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Columnist says faith and belief in God bring healing

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Civil engineering society wins competition with boat, bridge
By Sara Henriksen
Mustang Daily

The Cal Poly Society of Civil Engineers won second consecutive best concrete canoe award, first best steel bridge award and fifth consecutive best overall award at a regional competition in March. The society is now gearing up for the nationals in Alaska and Hawaii. The bridge can hold 2,500 pounds.

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Construction of the new parking structure near the Performing Arts Center is on schedule despite recent rain. The $8.8 million project is expected to be completed by January 2000.

“We budgeted 14 weather-related days within the contract. They’ve all been used but once the first-floor slab is poured, rain will have little affect on the schedule,” said project manager Katherine Dunklau of facilities planning.

The first-floor slab and columns will be placed by the end of this month. In June, the temporary wood structure will be torn down so construction on a permanent concrete structure can begin.

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According to Sarah Fisher, a civil engineering senior and concrete canoe designer, the construction of the canoe was a lot of work.

"There were SO of us working to put it together," she said. "We had a very specific concrete mix, and we transported it in little bags. We built it in November and let it cure over winter break. Then last quarter we painted and painted it."

Canoes are judged on the final product, race results, a technical paper, oral presentation and a display. Ten people are on the team to race it. They participate in five races on the last day, including men's and women's long-distance and sprint, and coed sprint.

The students working on the concrete canoe as their senior project are Fisher, Scott Beck and Scott Brandenberg, a civil engineering senior and Jeanine Meier, civil engineering junior.

A six-person construction team built the steel bridge in an obstacle course-like race, and Cal Poly won first place in assembly speed. The bridge is judged on construction speed, stiffness, lightness, economy, efficiency and aesthetics.

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No. 112 on housing waiting list

"We put together an off-campus housing information packet for students who are looking for a place to stay next year, and they can also go to our web site to look at the off-campus listing of housing available," Allen said.

Students on the waiting list are concerned if they will have a place to stay next year, but Allen said, "I'm kind of looking at other options, but I'm being lazy about it." Kranz said, "My biggest option is Mustang Village. If I don't have a place to stay next year, I'll live in my truck in the administration parking lot."
Philosophy speaker to tackle ideas of space

By Carla Flores
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A discussion of architecture will be on campus April 15 and 16 exploring the philosophical difference between theory and practice.

Paul Milavec, chair of the philosophy department, said it is the radical and interesting things Lebbeus Woods does with the notion of space that makes him so original. "He is able to build on spaces that have been abandoned and destroyed, rights ordinary people turn away from."

Woods speech is part of the Philosophy Poly series. According to Milavec, Woods will speak about the question of space.

Woods plans to address the complexities of design.

"Architects consider designed space as void, invested with meanings given by them, their clients, and others, but they are only half right. Space is a void, full stop. If that is so, what is the meaning of any of design?" he asked.

Woods studied architecture in Illinois and Engineering at Purdue. During the mid 1960s, he worked for Eero Saarinen and Associates, and then in private practice before turning to theory and experimental projects in 1976.

He is co-founder of the IRA School of Architecture and has taught as a visiting professor of architecture at The Cooper Union, SCI-ARK, Harvard and Columbia University. He will be speaking at University of California, Berkeley before his trip to Cal Poly and at New York University afterward.

Notable among his many international engagements are the Berlin Free Zone and projects for the reconstruction of Sarajevo. He is also the author of a number of architectural books including "Anarchitect: Architecture as a Political Act and Radical Reconstruction.""}

Summer construction projects have facilities at Cal Poly always changing

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The look of campus will continue to change this summer as new projects will be undertaken during summer quarter.

AT&T will replace current coaxial cable with new fiber optic cable running from Oakland through San Luis Obispo to southern California. The cables aren't new projects will be undertaken because AT&T has an easement agreement for the line.

"The parking lot is being remodeled in June to allow universal access to the specialty use computer lab on the second floor, and bring the building up to ADA code. This project is being coordinated by Facility Planning.

"Mr. Tim's first floor restrooms are scheduled to be remodeled in late June."

