Bill may stop teens from fake tanning

SACRAMENTO (AP) — Teenagers who flock to tanning salons before prom or bathing suit season may have to get golden the old-fashioned way if a California assemblyman has his way.

Marty maker Joe Nation has introduced a bill that would prevent anyone under 18 from using a tanning machine with ultraviolet rays unless they have a doctor's prescription. Nation said the bill would protect teenagers from skin damage caused by the sun's rays and burning.

"We set limits for what kids can be exposed to," Nation said. "We don't let kids smoke until they're 18. We don't even let kids get body piercings until they're 18. And yet, we have a law that allows a 14-year-old kid to go to a tanning salon and be exposed to what the federal government has concluded can be a carcinogen."

Poly Student Organic Farm about 40 female students working on the Organic Farm on Sunday had successfully turned their insides from smelly manure to be revealed again in three to five weeks.

Of the 16 to 20 people spending their Saturday morning at the Cal Poly Student Organic Farm about six are wearing flower-brimmed hats. They are all smiles. A slight breeze energizes the air. They wait to check the evolution of an organic experiment that began last November.

A look through the farm fence reveals unusual work in progress. It appears chaotic and untamed. The rest apparently needed more time to prove the point. From an Austrian philosopher named Rudolf Steiner, it is called biodynamic farming.

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A few of the horns dug up at the farm on Sunday had successfully turned their insides from smelly manure to scentless organic matter. The rest apparently needed more time to prove the point. From an Austrian philosopher named Rudolf Steiner, it is called biodynamic farming.

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On Friday, an arrest warrant was served for the suspect who was identified by his license plate number. "Hey, have you ever seen one of these?" nation said.

PolyView Fall 2003 released that incoming freshman pulled an average 3.73 GPA and 1195 SAT score.

Water polo takes national title

Women earn second collegiate club championship

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Tides

High 4.0 ft at 10:55 a.m.
Low 1.4 ft at 5:37 p.m.

Sunrise 6:08 A.M.
Sunset 7:31 P.M.

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Zombie video game turns political

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OVER the weekend, students working at the Organic Farm on campus unveiled a project they have worked on since November.
Tanning
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three years ago. While getting
dressed for a race, he spotted a new
mole on his left leg. The mole
curred to be cancerous
and had to be surgically
removed. Tanning salons, which constitute
a $2 billion a year business, aren't
thilled with the legislation, which
they say will deter a significant share
of their business.

Paul DeRiso, owner of Novato
Tanning, estimates that about a
quarter of his 5,000 clients are
teenagers. DeRiso offers high school students a 40 percent discount on
the monthly $56 fee because "I feel
they don't have the money," he said.

March, April and May —
the months preceding prom at high
schools — are his busiest months, he
said. Under the new legislation, tanning
salons who allow teenagers under 18
to use their facilities would face a
daily fine of $2,500 per violation.

Existing law requires tanning
salons to get parental consent from teenagers who use their services.

Anyone under 14 is supposed to be
accompanied by a parent or
guardian. But few tanning salons ask
clients for identification.

And among sun-worshipping
Californians, the quest for the
perfect tan may lead some teenagers to
lie about their age or ignore the risks.

"I went to the tanning beds every
other day when I was in high school," said Jennifer Lawson, 20, of
Novato, who said salons never asked her for identification.

"In Marin, you have a lot of
wannabe beauty queens," Lawson
said. "They have the money to do it,
why not?"

At Pacific Tan in Corte Madera,
Barbara Loy said teenage "tanorexi-
cr" — or tanning zealots — will find
other, perhaps more dangerous ways
to tan. "Kids always do what they're told
to do, so why not?"

Nation introduced the bill as the
request of the California Society of
Dermatologist and Dermatologic
Surgery. The Assembly Committee
on Appropriations approved the
measure on a 7-3 vote earlier this
month, and it is scheduled for a
hearing before the Assembly
Judiciary Committee on May 5.

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a result of execution of biodynamics.

Biodynamic practices are
employed worldwide. According to the
Biodynamic Farming and
Gardening Association in New
Zealand's Web site, "The rhythmic
influences of the sun, moon, planets
and stars are recognized and worked
with where possible." The same site
explains, "Biodynamic methods work toward the development of the
farm or garden as a balanced sustain-
able unit.
Sustainable Agriculture Resource
Consortium coordinator Hunter
Francis helps plan workshops like
this one that explore alternative
approaches to organic farming.
Francis said that this phase of the BiO
project is normally done around
the equinox, and that the resulting
prep should be applied around sun-
set. He said that the manure had
been preserved due to unplanned
watering.

