Big Win At Big West: 
Womens tennis wins first 
Big West Championship.

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Addition to the war in Iraq casualty 
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Student takes role in FFA

Agriculture business freshman Erica Flores, who will take the position of secretary for California State Future Farmers of America, plays with calves in the dairy unit.

By Samantha Weeks

A Cal Poly alum, soldier killed in Iraq ambush

By Susan Malanche

Speaker to address U.S./Iran relationship

By Emily Frydendal

Rec Center celebrates a decade of use, exercise

By Ryan McAdams
**Students say cheese: PolyCards updated**

By Jenny Hubbard

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Concerns over having social security numbers prominently displayed have prompted a redesign of Cal Poly identification cards. For these reasons, Cal Poly administration would like every student to have a new identification card.

"To enhance student security, social security numbers aren't printed on the new cards," said Paul Schneider, PolyCard system administrator.

Students who have cards issued before fall 2002 are being asked to turn in their old cards. To receive a new PolyCard, students, staff and faculty must present their old card for a one-to-one exchange.

PolyCard holders can take a new picture or keep their old one. A new PolyCard photo is only required if the photo cannot be converted to the new design or if there are significant changes in appearance.

Existing PolyCard holders are not required to get a new card. Representatives from the PolyCard office would like everyone to obtain a new card during the campus re-carding campaign.

Doug Scheel, PC/LAN coordinator for Cal Poly, said the new cards are more durable and more aesthetically pleasing.

"Various campus organizations agreed that the new card better represents the beauty of Cal Poly," he said.

In addition to having an aerial view of campus on them, the new cards can still be used for Campus Express accounts, door access, Cal Poly Rec Center access, PolyCard printing and SLO Transit access.

As a new service, the PolyCard can be used to validate students, staff and faculty as "current members" of the campus community. When boarding buses, PolyCard users can swipe their card, where encrypted data will be used to maintain a "Valid ID Rider List" that is updated nightly.

Because the new cards do not have barcodes, barcode scanners at the library have been replaced with PolyCard readers. This new method will be compatible with old and new PolyCard designs.

Students, faculty and staff can get their new PolyCard at re-carding stations in the library. The stations are located between the reserve room and the Poly Connect Lab, in front of the PolyCard add-value machine.

The stations will be open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. until the end of the quarter. Seventy-five percent of the Cal Poly community, about 14,000 students, faculty and staff, have not obtained a new card.

"The re-card project is considered a priority," Scheel said. "We want everyone to be safe."
**National/International News**

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**National Briefs**

President promotes Iraqi democracy in the heart of Michigan's Arab community

DEARBORN, Mich. — President Bush told Arab-Americans Monday that he is confident democracy can flourish in Iraq and said people who were skeptical about the war were wrong.

"There were some in our country who doubted the Iraqi people wanted freedom or they just couldn't imagine they would be welcoming a liberating force. They were mistaken," Bush said. "We know why. The desire for freedom is not the property of one culture, it is the universal hope of human beings in every culture."

Bush pledged to let the people of Iraq chart their own course on the shape of a new government, but also promised "Iraq will be democratic."

"You are living proof the Iraqi people love freedom and living proof the Iraqi people can flourish in democracy," he told hundreds of people, mostly Arab-Americans, who interrupted his speech often to applaud and shout support.

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"A lot of Iraqis feared the dictator the tyrant would never go away. You're right, he's gone," Bush said.

**Study: Fasting has same effect as cutting calories**

WASHINGTON — A colony of cancer-resistant mice has been developed by researchers at Wake Forest University.

The scientists, who hope the mice will help improve the understanding of cancer in humans, reported their findings in Tuesday's online edition of Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences.

The cause of health improvements from cutting back on diet isn't fully understood, though many researchers have assumed that a long-term reduction in calories was involved.

Researchers develop colony of cancer-resistant mice

WASHINGTON — A colony of cancer-resistant mice has been developed by researchers at Wake Forest University.

