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Grads can't find high-tech jobs

By Steve Giegerich
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NEW BRUNSWICK, N.J. — Eager to ride the high-tech ride, Andrew Zhou double-majored in computer science and finance when he arrived at Rutgers University in 2000.

As graduation approaches, Zhou is pinning his hopes on finance and dropping the idea he once had that computer know-how guaranteed him a job.

"Four years ago, it seemed like an awesome major," Zhou said. "I was eager to work with a recruiter for a financial management firm at Rutgers' annual career day.

"Now, nobody wants to get in because all the tech is going to India."

While there are hopeful signs outside the technology sector, outsourcing of computer programming and customer service jobs to China, India and other countries with cheaper labor costs has dimmed prospects for seniors like Zhou, said Richard White, director of career services at Rutgers.

A recent report from Forrester Research projected that as many as 3.1 million American white-collar tech jobs will go to overseas workers by 2015.

"Jobs that used to be available for U.S. citizens are being directed overseas where the quality is equal or better at a fraction of the cost," White said.

The fallout from outsourcing and stagnant U.S. technology market means that seniors at San Jose State University — in the heart of Silicon Valley — face yet another "very tight" job market, said career center director Cheryl Allmenn-Vinnedge.

"The entry level positions just aren't out there now," agreed Halbert Wilson.

A January graduate with a degree in information technology from the New Jersey Institute of Technology, Wilson is counting on contacts made during an internship with a pharmaceutical company to help him get a job.

Experts say the best sectors for seniors to find employment are in finance, health care, advertising and government. And a jump in the number of campus recruiters visiting some campuses is giving students reason for hope.

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By Meghan Reesler
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A fatal traffic accident claimed the lives of two teenagers in Arroyo Grande on Saturday afternoon.

Evon Goodwin, a 19-year-old earth science sophomore at Cal Poly, was traveling eastbound on Loper Drive with Justin Helman, 18, also a Sabino WRX eer. Goodwin's roommates said Helman lost control of the vehicle when he attempted to pass another car by crossing the divider, then hit yellow lines on a blind curve, according to a California Highway Patrol report. The vehicle went off an embankment and was submerged in Arroyo Grande Creek.

Goodwin was pronounced dead at the scene. Helman was taken to Sierra Vista Hospital and was pronounced dead at 10:50 p.m. Saturday, according to the CHP report.

A few Central Coast residents driving by at the time of the accident stopped to help the men, according to reports.

Juan Barretta and Jason McChin slid down the embankment and jumped into the water. McClain broke the window with his fist and cut Goodwin and Helman's seatbelts with a knife. Barretta and McClain stayed with the men while waiting for rescue workers to arrive, according to the CHP report.

CHP investigators will continue investigating the accident but have determined that the driver's "high rate of speed," according to the CHP report.

Goodwin's roommates were alerted that something was wrong when police knocked on the door of their Los Osos home Saturday evening.

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The best value was based on its survey rankings and five other criteria including tuition. Cooper Union scored one point higher than Cal Poly, partially because it does not charge tuition. Cal Poly received the highest scores given for survey ranking, selectivity, resources, and quality of its dean, faculty and students.

Architecture department director Allan Cooper said the rankings will not make a great impact on Cal Poly because DesignIntelligence is a trade journal that the mass public does not read, but it could make a difference for graduate seeking work.

"(The rankings) validate what had already been known on the West Coast, which is that our graduates are employable," Cooper said. "It will obviously help our graduates, if they need the help in the first place.

Benedict echoed this sentiment, adding, "It obviously makes our graduates feel better and adds pride that the program that they came from."

Benedict said the rankings do not greatly influence future employers because most firms weigh portfolio material more heavily than the program from which the employee graduated.

Other programs in the CAEAd feel the ripple of effects from various rankings of the architecture department. Architectural engineering department head Abe Lynn said the major influence felt in the department is enrollment.

"It draws more students to architecture, and we teach support courses that a lot of architecture students take," Lynn said. "This not only increases enrollment but also the quality of architecture students in our classes."

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Basil, Blake and Tawresey all referred to Goodwin as extremely happy and always having a smile on his face.

