane veered off a runway and slid into a snowy field at the Denver airport, injuring 38 people. That was the first major crash of a commercial airliner in the United States since Aug. 27, 2006, when 49 people were killed after a Comair jetliner mistakenly took off from the wrong runway in Lexington, Ky.

— Associated Press writers Eileen Sullivan and Michael J. Sniffen in Washington and Harry R. Weber in Atlanta contributed to this report.

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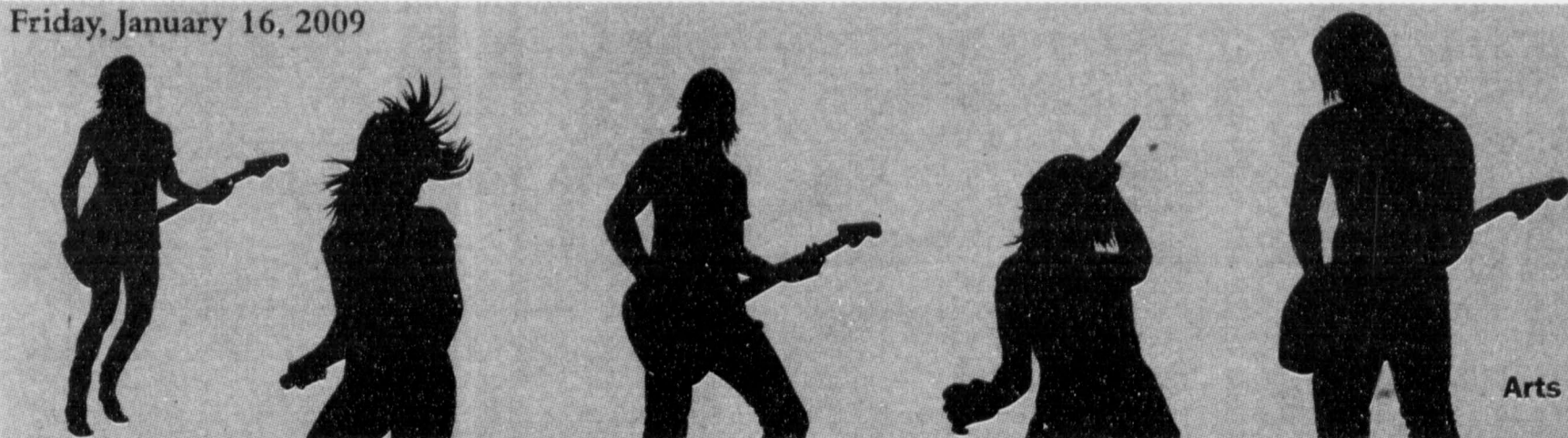
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Street artist's star rises with Obama portrait

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LOS ANGELES — It isn't in Shepard Fairey's nature to ask for a subject's permission before the outlaw street artist illustrates that person.

But in Barack Obama's case, Fairey made an exception before breaking out paper, pens and computer and creating the iconic illustration of a pensive Obama staring off into space that became the talk of the 2008 presidential campaign.

"Normally, my thing is, 'Screw you if you don't like it. I'm doing it anyway,'" Fairey says, as he sits in the second-floor conference room of his studio on the edge of downtown. "But I really wanted to help Obama. This wasn't about me, it was about him."

Fairey fretted that his many arrests for drawing on buildings and other private property without permission, his penchant for mocking consumerism and his portrayal of President Bush as Satan in a 2004 campaign poster might come back to haunt Obama.

Now, the Obama portrait's stunning use of color and seemingly Warhol-inspired use of imagery has transformed one of the leaders of Los Angeles' street art movement into a national star.

"Shepard has always been a key figure in the urban art arena, but the Obama image really catapulted him into the mainstream and really changed the way people look at his work," says Pedro Alonzo, who is curating a Fairey retrospective that opens at Boston's Institute of Contemporary Art next month.

Meanwhile, Fairey will be in Washington on Saturday to see his illustration of Obama unveiled at the National Portrait Gallery. Then on Tuesday he'll be there to see Obama sworn in as president and to go to his first inaugural ball.

"I certainly wouldn't have attended the last two unless it was to throw a shoe," as the liberal artist laughs.

Piled on the table beside him, and in the hallway outside, were hundreds of anti-war posters from his popular feminist peace series waiting to be signed for an upcoming exhibit. He also designs album covers, stickers, a line of clothing and fine art pieces that have shown in galleries around the country.

Dressed in jeans, sneakers and a T-shirt bearing one of the designs from his Obey clothing line, Fairey is reserved but friendly. A youthful-looking 38, he has short dark hair with wisps of gray.

"I consider myself a populist artist," he says. "I want to reach people through as many different platforms as possible. Street art is a bureaucracy-free way of reaching people, but T-shirts, stickers, commercial jobs, the Internet there are so many different ways that I use to put my work in front of people."