The team led by Dr. Zheng Cui was searching cancer in mice by injecting a virulent form of the disease into test animals. One male mouse did not develop the disease, despite repeated exposure, they reported.

When that mouse was bred with other mice, about half the offspring inherited the cancer resistance, indicating a genetic basis for the trait, the team said.

They found that transplanting cancer into these mice provided a massive attack by white blood cells. Some of the mice never developed any cancer while others started to develop it and then destroyed it.

There are now about 700 mice in the colony.

"Our team hopes that by studying these mice they can learn more about why cancer seems to unexpectedly regress in some people and why some people don't develop cancer despite prolonged exposure to carcinogens. This is at a preliminary stage but very promising," Dr. Mark Willingham, a collaborator on the paper, said in a statement. "Our hope is that, some day, this will have an impact on human cancer."

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**International Briefs**

Rumsfeld says U.S. military presence to be reduced in Persian Gulf region

Doha, Qatar — The United States plans to reduce its military presence in the Persian Gulf region now that Saddam Hussein is gone, Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld said Monday.

Also, Gen. Tommy Franks, commander of U.S. forces in the region, has decided to move an American air operations center from Saudi Arabia to neighboring Qatar, officials said.

Saudi officials have been edgy about having U.S. troops on their soil since the 1991 Persian Gulf War, to the point of seeking to avoid news reports that the United States commanded the air war over Iraq from the center at the Saudis' Prince Sultan air base.

Rumsfeld is touring the region this week to talk over prospects with American allies before making final decisions. He met Monday with Qatar's ruler, Sheikh Hamad bin Khalifa Al Thani, who allowed the U.S. headquarters for the war to be built near here.

"Iraq was a threat in the region, and because that threat will be gone, we also will be able to rearrange our forces," Rumsfeld said after meeting with Thani and Australian Defense Minister Robert Hill.

The presence of thousands of American soldiers in Saudi Arabia, the land of Islam's two holiest shrines, has enraged some militant Muslims. It is among the reasons given by Osama bin Laden, a Saudi-born fugitive who heads the al-Qaida terror network, for his hatred of the United States.

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**WHO: SARS contained in Vietnam, has peaked in other countries, but spreading in China**

BANGKOK, Thailand — The World Health Organization said Monday the worst of the SARS outbreak appears to be over in Singapore, Hong Kong and Canada, while Vietnam has become the first country to contain the highly infectious respiratory disease.

SARS is spreading in China even as the government takes increasingly aggressive steps to halt the disease, said David Heymann, the chief of communicable diseases for WHO.

Heymann, who is in Bangkok to attend an emergency summit on SARS of Southeast Asian leaders Tuesday, said the situation is worse than in China.

Leaders of Arafat's Fatah movement decide to endorse Abbas' new Cabinet

RAMALLAH, West Bank — Fatah's Abbas' Fatah movement on Monday supported the Cabinet proposed by incoming Palestinian Prime Minister Mahmoud Abbas, boosting the chances of winning the parliamentary approval required for release of a new peace plan.

If the Cabinet is approved Tuesday, the Palestinians will have cleared the last hurdle blocking the unlocking of the internationally sponsored plan.

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One person’s trash is another’s treasure

By Graham Womack

**TREASURE HUNT**

The couple sells trinkets at their spot next to the drive-in’s snack bar. They also breed chihuahuas to sell at flea markets.

Hinojos and Trout say they like the camaraderie that has developed among the few vendors who work near them; many fellow swap meet entrepreneurs have purchased chihuahuas of their own. Other people working at the meet are retirees or weekend hobbyists. When he’s not working in his other job as a full-time private security guard, Val-McCluff can be found under the movie screen, selling self-refreshed CB radios. He admits many of his radios aren’t running very well; the price he charges is low.

McCluff attests to a lifelong love of ham radios. He’s had his own hobby of getting people to sell to him. On Saturday, McCluff offered CB radios at his swap meet.