According to Debby Ryan, project information coordinator, the men's and women's restrooms will be switched to increase seating capacity in the women's restroom.

"Facility services is coordinating the project, which will also bring the restrooms up to code with the Americans with Disabilities Act."

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KEVORKIAN: No Bail.

PONTIAC, Mich. (AP) -- Dr. Jack Kevorkian, who videotaped himself giving a patient a lethal injection and then answered as a defendant in an assisted-suicide campaign, was sentenced to 10 to 25 years in prison Tuesday by a judge who told him, "Sir, consider yourself stopped."

"Kevorkian, who turns 71 next month, grinned as he was led from the courtroom in handcuffs, saying to a friend, "Justice." He said nothing when given the opportunity to speak at his sentencing.

Judge Jessica Cooper refused to release him on bail here to appeal his murder conviction, saying she couldn't trust his promise not to take part in any more suicides.

"That is what he believes his life mission is," she said.

In addition to giving Kevorkian the sentence prosecutors had asked for, the judge handed him three to seven years for delivery of a controlled substance.

The sentences will run concurrently, and Kevorkian will be eligible for parole after six and eight months, a prosecutor said.

He could have gotten life in prison.

Defense attorneys David Gokov said he was surprised by the judge's decision and that he hopes it does not amount to a life sentence for Kevorkian. "It would be a terrible thing for such a heroic figure in American life."

The widow and brother of Thomas Youk, the 52-year-old Lou Gehrig's disease patient whose videotaped death was shown on "60 Minutes" last fall, pleaded for leniency. But Cooper was adamant as she lectured Kevorkian. "This trial was not about the political or medical correctness of euthanasia," she said. "It was about you, sir. It was about lawlessness. It was about disrespect for a society that exists because of the strength of the legal system."
The power of faith and prayer brings healing

During spring break, I sat in church and heard a powerful testimony. Bishop Robert Richard Carr gave the testimony in retrospect from Berkeley. Now I will share it with you.

One day, Bishop Carr was on a radio talk show and he made the statement, “God can do anything.” After hearing this statement, a lady called the radio station and said, “Your child is here.” The baby still had the piece of flesh hanging from her face. It seemed impossible. Your family might be going through a difficult situation. God is both omnipotent and ubiquitous. If you were in God’s shoes, you wouldn’t laugh at the theory of evolution. True scientists never mock old (even disproved) theories. You don’t mock children because you know they are less than you do. Scientists of old are in the same position. Every theory advances knowledge, including incorrect ones.

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Student speaks out on a variety of topics

Craig Nanaumi

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In regards to Jason Champenois’s not-so-friendly critique, “Christianity gives people something to believe in,” April 12, of professor David Chippings’s comments on evolution and creationism. Let me start by saying I am not going to settle Champenois’s Godscience argument. Indeed, I don’t believe it can be settled. The two sides are working from two totally different sets of basic operating principles. At the most basic level, they are incompatible. Since this argument cannot be won, I question whether we should even have it. But if we must, can’t we at least be nice about it? Scientists (even from now won’t laugh at the theory of evolution. True scientists never mock old (even disproved) theories. You don’t mock children because you know they are less than you do. Scientists of old are in the same position. Every theory advances knowledge, including incorrect ones.

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Website ratings are a valuable resource for all Editor:

This letter is in reply to Jay Devore's letter "Professor advocates new website rating system." April 9

The suggestion by Devore to create a system where students can be held accountable for their behavior on the web is novel, but his seemingly reasoned and bitter tone calls into question his motives. Is he trying to hold students accountable for their behavior and thus make them more responsible for their actions, or is he striking back at critics of his teaching?

I think the teacher rating services offered by PolityTown (www.politytown.com) may be starting to have an effect on teachers. It offers a valuable resource for students to learn more about the teacher and his/her behavior toward the students — in fact, many teachers are researching the site to see how they could improve their teaching methods. This — coupled with the fact that it allows for criticism of teachers who are seemingly blanketed from criticism by tenure — increases accountability among teachers, as well as providing information about who to avoid. I think Devore has failed to see all the information provided is negative.

