

GIVING PEACE another change

Rachel Gellman
SPECIAL TO THE MUSTANG DAILY

Cal Poly English professor Kevin Clark's first recollection of the peace symbol dates back to the days when he watched horrific, graphic scenes of the Vietnam War repeatedly headlining the evening news in the mid-1960s. Despite his conservative upbringing in the suburbs of New Jersey, the images deepened his already growing connection with the protesters who frequented the evening reports, holding the peace symbol to protest the war and promote a new social consciousness.

In 1968, Clark headed to the University of Florida just as protests were becoming a worldwide movement. By his sophomore year, like many youths of the era, he traded his crew cut for a mop top and instead of nodding his head in compliance, he gave the establishment and the draft the middle finger ... along with the index.

"The peace sign became associated not simply with protesting the war but a kind of consciousness in which you favored tenderness, love, obviously peace and pacifism over aggressiveness, militarism or violence," Clark said. "It suggested it's good to work together rather than work alone ... The peace sign was everywhere."

This year marks the 50th anniversary of the peace symbol, a logo as archetypal to protesters and proponents of peace as the cross is to Christians. Gerald Holtom designed the symbol in 1958 as the logo for the campaign for nuclear disarmament in Britain. In semaphore, a naval sign language that employs flags to represent letters, an "N" (nuclear) is two flags held out in an upside down "V" and a "D" (disarmament) is a flag held straight up in the air. The lines inside of the circle, which originally stood for "N" and "D," have, over time, become an international message of peace.

Later, an activist who said no to nukes in Britain brought the sign to the U.S. for use in the civil rights movement. It soon spread to anti-Vietnam War protests and then to many demonstrations throughout the world over the last five decades.

"(The peace sign) is a world symbol. It's not a U.S. symbol particularly," said Cal Poly modern U.S. history professor John Snetsinger. "I think it actually has always been a unifier of young people, worldwide, questioning governments and wars with the general protest of hoping for a new world."

The peace sign serves as a "historic link" between the political climates of the 1960s

and today Snetsinger said, adding, "there are similarities between (the Iraq War) and the Vietnam War." He said both wars had infinite timelines and were never declared by Congress. Americans use the peace symbol today to suggest alternative thinking to the aggressive militarism of the current administration, Snetsinger proposed.

Although linked with the 1960s, the peace sign no longer solely represents crestfallen youths. In fact, people of all ages have adapted the symbol. The name of the anti-Iraq War group CODEPINK, started by a group of disgruntled American women, is a play on the "Bush Administration's color-coded homeland security alerts — yellow, orange, red — that signal terrorist threats. While Bush's color-coded alerts are based on fear and are used to justify violence, the CODEPINK alert is a feisty call for women and men to "wage peace," the group wrote on its peace symbol-infiltrated Web site.

Along with anti-war groups, politicians opposed to the war use the peace symbol. President elect Barack Obama's campaign issued a T-shirt with the peace sign in place of the "O" in Obama in hopes of grabbing peace proponents like those in CODEPINK.

Though commonly an icon for activist groups, the peace sign now encompasses a larger population than just activists. While Clark perceives the peace symbol of the past as a representation of community and counterculture, today, peace seems to have expanded its underground roots into the mainstream. Sororities, carpool groups and multiple boutiques in downtown San Luis Obispo sport the peace sign, a symbol Holtom purposely did not copyright.

Nationally, the symbol has become posh as well. Barneys New York Inc.'s fall theme is "Peace and Love: Have a Hippie Holiday." Along with garishly expensive peace symbol jewelry and clothing, famous designers will make dresses honoring the 50th anniversary of the symbol for the New York store. Tiffany and Co. offers peace sign pendants in the multiple thousand-dollar range and Target has a more affordable peace line.

Alpha Chi Omega president Stephanie Hamilton said her sorority's fall T-shirt, "Peace, Love, AXO" was something "cute and different on campus" with no intention of political undertones. Julie Grimes, manager of Charmz Jewelry and Accessories in downtown San Luis Obispo, said she sells peace jewelry because the

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Sorority members compete for charity

Alex Kacik
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Proceeds from the 2nd annual Greek Goddess philanthropy event will benefit two local sexual assault resource centers. It's sponsored by the fraternity Delta Sigma Phi.

"We think we are doing more than what is expected of us," said Joe Ciesinski, DSP's engineered leadership chair. "Sororities are often more interested in (sexual assault prevention). We want to show that we aren't just guys that are out there to party or have fun; we want to raise money and do more than what we are typically stereotyped as."

Six sororities will each select one member to compete in three events at 8 p.m. tonight in the Chumash Auditorium. Lindsey Beaupre, a business senior and last year's Greek Goddess winner, described the event as "probably one of my favorite experiences in college."

"It was really positive for sorority relations and unity," she added. "In fact I was nervous that it may be catty or really competitive but I have good friends to this day from (the event)."

In the Fashion Scramble, DSP members will stand on stage wearing only boxers as each woman selects outfits for them, Ciesinski said. The women will have one minute to dress their subject and the most creative outfit wins.

"Joe came out dressed in his boxers and I got to pick out a pile of really interesting clothes from Good Will, dress him up," Beaupre said.

The Sports Challenge tests the womens' athletic ability. The first to shoot a basketball, kick a soccer ball, throw a football, flip a flip cup and sink a root beer pong cup wins, Ciesinski said.

The final event is the Talent Show, where each woman has five minutes to show her skills and may be accompanied by three housemates.

"It's probably the only philanthropy event that gives girls a

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market shows it appeals and sells to all ages.

Grimes, who lived through the original peace fad in the '60s and '70s, and wore a pendant herself, said the design was originally a plain, silver medallion. Now she sells pendants of many varieties like her spring-inspired peace symbol necklaces in shades of cantaloupe, lemon and lime.

While some promote peace through political groups and others wear the peace symbol for its aesthetics, Nicole and Craig Stone of Los Osos aspire to spawn a peace revolution. Nicole Stone came up with and trademarked a logo inspired by her life mantra, "live in peace." To begin the infiltration of this positive message, two summers ago, she and her husband handed out 5,000 complementary "Live in Peace" stickers at the Live Oak Music Festival in Santa Inez.

"People just lit up right in front of us," Craig Stone said. He wore his first, handmade peace pendant at the age of five.