This is one of many experimental
alternative agricultural techniques
tested at the farm. All methods abide
by standards ensuring adherence to
organic practice to maintain the
farm's organic certification.

On Sunday, none of the partici-
pants seemed to consider this pro-
ject a failure even though they dug
up only a small portion of the 40
previously buried horns. They pro-
ceeded to participate in a demon-
strational processing of a handful of
the horn's contents and talked aloud
about forming a weekly biodynamic study

group.

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listed as the largest on campus with
4,552 undergraduate students. The
next largest is the College of
Agriculture, with 3,638 students,
and then the College of Liberal
Arts, with 2,992.

There is also information regard-
ing where students lived before
coming to Cal Poly.

Undergraduates hail from every
county in California, 47 other states
and U.S. territories and 45 foreign
countries. Although this appears to be a
creation of geographic diversity, 94 percent of
undergraduates are from California. Of the students from California,
24 percent are from the San
Francisco area, 16 percent from
the Los Angeles area and 13 percent
from the Central Valley area.

"I had no idea before I looked at
PolyView that we had students from
45 different foreign coun-
ties," said Bridget Roberts, politi-
cal science senior. "We still don't
have the geographic variety that we
need though because of the huge
number of students from California."

Each year, Institutional Planning
and Analysis collects data from
offices such as admissions, records,
financial aid and housing. With this
information, they're able to compile
PolyView.

"PolyView can be used for lot of
different reasons," Nielsen said. "It
could be sent to people who are
unfamiliar with the campus and are
interested in learning more."

Often times, the data that is
collected will be sent to committees
and groups on campus and then
in their decision making process,
Nielsen said. "Our campus is unique because a
lot of other campuses just report the
data and are done with it," she
said. "Cal Poly is unique for all different
types of things."

For more information on
Institutional Planning and Analysis,
PolyView Fall 2003 or previous
PolyViews, go to
www.ipa.calpoly.edu.
FOLSOM — California grid operators asked for Californians to conserve energy Monday after a Southern California transmission path reached its peak capacity.

The California Independent System Operator issued a transmission emergency, but officials said they didn’t expect to have to order rolling blackouts.

ISO officials did ask some large electricity users to curtail their electricity use voluntarily. Those customers pay less for electricity in return for reducing their electricity when demand is high.

The ISO owns much of California’s power grid. On Monday, the grid reached its highest demand for power so far this year, moving an estimated 40,451 megawatts of electricity. One megawatt is enough electricity to operate about 750 homes.

TEMECULA — One of three blazes burning on the first day of Southern California’s wildfire season destroyed a house and a university building Monday, and hundreds of people were urged to evacuate.

Three fires separated by dozens of miles broke out in 100-degree heat, burning a total of more than 2,000 acres.

One fire, in rolling hills south of Temecula in Riverside County, destroyed a home and a research facility, both of which were used by researchers at the University of California, Riverside.

Resident of about 100 homes were advised to evacuate, said Capt. Rick Vogt of the state Department of Forestry.

POMONA — Dozens of parole or probation violators were arrested Monday in a sweep prompted by the slaying of a California Highway Patrol officer.

The “Tower of Terror” ride is still one of the most popular attractions at the Disney-MGM park in Florida, 10 years after it opened there.

NEW YORK — A former top aide to Osama bin Laden was sentenced Monday to 32 years behind bars for stabbing a prison guard in the eye with a sharpened comb.

Mamdouh Mahmud Salim, 46, buried his face in his hands and put his head down as the guard, Louis Pepe, waved a black comb and told of the attack in 3900 that left him brain-damaged and barely able to see.

Salim still faces trial and a possible life sentence on conspiracy charges in the 1998 bombings of two U.S. embassies in Africa. The attacks killed 224 people, including 12 Americans.

WASHINGTON — Piracy of American movies, music and computer programs remains a problem worldwide with some of the worst offenses occurring in Ukraine, China, Russia and Brazil, the Bush administration said Monday.

The administration named 52 trading partners to various violation lists as part of an annual report to Congress on the piracy and counterfeiting of American products.

“Americans are the world’s leading innovators and our ideas and intellectual property are a key ingredient to our competitiveness and prosperity,” U.S. Trade Representative Robert Zoellick said in a statement.

NEW YORK — U.S. construction spending jumped to its highest level ever in March, but manufacturing growth slowed in April, weighed down by higher costs for materials, according to figures released Monday.

The Commerce Department said construction activity jumped 1.3 percent in March from February to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of $944.1 billion, the highest level on record.