It was just a matter of time, says fellow artist and fine-art printer Richard Duardo, before one of those forms would

allow Fairey to break through to a wider demographic.

"I think I've seen 500 or 600 artists go through the doors here, and I'm talking everyone from David Hockney to Raymond Pettibon," Duardo said from his Los Angeles studio Modern Multiples. "Shepard Fairey was the first guy who walked through our doors and I went, 'Oh my God, this guy is going all the way.' You could just see it."

Fairey, he said, has a perfect eye for color and can visualize to the smallest detail exactly what he wants to create when he begins a project.

Fairey arrived on the California art scene in the 1990s, soon after attending the Rhode Island School of Design where he made a name for himself by slapping posters and stickers of Andre the Giant, the 7-foot-4-inch, 500-pound professional wrestler, all over. The Andre campaign began as joke when a friend he was trying to teach to silkscreen T-shirts balked at putting a picture of the gargantuan wrestler on one. His friend thought it would look stupid.

"I said, 'What are you talking about? Andre is awesome. His crew is going to be the new posse,'" Fairey recalls joking.

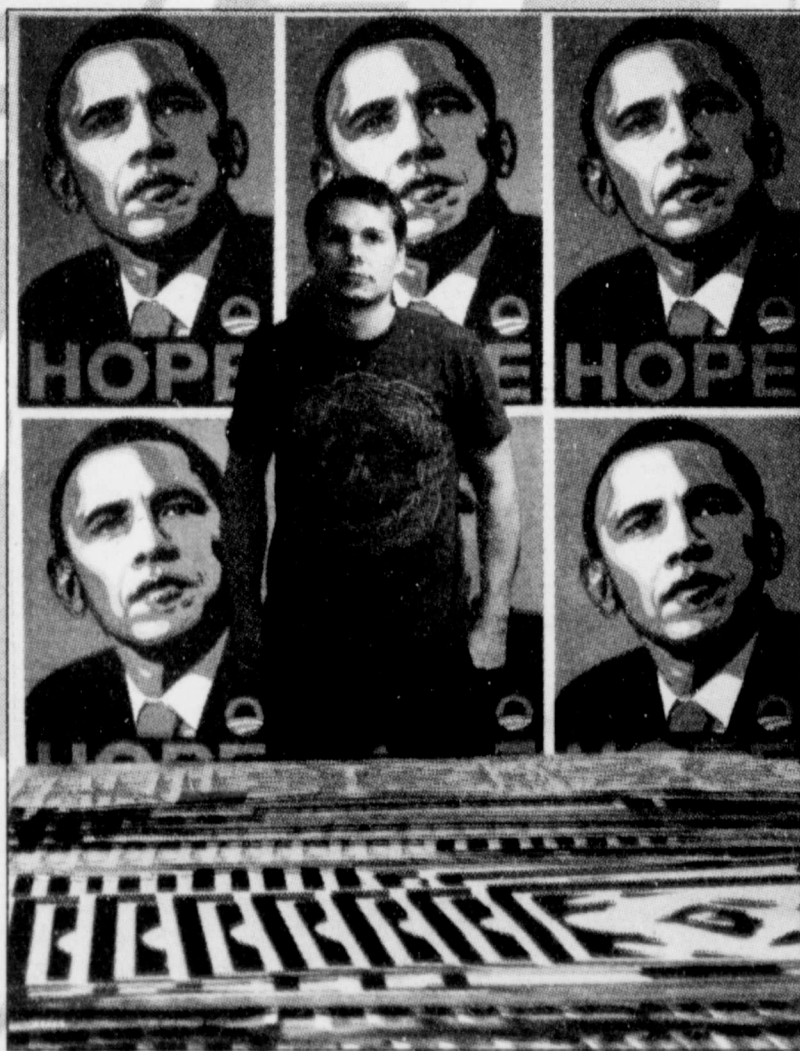
After creating the image himself, he added the word "obey" as a means of mocking the subliminal advertising campaigns that sucker people into buying things they don't need. Soon after he began plastering Andre's image over ads for real things, his reputation as a counterculture artist was sealed.

In an ironic twist, Fairey acknowledges with some embarrassment that he recently worked on an ad campaign that kicks off in March for Saks Fifth Avenue. The promotion called "Want It!" has brought him criticism among bloggers, but he defends working for the luxury retailer, saying such clients help keep his studio open and his nearly two dozen employees working.

Fairey himself, who is married and the father of two young daughters, works relentlessly, cranking out a new poster just about every week.

The son of a doctor in Charleston, S.C., he became all but obsessed with art as a 14-year-old skateboarding punk-rocker when he discovered that he could put his drawings on his boards and T-shirts.

"I think one of the reasons I work so hard is because failure wasn't an option," he says. "There was nothing else that I could think of that I could do."



