Homeless for the holidays

By Diana Krutop

"I miss a place to lay my head and a good meal," said Michael, homeless man.

"I had all those luxuries, but all those things I don't miss. I miss companionship with my wife and friends. I miss a place to lay my head and a good meal. All the material things really mean nothing when you've lost it all," said John, his 13-year-old son.

John injured his back on the job, can no longer work and had to split up his family after becoming homeless. He is working to have surgery and hoping that the EOC can help him find housing. This year, the two hope the holidays will bring a roof over their heads.

"I just want a good Christmas for my kids," John said. "I want to keep them together."

This is the first time Gerald* has been homeless and it has been a learning experience for him. He said he believes that it is a national tragedy when a person is put on the street because there are not enough beds in the shelter or at the motel.

"We are all grateful to be (at the homeless shelter)," Gerald said. "But we live under the constant threat of being homeless. It's a hard reality."

Homeless or not, the holiday season affects everyone. "A vast majority of people here put things like world peace," he said. "We all have hopes and aspirations.

If you are interested in learning how you can volunteer at the shelter, contact the EOC at 781-3993.

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National Briefs

Bush blames al-Qaeda for Kenya attack, condemns terrorism everywhere

WASHINGTON — Voicing fresh terrorism fears that stretch from Africa to the Middle East, President Bush said Wednesday he believes the al-Qaeda network was behind last week’s attacks in Kenya and that terrorists have disrupted the Israeli-Palestinian peace process.

Bush, fielding reporters’ questions at a White House bill-signing ceremony, declined to criticize the Israeli government, whose troops fired Tuesday on a truck at a West Bank checkpoint, killing a 39-year-old Palestinian great-grandmother.

“I am concerned that terrorists have disrupted the ability for peace-loving people to move the (peace) process forward,” Bush said. “...And so I fully understand the Israeli government’s attempt to stamp out terror, because we’ll never have peace as long as terrorists are able to disrupt.”

He did not directly reply when a journalist asked if he believes the terrorists at work in the West Bank are part of Osama bin Laden’s al-Qaeda network. Bush did finger bin Laden operatives for last week’s coordinated attacks on Israelis in Kenya — a hotel bombing and the firing of missiles at an Israeli charter flight.

Federal court weighs constitutional arguments over new campaign finance law

WASHINGTON — Opponents of the nation’s campaign finance law told a federal court Wednesday that new limits on donations and election activity violate the Constitution’s guarantee of free speech and would have a devastating effect on the national political parties.

Bob Filner, a lawyer for the Republican National Committee, told a three-judge federal panel that his party would have to lay off 80 percent of its staff by the end of the year because of the new restrictions.

He said his party would no longer be able to coordinate election activities with state and local parties.

Buchfelder told the judges the new law won’t reduce special interest influence in elections as its supporters claim, because interest groups will still be allowed to engage in the same election activities they do now — such as ads and get-out-the-vote drives — even if the political parties can’t.

Patient left on operating table

BOSTON — A patient who was left on the operating table with an open incision in his back while his doctor went to the bank sued the surgeon Wednesday and other medical workers.

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Another surgeon who had walked out while Arndt’s operation was in progress, asked him to stay for a few minutes while he took a break. The other surgeon, who was not credentialed to perform the surgery and had not scrubbed in, said he thought Arndt was only stepping out to the restroom.

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International Briefs

Powell supports crackdown on lawlessness, opposes human rights abuses

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Peiow II, who was meeting with Uribe Wednesday morning, told reporters he is looking for ways to provide additional help to Colombia as it confronts “terrorism, terrorists and narco-terrorism.”

He noted that the administration plans an increase in assistance to $500 million from $300 million. The funds will be earmarked for training and equipment and also for nonmilitary sectors, including social and economic investment.

Uribe has been in office for a little more than 100 days. He hopes that a tougher line against two leftist insurgencies will open the way to serious peace negotiations. A right-wing paramilitary group announced a unilateral cease fire in recent days. All three groups finance their operations with drug trafficking revenues and all are on the State Department list of foreign terrorist organizations.

Up to 30 Kurdish fighters killed or wounded in battle with Islamic militia

SHASHI, Iraq — Kurdish militiamen battled Islamic militants believed to be linked to al-Qaeda in northern Iraq early Wednesday, and as many as 30 militiamen were killed or wounded, Kurdish military officials said.

Militants from the Ansar al-Islam group and the Kurdistan Workers’ Party were killed and wounded during a clash on Wednesday.

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Letters to the editor

Editor,

I've been reading the letters about the sheep display over the past few days and I have to ask: is this really the most important thing we have to worry about?