In a separate report, the Institute for Supply Management said its manufacturing index slipped to 62.4 in April from 62.5 in March. Analysts had forecast a reading of 62.7.

The institute said higher prices for certain commodities, such as aluminum and steel, were causing difficulties for manufacturers.

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In a movie about disappearing fecal matter, Jack Black and Ben Stiller try to bring comic hilarity to "Envy." Tim Dingman (Stiller) and Nick Vanderpark (Black) are best friends whose families do everything together. That is until the Vanderparks hit it big with the new invention Vapoorize, a spray that makes animal feces disappear. Dingman's family had a chance to go in half with the Vanderparks, but they passed up the opportunity because Dingman thought that the crazy idea would never work. When the Vanderparks get rich quick and build a mansion across the street, the envy begins.

Although the movie has some funny moments, it seems that Stiller and Black's performances have the same style of acting as all of their other movies. They could have added disappearing poop to Vanderpark. Weisz, who was recently in "Runaway Jury," plays Debbie Dingman, the wife who believes disappearing animal droppings is a great idea and is annoyed with her husband for not adding their savings into the project. Poehler, who is best known for her many roles on "Saturday Night Live," plays Natalie Vanderpark, who decides to give back to her community by running for state senate. She decides that her main platform will be the environment but is met by much resistance when her opposition shouts, "Where does the sh— go?"

The plot gets taken for a wild ride when Dingman gets drunk and accidentally shoots the Vanderparks' beautiful white horse. Corky, with a bow and arrow. The beloved horse dies from the small arrow, and Dingman is left to find a way to hide the evidence.

Christopher Walken comes into the picture as the J-Man, a weird bum who helps Dingman hide the dead horse. It seems as if Walken, who is a great actor and comedic personality, is going to save the movie through his performance. His long and drawn-out speeches are normally funny, but here seem rather dull and of no consequence. It is as if he also uses his former character of the crazy film director in "America's Sweethearts" to play this talkative bum.

The film turns when the Vanderparks decide the Dingmans should have been their partners all along, and soon the Dingmans are living it up in luxury as well. Dingman's guilt about the death of the horse and his chronic envy bother Dingman so much that he finally tells Vanderpark what happened. However, to find out what happens in the end and to find the answer to the question, "Where does the sh— go?" you'll have to watch the movie.
Music Review

Modest Mouse finds middle with 'Good News'

Aaron Granat
SAuger World (University of Wisconsin)

MADISON, Wis. — In 1997, the music gods delivered Radiohead's "OK Computer," which has since become the modern standard for rock albums.

That same year, Modest Mouse, an up-and-coming indie rock band from Issaquah, Wash., released a little album called "Lonesome Crowded West." The album showed the band's potential to flourish with an intelligent, creative sound but was also rough around the edges and lacked melodic hooks.

However, the band's impressive guitar weaving and insightful vocal styling provided Modest Mouse with a major record label for its next release.

Three years later, in the year that also saw Radiohead's remodeled style in "Kid A," Modest Mouse released "Moon and Antarctica," which stood atop the Mount Olympus of album rock with "OK Computer."

"Moon and Antarctica" gave fans a more laid back, refined version of Modest Mouse's sound. Singer, guitarist Isaac Brock maintained his raw energy but harnessed it in a more digestible form. His lyrics focused on the eternal themes of mortality, the cosmos and identity without sounding contrived.

This fresh, genuine lyrical perspective was enhanced by the intricate and polished production of Brian Deck. The album sports endless layers of raw and treated sounds that swirl together into an impressionist musical landscape. Add to the mix fluid, moody bass and playful, inventive drumming and the result is an album of near perfection.

While Thom Yorke doubted Radiohead could ever produce another album like "OK Computer," "Moon and Antarctica" set the bar at an intimidating height for any other Modest Mouse releases. With a masterstroke under their belts, the band would have to find a way to further develop its sound and present it in a cohesive package.

The years between 2000 and 2004 were tumultuous for Modest Mouse as the band went through a dramatic lineup adjustment. Yet even under enormous pressure and battling innumerable inner struggles, Modest Mouse still managed to release a credible follow up to "Moon and Antarctica."

"Good News for People Who Love Bad News" opens with a brooding, slyly horn intro by the Dirty Dozen Brass Band suggesting this album will defy conventional views of Modest Mouse's sound. The intro quickly transitions into "The World at Large," a song that finds Brock singing in a resigned tone that lingers throughout the album.