Today, the Stones have filtered about 35,000 stickers throughout the Central Coast, the country and even to some far corners of the globe. They have extended their "Live in Peace" message beyond stickers to organic, sustainably made and Fair Trade certified clothing and accessories. Just what the message means to people is open-ended, the Stones say, but they guarantee a positive reaction.

Whatever the reason for the recent influx of the peace sign, the Stones declare there is something happening here.

Although they just missed the original peace sign insurgency of the 1960s, their efforts today mirror those of Buffalo Springfield as they witness what can happen when everybody stops, looks and asks about what is going down with the peace symbol and its endlessly positive connotations.

While looking off the blue pier in Baywood Park near Los Osos, as his dogs Sol and Bean hopped around him, Craig Stone detailed an anecdote his neighbor related to him earlier that afternoon. She was driving in the bank parking lot with a large prototype "Live in Peace" decal on her window when, "this woman, stopped her car, leaped out in her bathrobe and raced over and stopped her and asked her where she got the sticker." He said the woman gave his neighbor some spare change, her name and her number on a piece of paper and said, "Here, take this to whoever is responsible, I have to have one."

"It's that positive shift," Nicole Stone said.

A positive outlook on the new wave peace symbol is not universal but a completely negative reaction to the message of peace is a rarity. Clark, who often writes of the 1960s counterculture in his poetry, finds that the peace sign as a fashion trend is "a little silly" and "kind of disappointing," but he does believe that "there is a time where fashion actually becomes a statement."

His daughter, a senior at San Luis Obispo High School who is politically active, opposed to the war in Iraq and a firm supporter of Obama, wears her peace symbol clothing and accessories because it's a case "when fashion meets or helps you to communicate your point of view about a social issue."

"I'm fine with that," Clark said.

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chance to showcase some of their talents ... It was just fun to see what the other houses brought out," Beaupre said. "You had six other houses so you got a lot of variety — people singing, dancing and doing skits."

A panel of judges will score the event including Ultimate Fighting Championship fighter Chuck Liddell, Associate Students Inc. president Angela Kramer, the directors of San Luis Obispo's Sexual Assault and Recovery Prevention Center (SARP) and Sexual Assault Free Environment Resource Center (SAFER) and Channel 6 anchor and reporter Carina Corral. Matt Gaines of MG Sports Supplements will MC the event, Ciesinski said.

When marketing the event last year, DSP met some resistance when some sororities misinterpreted the event.

"Some houses weren't a fan of it because they felt it was putting them in the spotlight and putting girls in front of a lot of people," Ciesinski said. "It's not that at all; it's a friendly competition to raise money for a good cause."

Sororities choose housemates that can set their shyness aside, come out of their shell and not be afraid to be funny, Beaupre said.

"Let's be honest about it; nobody really wants to get up in front of 800 people and do some crazy events," Ciesinski said. "It takes somebody special, outgoing and fun that wants to represent their house and have fun at the same time."

He described last year's event as loud and crazy, an electric atmosphere. Ciesinski wants to duplicate that vibe by opening doors an hour before the competition begins so people can get excited, enjoy the disc jockey, drink some free Monster energy drinks and learn more about SARP and SAFER. There will be a raffle for Sigma Phi Epsilon member John Murphy, who is recovering from an accident this summer. DSP will also raffle off a Nintendo Wii and an iPod Shuffle.

DSP raised over \$4,000 last year through ticket sales and donations. Ciesinski stressed that this year's fundraising greatly impacts each center due to the current economic crunch.

SARP and SAFER will benefit from the event.

"Both centers have been affected by the current economic status and we are going to do our best to raise as much money for them as we can," he said. "We want to let people know that there are resources out there that you can go to if you have been a victim of sexual assault.

Tickets can be purchased at the door for \$7.

Hundreds protest Prop 8 Saturday



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Several hundred protestors gathered Saturday morning to protest the passage of Prop 8, the proposition banning same-sex marriage. Speakers included former San Luis Obispo City Council member Paul Brown and councilmember Christine Mulholland (pictured). After gathering, the protestors marched down Osos Street to Mitchell Park.

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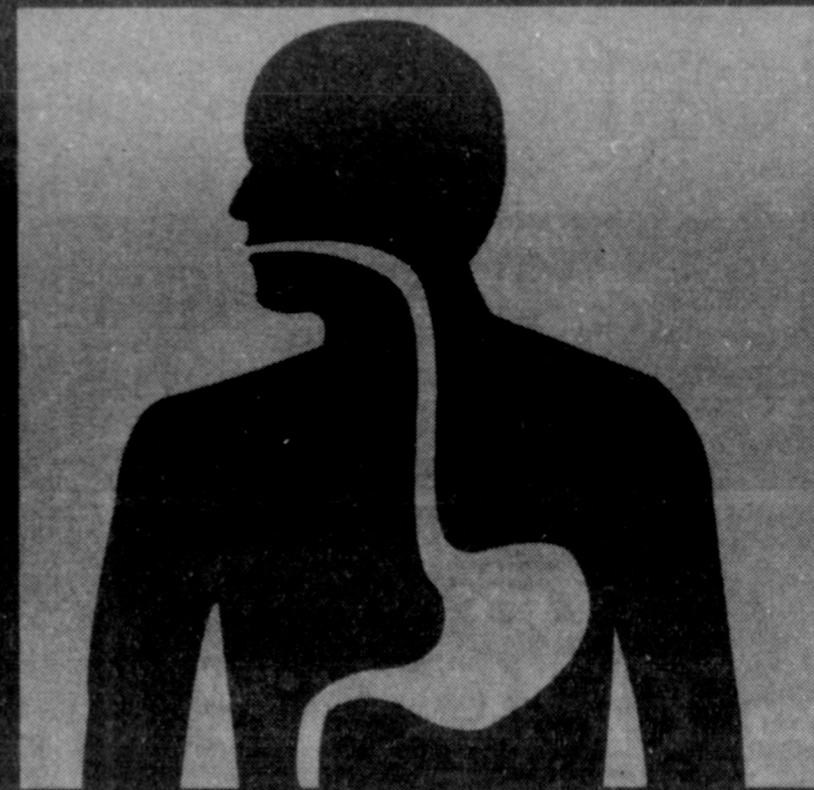
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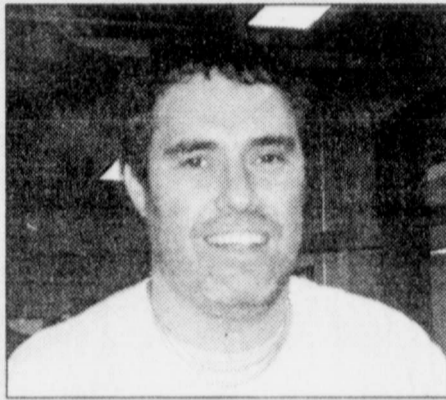


“No, because she was in direct competition to Barack Obama.”