Students seem to have made this knock for getting up about some relatively little issues. As far as whether or not it should have been put up in the first place? Doesn't matter. The decision was made. Let's move on. It is always important to try to not offend people, but the fact of the matter is that sometimes it happens. It is a part of life, especially in a nation with the right to freedom of speech. That right isn't to protect those who say what we want to hear, it's to protect those who say what we don't want to hear. I know, some readers will say that the display wasn't "speech," but you get my point.

Basically, I think students need to stop for a moment and think when they see something that bothers them. Is it really worth using all that energy? Most of the time the answer is no. Sometimes it's important to voice your opinion. It is just as important, however, to learn to let it slide. If you want to get annoyed, do so about something you can change. Getting annoyed about something you can't is just a waste of time and emotion. Accept the things you can't change and then change the things you can. It's a simple philosophy, but it works.

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The Ultimate College Christmas Shopping Guide

From the expert shopper to the stumped student, the Mustang Daily will aid your Christmas gift ventures.

What many fail to understand is that Christmas shopping is incredibly simple. An hour of planning can prevent hours of window shopping or years of disappointment from family members by an incorrect gift.

With the quarter ending and the Christmas requests piling, you need all the help you can get with placing those nice little packaged presents under the tree.

We’ve provided you with a few tips that enable a smooth holiday season by making your life easier during the gift giving time of year.

Make a budget

This will prevent you from spending more than you intended.

Make a list

Before you hit the town, make a list of some ideas that you have for gifts you wish to give people.

Reserve a notebook where you can keep track of what you get people and what they got you.

Get it done early

It will help you write your thank you cards as well.

Write thank you cards

People like to know you appreciated their thoughtfulness.

The best of gift giving has been implemented through being thoughtful and unique. Some of the most creative ideas have come from spontaneous inspiration.

"Get it done early for a number of reasons, getting your shopping done before you go home will enable you to have a stress-free vacation.

The more prepared you are for Christmas, the greater excitement people have for receiving your present.

Don’t spend a fortune

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Don’t overspend on details

Look for Christmas cards that are on sale, and then write a personal letter and slip it inside. Use newspaper instead of tissue paper for wrapping breakables (but don’t use newspaper for wrapping up clothes!).

Take apart paper bags and tie them with string, reflecting the old-fashioned Christmas wrapping. Simplicity is elegant.

Despite the oblivion of many busy students, the stores in San Luis Obispo can be great. There are many interesting stores that offer unique inventory that the normal retail chain will never carry.

Below are a few noted stores in San Luis Obispo that are student friendly.

Included on the next page is some gift ideas for those on your list.

If you are completely stumped as to what to get our loved ones, simply take a peak and it might provide you with some inspiration. Good luck!
**parents**

**What to get them:**
- A Cal Poly mom and/or dad sweatshirt
- Send them on a date to their favorite band concert
- Cal Poly chocolates
- A magazine subscription—Purchase the current magazine and wrap it
- A family portrait—take a picture with the siblings and then frame it
- Cal Poly Craft Center—Make a vase, or print a pot for less than $20
- Send them to a rendezvous for the weekend at a hotel or resort on the coast
- Local San Luis Obispo wine and food
- Fancy cooking supplies
- The Beatles Anthology or music of their generation

**sister**

**What to get them:**
- A bath set—girls love bathing, so get her something that smells delicious
- Jewelry—silver and turquoise are in style
- Gift certificate to get a manicure or pedicure
- Make her a pseudo gift certificate and write, "good for one pair of shoes."
- Check out Uptown Jeans, Dizzi’s and Sea Stars for discounted designer clothing
- Sibling snapshots—get a frame that holds two pictures and place one recent and one childhood photo
- Magazine subscription — (ideas)—Cosmopolitan, Shape, Vogue, InStyle
- Check out the tour dates for her favorite band and then take her to the concert.

**brother**

**What to get them:**
- A gift certificate to Domino’s
- The Sports Illustrated Swimsuit calendar, accompanied by the Tomb Raider poster
- A tattoo
- DVDs and CDs
- Magazine Subscriptions—(Ideas) Maxim, GQ, Rolling Stone, Sports Illustrated, Playboy
- A lift ticket to a ski resort
- A George Foreman grill
- A BBQ set, accompanied by a cookbook
- Check out the tour dates for his favorite band and then take him to the concert
- A surfboard or snowboard (ask the 'rents to subsidize the cost)
- A keg

**friends**

**What to get them:**
- A large supply of toilet paper
- Send them pizza during finals week
- The CD or DVD they keep borrowing from you
- A house plant
- A goldfish
- A case of beer, or a bottle of wine
- A book full of condoms
- A case of Top Ramen
- Clean their room for them
- A grocery store gift certificate
- Movie theatre tickets
- A Cal Poly sweatshirt
- Go on a surfing/camping adventure
- A coffee cup with a pound of coffee