But even drenched with resignation, songs like "Float On" and "Digen the Grave" are playful and bright. "Float On" finds Brock singing in a comfortable balance between his scrapy and forceful yell of "Lonesome Crowded West" and his subdued, introspective drawl of "Moon and Antarctica."

And that's what the album is: A balance between the abrasive, relatively straightforward indie-rock of "Lonesome and the experimental dream of Moon. This is the result of a band that has already pushed its sound as far as it can go and reverted to a comfort zone. To be fair, even though Modest Mouse doesn't really push the boundaries on "Good News for People Who Love Bad News," the album does offer a new if not profound version of the band's sound.

The guitar play is inventive and angular, the drums are crisp and energetic, the bass is as fluid as ever and the keyboards are subtle but add texture to thicken the sound. The band also used the Dirty Dozen Brass Band, violins, organs, piano and other instruments to provide sonic diversity.

Even with all of its good qualities, "Good News for People Who Love Bad News" can't compare with the profound, cohesive statement of "Moon and Antarctica." Maybe the tone of resignation that waives through the new release is a subtle recognition that the band simply can't push its sound any further.

It's nothing to be too upset about. "Good News for People Who Love Bad News" is still a good listen. It's only within the context of Modest Mouse's trilogy of superb releases that makes this album a disappointment.

--Aaron Granat

Video tour looks to raise global, political awareness

Justin Popov
MUSTANG DAILY

San Luis Obispo got a lesson in alternative media Sunday night as the "Guerilla Media in Action Tour" made a stop at the San Luis Obispo Library.

Two members of Eugene, Ore.'s Cascadia Media Collective showed a compilation of their videos. It consisted of street-level footage of various anti-globalization protests interwined with a tutorial on how to create independent media.

A small group, practically devoid of college students, gathered at the library to view the film.

"This was our experimental stop," Cascadia Media Collective member Oona Beall said. "I am not from the West Coast, so I had not even known what Cal Poly was. We stopped by on our way to Santa Barbara and put out some flyers; we did not expect much."

The video started with a creatively-edited version of the inauguration of President Bush and continued on to show protests ranging from a march against Columbus Day in Denver to the more recent World Trade Organization meeting in Cancun, Mexico, and the Free Trade Area of the Americas meeting in Miami.

The footage concentrated on confrontations between protesters and increasingly militaristic police forces. Unlike traditional corporate media, the video portrayed the protesters — particularly the anarchist "Black Bloc" — and other militants as the good guys, while the police were shown using excessive violence and force to put down the events.

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Many scenes showed protesters being subjected to tear gas, flash grenades, pepper spray, rubber and wooden bullets and police batons. One particularly entertaining scene showed activists dancing around a fire in the tear gas-filled streets of Quebec, knowing that they could not stop the FAA's "Summit of the Americas" meeting but still making the best of the situation.

Later a somber moment showed footage from Cancun of South Korean farmer Kyang Hai Lee, who committed suicide by stabbing himself in the heart in protest of the WTO's agricultural policies.

The video's chronological nature highlighted the continuing militarization of police forces securing these events, ending with the 5TA's meeting in Miami where there were armored vehicles cruising the streets and in many cases more police officers than protesters.

While admitting that their videos have a propaganda aspect, the presenters said the corporate media is not telling the whole story, and because of that independent media will serve a vital purpose in the future of social struggles.

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**Firearms belong in video games**

**Commentary**

I enjoy hunting zombies. Joyce knows no limits when my baseball bat makes contact with their decaying flesh. I’ll even down zombies fleeing my blast and beat them into living-dead oblivion. Essentially, whenever my therapist is on vacation, I turn to video games, melee weapons such as bats and lead pipes and melee weapons such as bats and lead pipes and... 

**Commentary**

My obsessive-compulsive nature in eliminating all threats undead has given me renowned prowess in the field of video games. At times I’ll be interrupted at a club by the call of a zombie with three heads underneath the Central Square shopping mall. With a quick shot of tequila I’ll my desperate friend their mistake. The folly of continually commit, and the one I never fail to avoid, is choice of weapons. Baseball bat and lead pipes are always more dangerous than handguns.

Here’s the reason. Firearms are lethal and varying amounts of recoil. Additionally, there are issues of ammunition supply and the time required to reload. Not to mention, you might accidentally shoot another player or even yourself when panicked. I learned that lesson the hard way when another player got in my line of sight, and I mistook them for a zombie with my shotgun. Essentially, what I’m implying is that defense is a surer bet with a baseball bat. 

There are few, if any, dangerous mistakes you can make with a long piece of wood, while a fired gun is fairly final in any mis-calculations.