Meet openly will air at the event.

**SLO STORIES**

Gay rapper looks to keep it real despite negative stereotypes

By Mark F. Bonner

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**RAPPING TO A DIFFERENT BEAT**

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By Mark F. Bonner

(AU-RIE) BATON ROUGE, La. — Caushun looks like a thug. He’s got the jewels on. He’s got the corn-rowed hair. He’s got the Brooklyn, and through his open sexuality he wants to “keep it real” in the most honest way.

Gay rapper Caushun makes his living selling junk or refurbished goods, but many aren’t typical entrepreneurs; the weekly Sunday market isn’t a typical corporate institution.

Many people affiliated with the meet don’t get a lot of sleep. It has operated rain-or-shine, 6 to 10 a.m., since the early 1970s at the Sunset Drive-In on Elks Lane.

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Local artist taking full advantage of his ‘liberty’

Controversial painting by Cal Poly alumnus sparks conversation, opens people’s minds

By Devin Kingdon

The Statue of Liberty is being raped on top of a World Trade Center tower. Donald Rumsfeld has a phallus-shaped rocket positioned near his crotch. President George W. Bush is wearing an American flag tie inserted in the rapist’s rear end.

All these graphic scenes are part of a nine-panelled painting currently displayed at San Luis Obispo Artists’ Gallery.

The painting, entitled “Patriotism and the Rape of Liberty,” had been displayed at Linnea’s Café since early April and was recently moved to the San Luis Artists’ Gallery location at 570 Higuera St. The work has been both highly praised and criticized by students and members of the community.

“I think it’s a pretty clever piece,” said drama sophomore Michele Cannon, a Linnea’s regular. “It has a lot to say politically, but artistically as well. Everyone who comes in here can’t miss it. It sparks conversation.”

Conversation was the goal of showing the piece, said Linnea’s manager Marianne Orme.

“We had no idea what to expect when the painting was hung,” Orme said. “We knew it had a pretty high profile, the controversies started. Although he has not seen the art in person, Robert Yates, president of the Cal Poly College Republicans, said he does not support the artwork on a general basis.

“June 26th was a pretty anti-war sentiment here in the U.S. is damaging to the morale of the troops abroad,” Yates said. “However, since it’s on private property and the clientele is okay with it, then there isn’t much anyone can do.”

The artist behind the work is Steven deLuque, a 1975 Cal Poly alumnus. Suprisingly, the artwork is not “anti-war,” according to deLuque.

“I started the painting about a year ago and it took about seven to eight months to finish,” deLuque said. “It’s about the actions of the Bush administration after Sept. 11 and fallacious statements they were making about why they were starting to restrict our rights as citizens. It being displayed right now is timely, however.”

DeLuque, who said he took “every possible art class” while at Cal Poly, was hoping for even more of a reaction than what the painting has received so far.

“Since it’s on private property, we’re not going to take it down,” Orme said. “Once the painting is done, we’re not going to change or alter it.”

The painting is for sale, with a price tag of $18,000.

“Is $18,000 a lot to ask?” deLuque said. “I hope it will end up in a museum, but probably (will end up) in my garage. It’s way too big for my living room.”

For the most part, it has been a pretty positive reaction,” deLuque said. “There has been a call for a protest of the café in the New Times, but I personally thought it would have been bigger. I hoped to get people talking, but I’m happy that I was even able to express my opinion through my work. It’s about the effect this will have on children? At the very least it is irresponsible.”

One entry in the Linnea’s guestbook read “Thank you for putting colors and form to things and thoughts many have become afraid to think and speak.” Another patron wrote "Have you thought about the effect this will have on children? At the very least it is irresponsible.”

Art imitating life? A mural by local artist and Cal Poly graduate Steven deLuque has created quite a stir around town. Titled ‘Patriotism and the Rape of Liberty,’ the painting has garnered both praise and criticism, although deLuque hoped that it would cause a stronger reaction.