**roommate**

**What to get them:**
- Buy a plant that flowers—(Guys, so she'll stop expecting you to be her flowers. Girls, so he can pick you flowers once they grow)
- Split the cost and go to a theme park for the day
- Cologne or Perfume
- A week-long trip to Mexico
- Make a romantic dinner together
- Lingerie or boxers
- Girls—buy your boy a round of golf (or something that relates to his favorite sport) and tell him to go have fun with his friends
- Guys—send your girl to a day spa and then take her shopping
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LOS ANGELES (AP) — Can’t think of the perfect stocking stuffer for those well-heeled friends on your Christmas list this year? What about a customized jet for $70 million? Or a Formula One supercar? Or a $80 million submarine?

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The submarine is one suggestion from the Robb Report, which comes up each Christmastime with a list of 21 perfect gifts for its money—no—object readers. The duPont Registry also offers highbrow stocking stuffers: A $450,000 Bentley Estate Station Wagon is described as “the ultimate family vehicle for the truly refined lifestyle.” A pair of McLaren Formula One supercars go for about $1.5 million apiece.

There’s also a 1968 Mercedes-Benz 600 Presidential Landaulet, originally built for Romanian dictator Nicolae Ceausescu, for $295,000. And its only got 30,000 miles on the odometer.

The well—to—the do also are hanging out at home a lot more. “There’s a lot of spending on home entertainment theaters, wine cellars, commercial-grade kitchens,” Anderson said. “They are creating their own theater and restaurant in the home. It’s cocooning.”

Tom duPont, chairman of St. Petersburg, Fla.—based duPont Publishing, said the duPont Registry items are designed to impress. But they also reflect America’s trend with staying home. “Along with the nesting there is nesting going on in the garage,” duPont said Wednesday. “People with resources are buying classic and luxury cars — the everyday car, the weekend car and the commuter car.”

The duPont Registry and Robb Report publications definitely aren’t for the Chia Pet crowd. The average annual income of a Robb Report reader is $250,000. The average annual income of a Robb Report reader is $250,000.
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The reader is $800,000, with an average net worth of $4.9 million. Robb Report offers a 144-carat diamond necklace at $10 million, a customized private jet for $70 million, the new $350,000 Daimler-Chrysler Maybach 62 sedan, a $1.25 million 24-day America's Cup vacation.

Anderson said there's been a subtle attitude in the buying habits of the rich because of the dot-com bust and stock market slide. Conspicuous consumption is seen as tasteless by some. "People are more interested in discreet luxury," Anderson said. "Back in the heyday of the dot-com boom executives were buying $200,000 and $300,000 Ferraris and there was a lot of show there."

"What has changed is Robb readers are going back to basics — spending on the home, classic cars and historic artifacts and antiques. They want things that have cultural resonance, things that aren't purchased necessarily as an outward symbol of success. People are more self conscious about displaying wealth."

On The Net:

Tower Records enters holidays struggling to save itself

THE SACRAMENTO (AP) — Tower Records, the storied 1960s music chain that launched the music megastore and became a cultural retailing icon, strolls into its 43rd holiday shopping season this weekend struggling with debt and on the ropes.

The West Sacramento, Calif.-based Tower hopes four weeks of strong sales will reverse a new image as the tottering giant inside a stumbling music industry. Among the chain's troubles: deep-discounting rivals, changing consumer habits, lack of hits and its own missteps in the 1990s as the music business began a dramatic shift.

Tower exemplifies the even deeper woes in a recording industry beset by piracy, computer CD "burners" and fans who download from the Internet rather than buy from stores.

As 2002's countdown to Christmas begins, the family-held chain of 113 stores in 21 states — known for steep prices, deep selection and superstar band appearances — is in the hands of a corporate restructuring.

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Burton, a corporate turnaround specialist hired Sept. 18. Alongside Tower's mix of Eminem and Pavarotti, Burton is handling "big things for the holidays, unique toys and collectibles, pop culture and offshore things." She's pushing gift cards and E—gift cards, while moving in DIVX videos, small electronics and more video games, which are seeing double—digit sales growth again this year. A similar 1980s Burton strategy — adding major brand beauty products to Supercuts stores — turned around its wide selection. "It seems to me," says Lee Laiulenheryer, 43, of Atlanta, an ex—radio DJ who spends $2,000 a year on music and liberally

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such as Kazaa.

Today, music fans like Eric Chu, 17, are increasingly turned off by CD prices. Though record industry officials call CDs a bargain compared to other entertainment options, Chu browses at Tower for hip hop, rap and rock music, then downloads at home. "I would like to support the music industry," says the San Francisco high school senior. "But I'm young and I don't have much money."