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Los Angeles street artist Shepard Fairey poses for a picture with his Barack Obama Hope artwork in the Echo Park area of Los Angeles on Monday, Jan. 12, 2009.

Little orphan Annie comes to the PAC

Cassandra Keyse
MUSTANG DAILY

For 30 years, a beloved red-headed orphan has enthralled audiences with her charm, spunk and hope for tomorrow. "Annie," one of Broadway's most successful musicals is coming to the Christopher Cohan Center for two performances on Monday and Tuesday at 7 p.m. and is sure to have a new generation of fans tapping their toes until the final curtain.

This classic musical has once again been brought to the stage behind the direction of Martin Charnin, the original lyricist from the 1977 premier of "Annie" on Broadway. With original music by Charles Strause, original book by Thomas Meehan and the addition of Tony Award-winning set designer Ming Cho Lee's fresh look, the Chicago Tribune proclaimed it as "one of the best musicals ever."

The show is a part of a series of Broadway productions that will appear at the PAC this season. Other series scheduled feature classical music and dance productions.

"We chose 'Annie' because it worked well with the dates we had and we've had the show before with a successful turnout," said Peter Wilt, programs manager for Cal Poly Arts.

This musical, set during the Great Depression, follows Annie from her hard-knock days at The Municipal Orphanage in New York City to her happy ending in the loving care of Oliver "Daddy" Warbucks.

Along the way, she and her fellow ragamuffin orphans endure the wrath of their maladjusted caretaker Miss Hannigan who makes life at the orphanage unpleasant, to say the least. As the song goes, "instead of kisses they got kicked."

Annie, determined to find her real parents, runs away from the orphanage and finds herself in a battle over her real parents and, ultimately, her future.

With some of the most widely recognized songs in musical theater such as "It's a Hard-Knock Life" and "Tomorrow," the optimistic attitude of the show's title character will have audiences members old and new humming along.

Given the nature of the production, Wilt expects that the audience will be mainly families with young children, especially those with young girls who would be able to better relate to the characters. Also, he expects that Broadway fans, in general, will likely be in attendance.

"Really, this show is for anyone who is looking for a feel good experience," he said.

Normal ticket prices for performances at the PAC range from \$44 to \$68. However, given that "Annie" is geared towards a younger audience, special ticket prices are being offered. For children under age 16, tickets are \$20 and adult prices are offered at a 20 percent discount.

So far, tickets for the two performances have been selling well at the box office, but have not sold out.

"It's filling up," said senior theater major Lindsey Geibel who works at the PAC ticket office. "I think it's going to start to fill up even more as it gets closer."

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humor column

Reading between the lines of writing a good resumé

Many of us are (or should be) looking for careers as graduation nears, others are looking for internships and still others just need a part-time job to earn some extra beer money. While you can rely on your rugged good looks to make it through the job interview, you still need something before you can get to the interview phase. That something else is this week's word: resumé.

For our benefit, Cal Poly Career Services has been gracious enough to provide us with some resumé guidelines. Let's examine them:

— "Brief and easy to read." You can pretty much stop here, all the other rules just elaborate on this one. But since the class you are reading this in is only half way over, you might as well keep reading.

— "Concise action phrases rather than complete sentences." For years, our teachers have been training us to write in complete sentences, but it turns out that complete sentences are only needed for school. In the real world, no one wants to waste their time reading an entire sentence; they just want the easily digestible bits and pieces of your thoughts.

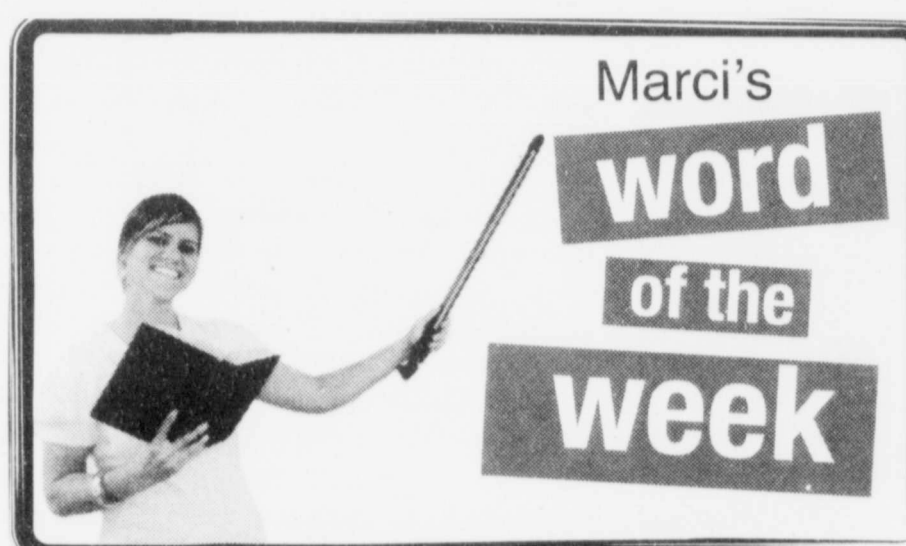
— "For scanned resúmes, use keywords; be specific in naming skills; avoid lines, graphics, columns and italic type." For non-scanned resúmes, there should be so many lines, graphics, columns and italic type, that your resumé appears to be partying like it's 1999.

