Beautiful genes, comfortable jeans

Sara Wright

It's too late. There's no point in squeezing, stretching and wishing ... those jeans just won't fit.

But this isn't necessarily a bad thing. You're beautiful no matter what, and the Women's Programs and Services wants to prove it.

The "Be Comfortable In Your Genes" campaign is part of the National Eating Disorders Association (NEDA) signature series, the Great Jeans Giveaway events. The series of events aims to expose body image issues. For instance, many people, especially women, feel uncomfortable about their natural body size and feel good-looking only if they can fit into a pair of smaller jeans. This can lead to unhealthy diets, internalized disorders such as anorexia and bulimia, and damaged mindsets.

"While you can adopt a healthy lifestyle and aim to be fit for your particular body type, you cannot change your genes," the NEDA Web site states. "We want everyone to start feeling comfortable in their genes by wearing comfortable jeans."

To promote the concept of everyone feeling comfortable in their "genes" by wearing comfortable jeans and not constraining ones, Women's Programs will accept jeans that make their wearers feel badly about themselves. McKenzie Hall, a nutrition junior and a coordinator for Women's Programs, organized the event for the first time at Cal Poly after working with the event at College of the Canyons in Santa Clarita, from which she transferred.

"This is something that is done at a lot of schools," she said. "It's a really big deal, especially for women our age, and at Cal Poly, there really are not that many resources to help."

According to the National Institute of Mental Health, more than 90 percent of those who develop eating disorders are women, and the average age of onset of an eating disorder is 17 for anorexia, and 18 to 20 for bulimia.

Hall added that societal forces often negatively affect a woman's self-image.

"Many women feel a lot of pressure from society," she said. "By helping each other and making each other feel OK, it's like fighting back."
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fall.

Clinton won at least 15 of the 28 delegates at stake in West Virginia, with 13 more to be allocated.

Obama now has 1,875.3 delegates, to 1,712 for Clinton, out of 2,025 needed to clinch the nomination at the party convention in Denver this summer.

The delegate tally aside, the former first lady struggled to overcome an emerging Democratic consensus that Obama effectively wrapped up the nomination last week with a victory in the North Carolina primary and a narrow loss in Indiana.

He picked up four superdelegates during the day, including Roy Romer, former Democratic Party chairman.

"This race, I believe, is over," Romer told reporters on a conference call. He said only Clinton can decide when to withdraw, but he added: "There is a time we need to find and to direct ourselves to the general election. I think that time is now."

Clinton and Obama briefly shook hands on the Senate floor Tuesday after interrupting their campaigns for a few hours to vote on energy-related bills.

In the weeks since, close to 30 superdelegates have swung behind Obama, evidence that party officials are beginning to coalesce around the first-term Illinois senator who is seeking to become the first black to win a major party presidential nomination.

Three of his new supporters formerly backed Clinton, who surrendered her lead in superdelegates late last week for the first time since the campaign began.

In his appearance in Cape Girardeau, Mo., Obama sketched the case against McCain. "For two decades, he has supported policies that have shifted the burden onto working people. And his only answer to the problems created by George Bush's policies is to give them another four years to fail," he said.

The former first lady spent parts of several days campaigning in West Virginia in a search of victory.

She refrained from criticizing Obama directly, but had a cautionary word nonetheless for party leaders who seemed eager to put the fall campaign behind them. "I keep telling people, no Democrat has won the White House since 1916 without winning West Virginia," she said at Tudor's Biscuit World in the state's capital city.

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don't plan on endorsing a particular candidate yet.

"The club is split on who supports whom," said Erica Janotf, the president of the Tulane Student Body. "We're going to wait until the elections in November to start endorsing anyone."

After the recent primaries, Janotf said that the results in general are encouraging. "It's good to show that with the amount of people going out to primaries that we have many new votes," she said. "It's nice to see that there's so much talk about the elections going on."

Janotf went on to say that because there is so much coverage about the Democratic primaries, she believes the media coverage "will carry over to the elections."

FEEL THE HEAT WITH CAL POLY BASEBALL

California state senator faces June recall election

Don Thompson

ASSOCIATED PRESS

SACRAMENTO — A state senator who angered Democratic lawmakers during last year's lengthy budget impasse is facing a recall vote in the June 3 primary election — even though the major backer of the recall is trying to call it off.

Senate President Pro Tem Don Perata engineered the drive to unseat Central Valley Republican Jeff Denham. But less than a month before the election, Perata changed his mind.

Perata, a Democrat from Oakland, said the increasing nasty recall campaign was poisoning budget talks as the state faces a budget deficit for the coming year estimated at $15 billion to $20 billion.