In his letter to the editor, Devore wants the world to know how bad a student "John X" was. If this is his sole intention, then his ideas are misplaced and his suggestion loses value. Instead of providing this immense resource of information solely for teachers to dislike their less-than-perfect students, we should use student criticism and change their attitude/teaching behaviors. This, I think, would result in a much more positive environment.

Ian W. Bronson is a business sophomore.

Oversimplification of speech codes message
Editor:

After reading Damien Alvarado's letter, "Jackson's claim overlooks some important facts," April 12, I am very disappointed. There are so many problems with this letter, it is difficult to know where to start. Alvarado makes some pretty big assumptions, most of which are not based in fact and are actually counter-intuitive. The first of these assumptions is fairly disturbing. He assumes that since he has seen very few black students in his electrical engineering classes here at Poly, that minorities as a whole are not "preparing themselves for these jobs." Even if this small sample was representative of all California State Universities or even college campuses across the nation, one could still not reasonably assume that "minorities" are choosing to handicap themselves, as Alvarado so eloquently suggests.

Further, his suggestion made stems from the over-simplification of Jesse Jackson's position. Alvarado would have us believe that Jesse Jackson is some sort of racist out to "get whites." He implies no more than he suggesting sides and only champions the civil rights of those he believes look ethnically. Alvarado then attributes the use of the derogatory term "cracker" to the reverend. None of this is backed up by one shred of evidence to show that this is the way Jesse Jackson articulates his ideas about civil rights.

Finally, his argument that we don't owe Blacks, Latinos, Aleutians or Navajos jobs, and when he gets hired in a company, it will be because he is a true "Code Warrior" (whatever that is supposed to mean) and nothing more is fatuous. Well, I would agree; "we" don't owe anyone a job — they are not ours to dispense. This society doesn't belong to any group in particular. What we do owe the people is respect and support that should be afforded every inhabitant of this planet, and Alvarado, when you are hired, it will be because you had the benefit of education, teachers who were concerned about your future and the good fortune to find an employer who didn't hate you simply because of how you look. We should support the people who believe racism doesn't exist, when you test your civil rights leaders as petty racists and when you think that the only reason there aren't more people of color working in Silicon Valley is because they are too lazy to prepare themselves, you only show your ignorance and further entrench the problem.

Jared Anderson is a Cal Poly student.

Science and religion both require faith to believe
Editor:

David Chippings's comments on April 9, "Science debates on belief," brought up a valid point I believe we all must consider. The existence of God cannot be proven in a scientific manner. In order for any theory (including the existence of God) to be accepted as fact, it must meet certain basic criteria. First, an individual would have to develop a reasonable hypothesis that God existed based on his/her observation of the world around the individual. Then, the individual must be able to test the hypothesis via a controlled, repeatable experiment. I am afraid that the existence of God cannot be proven in this rigorous scientific manner.

Chippings further states that our theory of God must be accepted simply on faith. I say "our theory" because I am a confirmed proponent (no pun intended) of this theory. Those of us who have faith in the existence of God are admittedly biased in how we interpret our observations of the world around us, and this bias has no place in proving "our theory." What Chippings fails to acknowledge is his stand is equally biased. Using the same criteria as outlined above, there can never be a scientifically proven "law" of evolution.

The theory of evolution cannot be proven by the scientific method, and more the theory of God can be proven. No one (or at least the best of my knowledge) has ever observed evolution in progress, much less developed controlled experiments on evolution. Chippings does not believe the evidence and all the facts and all things in it. He therefore accepts an alternative theory that more closely coincides with his beliefs. He obviously has every right to hold to this theory and to share his beliefs with others. But I believe that educators should make a clear distinction between the presentation of our beliefs and the presentation of "facts." It is, indeed, the theory of God and creation, but it is equally the theory of evolution.

Both theories require faith.

William Amospeck is a professor for the agribusiness department.

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Danish students to visit Poly agriculture facilities

By Carrie Hughes

Poly agriculture students will get a lesson from another part of the world April 22.