— "Avoid use of personal pronouns." This goes for all your writing.

— "Well-organized headings and presentation

that encourage the reader's attention." Of course, if you really want to get their attention, include a Xerox of your rear end.

— "Boldface type, italic type or capitalization used very selectively to highlight important parts of your resumé (e.g. your name, major, position titles)." So basically rotate your use of the above three.



One line bold, the next italic, the next in Tile Case...

— "Remember that what you highlight is what you especially want an employer to read; don't overdo a good thing. Too much highlighting can be confusing." Unless you use a range of fun colors to highlight, then it is just exciting!

— "Balanced use of blank space and margins." So what you want to do is cut your resumé into tiny pieces and separate those with text and those without. Then, weigh the two groups on a scale to make sure they are even.

— "Rough draft critiqued by a Career Counselor or other knowledgeable person. Resumé must

be perfect with no spelling, typing or grammatical errors." I feel the phrase "knowledgeable person" needs a little more explanation. Do roommates qualify? What about that drunk guy crashing on your couch?

— "One (preferably) or two pages. Use a laser printer for quality results. Dot matrix not acceptable. Print on one side only." If your employment history is as long

as mine, you might have to get creative to get your resumé down to two pages. Try a size four font and put as much information on one line as possible. You can also put the years you worked somewhere instead of the exact months and days. Along with making your resumé more concise, this makes it look like you lasted a reasonable amount of time at that horrible job you quit after one month.

— "Duplicate at a printer or professional copy center. Select good quality 8 1/2 x 11 paper in off-white, beige,

gray or other business-like color." Business-like color? More like boring-like color. Personally, I feel a fun neon color would set you apart and make you stand out.

— Anyway, I hope that this has inspired you to create or update your resumé. If not, well, at least it provided some entertainment to help you make it through your Friday class.

Marci Palla is a public policy graduate student and the Mustang Daily's new humor columnist. "Marci's Word of the Week" appears on Fridays and will explore some of the more important venacular of college life, one word at a time.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Thanks for article on Ricky Henderson

I would like to thank Tim Dahlberg for a great commemoration to the terrific player that is Ricky Henderson. I remember Ricky Henderson getting on base all the time and I would say, "Ricky gets on."

So it wasn't much of a surprise when he was inducted into the Hall of Fame. He had over 3,000 hits and stole a lot of bases; Ricky was a fun player to watch. Thank you again for a very well-written article. Go Padres.

Evan Barrett
physics sophomore

Not all politicians are corrupt

Ms. Van Romburgh and Mr. Baldwin, I can't disagree more with your beliefs and logic towards American politicians. This is a classic case of throwing the baby out with the bathwater: "a few politicians are corrupt so that must mean they all are." True, I feel crimes such as the ones Gov. Blagojevich has been charged with should be pros-

ecuted tirelessly because they shake the foundation of trust in our government, as we can see in both of your articles. But PACs and personality don't make a politician corrupt. Everybody from the Sierra Club, to the National Organization for Women, and yes, even Extraterrestrial-Phenomenon have a PAC (look it up); they're not all menacing.

Also, you need to have personality to get anywhere in this world. I'm guessing, Ms. Van Romburgh, that you didn't become the editor in chief by being a recluse.

I ask, have you ever worked with or even met a politician? It's a thankless job where you are continually told you aren't doing it right. You're ignoring people like our Congresswoman Lois Capps; I would retire from politics if she ever acted corrupt.

Your rationale to then resort to smaller government is particularly disturbing. Though both are unfavorable, I much rather have a Blagojevich run our country where we can vote him out instead of a Madoff or a Lay who gains power away from public scrutiny and control, assuredly

using their own "mastery of persuasion." Nobody is perfect, but at least politicians have a term limit.

Conner Johnston
industrial engineering senior

Israeli attacks are inconsiderate of human life

I am saddened by Israel's lack of consideration for human life and international law. The people of Gaza should not be collectively punished for the actions of Hamas. There is absolutely no reason for more than 300 women and children to be killed.

Today the United Nations will not be distributing food or medical supplies due to the attacks made on its headquarters by the Israel Defense Forces. Last week, a U.N. truck was shelled, killing two U.N. employees. European governments and the U.N. have expressed outrage over both incidents. A third example of Israel's belligerency is its naval attack on the Dignity, an international boat carrying medical supplies and 16 humanitarian activists, including former U.S. congresswoman Cynthia McKinney.