"He was a super happy guy," Basil said. "He was kind of like a shining star that was never sad. He always had a smile on his face and was always positive. He had something that most people don't have — a really secure self. He really wanted to receive and live it to the fullest."

"He told me once that if he died tomorrow, it would be fine because he did everything he wanted — he never had any regrets," Basil said.

"We had an amazing output," Tawresey said. "A lot of people came over to the house yesterday — it's amazing how many lives he was involved with, how many lives he touched."

Goodwin's roommates have taken certain steps to cope with the loss of their friend.

"The first night we found out we were gone, we all slept in it — I'm not sure why, it was just something we felt we should do," Blake said. "But actually nice — he had the nicest room for sure."

A former roommate of Goodwin was alerted to his death on the accident as well.

"(Evan's) roommates called my roommate and I, and we went over there," Brandon Roberts, an economics major, said. "We were all shocked — it was surreal to us. It still is."

Goodwin's father, Hughes Goodwin, is spending some time in Los Osos with his son's roommates.

"(Hughes) told me that he talked to Evan the day before he died, and Evan told him that I was his best friend," Basil said. "When he told me that, it was a powerful thing."

Services for Goodwin will be held on Saturday in Santa Rosa.

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wilderness setting," Conner said. "This course could possible give people skills to save a life. When you are out there (the wilderness), you are it. This level of training gives someone the chance of surviving."

The emphasis of the course is on decision making and principles of treatment, not on memorization of facts and vocabulary. The course focuses on wound management and infection, resuscitation of fractures and dislocations, and improvised splinting techniques.

"They even teach you how to secure a femur," said Jeff Moore, a civil engineering sophomore and Poly Escapers volunteer trip leader. "They put you in real world situations."

Three weeks after Moore took the course last spring he had to use the skills he acquired while leading a rock-climbing trip in Santa Barbara.

"A girl fell and broke her ankle while climbing," Moore said. "She had an open fracture, and we had to secure her leg and pack her out on our backs."

Moore said one is considered to be in the "backcountry" if it takes you more than one hour to get back to civilization.

"You never know what's going to happen when you're in the backcountry," Moore said. "I'd suggest this course to anyone who goes out where it would take an ambulance more than an hour to reach you. If you're in the backcountry, it's a must have."

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National Roundup

WASHINGTON — The government will order airlines to provide background information on passengers for a new security system that aims to keep dangerous people off planes, Homeland Security UnderSecretary Asa Hutchinson said Monday.

The Computer-Assisted Passenger Prescreening System, or CAPPS II, would screen all passengers by checking that information against commercial and government databases. Each passenger would be given one of three color-coded ratings.

Suspected terrorists and violent criminals would be designated "red" and forbidden to fly. Passengers who raise questions would be classified "yellow" and would receive extra security screening. The vast majority would be "green" and simply go through routine screening.

The program has been criticized by privacy advocates who say it intrudes on civil liberties and that people may be wrongly labeled security threats.

CHEYENNE, Wyo. — The owner of a resort between Yellowstone and Grand Teton national parks told a federal judge Monday that he stood to lose nearly $2.7 million by the end of the decade if snowmobiles are banned from the parks.

U.S. District Judge James实质在人e In Canyon, Wyo., remanded a Clinton administration order that snowmobiles be banned from the parks, with visitor access allowed aboard multipassenger snow-coaches. Snowmobile riders are being slowly reduced this winter before the ban goes into effect next winter.

PORTLAND, Ore. — Twenty cows at an Oregon dairy farm have been killed after authorities traced one of them to the same Canadian herd as the mad-cow afflicted animal found on a Mabton, Wash., farm.

The remains of all 20 will now be tested for the disease, said Ron Dellaven, chief veterinary officer for the U.S. Department of Agriculture. DelHaven told reporters during a briefing on Monday that authorities could not rule out that the 19 other cows killed also came from the Canadian herd.

SALT LAKE CITY — A member of Utah's polygamous Kingston clan was sentenced Monday to a year in jail and three years of probation for incest with his then-15-year-old cousin, who is also his half-sister.

Jeremy Ortell Kingston, 24 when he took LuAnn Kingston as his common-law wife in 1990, pleaded guilty late last month to two counts of incest.