-Josh Angell,
materials engineering junior

“I think that there is a strong chance that it will work well for Obama. I'm not sure she is the right person, but that is my sense of it.”

-Jnan Blau,
communication studies professor



“I don't know; they seemed to clash a lot on foreign policy during the primaries.”

-Robin Loeffler,
liberal studies junior



“I don't really know a lot about it. I followed the Republican side of the election.”

-Erin Wehner,
liberal studies junior



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Briefs

State

MALIBU, Calif. (AP) — Los Angeles County Sheriff's deputies have arrested a 39-year-old man suspected of starting a fire near Malibu Creek State Park.

Sheriff's deputy Byron Ward said Suren Sahakyan was taken into custody around 5 p.m. Saturday by deputies responding to a call that someone had started a fire on the shoulder of a road. A witness who reported seeing the incident quickly put out the fire.

Ward said Sahakyan was arrested not far from where the fire was ignited. He was booked for investigation of arson and held on \$75,000 bail.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, Calif. (AP) — Those who know Jing Hua Wu said the 47-year-old engineer was a smart, unassuming family man whose three young boys played among neighborhood children on a quiet street in this Silicon Valley city.

After Wu was arrested Saturday on suspicion of fatally shooting three of his co-workers after being laid off from a high-tech company in Santa Clara, neighbors said they were struggling to make sense of the tragedy. Those who know Wu referred to him fondly as “Jerry” and his wife as “Jane,” and described him as a happily married father of 6-year-old twin boys and another boy under 3.

“It's shocking and emotionally jarring,” said Jim Pollart, 47, a neighbor who met Wu and his wife when the couple moved into the area some 11 years ago.

National

RENO, Nev. (AP) — A stampede of opposition is growing over a proposal being considered by the U.S. Bureau of Land Management for the first time to kill or allow unrestricted sale of wild horses captured from western public lands because of budget constraints.

Tens of thousands of horse advocates have weighed in with public comments to the agency, voicing outrage at the idea of slaughtering what many revere as romantic symbols of the American West.

“Most Americans view these horses as the greatest symbols of our American freedom,” said Ross Potter of Phoenix.

“If we kill them now without exhausting all other possibilities, we are telling the world that we have no respect for our own heritage,” he said in a recent letter to the BLM. “I don't think that is an image we can afford to project.”

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SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — The view of Delicate Arch natural bridge — an unspoiled landmark so iconic it's on Utah's license plates — could one day include a drilling platform under a proposal that environmentalists call a Bush administration “fire sale” for the oil and gas industry.

Late on Election Day, the U.S. Bureau of Land Management announced a Dec. 19 auction of more than 50,000 acres of oil and gas parcels alongside or within view of Arches National Park and two other redrock national parks in Utah: Dinosaur and Canyonlands.

International

CASAL DI PRINCIPE, Italy (AP) — The paratroopers' armored vehicles had barely taken up position in this fiefdom of the Casalesi crime clan when the mobsters decided to show who was boss.

On a sleepy Sunday, a few hundred yards from where the crack Thunderbolt brigade was deployed with automatic rifles, two gunmen drove down the town's main street and pumped bullets into a 60-year-old man at a table just inside the entrance of a card parlor.

The murder of an uncle of a crime syndicate turncoat left blood oozing across the stone sidewalk and a collective silence by potential witnesses among fellow card players, prompting a wry comment that the victim must have been playing solitaire.

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JAKARTA, Indonesia (AP) — A powerful earthquake struck waters off eastern Indonesia early Monday, briefly generating tsunami warnings for coastlines within 600 miles of the epicenter.

Residents in nearby coastal towns fled their homes in panic, but there were no immediate reports of damage or injuries.

The U.S. Geological Survey put the quake's preliminary magnitude at 7.5 and said it struck 54 miles from Gorontalo, a coastal town on Sulawesi island. It was centered 13 miles beneath the sea. The temblor was followed by a strong aftershock.

Even as winds calm, more Californians flee fires



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Residents look on as a wind driven Santa Ana fire threatens homes, in Yorba Linda, Calif., Saturday. Southern Californians endured a third day of destruction Saturday as wind-blasted wildfires torched hundreds of mobile homes and mansions, forced tens of thousands of people to flee and shut down major freeways.

Justin Pritchard
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More residents of Southern California were urged to leave their homes Sunday despite calming winds that allowed a major aerial attack on wildfires that have destroyed hundreds of homes and blanketed the region in smoke.

Fires burned in Los Angeles County, to the east in Riverside and Orange counties, and to the northwest in Santa Barbara County. More than 800 houses, mobile homes and apartments were destroyed by fires that have burned areas more than 34 square miles since breaking out Thursday.

No deaths have been reported, but police brought in trained dogs Sunday morning to search the rubble of a mobile home park where nearly 500 homes were destroyed. They didn't find any bodies after searching about a third of the homes.

“This has been a very tough few days for the people of Southern California,” Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger said after touring damage.

The smell of smoke pervaded metropolitan Los Angeles. Downtown skyscrapers were silhouettes in an opaque sky, and concerns about air quality forced organizers to cancel a marathon in suburban Pasadena where 8,000 runners had planned to participate.

Fierce Santa Ana winds that fanned the fires on Saturday weakened Sunday morning, allowing firefighters to set backfires to

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prevent flames from advancing to hillside neighborhoods. Air tankers swooped low over suburbs, red fire retardant billowing from their bellies as they painted defensive lines between brushlands and homes. Big helicopters shuttled back and forth on water drops.

The most threatening blaze had scorched more than 16 square miles in Orange and Riverside counties after erupting Saturday and shooting through subdivisions entwined with wilderness parklands. By midday Sunday, multimillion-dollar homes were being threatened in Diamond Bar in Los Angeles County as the out-of-control fire pushed northward.

Fire officials on Sunday morning ordered 1,400 more residents to evacuate, in addition to 26,500 who had already been told to leave.

Retired aerospace engineer Joe Gomez, who has lived in his palm-tree-lined Diamond Bar neighborhood for 45 years, stayed put despite being under a mandatory evacuation.