DeLuque said the work is not ‘anti-war’ as many think.

Lawsuits were filed against Napster, and the company was trying to make agreements. BMI music tried to correlate in downloading with Napster, so that every time a person would log on to the site, a fee would be charged. The plan never went through, and the steller idea fizzle.

This week history is repeating itself. With yet another lawsuit against Napster.

Two record companies, Universal Music and EMI, filed a lawsuit on Monday against Napster Inc., with major cases of copyright violations.

As the obvious statement about pirating wasn’t enough, the suit seeks $150,000 per violation. Making matters worse, this lawsuit intends to prevent other companies from creating a file-swapping service ever since Napster. Could there be a more ridiculous idea? A good majority of students have probably heard of Limewire, WinMX, BearShare, Aimster and the ever famous Kazaa. These five companies have spawned ever since the decline of Napster. It’s been said before and it will be said again.

There is no escape from Internet piracy. However, there are ways to incorporate piracy, without depleting the usage of MP3s. Apple Computers, which is the creator of the iPod, have incorporated a way to download music, and pay a fee with the iPod. This idea also correlates with Apple’s iTunes, so people can get all the latest and greatest songs. Apple’s plan, unlike past ideas with Napster and BMI, incorporates all digital music, and could prove to be a successful plan. Best of all, Apple’s plan pays royalties to the record companies, proving to be a win-win situation for music downloaders (with enough money to pay for services) and record companies.

The issues of downloading music with Napster are all in the past. While some people see digital music as an opportunity for profit and corresponding with downloaders and record companies, others, like Universal and EMI, need to stop complaining about digital music. It’s about time both record companies and digital music stop complaining about each other, and find a common ground. If Apple’s digital music plan works, then the dispute between record companies and the people who download music won’t have to worry about who is getting the short end of the stick.
I told you so: Picking apart the liberal arguments

Opinion

I have spent the last few months "snooping" around and reading conservative books and articles. While many of them lack credibility, there are a few that actually make sense. I will briefly analyze four arguments against the war in Iraq, and why those arguments are wrong.

Conservative argument: The United States has no right to go to war without the approval of the United Nations. This is a dangerous and weak position. While the UN can play a role in maintaining peace, it cannot prevent all conflicts. The United States has a responsibility to defend itself and promote stability.

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Conservative argument: The war was a mistake. While there may be room for debate on the tactics used, the goal of removing Saddam Hussein was justified.

Letters to the editor

Editor

I have been writing to this paper for years, hoping to bring a fresh perspective to the discussion. While many of my arguments have been ignored, I will continue to speak my mind.

Conservative argument: The United States has a duty to prevent all wars. The United States has a role to play in preventing wars, but it cannot be the only actor.

Conservative argument: The United States is not a superpower. The United States is a superpower, and it has a responsibility to lead the world.

Conservative argument: The United States is not the world's problem. The United States is not the world's problem, but it has a role to play in addressing global issues.

Conservative argument: The United States is not a police force. The United States is not a police force, but it has a role to play in maintaining international order.

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U.S. to propose partnership to develop hydrogen energy

By Joseph Coleman  
Associated Press Writers

PARIS — The world's top economies should pool resources to develop hydrogen energy technology, limiting dependence on fossil fuels, the U.S. Secretary of energy said Monday.

Spencer Abraham proposed an international partnership for hydrogen energy at the International Energy Agency, which began a meeting in Paris on Monday.

"By working together — we can dramatically speed the day when everyone can buy a competitively priced hydrogen-powered vehicle," Abraham told reporters.

Abraham said countries could cooperate to develop technology, set safety and other standards, find ways of producing and storing hydrogen and otherwise prepare for a future "hydrogen economy."

The United States plans to spend about $1.7 billion over the next five years on hydrogen development, and Abraham said the European Union has committed up to $2 billion for research into hydrogen and other renewable energy sources.

He said the aim was to put competitively priced hydrogen on the market by 2020.