The abrupt change came too late to stop the special election. Ballots already have been mailed, and both sides have been airing ads.

If a majority of 12th District voters turn against Denham, he will be replaced by the only candidate on the ballot, former Democratic Assemblyman Simon Salinas. That would bring the district, which includes all or parts of Merced, Monterey, San Benito and Stanislaus counties.

Monterey County Democratic Chairman Vinz Keller said volunteers are continuing to walk precincts and make hundreds of telephone calls each day to rally Democrats, some of whom are already voting absentee.

"There is a real resentment to representation: we have gotten from Jeff Denham. That hasn't changed because Senator Perata has pulled the plug," Keller said.

Keller and Perata say Denham was elected as a moderate but imperiled, and he refused to break with his more conservative colleagues during last summer's budget deadlock. Perata said a budget without tax increases this year would do even more damage.

"I'm proud of my vote. I stood strong to a lot of pressure," Denham said. "I think that's what I'm elected to do."

Denham said in an interview that he will continue to oppose tax increases. But he said he could be open to ending some tax loopholes such as the one that lets Californians avoid paying sales tax on yachts, private planes and recreational vehicles if they keep their new purchase out of state for three months.

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"If you were going to write anyone in for U.S. president, who would it be?"

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"Jack Bauer, so that stuff gets done faster."
— Michelle Shaffer, statistics sophomore

"Arnold Schwarzenegger, because he defeated the predator."
— Dustin Emery, city and regional planning senior

"Al Gore. He should’ve been president in 2000."
— Caelen Ball, architectural engineering freshman

"Jon Stewart, because he’s amazing."
— Eva Klentos, statistics sophomore
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Crystal skull stolen

CLAREMONT, Calif. (AP) - A large crystal skull similar to those at the center of the upcoming Harrison Ford movie was recently stolen from a New Age store, puzzling employees in part because of the laid-back nature of shop regulars.

"We have zero shoplifting in here, and I have no idea why anyone would take something as lovely as that," said Peris Newland, owner of Kindred Spirits in Claremont, about 30 miles east of downtown Los Angeles.

The skull, named Solar Ray by owner Don Marr, had been on loan at Kindred Spirits for about four months and went missing about two weeks ago. It sat on an altar in the store's classroom area and was considered one of the store's regulars.

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State

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...TWENTYNINE PALMS, Calif. (AP) — Hundreds of Marines were conducting a combat training mission in the Mojave Desert when an air patrol spotted something kicking up dust. A civilian pickup truck speeding across the barren landscape.

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ENNIS, Mont. (AP) — Firefighters in Brevard County were trying for the third day to contain fires that have scorched about 3,800 acres, or 6 square miles, in Palm Bay and neighboring Malabar.

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"We desperately need rain," said Palm Bay Fire Marshal Mike Couture. "We don't have any, and we're not projected to get any anytime soon."

International

NEW DELHI (AP) — A series of bombs exploded across the ancient city of Jaipur on Tuesday, killing at least 60 people and transforming busy markets, a jewelry bazaar and a Hindu temple into scenes of carnage.

All seven blasts were within the old walls of the western city, known for its pink-hued palaces, and suspicion quickly fell on Islamic militants.

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Troops hike to quake-buried Chinese villages

Audra Ang

Soldiers hiking over landslide-blocked road reached the epicenter of China's devastating earthquake Tuesday, pulling bodies and a few survivors from collapsed buildings. The death toll of more than 12,000 is certain to rise as the burial work continues.

Rescuers worked through a steady rain as they searched wrecked towns across hilly stretches of the Sichuan province. Triggers by Monday's magnitude-7.9 quake, China's deadliest in three decades. Tens of thousands of homes spent a second night outdoors, some sleeping under plastic sheeting, others boxed to a stadium in the city of Mianyang, on the edge of the disaster area.

Street lights were switched on in Mianyang on Tuesday night, but all the buildings were dark and deserted after the government ordered people out of them for fear of after shocks. Security guards were posted at apartment blocks to keep people out.

The industrial city of 700,000 people — home to the headquarters of China's nuclear weapons design industry — was turned into a thriving refugee camp, with residents sleeping outdoors.

"I'm cold. I don't dare to sleep, and I'm worried a building is going to fall down on me," said Tang Ling, a co-worker. "What's happened is so cruel, in one minute we lost so many people and it's too tragic."

"I saw rocks and earth rolling down the hill, and they destroyed whatever they hit below," said a farmer who only gave his surname, Cien, from the village of Leigu near Beichuan. "There's nothing I can do about this. It's all in the hands of the government."

In the provincial capital of Chengdu, FM-94.4 all-talk radio station operated around the clock, reading text messages sent by survivors of stricken areas to let relatives know they are alive.