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--- Associated Press

World Roundup

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Insurgents fired a rocket at the headquarters of the U.S.-led coalition Monday night after gunmen killed seven Iraqi policemen in a pair of attacks west of Baghdad. A senior Iraqi official named Al Qadisiya for most of the suicide bombings around the country in recent weeks.

In the north, military divers searched the murky waters of the Tigris River for three missing U.S. soldiers, including two pilots of an OH-58D Kiowa Warrior helicopter that crashed Sunday in Mosul during rescue operations after a patrol boat capsized.

It was the fourth U.S. helicopter lost in Iraq this month.

KABUL, Afghanistan — President Hamid Karzai signed Afghanistan's new constitution into law Monday, putting into force a charter meant to reunite his war-shattered nation and help defeat a virulent Taliban insurgency.

Karzai signed a decree formally declaring the 162-article document ratified earlier this month as the country's supreme law, driving airplane from dignitaries including former King M. Naimed Zahir Shah, Cabinet ministers, and foreign diplomats.

The step was just the latest under a U.N.-sponsored peace drive designed to rebuild the Afghan state since a U.S.-led invasion drove out the Taliban two years ago.

MOSCOW — Russian President Vladimir Putin and visiting Secretary of State Colin Powell saluted the strength of the U.S.-Russian relationship Monday while acknowledging differences that have cast a shadow over what both sides have called a partnership.

Receiving Powell in the Green Room of the Kremlin, where he often meets with foreign dignitaries, Putin congratulated the United States on its achievements in the Mars program and said the two countries could cooperate in the sphere.

He said Russia and the United States agree that the United Nations should become more involved in Iraq, and said Washington and Moscow have a "solid and strong" relationship in spite of what he called tactical differences.

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Campus Dining, a Winner in Recycling

By Tonya Strickland

"Running a company of any size is a demanding job and reducing waste in the workplace requires an additional commitment to excellence that really pays off for the environment," said Linda Mouton-Patterson, board chair of the California Integrated Waste Management Board, who announced Campus Dining as a WRAP award winner. An award recognizing their ongoing efforts to cut waste and conserve resources in the workplace.

Recycling cardboard began Campus Dining's waste reduction program several years ago and has since then carrie them into a program that has nearly every corner marked with a blue recycling bin.

Campus Dining purchases many recycled products that may go unrecognized by the average person. Items include: paper for computer print-outs, stationery, business cards and most promotional literature. They collect and recycle glass, metal cans and plastic water bottles. Produce scraps go to the student sustainable farm for composting and leftover or outdated products are donated to county food banks.

Campus Dining would like to thank everyone who contributes to their recycling program for authorizing their efforts to reduce, reuse, and recycle.

College Roundup

TUCSON, Ariz. — Even without a state financial aid program, students at the three Arizona public universities last year received $125 million more in financial aid than students received five years ago, according to the Arizona Board of Regents' student financial aid report.

The universities awarded $680 million in financial aid during the 2002-2003 school year, said Dan Anderson, the board's assistant executive director for institutional analysis, at a board of regents meeting at Arizona State University Friday.

This increase resulted from state policies that mandated the universities set aside more money for financial aid.

--- University Wire
LOS ANGELES (AP) — A federal judge has ruled that a portion of the USA Patriot Act which bars giving expert advice or assistance to groups designated as foreign terrorist organizations is unconstitutional and the government may not enforce it.

David Cole, an attorney and Georgetown University law professor who argued the case on behalf of the Humanitarian Law Project, said the ruling marks the first court decision to declare a part of the Patriot Act unconstitutional.

In a 66-page ruling handed down late Friday and made available Monday, U.S. District Judge Audrey Collins said the ban on providing "expert advice or assistance" is impermissibly vague in violation of the First and Fifth Amendments to the Constitution.

The U.S. Justice Department was reviewing the judge's ruling, spokesman Mark Corallo said in a statement from Washington, D.C.

Corallo called the Patriot Act "an essential tool in the war on terror" and asserted that the portion in issue in the ruling was only a modest amendment to a pre-existing anti-terrorism law.