The U.N. Secretary General has recently accused Israel of cruelty for not letting the people of Gaza escape as refugees before the incursion was launched.

They are trapped in a war zone where they are being bombed in their homes, mosques, schools and hospitals. Human Rights Watch recently alleged that Israel has attacked civilians with white phosphorus, a substance that many people consider an experimental chemical weapon.

By definition terrorism is "violent or destructive acts such as bombing committed by groups in order to intimidate a population into granting their demands." It is my opinion that both Hamas and the IDF fit into this category due to the horrifying attacks that terrorize civilians in Gaza and Israel. How can Israel continue to call itself a democracy if it refuses to follow international law? It is my hope that both sides abide by the UN resolution calling for an immediate ceasefire in order to keep future loss of human life to a minimum.

Grace Kirschner
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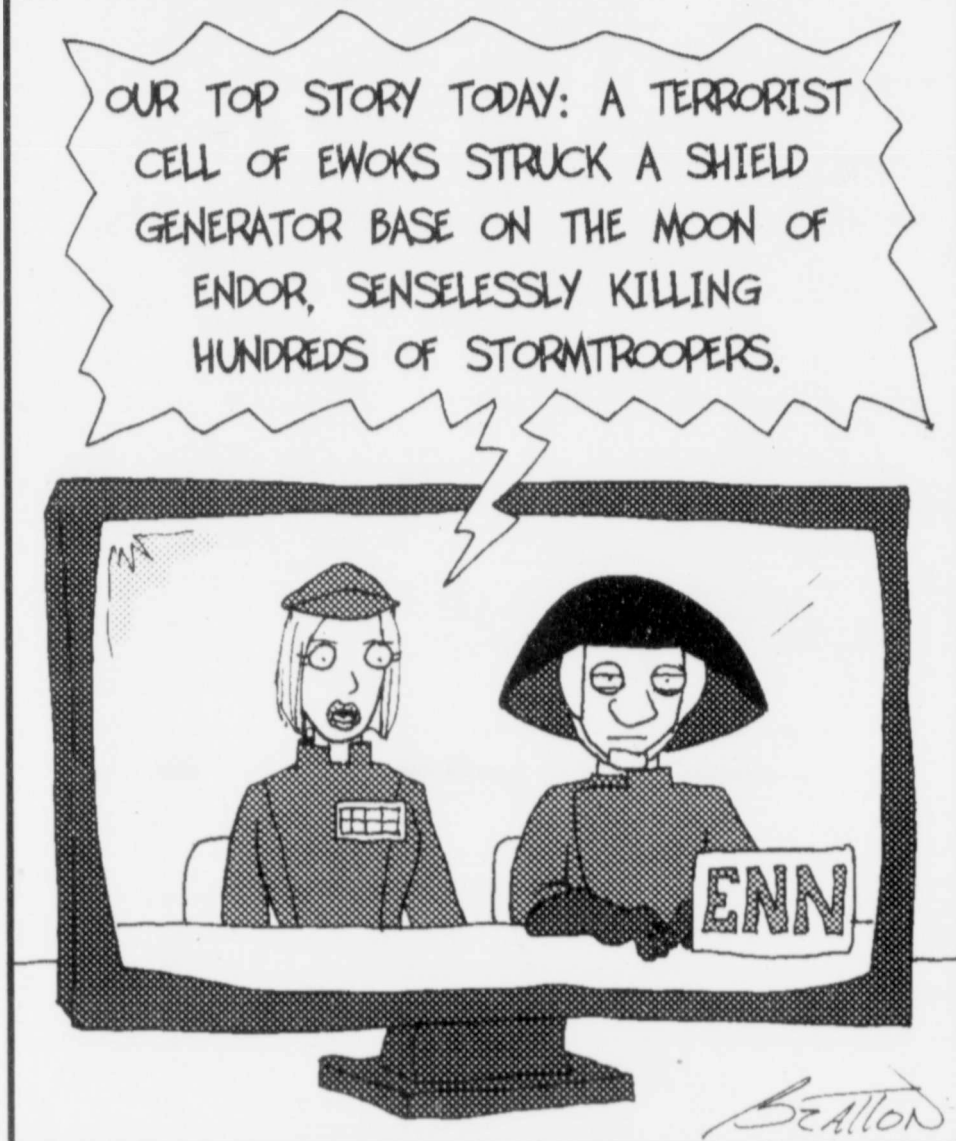
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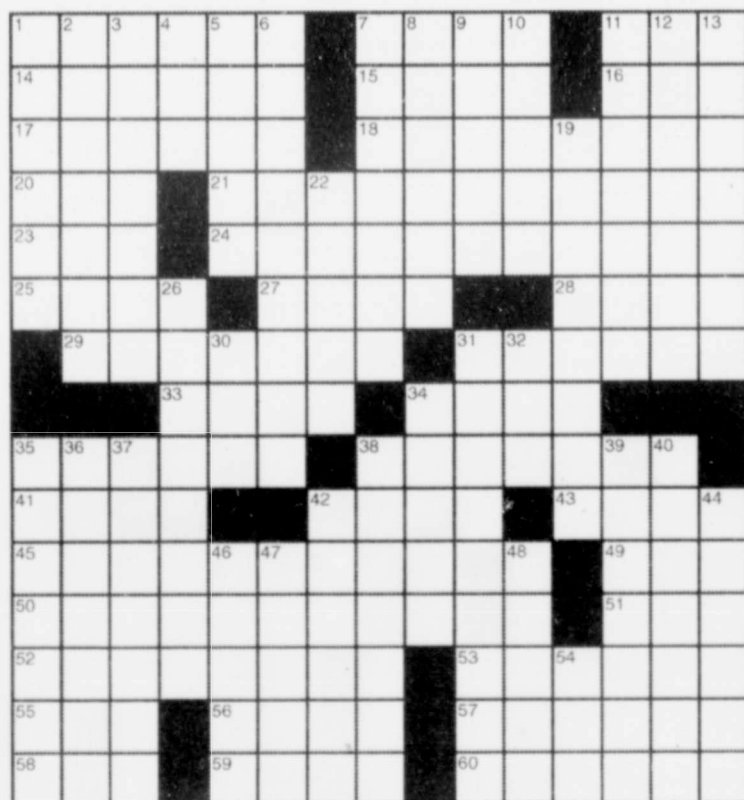
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'Rivalry Night' brings Gauchos to Mott