Dahlin Agricultural College, a small school in Odense, Denmark, is sending 16 students and two faculty members to Cal Poly. This stop will be one of many they will make on their 10-day educational journey that will take them to Los Vegas, the Grand Canyon, and San Joaquin Valley, where they will visit a number of large farming operations.

Their visit was set up by Cal Poly Ag Ambassadors and Joe Sabol, director of Outreach Services for the College of Agriculture.

"We thought this would be a neat thing to do, and boy, just grew and grew," Sabol said.

He said they are lining up a busy schedule for the Danish students, which includes campus tours, classes, presentations, nursery and farm tours. It will also include talks about agriculture in both countries and visits to local vegetable growers, vineyards and orchards, as well as dairy, pork and beef livestock operations.

The Danish students will give a presentation Thursday morning on agricultural practices in Denmark. Sabol said this is their turn to show off for the Cal Poly students.

"They will tell us about agriculture in Denmark, and we have heard many of the students are interested in animal science, especially since they like pigs, and the Danish ham — we want to learn about that," Sabol said. "They are coming to go to classes with us, to see our swine barn, look at our facilities, milk some cows with us and see how we do things."

The visiting students will also have the opportunity to visit with two Cal Poly alumni. They will visit San Ysidro Farms, owned by Roy Kilgore Jr., a former Ag Ambassador president, and his father, Ray Kilgore Sr., who is also an alumnus. At their 612-acre vegetable farm, the students will get a tour of the grounds where lettuce, broccoli, cabbage, cauliflower and strawberries are grown.

The next alumni they will visit is Jay Ruskey, who will give them a tour of his avocado, cherimoya and passion fruit orchards.

When the visit was first brought up, there was enormous interest from the Ag Ambassadors, who wanted to help out. Sabol said the students have already begun e-mailing each other and are even learning some of their language.

"The Ag Ambassadors are very excited to help these special guests learn as much as they can during their short visit," said Amy Derose, an agriculture science student and the outreach activities coordinator for Ag Ambassadors. "We had more than 35 ambassadors sign up to host the group. Never before in our history has there been such an enthusiastic response to help.

"It is a chance for our students to get to know someone from another part of the world and to understand their agriculture and language, and our students are very interested in that," Sabol said.

Ag Ambassadors is a group of about 50 agriculture students who do public relations for the College of Agriculture. They give tours, volunteer for Open House, attend conventions, college nights and recruit at community colleges and high schools.

"The Ag Ambassadors are very giving, very sharing people. They care about the college and about agriculture," Sabol said. "These are good strong leaders in the college."

Sean Connery honored at Mann's Theater

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Sean Connery, who was the star of the first bond adventure — and for two, too — Connery pressed his hands and feet into wet cement in the forecourt of Mann's Chinese Theater on Tuesday, joining the gallery of cinema stars who have literally left their mark on Hollywood.

Connery, accompanied by wife Micheline, was joined at the ceremony by actor Catherine Zeta Jones, his co-star in the new movie "Entrapment."

The film opens April 16, with Connery as a legendary gentleman thief planning a heist on the eve of the new millennium. Connery's character partners with Jones, who is destined to rob a Hong Kong bank. Amid their churning plots, the two fall in love. "Dangerous Macky," "Run Man" wrote the screenplay.

He's finally leaving!

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The Sharks loses bite, finds peace of mind

To golf town everywhere, Greg Norman is known as the Shark. Throughout this decade, he has been one of the top golfers in the world, winning British Open and several other PGA tournaments. With his icy blue stare and menacing look of torque, Norman is a man making moves who could be in a game where knuckles and ankle socks need to be high fashion.

But something seemed to happen to Norman every time he was in contention for the lead at the Masters. The Shark suddenly lost his bite, performing a one-man dive show into sports infamy as a player who once shined under the spotlight of fame.

Norman’s worst Master’s day came in 1998, when he led in the final round by six strokes, a seemingly insurmountable lead. The prized green jacket, the trophy given to the Masters champion each year, was almost within his grasp. Instead, he lost the lead and the tournament to Nick Faldo, and a four-shot lead that had seemed secure was gone in a matter of minutes. Norman was left wondering what had gone wrong.