"By targeting those who provide material support by providing expert advice or assistance, the law makes clear that Americans are threatened as much by the person who teaches a terrorist to build a bomb as the one who pushes the button," he said.

A civil rights attorney applauded the decision.

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Comedy Night provides some laughs, unique experience

The Graduate offers an alternative venue to listen to some comedy right here in quaint Chico.

Tiring of the jokes from his friend's band and the Graduate's offers, The Grad student offers an alternative venue to listen to some real comic professionals joke and have a good time.

Adding to its Country Night on Thursday and the infamous Wednesday College Hump Night, The Grad now hosts Comedy Night on Tuesday. Is there anything in the world more exciting than a comedy hour right here in quaint Chico County-

The intimate atmosphere of the Grad is a great place to laugh and the crowd is always ready to hear a joke.

That's offensive, right? In this film, the main character Tad decides that instead of trying to get girls he is going to try to get a job.

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IN REVIEW

Kate Bosworth plays a small town woman who falls for a Hollywood star in the romantic comedy "Win a Date With Tad Hamilton!

This film with lots of smiles and a few laughs is a bit different that Tail is such a nice guy. Sure, he hears a lot of the jokes that Tail is such a nice guy. But when he figures out that Tail is not going to be the best option, Tad takes a stand and defends her right to have breast surgery.

Overall, there may be other, cheaper alternatives to turn a Tuesday night into a funny night, but The Grad is doing a service to the people of Chico by offering good comedic entertainment for the entire family. The comedians are not as good as the people in the Comedy Central Stand Ups, but for the price of $8, they are definitely better than listening to your buddies tell stinky fart jokes on the couch in your living room.

Locating Laughs

Comedy Night provides some laughs, unique experience

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

By Laura Howard

DAILY TEXAN (UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS-AUSTIN)

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A different kind of groove

BY AMY KOCOT

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Leaving behind everything that is comfortable and familiar, we launch ourselves into the middle of Europe. Emotions and expectations have been building through our minds in the final hours press closer and closer until that moment in which we hear the hydraulic extend the wing flaps. The landing gear finally compresses the magnitude of living a year in Germany into our exhausted minds. We land with our feet running, scrambling across the countryside by train and bus, having the year’s become in massive huggins on our shoulders. Our sense of self, new sounds, lights and smells — searching for recognizable patterns, something to make sense of what we are stepping into. These first few weeks are intense.

For seven mechanical engineering students at one of Cal Poly partner schools, the Fachhochschule München (Munich University of Applied Sciences), through the Engineering exchange program without a doubt the greatest things have ever done. None of us had a language when we arrived, but of us who stayed for a year from a second language, a new and another point of view. After four months, we no longer felt like tourists. By six months, we were rewriting my brain. By 11: the realization of what I had planned gave me a whole new sense of self. In my abilities; I truly felt I was home in Munich. The difference between that first and the last mind-boggling, and every moment being one of the memory of people I met and the experiences I had.

Photos and text by Matt Carney
Mechanical Engineering senior
Designed by Brooke Finan
Boiled Sausage- Weisswurst is a Bavarian breakfast sausage that is traditionally eaten before noon with sweet mustard, a soft-pretzel (actually spelled Bretz'n) and of course a Weissbier. My first attempt at cooking the white sausage resulted in this explosion. Despite the appearance this is actually a perfect breakfast after a night of drinking.

Munich University- John Tameller, John Olson, Shane Forster and Carney sit on top of a stairwell at their school in Munich. The Munich University of Applied Sciences (Fachhochschule Muenchen) offers engineering classes in English and German along with the amazing opportunity to study abroad.

Berlin Wall- Jeff Hillyard and his girlfriend Roxanne walk along a remaining portion of the Berlin Wall. In the distance, the Fernsehenturm, which is located at Alexanderplatz, is visible. (Photo by John Olsen)

Anti-war banner- For months surrounding the U.S. occupation of Iraq there were daily demonstrations throughout Europe. This banner is below the Glockenspiel in Marienplatz, Munich and says "War is no remedy for Terror."

Munich landscape with Alps- The Alps make a pretty backdrop for Munich. This picture was taken from a student's dorm in Olympiapark. The church in the middle is Frauenkirche, the tallest and most famous building in Munich.