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF REPORT

Rivalries never die. They may lose their luster some years, but the bad blood never quite goes away.

When the Cal Poly (3-11, 0-4 Big West Conference) men's basketball team and UC Santa Barbara (7-9, 1-3) meet at 7 p.m. on Saturday in Mott Gym, the bad blood will be rekindled.

Cal Poly head coach Kevin Bromley stressed the importance of a win more so than a win over the rival Gauchos.

"I don't think it's any more important than any other one, but it's obviously sweeter when we beat Santa Barbara," Bromley said. "It's one of those things that if you beat

them, it takes the sting of being 3-11."

The Mustangs have lost six consecutive games. Their last victory was against Portland State on Dec. 17 in Mott Gym.

"Losing is the hardest thing," Bromley said of the slide. "There is nothing more euphoric than winning and winning in life regardless of what you do. And it crushes you when you lose."

The Mustangs have struggled in large part due to injuries and other issues keeping key players off the court.

Senior guard and co-captain Trae Clark was ruled academically ineligible and hasn't played since Dec. 23. Cal Poly has not won

without him this season.

Senior forward John Manley has been sidelined for the entire season after a nagging back injury flared up just before the season began.

Ironically, the injury first occurred against the Gauchos when then-freshman Manley was going up for a layup and was fouled hard from behind by UC Santa Barbara then-senior guard Branduinn Fullove.