This experience fighting zombies mentally prepared me to engage in gun-control debate. I was at this party this week—discussing gun ownership with a drunken friend. The point he confidently reiterated was defense of the home. Two man points were cited in the favor of guns, hunting and self-defense. I fundamentally and loudly disagree, attacking the latter first. The chances taken by having a firearm stored in the house and readily available to combatants, I cite Shelley Davall in Stanley Kubrick’s “The Shining.” She smacked Jack Nicholson a good

**Letters to the Editor**

**William Hung should continue bashing**

This letter is in response to the commentary by Janet Pak regarding Asian-American stereotypes (“William Hung’s success reinforces Asian Stereotypes April 29”). She’s right in pointing out the stereotypes by blowing things out of proportion by making comments about Hung’s clothes, dance, even his accent. It’s true that he may possess these qualities, but these are his individual characteristics, not Asian-American characteristics. Members of the media, such as Pak, should be held responsible for making Hung’s success possible and be held responsible for glorifying his atypical generalization of Asian-Americans. 

Additionally, I, like you, enjoy watching a good zombie kill on the game. Janet, you should brush your shoulders off for capitalizing on America’s obsession to his crumby makeup. Keep doing your thing Big Will — don’t stop bashing. 

**Cal Poly should strive for perfection**

I’ve been around for a little more than 21 years, and things still aren’t perfect. What can I say? I know things take time and it’s been two decades and people are still ignorant, stupid, evil, racist, sexist and poor. Society still oppresses, stifles and robs us. What’s going on? I’ve been patient, but there’s been barely a step in the right direction. Conversation is a waste and useless. I’m perfect, always been the way. 

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LA Zoo relies on contraceptives to slow animal boom

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Contraception has become crucial to keeping the Los Angeles Zoo population from exploding.

While they trump the birth of a baby elephant, panda or California condor, zoo officials battle against unwanted pregnancies in other species with birth control programs that in some cases are quite intricate. The efforts became necessary because of better nutrition and health care as well as naturalistic exhibits that allow species mingling.

"It's a huge part of our job now," said Cynthia Stringfield, the zoo's senior veterinarian.

In the past, spaying and castrating were the standard ways to keep animals from reproducing. But scientists have shifted their approach because such surgeries can permanently banish the animal from the breeding pool and cause undesirable physical and behavioral changes. Contraception, on the other hand, is a safe, painless and cost-effective option.

"You get to keep the animal and you get to keep their nature," Stringfield said. "It's kind of like computerized ovulation."

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Leah Morl  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

While Cal Poly students were speculating about the team's first national title, the women's water polo team spent Friday, Saturday and Sunday at the pool, playing for the program's second national title at the 2004 National Collegiate Club Championships, which was held at Cal Poly.

The team began the weekend by playing USC on Friday afternoon. The women considered the matchup their biggest game and defeated the Trojans 7-5.

"It was kind of our championship game," said civil engineering senior Laurel Cleland said. "(USC) was our closest game all season long and they are our biggest rivals. Here we were the only real team we didn't beat during the season." Kinology junior Emily Dodd agreed with Cleland, calling the USC match-up the "best game of our season."

"We came together as a team and played really well," Dodd said. "We played well on Saturday too, but in our games against USC and Dartmouth, we played really well. Things just clicked for us."

After defeating the Trojans, Cal Poly moved on to dominate New York University on Saturday morning. They won the game 11-3. With the win against NYU, the Mustangs took first place in their bracket.

The semifinals brought Cal Poly up against the University of Florida. Having played the Gators twice before in the semifinals and defeating the two teams during the season looking for an upset. The upset did not come this time as the Mustangs defeated the team 9-3 for the third consecutive year. Cal Poly played Dartmouth College on Sunday in the championship game. The Mustangs defeated the team 7-4, taking the national title.

"The Dartmouth game was a lot closer than we thought it would be," Cleland said. "For most of the game, either team could have won, but in the fourth quarter we pulled ahead and I think they pretty much gave up after we scored two points on them."

Four members of the team were named to the all-tournament team. Elisa Hooper and Clare McCollum were named to the first-team honors. Cleland and goalkeeper Mele Reck were named to the second team.

The season as a whole went well for the Mustangs, as they finished No. 3 in their league. After having five seniors graduate last year, the team brought in a large number of freshmen this season, making for a strong young team.

The team is comprised of an A team and B team for a total of 25 players. Fourteen of those played in the championships last weekend.

"One no thought we would win, and we got 19 freshmen," Cleland said. "They pulled it together, and by the end of the season all we had to do was play as a team."