Hydrogen fuel-cell automobiles run on electricity from a chemical reaction between oxygen and hydrogen and only emit clean water from the tailpipe rather than polluting exhaust.

The meeting also will focus on security of the world energy supply, access to energy sources.

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Middle East Speakers Series

Dr. James Goode,  
Professor of History at Grand Valley State;  
author of "US and Iran: In the Shadow Of Misadventure"

The two were captured at a Maryland rest stop Oct. 24, and Malvo arrived in Fairfax County the next day. During the questioning that day, Malvo recounted two deadly attacks, including the Oct. 14 shooting of FBI analyst Linda Franklin outside a Home Depot store in front of her husband, Fairfax County homicide detective Jane Boyle said.

"I asked where he shot her. He laughed and pointed at his head," Boyle testified.

Malvo also "was laughing about" the fatal shooting of a man mowing grass in Maryland, Boyle said. "After he shot the man the lawn mower just kept going down the street," she recalled him saying.

James L. "Sunny" Buchanan, 39, of Arlington, Va., was slain Oct. 3 as he mowed grass outside an auto dealer- ship in Rockville, Md.

According to Boyle, Malvo also chortled about a shot at a boy that missed its mark. She said Malvo claimed the shot was so close "it might have even парed his hair.

Prosecutors would only say that Malvo admitted shooting occurred in Maryland. The only known miss occurred Oct. 2, when the window of a Michael McCrae victim was shot out in an Aspen Hill, Md., shopping mall.

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"The US and Iran:  
What Have We Learned in Fifty Years?"

By Louis Meisler  
Associated Press Writer

BAIIJ, Iraq — A metal drum found in northern Iraq that initially tested positive for nerve and blister agents might instead contain rocket fuel, according to new tests, a U.S. chemical weapons expert said Monday.

More tests were planned in the coming days on the 55-gallon drum, said Lt. Col. Valentin Novikov, the chief chemical weapons officer of the 4th Infantry Division, the unit which found the site.

Novikov's comments raised the prospect that the discovery was the latest in a series of false alarms as U.S. troops try to root out remaining of Saddam Hussein's suspected programs for biological, chemical and nuclear weapons.

The suspicious barrel was among 14 barrels found in an open field near the Tigris River town of Baiji, among mounds of earth that hid missiles and missile parts. U.S. troops performed an initial test and found indications the barrel may contain the nerve agent cyclosarin and a blister agent that could be a precursor of mustard gas.

By design, initial test procedures favor positive readings, erring on the side of caution to protect soldiers.

"Many teams of experts were brought in this weekend for additional testing," said Boyle, the detective.

One team conducted three tests, but the tests "were not totally conclusive," Novikov said.

The second team, a special Mobile Exploitation Team, "suspects that it might be rocket fuel," Novikov said.

That team is expected to return to the site in the coming days for further testing.

"There is a chance that it could be chemical weapons, but we don't know for sure," Novikov said, speaking outside of the 4th Infantry head- quarters, a former palace in Saddam's hometown of Tikrit, near Baiji. Also found at the site were two unmarked vats that soldiers first suspected to be mobile chemical labora- tories. Inside the vats were three cylinders for mixing liquids and a dosage chart in English and Russian.

Green camouflage netting was draped across the front of one of the vats.

Novikov, however, said the vats "could be a rocket fuel mixing station.

Near the site was a low, brown sandstone building that had 150 gas tales. Inside the vans were three masks that are of a higher quality that those usually used by Iraqi soldiers.

The initial tests on the barrel were conducted late Friday by Lt. Valerie Phipps and Pfc. Jeremy McCullough, chemical weapons experts with the 1st Squadron of the 10th Cavalry Regiment.