"I'm trying to use some logic here," said Gomez, 72, trying to gauge the direction of the wind and flames. "I don't think it's going to come down this way."

Gomez packed a bag with important documents in case he decided to leave. His wife, a stroke victim, left with their daughters earlier in the day.

"My daughters were really thinking I was nuts. They said, 'These are mandatory evacuations.' I said, 'You guys just relax.'"

In the early morning, winds pushed flames dangerously close to a church and adjacent mobile home park in the Olinda Village area north of Yorba Linda, but firefighters were able to beat it back. Only one mobile home was lost.

Billy Bagsby, an inmate firefighter with the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, said the flames suddenly shifted direction around 2 a.m.

"It was like the church was protecting itself," Bagsby said.

On Saturday, the fire burned 119 homes in the communities of Corona, Yorba Linda and Anaheim. In addition, 50 units of an apartment complex burned, Orange County

fire spokeswoman Angela Garbiso said.

Capt. Guy Melker of the Los Angeles County Fire Department stood on a balcony of a multimillion-dollar home in Diamond Bar, looking down into a canyon with flames on the far side.

"It's an interesting chess game right now," Melker said. "Sometimes Mother Nature puts us in check, and our job is to put her in checkmate."

As Melker spoke, a small spotter plane slipped low across a ridge, followed by a big air tanker that dropped its load along a ridge.

In the Orange County city of Brea, fire destroyed the main building of a high school.

About 50 miles to the northwest, a fire that burned more than 14 square miles in the Sylmar area of Los Angeles' San Fernando Valley was 30 percent contained after devastating a luxury mobile home park early Saturday. The fire was largely burning in a rugged wilderness canyon.

Authorities said Sunday that 484 of the Oakridge Mobile Home Park's 608 units were lost. The Sylmar fire also destroyed nine single-family homes and 11 commercial buildings.

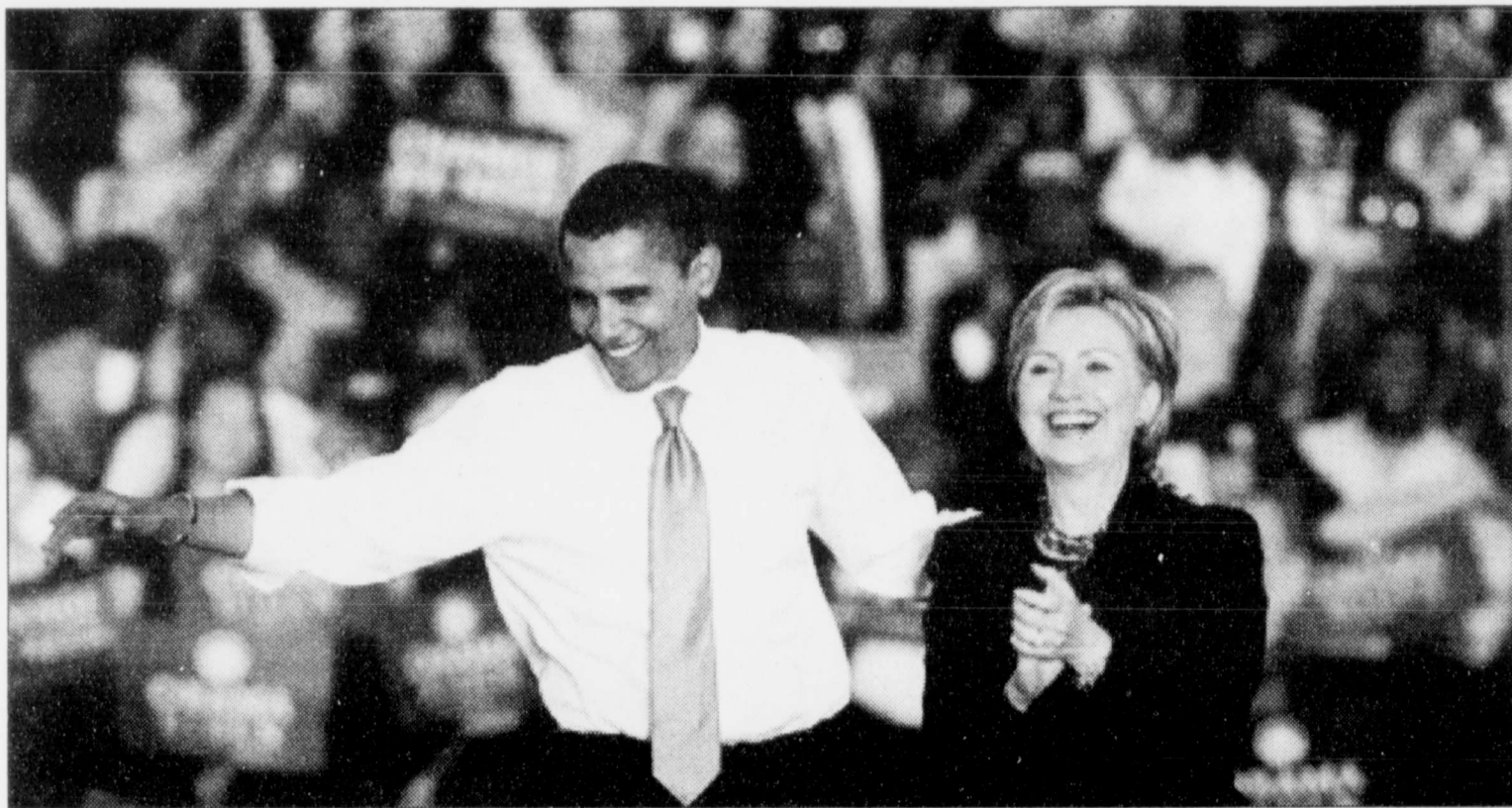
The park was home to many elderly residents, and though no fatalities were reported and no one was reported missing, investigators were searching the site using trained dogs. The search was about 30 percent complete by midday Sunday.

"To this point no human remains have been found," said Deputy Police Chief Michael Moore.

Fire officials estimated that at the peak of the Sylmar fire, 10,000 people were ordered to evacuate. However, many evacuation orders were lifted Saturday night, Fire Department spokesman Ron Haralson said. Five looting arrests were reported.

About 90 miles northwest of Sylmar, a 3-square-mile fire that began in the upscale Santa Barbara County community of Montecito on Thursday night was 75 percent contained by Sunday morning after injuring at least 25 people.