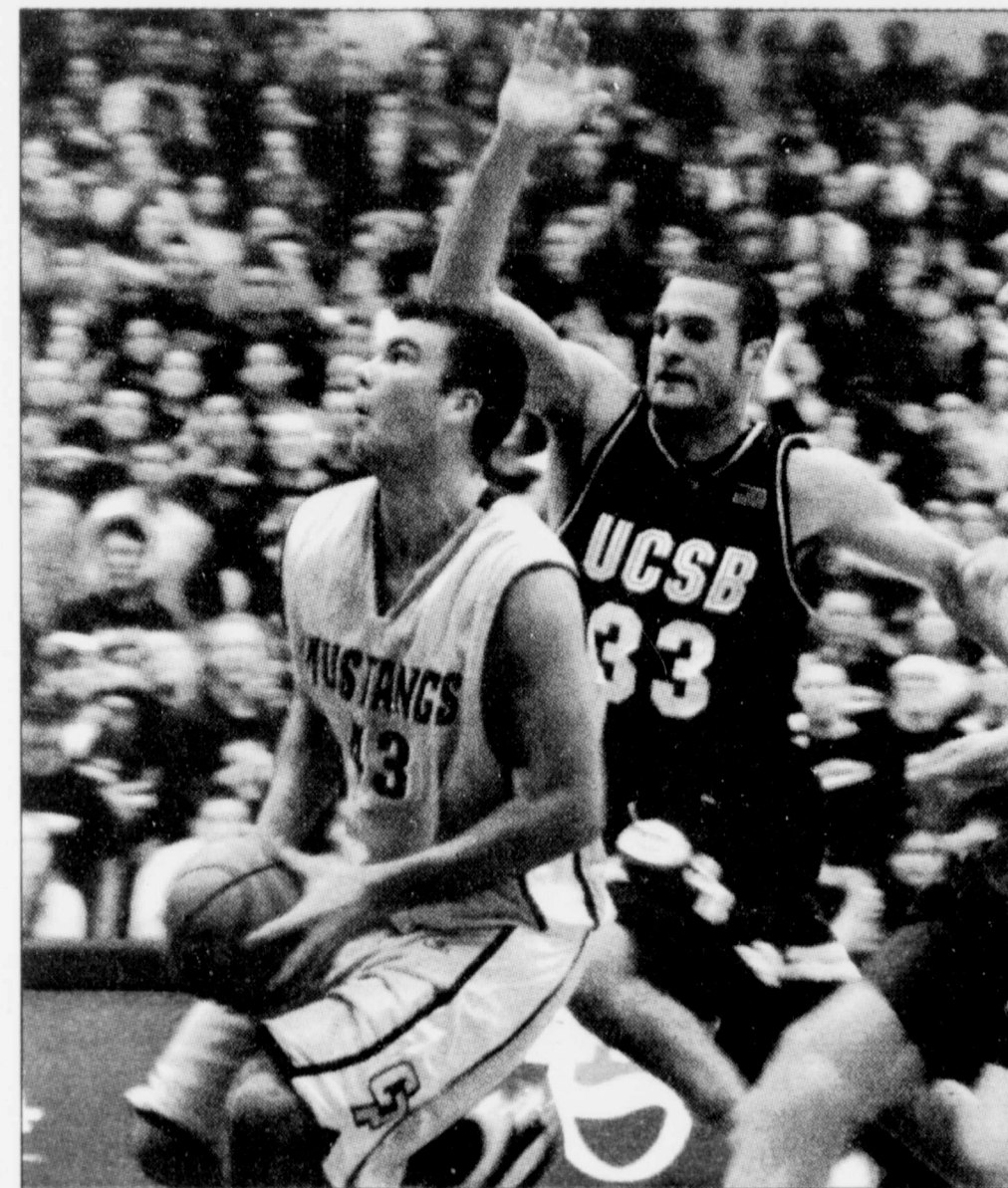
"I wasn't trying to take him out. I just wanted to make sure he didn't score," Fullove told the San Luis Obispo Tribune after the 2004 game. "I really didn't mean to hurt him but, I mean, if you want to whine like a baby maybe you should stay on the sidelines."

The play prompted a warning to both teams from the commissioner of the Big West.

Bromley said there is a "good chance" that Manley will see his first action of the season Saturday.

"He loves to compete, loves to sacrifice his body," Bromley said of Manley. "He's always looking for someone to hit. He probably should have played some football. It brings the physical part into practice."

With two of the three co-captains out, players have had to step up for Cal Poly. Senior guard Chaz Thomas has stepped into the role of starting point guard and has im-



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Then-freshman forward John Manley is fouled hard by UC Santa Barbara guard Branduinn Fullove during a game in 2004.

proved his game Bromley said.

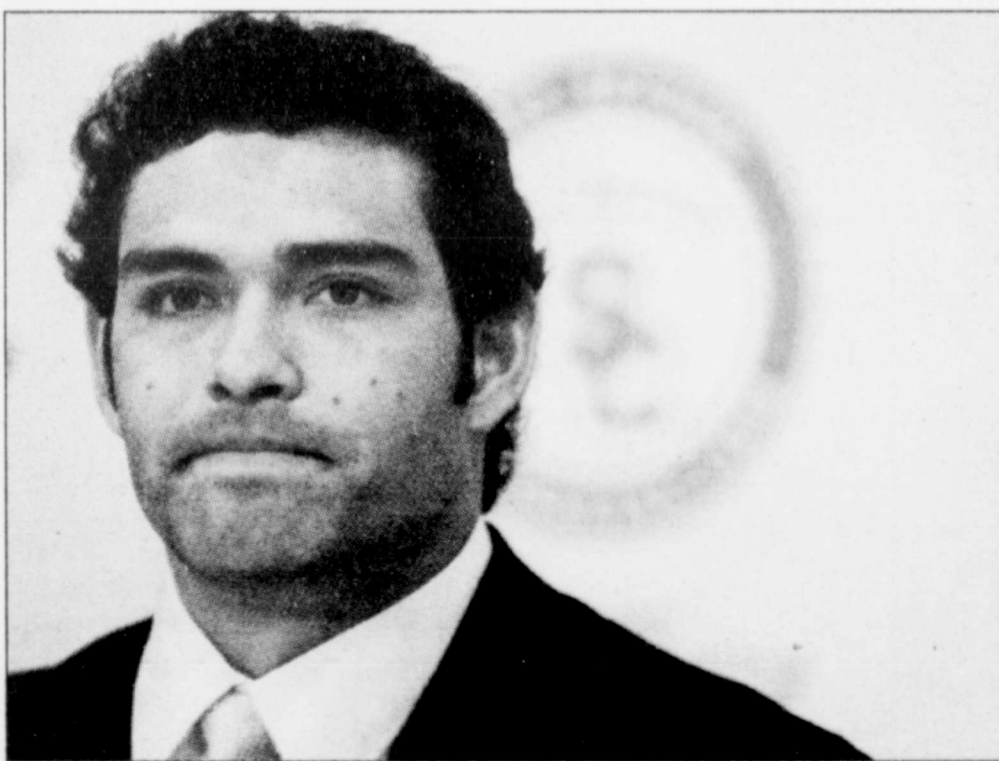
"Now that Trae's not here, (Chaz) and I have more communication," he said. "We have to be on

the same page even more. I think he's really taken to that. He's really trying to do what is best for the basketball team on the floor."