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• Track and Field at Mt. SAC
• Mustangs vs. Loyola Marymount, 8 p.m.

Saturday
• Mens tennis at San Francisco

Sunday
• Mustangs at Cal Poly, 1 p.m.

In the Dirt: Freshman Doug Morales looks down as a wild pitch goes past the Fresno State catcher. Morales knocked in the only run for the Mustangs on a sacrifice fly in the second inning.

By Bryce Alderton
Mustang Daily

Fresno State walks all over the Mustangs

Cal Poly’s bats didn’t show up when they needed them to as Fresno State eventually got the best of the Mustang pitching staff and beat Cal Poly, 8-1.

With Mustang starting pitcher Josh Morton removed from the game, the Bulldogs scored five times off the bullpen in the eighth inning to break open a close game. "We’re not intimidated by (Fullerton)," head coach Ritch Price said. "We did a good job hitting and we didn’t hit for him," Cfixley said. "I think two or three times we had guys in scoring position and we failed to bring them in. A few clutch hits could have turned the game around."

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By Chris Arns

NFL Draft

San Francisco looks to draft for quarterback, defense

SANTA CLARA, (AP) — Between Joe Montana and his successor, Steve Young, the San Francisco 49ers have enjoyed exceptional play at quarterback for the last 19 years.

Bill Walsh, the former 49ers coach who drafted Montana in 1979 and traded for Young in 1987, is back with the team as general manager and may try to extend San Francisco’s quarter- back tradition in this weekend’s draft. The two-day session opens Saturday.

Walsh, who is recovering from his first draft since 1989, said: "We have the best quarterback in the organization now; I don’t know. We may not. But we want someone to continue the legacy in a timely way."

It is becoming increasingly clear the 49ers won’t enter that legacy to Jim Druckenmiller, the former Cleveland Browns first-round pick in 1997 when former executives Carmen Policy, Dwight Clark and Vinny Cerrato ran the team’s draft.

Druckenmiller, a big, physical quarterback with a traditional drop-back style, has not come along as quickly as team officials hoped and he appears ill-suited in a 49ers scheme which emphasizes quarterback mobility.

Walsh gushed all about the prospects for quarter- back Jeff Garcia, a Canadian Football League veteran signed to compete for the backup job. In his next breath, he ridiculed his celebrated freshman strength at Virginia Tech by Druckenmiller in which he stopped on a harness and towed a car.

"Velocity on the ball. Give me a break," Walsh said. "When a man takes pride in how he can throw a ball, it can throw it at a punt 52 yards, you’re not in the area of performance. Bart Starr and Bo Gresh didn’t have arm strength. They were just good players."

For two years after that collapse, when he almost had everything in his hands but ended up with nothing, Morton proved right. He missed the cut in the 1998 Masters, and faded from the Tour after having shoulder surgery. There seemed little doubt in the sporting world. The Shark was washed up on a shore of unfulfilled promise and multiple disappointments.

But Norman wasn’t done. He discovered that life meant more than winning a golf tournament. He spent time with his family, playing with his kids and fishing in the calm waters of Florida near his home. He lounged up, putting aside his fierce competitiveness that caused him to look down on fellow players with disdain. In other words, Greg Norman tried him at being happy.

After awhile, when he had become accustomed to his little version of “Happy Days,” Norman decided to try golf again. When it came time for him to restate his stances, he took a little great leeway in the field.

Still, he was frustrated because he couldn’t get the hits to bring in the runs to help Morton.

"I kept us in the game, but we weren’t able to capitalize on them," he recalled in scoring position," second baseman Matt Egan said.

Morton, making his first start of the year, went seven innings giving up eight hits, three runs, one earned and seven strikeouts.

His only shaky inning came in the fourth but Mustang relievers provided little help containing two throwing errors leading to two unearned runs. Morton’s only earned run came when he gave up a single to Bulldog third baseman Max Drake.

"My arm felt great and I felt I pitched good enough to win," Morton said. "I think coach Price for allowing guys like me to get back throwing."

Second baseman Brian Okei went 2-4 and was encouraged by Morton’s start of the season.

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