All three of their tests pointed to nerve or blister agents. Afterward, Phipps and McCullough left the area and burned their chemical warfare suits for fear that they were contaminated.
Cal Poly Women's Tennis

Unprecedented triumph

> Mustangs advance to NCAA Tourney after snaring first Big West title

By Michael Marquez

Coming into the 2003 Big West Conference women's tennis championship match on Saturday at the Blackhawk Country Club, the top-seeded Mustangs wanted to do something that had never been done in school history: bring home a Big West Conference title.

The Mustangs accomplished this feat as they defeated the defending women's champion Long Beach State 4-1 for the title and a berth into the NCAA Championships.

With the win the Mustangs moved to 20-6 on the season, while the 49ers finished their regular season 14-9.

Head coach Hugh Bream said the team's performance was some of the best tennis he has seen from his team all season.

"The win marks a historic accomplishment for Mustang tennis and a step in the right direction for the women's program," Bream said. "I'm proud of the tenacious performance from the team over the weekend, they showed true toughness and flexibility."

The weekend began with a 4-0 victory over the ninth-seeded Utah State Aggies. The Mustangs were forced to play the match on indoor courts due to rain.

"We've not played on indoor courts all season, and with Danielle (Husted) sick with the flu, we were uncertain how the team would handle," freshman Samantha Waller said. "Fortunately, the team came ready to compete and we pulled out the win."

The next challenge came when the Mustangs faced the UC Santa Barbara Grizzlies in the championship match at the Blackhawk Country Club.

Cal Poly freshman sensation Samantha Waller helped key the Mustangs' first Big West Championship Sunday with a 6-2, 6-4, 6-4 win against Long Beach State's Laura Thomas. The Mustangs won the match 4-1 to advance to the NCAA Tournament.

Barbara Guachos in an epic semifinal match. The Mustangs pulled out a 4-3 win in the close-fought battle. Freshman Sheila Lewis clinched the match with a 6-4, 6-4 win against Jenny Koble.

"We knew that the Guachos were playing some great tennis lately, but we stayed composed throughout the match and won the big points," Lewis said. "Clinching the final match was a great feeling. My opponent couldn't handle the pressure and broke down when it came down to the final set."

Cal Poly Men's Tennis

Mustangs fall in semis to No. 1 Pacific

BY KAREN TAKEMOTO

DANVILLE — The Pacific Tigers men's tennis team claimed the first spot in the championship match at the Big West Tennis Championships as the top-seeded Tigers defeated No. 4 Cal Poly 3-0 in the first semifinals match on Saturday at the Blackhawk Country Club in Danville. With the win, Pacific moved to 17-6 on the season, while the Mustangs ended their regular season at 14-2.

The Tigers opened play by taking the top two doubles spots as Pacific's Artaa Sagirdsson and Lensert Maack defeated Cal Poly's Brett Van Linge and Davey Jones 6-4, 6-1. Good team, hand-losses

The Mustangs had advanced to the semifinals with Thursday's win against No. 5 Idaho.

Cal Poly made it a clean sweep for the team seeds in the first round of the tournament with a 4-2 win over the Vandals (6-10).

The Mustangs dropped the No. 1 and No. 2 positions, but took No. 3 through No. 6 to claim victory. The pivotal match-up came at the No. 3 position. With the Mustangs leading in the match 3-1, Davey Jones pulled out a second set tie-breaker with Chris Fuldman to win in straight sets 6-3, 7-6 (7).

Cal Poly's Brett Van Linge easily defeated Fabian Dammett 6-1, 6-0, and teammate Travis Crawford and Scott San Leoh 8-4. Leading 1-0 in the match, Pacific swept the bottom four singles matches to claim the overall match 5-0.

The consolation bracket for the championship was cancelled due to Friday's rainstorm.

Cal Poly's Nick Tracy, a senior civil engineering major, fell to Pacific's Bert Maack in the singles final.

Cal Poly's trek to the Big West Championships Saturday in Danville. The Mustangs' 5-0 loss to the top-seeded Tigers concluded their season with a final record of 14-12. Cal Poly advanced to the second round of the tournament defeating Idaho 4-2.

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