Glass on the grass- An empty mass of beer awaits Georg Fey on the sunny fields of Englischer Garten. When the sun comes out, this park—located in the middle of Munich, swells with Germans and tourists seeking fun, relaxation and a nice tan.

Eating weisswurst- Eating can become a terrifying experience when you do not understand the language or culture. Bree Marie incorrectly eats a weisswurst. Traditionally the sausage is removed from the water, sliced lengthwise and removed from the skin.

Winter Palace- Schlossnymphenburg sits in the cold of winter, just a few minutes from the city center of Munich. It acted as one of the houses of the King of Bavaria until World War I. Behind the palace is a giant garden that includes streams, statues and several lakes.

Friends at Oktoberfest- Bernd Euteneuer, Matt Carney and Sheena McNeil "prost" beers at Oktoberfest. Euteneuer is a German student who had studied the previous year at Cal Poly. McNeil was studying in London and traveled with several friends to Munich to experience Oktoberfest.

Oktoberfest tent- If you were at Oktoberfest, this is what you would see. It is a little like a county fair with carnival rides, booths full of food and candies and about two million people standing on benches drinking liter after liter of beer inside these massive tents.
Every issue deserves a vote

There are few things fouler than having the tongue of a smoker in your mouth. It's disgusting. The decision to buy condoms and use a cross country clock to bathe room floor and the smell senior citizens emit. I've bee unfortunatet recipient of said ronue during various room floor and the smell senior citizens emit. I've been presented so I can savor that sweet taste of cigarette smoke on campus. Really, I'm trying to avoid living in a dictatorship where I'm constantly told and what to do. This is my battle and here is my stand for something I actually hate.

Taking away the rights of smokers is an interesting thing on our campus. The administration has partitioned smokers to designated smoking areas, creating a division between those who smoke and those who don't. Frankly, I feel if administrators are going to go that far, they may as well have smoking and non-smoking water fountain. Also, the smokers should be physically labeled so that I can be far away from them in case they decide to rebel and start smoking against the man. An armband with a cigarette insignia on it should be sufficient.

The idea that the administration thinks it's a good idea to impose sanctions on the student body without a vote is preposterous and minions decrees issued by totalitarian governments. This has become not an issue of health but rather a fight against an authority figure overstepping its bounds and violating our rights.

The singing out of smokers is problematic solely in its application. Having an administration decide without a vote what rights its students are entitled to is a dangerous road to travel. The door has been opened for any sort of "health" danger to be quarantined without a vote. I'm asking the administration to respect us as the payers of tuition and what to help decide what rights and respect we deserve.

Barry Hayes is a political science senior and Mustang Daily columnist.
Prop 55 is a sound investment

At Cuesta College, a portion of the $12 million they will receive will be put toward updating science labs on campus that are more than 30 years old, Cuesta president Marie Rosenweig said.

Allan Hancock is planning to construct a facility for the health occupations program on the Santa Maria campus, as opposed to its current location on the Santa Maria campus. Not only will this help accommodate students in the health programs, but also relieve overcrowding in the administration of justice and fire technology programs on the South Campus. Hancock President Alan Forshay said.

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Can't believe Kerry stands a chance

Forget the Man that actually works or the former knighted that will be bestowed on Kerry. They are just making fun of the man who made me choke on my coffee last weekend was that John Kerry wins against George W. Bush.

Not that there would be a bad bet, but with conservative pundits shutting down the opposition as already bested, it does not look good for Kerry.

But there seems to be at least a chance. According to a Newsweek poll, Kerry would win the presidential election if the election were to be held today.

For Newsweek, 49 percent voting for Kerry and 49 percent for Bush.

The most interesting numbers are that 52 percent of voters don't want to see Bush re-elected, while 44 percent do. This is backed by another poll done by Newsweek. 44 percent of questioned potential voters expressed disassociation with the president, while 52 said he is doing a good job. This is the lowest approval rating Bush has received since taking office. Bearing in mind that this poll was conducted on Friday and Saturday, just days after last Tuesday's State of the Union speech — arguably Bush's most important speech of the year — it doesn't look good for our current commander in chief.