County spokesman William Boyer said 130 homes burned in the city of Santa Barbara and 80 burned in adjacent Montecito. Some of those destroyed were multimillion-dollar homes with ocean views. Many evacuees have been allowed to return home.



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President-elect Barack Obama, left, and Sen. Hillary Clinton, D-N.Y. greet supporters at rally earlier this year. Former President Bill Clinton's globe-trotting business deals and fundraising for his foundation sometimes put his activities abroad at odds with Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton, and it could cause complications for her if President-elect Barack Obama considers her to be secretary of state.

Clinton as top U.S. diplomat? OK by top GOP senator

The Senate's second-ranking Republican says it wouldn't be a bad idea if President-elect Barack Obama named Hillary Rodham Clinton as secretary of state.

"It seems to me she's got the experience. She's got the temperament for it. I think she would be well received around the world," said Sen. Jon Kyl, R-Ariz. "So my own initial reaction is it would be a very good selection."

Both Clinton, Obama's fiercest rival for the presidential nomination, and New Mexico Gov. Bill Richardson, who also ran for the White House this year, interviewed with Obama in Chicago last week for the post, according to Democratic officials.

In an interview aired Sunday on CBS' "60 Minutes," Obama acknowledged meeting with Clinton last week but refused to say whether she was being considered for a Cabinet position. He also said the Republican party will be represented in his Cabinet.

Sen. Byron Dorgan, D-N.D., said he did not think Clinton, if nominated, would have trouble winning confirmation in the Democratic-controlled Senate.

"She's worked across the aisle, has good bipartisan relationships," Dorgan said. In the role of chief U.S. diplomat, Clinton "would have instant credibility around the world," he added.

He said the U.S. has "a lot of relationships to repair and a lot of work to do, so I think she'd be a fine choice."

At a symposium organized by the National Bank of Kuwait, former President Bill Clinton said, "If he decided to ask her to do it and they did it together, I think she would be really great at being secretary of state."

Richardson has extensive foreign policy experience. He was President Bill Clinton's ambassador to the United Nations and has conducted freelance diplomacy for the U.S. in Sudan, North Korea and elsewhere.

Richardson and Clinton are not the only candidates Obama has talked to about the job, Democrats said.

Kyl and Dorgan appeared on "Fox News Sunday."

- Associated Press

Showdown looming in Congress of automaker cue

Stephan Ohlemacher

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Hardline opponents of an auto industry bailout branded the industry a "dinosaur" whose "day of reckoning" is near, while Democrats pledged Sunday to do their best to get Detroit a slice of the \$700 billion Wall Street rescue in this week's lame-duck session of Congress.

The companies are seeking \$25 billion from the financial industry bailout for emergency loans, though supporters of the aid for General Motors Corp., Ford Motor Co. and Chrysler LLC have offered to reduce the size of the rescue to win backing in Congress.

Senate Democrats intended to introduce legislation Monday attaching an auto bailout to a House-passed bill extending unemployment benefits; a vote was expected as early as Wednesday.

A White House alternative would let the car companies take \$25 billion in loans previously approved to

develop fuel-efficient vehicles and use the money for more immediate needs. Congressional Democrats oppose the White House plan as short-sighted.

Majority Democrats will need at least a dozen GOP votes in the Senate to prevent opponents from blocking their measure — assuming all Senate Democrats support it. Senate Republican Leader Mitch McConnell of Kentucky questioned whether there was sufficient Democratic support for an auto bailout in a statement released Sunday.

"The silence from the Democrat rank and file on this matter has been deafening," McConnell said.

So far two Republicans publicly have voiced support for the idea. Several others, including Minnesota Sen. Norm Coleman on Sunday, have indicated they might accept a rescue under strict conditions.

Sens. Richard Shelby of Alabama and Jon Kyl of Arizona said it would be a mistake to use any of the Wall Street rescue money to prop up the

automakers because a bailout would only postpone the industry's demise.

"Companies fail everyday and others take their place. I think this is a road we should not go down," said Shelby, the senior Republican on the Senate Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs Committee. "They're not building the right products," he said. "They've got good workers but I don't believe they've got good management. They don't innovate. They're a dinosaur in a sense."

Added Kyl, the Senate's second-ranking Republican: "Just giving them \$25 billion doesn't change anything. It just puts off for six months or so the day of reckoning."

House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., said over the weekend the House would aid the ailing industry, though she did not put a price on her plan. "The House is ready to do it," said Democratic Rep. Barney Frank of Massachusetts, chairman of the House Financial Services Committee. "There's no downside to try-

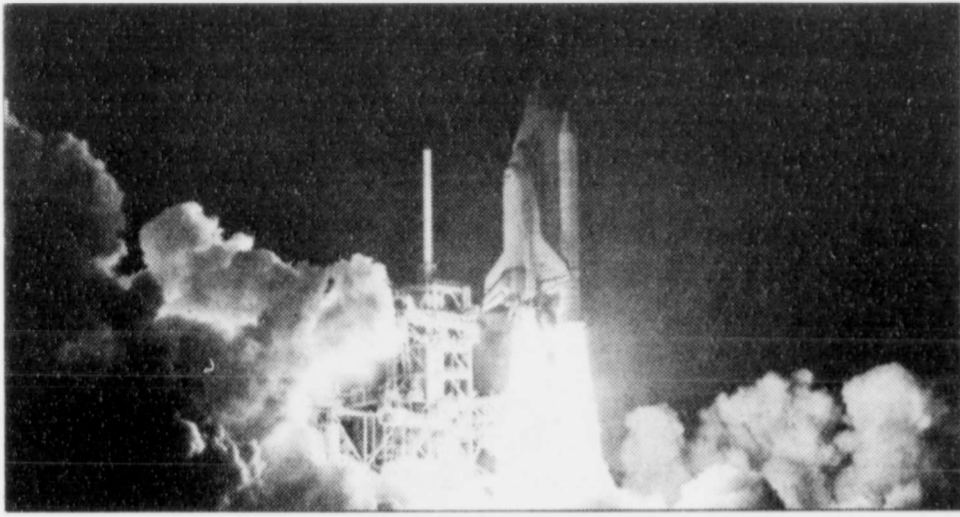
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Shuttle links with space station



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Space shuttle Endeavour lifts off from pad 39A at the Kennedy Space Center, Friday, in Cape Canaveral, Fla.. Space shuttle Endeavour seven member crew is on a mission to the International Space Station.