The government's high-pitched response aimed to reassure Chinese while showing the world it was capable of handling the disaster and was ready for the Aug. 8-24 Olympics in Beijing. Although the government said it welcomed outside aid, official China's news agency said that the assistance would be confined to money and supplies, not to foreign personnel.

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More than 10,000 people from there and surrounding areas packed Mianyang's indoor gymnasium, with empty water bottles, boxes of instant noodles and cigarette cartons littering the ground.

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Rescuers carry a wounded woman out of the debris of a collapsed building after the earthquake.

Shia LaBeouf

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Not So Happy Simon

Carly Simon didn't find it easy reading "Girls Like Us," the nonfiction best-seller which interweaves her life story with those of fellow singer-songwriters Joni Mitchell and Carole King.

Simon was the only one of the three who agreed to speak to writer Sheila Weller, who relied heavily on interviews with friends and family to tell their life stories.

"I think Sheila did a terrific job," the singer said in a recent interview with The Associated Press. "Sheila wanted a detailed, true-to-life account of the years and it was embarrassing," Fallon joked at a news conference. However, he said, "my wife seemed to like it."

New Host For Late Night

Jimmy Fallon will succeed Conan O'Brien as the host of NBC's "Late Night," sometime in the middle of next year. NBC on Monday made official a plan that's been talked about since 2003, when a network executive first broached the idea of doing a talk show with the former "Saturday Night Live" star.

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Ludacris Mural

Ludacris returned to his alma mater, stepped into a gymnasium — and saw a mural that included his likeness.

"I've always wanted a street named after me, and it's better," the 33-year-old rapper said of the mural, which includes his face overlocking the words "Gym of Dreams."

He was welcomed back to Laneker High School in South Atlanta to participate in a crusade against violence.

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Has Jandek sold out?

Though once an enigma, Jandek has shed that image in favor of world tours and full-backing bands. Sell out? Perhaps.

Have you ever heard of Jandek? Perhaps you are acquainted with Corwood Industries, or maybe his first band The Units. If not, do not be alarmed. It's too late to be into Jandek and have that be a cool thing. Why? Because now everyone and their sister knows all about Mr. Jandek. Now that he goes on imperialistic world tours, answers fan mail with sincere replies and regularly plays with full-backing bands, the man behind the legend has stepped out from the listener-constructed image of a hidden recluse into the Modest Mouse or Cat Power-like star-dom that functions inversely proportionally to street credentials and artistic integrity. We are minutes from seeing this clown on TV. He's probably even on your Last.fm queue and getting ready to play the Pitchfork Music Festival this summer.

After I saw Jandek in Austin, I told my friend about it and she said, "Good, Jandek's turned into such a whore." She was not employing sarcasm or situational, verbal or dramatic irony — she didn't even roll her eyes. We can explore the following reasons to see clearly just why Jandek has indeed become a whore.

1. He has now played 34 live concerts.
2. His first concert took seven months of secret negotiations with Norwood Industries to confirm! He only catch was that they could not use his name in any publicity.
3. Loren Conners, Richard Youngs and Alan Licht have all been part of his live supergroups.
4. Jandek has been releasing albums since 1978.
5. One reporter has actually met him.

Now, now, I know what you're thinking. No one even knows his real name. This American hermetic recht cannot sell out. How can that phrase even be used in the same sentence as Jandek? It's like talking evolution to Jesus freaks — the two do not live in the same world. Jandek's music, in an essentialized manner, is a man singing while strumming on an untuned guitar. The truth of the matter is that he does tune his guitar. He tunes it to whatever he thinks sounds good.

And his lyrics are not improvised, but fully realized songs that evolve like a negative space in a photograph. His lyrics provide details that provoke the listener's imagination and foster questions left to the listener to answer.

Jandek's music places the listener in the center of his world; with a highly developed sense of morality, he makes us project as much onto his songs as we do his
While "four legs good, two legs bad" may be one of the most basic tenets of Animalism, theatergoers expecting to see actors crawling on all fours and moaning in full barnyard regalia may be sorely disappointed with the Cal Poly Theatre and Dance Department's adaptation of George Orwell's classic "Animal Farm."

However, according to director Josh Machamer, those seeking an evening of thought-provoking, audience-en¬
gaging live theater are in for an experience unlike any¬
thing the department has offered this season.

"Animal Farm," adapted for the stage by Ian Woolridge, is an allegorical tale of power, revolution and cor¬
ruption that uses animals to exhibit the best and worst aspects of human nature.