When considering the nature of the State of the Union speech, the deep gloom and doom ratings does not surprise me too much. On Wednesday, I spoke to somebody who lives in a rural area in Kentucky and she said the speech made her feel like she needed to take a look around, she said, "All is not well in the union right now.

So Kerry's family and a lot of her relatives live on social benefits, she has a point and knows what she is talking about. Even if the economy is coming out of recession, the negative earnings does not surprise doing better. Rather, corporations are making more money while cutting down expenses that are often saved in previous downturns in the economy, which benefit the wealthy.

If all of us worked three jobs and still barely get by because the pay was so bad, the economy would still flourish. But that does not mean "the world is changing for the better" like Bush said last Tuesday. What it means is that the wealthy are making more profits while more and more people fall into poverty.

Kerry seems to be doing very well lately because he is the most eloquent of the democratic candidates who promises to change such trends. In his recent campaign speeches, he often suggested changing tax code guidelines. These guidelines have swelled from four pages to 200 pages and are now full of tax loopholes for the wealthy.

Natural this will gain the support of those that could possibly not vote for him if he still had his approach quite well, but still has to learn to simplify. In the past 95 percent of the population, the remaining 95 percent will probably benefit from the 5 percent who do not make sense- ness of the advertisements.

For the rest of the population that makes enough to get by, the lies embedded in Bush's 2003 State of the Union might be enough ammunition to knock him out this November.

The shocking news revealed by recently retired weapons inspector David Kay speaking to Reuters was that there are no weapons of mass destruction in Iraq and haven't been since the late 90s. Bush said in last year's State of the Union speech that the country was pursuing a "biological weapons sufficient to produce over 25,000 tons of mustard gas" — enough doses to kill several million people, one of those with no mention of the programs that have proven to be untrue and will play a large part in the upcoming election.

Sad for Kerry supporters, though, polls done before the California primary showed that Kerry's numbers have been a large part in the upcoming election.

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Advertising is an affront to U.S. consumers

Advertising in this country is officially out of control.

Because I love automobile drivers. I am easily distracted by them and men, are they fun to look at. However, it's finally good to be hyper aware of our country.

Now, I'm doing this for the good of everyone, so I'm afraid we may have to give up a few things we love. I know how America loves a good commercial. These were in fact less than a week after and I'm sure the Panthenon's foreign. So the only reason we would be watching is to see what crazy stuff Budweiser has come up with, and please, let Cedric the Entertainer be involved.

But as much as I love Cedric, we have officially lost our minds when it comes to advertising, and I think, despite however much I may get for this, men may be impossible.

I find it very difficult to believe that women are sitting these new commercials for that "something more demanding" thing. And those comedies, despite how funny they are, have to go to.

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Budget analysts see deep 10-year deficits of $2.4 trillion

WASHINGTON (AP) — The government’s budget outlook deteriorated further on Monday as the Congressional Budget Office projected nearly $2.4 trillion in deficits over the next decade, providing new fuel for an election-year battle over soaring federal shortfalls.

Along with the forecast, almost $1 trillion worse than estimated in August, Congress’ bipartisan fiscal watchdog said this year’s deficit would hit $477 billion. That would be a record in dollar terms.

Although the report envisioned red ink ebbing to $362 billion next year and receding thereafter, it stirred up Democrats, who blame President Bush for squandering the unprecedented surpluses of just three years ago, and conservative Republicans, who say he has let the budget spin out of control.

“He’s been completely irresponsible,” presidential hopeful Sen. John Edwards, D-S.C., said in New Hampshire, underscoring Democrats’ hopes that the issue is catching on. “We can’t afford four more years of the right-wing Republican administration,” candidate Howard Dean said. “Republicans don’t balance budgets. Democrats do.”

“These budget deficits are as far as the eye can see; we are the predictable result of a president and Congress spending taxpayer dollars with reckless abandon,” said Brian Riedl, who studies the budget for the conservative Heritage Foundation.

The highest deficit ever was last year’s $373 billion. The report’s numbers do not extend far enough to catch the burst of the retirement of the baby boom generation, which will force huge costs on Social Security, Medicare and other income-support programs.