Investment analysts consider comments like that when they look at Tower's restructuring strategy and competitive struggle and view retail stores as hard—run losers in the paradigm shift to cyberspace.

Indeed, New York—based Nielsen SoundScan, which tracks music shipments, reports the recording industry shipped 22.3 million fewer CDs, cassette tapes and albums in 2001 than 2000. The Recording Industry Association of America reports CD shipments fell 7 percent in the first half of 2002, after falling 5 percent last year.

Meanwhile, RIAA cites estimates that music fans illegally downloaded more than 2.6 billion music files a month on the Internet.

"The terrestrial retailers of music have seen their best days," says Phil Leigh, digital music analyst with Raymond James Associates in St. Petersburg, Fla. "What Napster did during its season in the sun was demonstrate beyond the shadow of a doubt that the consumer is ready for music to be distributed over the Internet."

Bernstein's McGranahan agrees. Tower has done a "decent job" digging out of its problems, he says, but "regardless of what works, it's not going to be selling packaged material in stores."

But RIAA chairwoman Hilary Rosen says, "I'm not that pessimistic. I think that shopping is a social experience and learning about new music is a social experience, and you don't get that on Kazaa. "I believe retailers have to re-energize music stores as social destinations," she says, and Tower "set the bar for the in—store experience" where people wander aisles "checking stuff out."

Buton, agreeing that a big shift to digital distribution is under way, notes that Tower's Internet site now offers paid downloads from the Universal Music Group catalogue. But she says people will always enjoy the ambiance of big music stores and seeing bands perform.
What is it about Christmas that lends it so easily to tacky commercialism? Winter holidays like Kwanzaa or Hanukkah have a more subdued aesthetic involving candles and their holders, while spinning under the moonlight in winter solstice celebration looks pretty cool too.

But Christmas, or at least its commercial version, is bright, shiny and synthetic. Even the consumables like fruitcake and eggy beverages are of questionable taste.

This week Mustang Daily explored two Christmas traditions: Catalog gifts and eggnog.
Gifts to show that you care and might be a little disturbed

By Rebecca Howes

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The garnish could not hide the fact that the vodka had a similar effect on the eggnog as vinegar does on milk – slight curdling. While the curdling didn’t have the same rotten flavor, it definitely didn’t sit well in the stomach. Bottom line: We do not recommend the eggnog margarita for holiday enjoyment.

EGGNOG Pina Colada: This beverage pairs the tropical tastes of coconut rum with the nutmeg of our eggnog. Surprisingly, the combination isn’t as heinous as it sounds. The nutmeg brings out a different taste in the coconut, and the drink is palatable. Due to the thickness often found in coconut rum, such as Pcco Bay or Malibu, the alcohol has little effect on the consistency of the drink and it remains smooth and creamy. Don’t let the idea of tropical eggnog throw you – it is an exotic taste that isn’t an assault on the senses like one might expect.

EGGNOG Wine Cooler: We paired the eggnog with a white and red wine just for kicks, to choose the better of the two. For the white, we picked a fruit-driven chardonnay, and for the red we stuck with a velvety Merlot. The consensus - don’t try this at home. Although the white wine was better than the red (can we say creamy, pink and slightly reminiscent of the pink goop that attacked the city in Ghostbusters II?), this wasn’t and would never be my blend of choice.

EGGNOG AND JAQUES: Although this drink has potential, the taste of Jaegermeister reminds me of my 21st birthday – enough said.

After our trials and tribulations in eggnog land, we decided to enjoy a foamy cup of traditional eggnog and spiced rum. Unfortunately, the disastrous mixtures we consumed previously served to create unrest in our stomachs. We were not able to finish our last cup of holiday fun. Instead, we opted for toast and water. At the end of the night, wrapped in the delightful fog of our eggnog cocktails and warm blankets, we popped in “Miracle on 34th Street” and dozed off with visions of sugarpalums – and hangovers – in our head.

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Keeping it simple

» Low-key approach has kept this sophomore high up in the standings at almost every tournament this year

By Diana Krutop

Cal Poly Men’s Basketball

Revenge!

» Oregon State avenges last year’s stunning upset by wallowing Mustangs

There was no upsetting Oregon State in its own house.

Cal Poly lost on the road to the Beavers 81-60 on Monday. With the loss, the Mustangs are now 1-3 and will host Sacramento State on Saturday at 7 p.m. in Mott Gym.

Varnie Dennis scored 24 points, hitting four three-pointers in the loss to lead the team. Season Steve Gentry and Jason Allen were the only Mustangs in double figures, with 12 and 11 points respectively. Cal Poly hit 10 of 27 three-pointers in the game (37.0%) but could only manage 32.3 percent from the field.

Oregon State shot 55.2 percent from the floor.

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