When the animals of Manor Farm grow weary of the abuse and exploitation they suffer at the hands of their drunken master Farmer Jones, they drive him away and build their own society based upon the principles of An¬
imalism, an ideology similar to Marxism, that teaches "all animals are equal!"

Unfortunately, as has been the case with all "utopian societies" throughout history, greed, power and corrup¬
tion eventually lead to the ideology's perversion until the new "Animal Farm" is virtually indistinguishable from its evil predecessor.

Commonly accepted as an allegory for the Russian Revolution and early 20th-century English labor battles, the true significance of "Animal Farm" lies beyond the allegorical retelling of these historical events.

According to Machamer, the story serves as a wake¬
up call for anyone willing to accept leadership without questioning the power structure itself.

"Life goes on as it has always gone on," he said, "and nobody stops to question the machine to keep it from turning back on itself."

"Animal Farm" questions that "corruption lynchnpin" prevalent in most governments and asks, "How do we main¬
tain control without succumbing to different lobbies?"

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identity. Musically, he is as devoted to the laws of physics as his lyrics are to the laws of morality. His songs embody a familiarity with entropy.

They seem to be falling apart in some cyclical order. In fact, few re¬
cordings have the ability to isolate the listener in such a manner. Even fewer songwriters know how to use detail and realism to give a sense of longing, loneliness and despair.

We relate to the man we construct in our heads. I see him sitting in a

room in the outskirts of Houston at three in the morning recording on a broken four-track I see a bottle of whiskey on the cot in the corner of the room and a lamp on the ground.

Each listener encounters a different

song and different songs. The re¬
cordings are dense enough to give each listener an intensely personal and unique connection with Jandek.

When I saw him in Austin, it was a near-religious experience. He per¬
formed in a church at sunset, as he stood with his back to his audience wearing all black and a white cow¬
boy hat. When I saw him, he only played harmonica, while his backing band had lap-steel guitar, banjo, viol¬
in, and drums. Noisy freakouts interrupted harmonious drones, and Jandek never tubed around. He never acknowledged the presence of an audi¬
ence. It's just too bad he's a sellout.

Brian Cassidy is an English senior and a music director for KCPH, San Luis Obispo, 91.3 FM. He's also completely full of it.
California and its love of tax cuts:

You can have too much of a good thing

Being from the Bay Area, I was saddened to hear that the city of Vallejo decided to declare bankruptcy in the face of ever-mounting expenses and withering revenues. However, as terrible as the Vallejo development was, it's a harbinger of more bad news to come for California, the current budget deficit of which has ballooned to more than $14 billion (some estimate it might be closer to $20 billion). In January, Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger declared a state of "fiscal emergency" and began cutting billions from key programs in public education and health care. However, these are only temporary solutions focused simply on the spending side of the deficit equation.

Since the early 1990s, California has just not received enough money to pay for basic services, from public health to education; therefore, the state continues to empty its coffers by giving unnecessary tax cuts to groups that don't need them. As a result of this reckless tax policy, California now faces a continuing revenue shortfall.

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"It happened in Fort Worth, Texas, when this bull whipped me off and threw me, with the back of his head crushing my face, sending me into the ICU for seven days," Verburg says.

"This isn't the end of the world, but it's a heartbreaking experience," he adds.

After the accident, Verburg had to undergo surgery to repair a broken cheekbone and lacerate his face, sending him into the hospital for seven days.

"I'm just happy to be alive," he says.

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Verburg will compete this week in four rodeos and providing funds for his family's dairy farm.

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Verburg will compete Thursday through Sunday in four rodeos throughout the Western states of California and Oregon, before eventually partaking in the College National Finals Rodeo in Casper, Wyo. from June 15 to 21.

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sealed, but Ruby said it is unclear whether Bonds will be expected to enter a plea then.

The Major League Baseball Players Association said last week it was investigating whether to file a collusion grievance against teams for not pursuing Bonds, who became a free agent when the Giants decided they didn't want him back after 15 seasons.

The 43-year-old outfielder, a seven-time NL MVP, says he wants to play this year. His agent claims no team has made an offer for the 14-time All-Star.

Bonds hit 28 homers last year to raise his total to 762, seventh more than Hank Aaron's previous record.

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Top, Cal Poly sophomore shortstop Kyle Smith tries to turn a double play against Pepperdine at Baggett Stadium on Tuesday night during the Mustang’s 8-5 loss. Right, Cal Poly junior catcher Justin Hensley tags out a runner at the plate. For a complete recap, go online to mustangdaily.net.

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The amount of pitchers used by Cal Poly on Tuesday — the second consecutive time they’ve used six — is 6-23-27, Cal Poly’s record with six games remaining: the Mustangs are 7-4-11 in the Big West Conference.

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