“Even if economic growth turns out to be greater than projected, however, significant long-term strains on the budget will start to intensify within the next decade” from the mass retirements, the report said.

Conservatives said Monday his proposals for corrective action were too timid.

Rep. Mike Pence, R-Ind., said he and other conservatives were working on a budget that would balance in five years and be even more stringent on spending, perhaps cutting programs that Congress controls.

“I think Congress can do better, and I think we should make it our purpose to present a budget fiscal vision than the administration will put forward,” he said.

Pence and others conceded that while they probably don’t have the votes to push their plan through the GOP-run House, they hoped to influence the budget it produces.

Highlighting Bush’s problems on Capitol Hill, the conservative chairman of the House and Senate budget committees — Rep. Jim Nussle, R-Iowa, and Sen. Don Nickles, R-Okla. — issued cautious statements stressing the need to control spending and red ink.
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Vic Moreno scored an escape and then a take down to put his match against Tanner Gardner away.

**Mustangs lose to Stanford for second consecutive conference loss**

By Randy Block

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WINTER

Cal Poly's wrestling team fell to 4-6 overall and 2-2 in the Pac-10 after Friday night's 20-12 loss to Stanford at Mott Gym.

The team started by winning four of the first five matches but was unable to hold on to the lead as they lost their final five, due in part to injuries to three of the Mustangs' starters. Darrell Vasquez (133 pounds), Matt Cox (149) and Brody Barrios (165) are all currently sitting out. This was the second consecutive Pac-10 loss for Cal Poly.

Ryan Halsey, ranked first in the Pac-10, had a decisive win to start off the dual meet with a 7-3 victory over Stanford's John Garfinkel in the 184-pound match. A takedown and two-point near fall both helped Halsey cap off the victory, which makes his record 11-2. Halsey said, "I had an all-right match," Halsey said, "I could have done better, but I did pretty well." Ralph Garcia continued the winning streak for the Mustangs with a 7-2 win over Stanford's Ian Firth that included two two-point take downs. The two have met before in the Fullerton Open where Garcia also won 6-2.

Stanford's first win came in the 285-pound match from Shawn Ritzenthaler over Dan Howe, 9-8. Ritzenthaler scored a near fall which propelled him to victory.

The Mustangs went on to win the next two matches, with wins from both Vic Moreno, ranked fifth in the Pac-10, and Tony Franco. After scoring a quick escape and take down in the third period, Moreno easily put the 125-pound match away. Moreno moved to 11-3 overall with the win.

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**Niakan kicks off pro career with Coyotes**

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF REPORT

For Navid Niakan, the fourth time was a charm.

The former Cal Poly football place kicker has signed a one-year contract with the Central Valley Coyotes of the Arena Football 2 League. The Coyotes will play their home games in Fresno during their first year of existence, starting in late March or early April.

Niakan, from Alamo, Oakland, had tryouts with the San Francisco 49ers in April of last year, San Jose Sabercats in October and Philadelphia Soul earlier this month before landing a spot on the Coyotes' roster following try outs Friday at Reedley College.

Training camp starts in the first week of March and the Coyotes, coached by former Saint Mary's quarterback Cee Moore, will play a 16-game schedule.

Other teams in A2's Western Division are the San Diego Riptide, Bakersfield Blitz and Hawaiian Islanders. All is in the minor league for the Arena Football League.

Niakan, a 1998 San Ramon Valley High School graduate, transferred to Cal Poly from Oregon after the 2000 season and, in his two-year Mustang career, made 60 of 65 PAT kicks and 25 of 47 field goals, including a long of 47 yards.

Niakan is third on Cal Poly's list for career kicking points scored (139), second in field goals made for a career (25) and in a season (13), sixth in single-season PAT kicks made (31) and seventh in career PAT kicks made (60).

While he did not walk away with a win, Roberts started close to Stanford's Luis Vendrell, losing 7-3 in the match.

Stanford then scored two major wins from Matt Cennty, ranked third in the nation, and Brian Perry to pull off the victory. These wins put Stanford ahead 17-12 with one match left, which was a defeat from the Fullerton Open where Garcia also won 6-2.

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