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UC Riverside	2-3 .400	9-7 .563
Cal State Fullerton	2-3 .400	8-9 .471
UC Santa Barbara	1-3 .250	7-9 .438
Cal Poly	0-4 .000	3-11 .214

Southern California QB Sanchez to enter NFL draft



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USC junior quarterback Mark Sanchez declares his draft eligibility at a press conference in Los Angeles on Thursday.

Ken Peters

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LOS ANGELES — Mark Sanchez made his own call.

Coming off a record-setting Rose Bowl, the Southern California quarterback will skip his senior season to enter the NFL draft — going against the advice of coach Pete Carroll.

Sanchez, a fourth-year junior, announced his plans at a campus news conference Thursday, the deadline for underclassmen to declare for the draft.

The past three stars who played

quarterback at USC under Carroll stayed for their senior seasons, and the former NFL coach thought Sanchez should do the same.

Carroll tried to convince Sanchez that another year of college experience would help him in the pro game, but Sanchez said he had carefully weighed all the considerations before deciding to leave.

"It has been my dream since I was just a little kid to play in the NFL and thanks to this great academic institution and football program, I have the opportunity to realize that dream," said Sanchez, dapperly dressed in a

business suit.

"It was with a heavy heart that I say goodbye to this university. But I can't tell you how excited I am for this dream to come true."

Heisman Trophy winners Carson Palmer and Matt Leinart, along with John David Booty, all returned for their final year of eligibility with the Trojans. Palmer was the first overall pick in the 2002 NFL draft and Leinart was selected 10th in 2005.

Carroll, who said he considers Sanchez as talented as any of those three, discussed the pros and cons with him.

"We've talked at great depth and great length. We've covered this from A to Z ... going until late last night," Carroll said. "We don't see this decision the same. (But) I'm thrilled for Mark. For any of our kids to live the dream and do what they want to do with their football career, this is a great place to do this."

Because 2008 Heisman winner Sam Bradford of Oklahoma, 2007 Heisman winner Tim Tebow of Florida and Texas star Colt McCoy all plan to return to school next season, Sanchez and Georgia's Matthew Stafford — another junior coming out early — likely will be the top quarterback prospects in the draft.

Mitch Mustain, who transferred from Arkansas after going 8-0 in games he started as a Razorbacks freshman in 2006, is expected to compete with Aaron Corp, Garrett Green and incoming freshman Matt

Barkley for the Trojans' starting job.

Carroll, a former head coach with the New York Jets and New England Patriots, thinks another year of college experience would have greatly benefited Sanchez, who started at USC for only one full season.

"Mark is going against the grain on this decision and he knows that. He knows that coming out early is a tremendous challenge for a quarterback and the statistics don't back up that it's easy to be successful in the way that he's going about it," Carroll said.

"We've seen successes and we've seen guys come up short on this deal. We hope this works out beautifully for Mark and his family."

Carroll isn't selling Sanchez short.

"He's a competitive guy, a guy that's willing to take on this challenge in a way that he's going to make it happen," the coach said. "Mark clearly has the potential to be as good as any of those guys we've had. We saw it early on."

"All it is is an experience issue."

Sanchez ended his college career with his finest game. The 6-foot-3, 225-pounder went 28-for-35 against Penn State, setting a Rose Bowl record by completing 80 percent of his passes. He threw for 413 yards and four touchdowns, and also ran for a score in the Trojans' 38-24 victory.

Sanchez led the Trojans to a 12-1 record and No. 3 national ranking last season after going 2-1 the previ-

ous year while Booty was hurt.

A high school star in nearby Mission Viejo who redshirted at USC in 2005, Sanchez finished last season with 3,207 yards passing, 34 touchdowns and 10 interceptions. He threw for 695 yards and seven touchdowns with five interceptions in 2007.

Sanchez said he came to USC to get an education, to compete at the highest college level and earn a chance to play in the NFL.

"I'm proud to say that this spring, I'll have the opportunity to do both," said Sanchez, on track to receive his degree in communications.

His father, Nick, said he had mixed emotions about his son's decision to enter the draft.

"As a parent, I'd like for him to stay in school for another 10 years," he said. "But it's great to see a young man trying to live his dream."

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