Marcia Dunn
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Space shuttle Endeavour linked with the international space station on Sunday, kicking off a huge home makeover that will allow twice as many astronauts to live up there beginning next year.

Commander Christopher Ferguson guided the shuttle to a smooth docking as the two spacecraft soared 212 miles above India. His ship's radar worked

just fine, despite earlier trouble with the antenna.

"Can't wait to open the hatch, guys, and welcome you aboard," said the space station's skipper, Mike Fincke.

His crewmate, Cal Poly alumnus Gregory Chamitoff, was especially excited to see Endeavour. He's been living on the space station for almost six months, and the shuttle is his ride home.

"Wow," Chamitoff exclaimed. "You look beautiful ... I am smiling from ear to ear."

Congress

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ing." Frank's committee has scheduled a Wednesday hearing on an auto bailout.

It is a more difficult fight in the Senate, given the Democrats' slim edge and President George W. Bush's opposition. Bush wants to speed the release of \$25 billion from a separate loan program intended to help the automakers develop fuel-efficient vehicles and have that money go toward more urgent purposes as the companies struggle to stay afloat. The loan program was approved by Congress last year, but more legislation would be necessary to change its purpose.

"That should be done this week," Commerce Secretary Carlos Gutierrez said. He said reopening the Wall Street bailout and including automakers could attract other industries looking for bailouts.

"If you start that, where do you stop?" he asked. "There's a line of companies of industries waiting at Treasury just to see if they can get their hands on those \$700 billion."

The disagreement raises the possibility that any help for automakers will have to wait until 2009, when President-elect Barack Obama takes office and the Democrats increase their majority in the Senate.

At least two Republican senators support an automaker bailout: George Voinovich of Ohio and Kit Bond of Missouri. But if the Republicans are seen as neglecting an industry that inevitably collapses, they risk lasting political problems in Midwestern industrial states that can swing for either political party.

Obama won most of the manufacturing states in the presidential race, including Ohio, a perennial battleground, and Indiana, which had not voted for a Democrat for president since 1964. Obama easily won Michigan after Republican John McCain publicly pulled out weeks before Election Day.

Former GOP House Speaker Newt Gingrich said young voters, who overwhelmingly supported Obama over Republican John McCain in the presidential election, could get turned off by expensive corporate bailouts that they will eventually have to pay for.

If "those 20-year-olds and 30-year-olds start to figure out they're going to pay the taxes, they're not getting the billions, I think you might find a lot of dissatisfaction by next summer," Gingrich said.

Sen. Carl Levin, D-Mich., said automakers are working to adapt to a changing consumer market, but they need immediate help to survive the current economic crisis. "This is a national problem," Levin said. "The auto industry touches millions and

millions of lives."

The companies are lobbying lawmakers furiously for an emergency infusion of cash. GM has warned it might not survive through year's end without a government lifeline.

"It's not the General Motors we grew up with. It's a General Motors that is headed down this road to oblivion," Shelby said. "Should we intervene to slow it down, knowing it's going to happen? I say no, not for the American taxpayer."

United Auto Workers President Ron Gettelfinger would not flat-out reject further concessions by members on top of the two-tiered wage system and other concessions the union gave the automakers last year, but he bristled at calls for further sacrifices by his members.

"Let's go to AIG, Bear Stearns, active and retired workers: Did anybody go in and ask them to give back wages and benefit levels?" Gettelfinger said on WDIV-TV in Detroit. "What about the bond traders? Did anybody ask them? What about the cleaners in the building? Why would the UAW be any different?"

"We made an agreement, and we made major concessions," he said. "So how can you blame the auto-workers?"

Obama said he believes aid is needed but that it should be provided as part of a long-term plan for a "sustainable U.S. auto industry" — not simply as a blank check.

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Winfrey, Lowe commiserate as SoCal paradise burns



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Montecito is home to the rich and famous, but it's not flashy. It's exclusive, but not haughty. And it's far enough from the sprawl of Los Angeles for comfort — while still close enough for convenience.

People who live in this enclave tucked between the Pacific Ocean and the mountains call it a paradise, one that has long drawn old money and, in recent years, flush celebrities.

Among them are Oprah Winfrey and Rob Lowe, Montecito neighbors who commiserated by phone Friday during the taping of "The Oprah Winfrey Show." While the homes of each had apparently escaped damage as of Friday evening, they talked at length about their friends and neighbors who weren't so lucky.

"It started last night and so far it's been reported that as many as 100 homes have been destroyed," Winfrey said. "A lot of them are friends and neighbors of mine so it's not a good morning for us. ... Some of my friends left their homes with only their dogs last night as I was calling, 'Are you all right? Are you all right?' They said, 'We have the dogs and the kids aren't here so we're OK.'"

At least part of Christopher Lloyd's property was damaged in the fire, the Los Angeles Times reported on its real estate blog. It said a Times reporter witnessed much of the "Back to the Future" actor's eight-acre grounds in ruins, and that he was filming on location in Vancouver but a caretaker had fled the property. Lloyd's

agent had no comment Friday when contacted by The Associated Press, and messages left with his manager were not returned.

Winfrey was at a safe distance in Chicago, but Lowe recounted a harrowing experience from the night before as the flames rushed around his home. He said he and his son were watching football when his wife, who was out running errands, alerted him to the approaching blaze with just minutes to spare.

"I'm very lucky," he said. "My house is fine. ... and I believe both of my friends' houses survived."

Residents extolled Montecito's charms Friday, even as the Santa Barbara County community surrendered a swath of its multimillion-dollar homes to a brutal wildfire.

"It's very expensive, very dramatic. It's like the coast of Monte Carlo," with a perfect Mediterranean climate, said longtime real estate agent Bill Vaughan, who pegged the median value of homes — despite the ongoing slump in housing prices — at \$2 million.

Lush stands of oak and eucalyptus trees give a wooded accent to Montecito, Vaughan noted, as well as increase the fire danger. About 10,000 people live in the community, he said.

Families from the East Coast with industrial fortunes long ago discovered the area's allure,



to be joined later by stars who found a pocket of luxury and seclusion not far from the Los Angeles-based entertainment industry.

Jeff Bridges, Ellen DeGeneres, John Cleese and Michael Douglas are among those who live in the area or once owned homes there. Heather Locklear was driving in the area in September when she was pulled over for driving erratically and arrested. And Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger and wife Maria Shriver have purchased a 25-acre tract for \$4.7 million.

"If I were an autograph hound I'd have a nice thick book," said Debbie Ousey, owner of Tom's Montecito Coffee Shop. But when Lowe or comedian Jonathan Winters or other famous folk stop in, they can be sure they won't be pestered by fans, she said.

Montecito also has a sense of camaraderie

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Federal Fire Fighters from Point Mugu, Calif., Mark Scantlin, left, and Glenn Drexel, right, confer as to the next plan of action at in Santa Barbara, Calif., on Thursday. An explosive wildfire destroyed about 70 homes in the ritzy community of Montecito, injured four people and forced thousands to flee wind-whipped flames in the longtime hideaway for celebrities such as Oprah Winfrey and Rob Lowe.

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'Quantum of Solace' breaks from Bond predecessors

Kyle L. K. McAuley

HARVARD CRIMSON (HARVARD)

"There is something horribly efficient about you," Camille (Olga Kurylenko) says to a certain British spy halfway through "Quantum of Solace," the lean new action flick masquerading as a James Bond movie. Lead writer Paul Haggis has continued to take a chainsaw to the 007 formula, and here, as in "Casino Royale," paring away the franchise's unnecessary affectations — cars with rocket launchers, Moneypenny, martinis done a very certain way — has paid off.

Screaming through its 106-minute runtime (the shortest ever for a Bond film), "Quantum of Solace" isn't weighed down by politics or melodrama. Director Marc Forster ("Monster's Ball," "Finding Neverland") tears through a refreshingly uncomplicated plot that has something to do with water shortages in exotic places — an excuse for Bond to blow things up on three different continents — and swaps out melodrama for the real thing. Bond is still haunted by the betrayal and death of Vesper, his lover from "Casino Royale," as he tries to hunt down an international cabal called Quantum that may be responsible for blackmailing her. He's still damaged goods, as much as he pretends not to be, which makes his vengeance all the more furious and fun to watch.

Shrugging across the screen with a chip on his shoulder, Daniel Craig plays Bond with the right amount of reserve and just enough pathos to make him seem human. He must be part machine, though, considering the ease with which he waltzes through the film's relentless

action sequences. (There's nothing as cool as the parkour chase from "Casino Royale," but the pacing and variety have never been better.) Still, he pauses now and then for admonishment from M (Judi Dench) and to commiserate with Camille — his partner in espionage but never in bed. She and M ask Bond what Vesper would think about his vendetta. "I don't think the dead care about vengeance," he says with false detachment.

Vesper, though, would be jealous of Camille, a



woman of unassuming complexity — one whose flaws and idiosyncrasies are taken for granted, not announced in a flashy Freudian face-off like the one that introduces Vesper. Camille too seeks revenge, and admits to Bond with wry satisfaction that she slept with the film's villain, Dominic Greene (a wonderful Mathieu Amalric), to get closer to the Bolivian general who killed her family.

Lest the two spies seem like a dour pair, Haggis and Forster let them off the leash every now and then. Despite Vesper's painfully felt absence, Bond still lets himself seduce fellow agent Strawberry Fields (no joke), while a tipsy Camille takes pleasure in haranguing Greene in front of several wealthy donors at a party. You could almost imagine the two dating.

Forster's trigger finger itches through the whole movie (I don't think there are more than three conversations in "Quantum of Solace" that last longer than 45 seconds). He choreographs the action scenes with fluid deftness — cinematographer Roberto Schaefer racks up an impressive number of did-they-do-that moments — yet easily pulls off subtler tricks like Bond photographing Quantum members communicating through earpieces during a performance of "Tosca." The supporting cast also turns out excellent performances: especially noteworthy are Jeffrey Wright as an embittered Felix Leiter and Giancarlo Giannini as the disgraced Mathis.

Although the story begins where "Casino Royale" left off — a welcome first for a Bond movie — Forster washes his film of that movie's operatic pretensions, and consequently "Quantum of Solace" feels less satisfyingly rich, less deeply felt. But gone forever is the Bond who orders beluga caviar and Dom Perignon on MI6's dime only to wrap his legs around unsuspecting damsels. He isn't quite the killer he wants to be, nor is he the saintly avenger we expect him to become. Political espionage isn't sexy anymore, he seems to say resignedly. It's dirty, bloody work.

Wildfire

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and community spirit that belies its wealthy profile, she said.

"It's really pretty special. ... It's not snobby, wealthy people," Ousey said, adding that the town includes longtime residents who don't have big bank accounts or lavish homes. "Everybody supports everybody."

And that would seem to include the rich and famous. Lowe said among the evacuating neighbors he saw was filmmaker Ivan Reitman, director of "Stripes" and "Ghostbusters," and a neighbor with whom he and Winfrey are mutual friends.

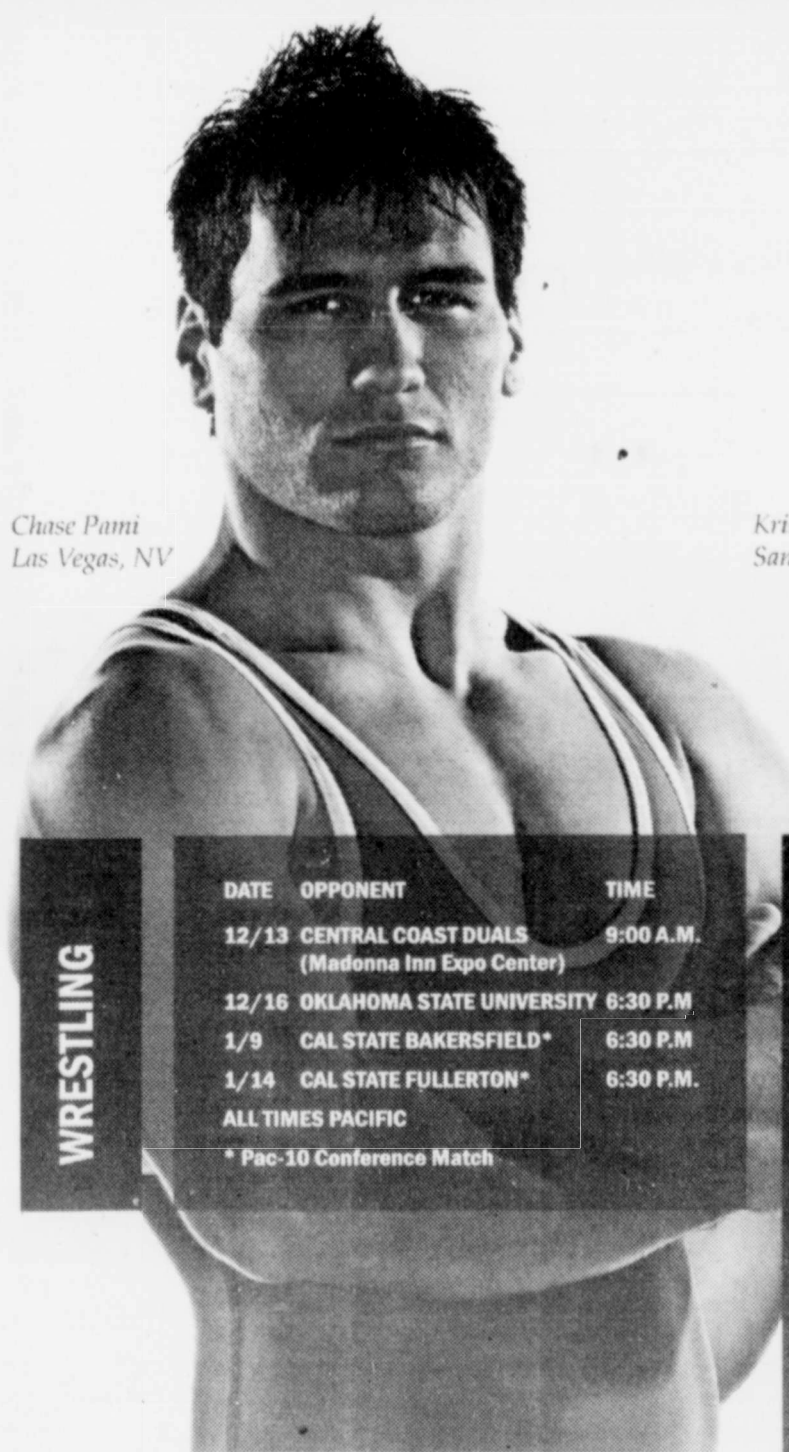
"The next door neighbor's house, they were trapped behind their gates and could not get out," Lowe said.

"The next door neighbors the Simmons? You mean the Simmons?" Winfrey asked.

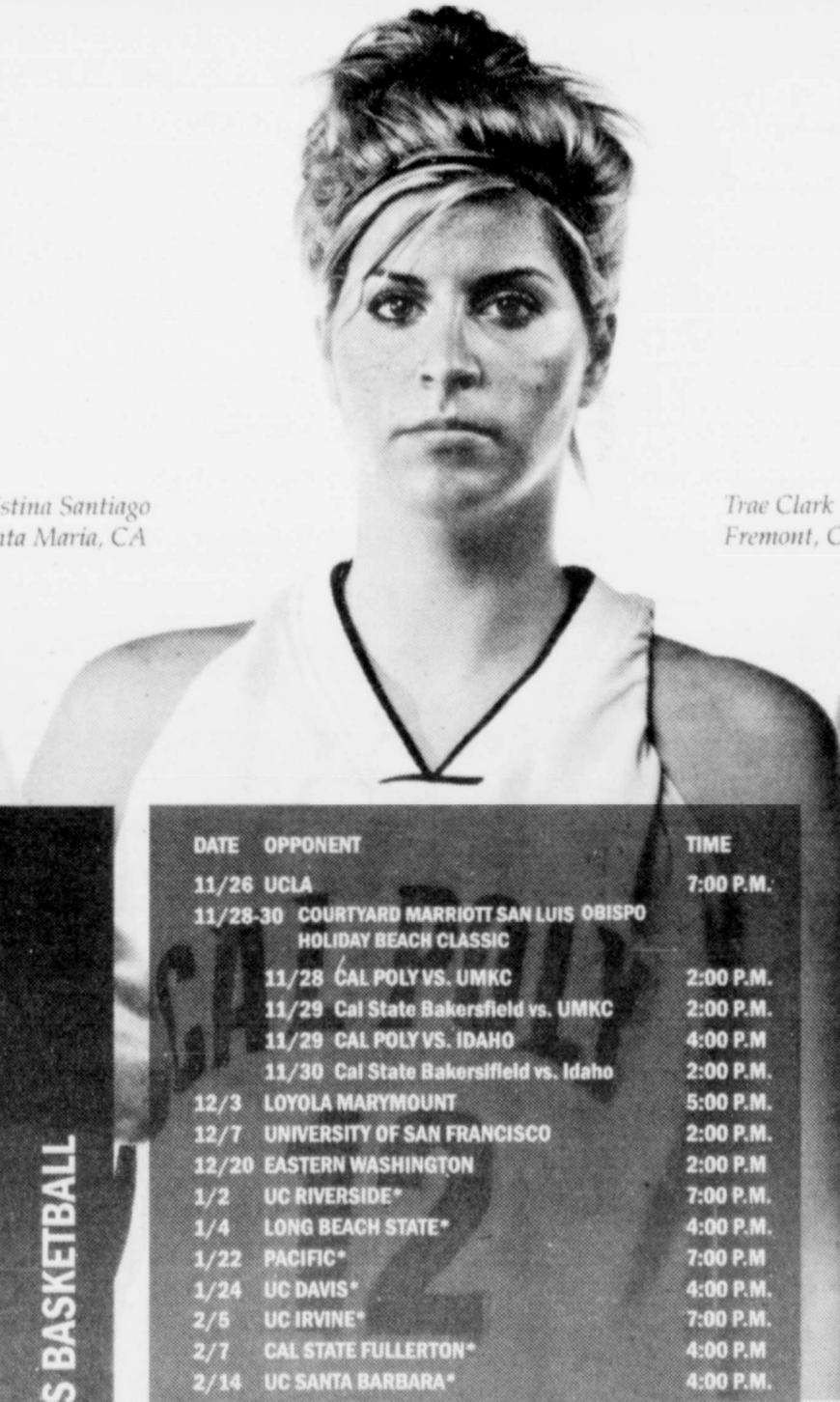
"The Simmons could not get out of their gate. Their daughter was lost on the property and so I had another gentleman and I pried the gates open. ... We tried to comfort the Simmons, and embers were raining down. They were in our hair, they were in our shirts. The wind was easily 70 miles an hour and it was absolutely Armageddon."

Winfrey said had she been at her sprawling estate, she already knew what her priority would've been.

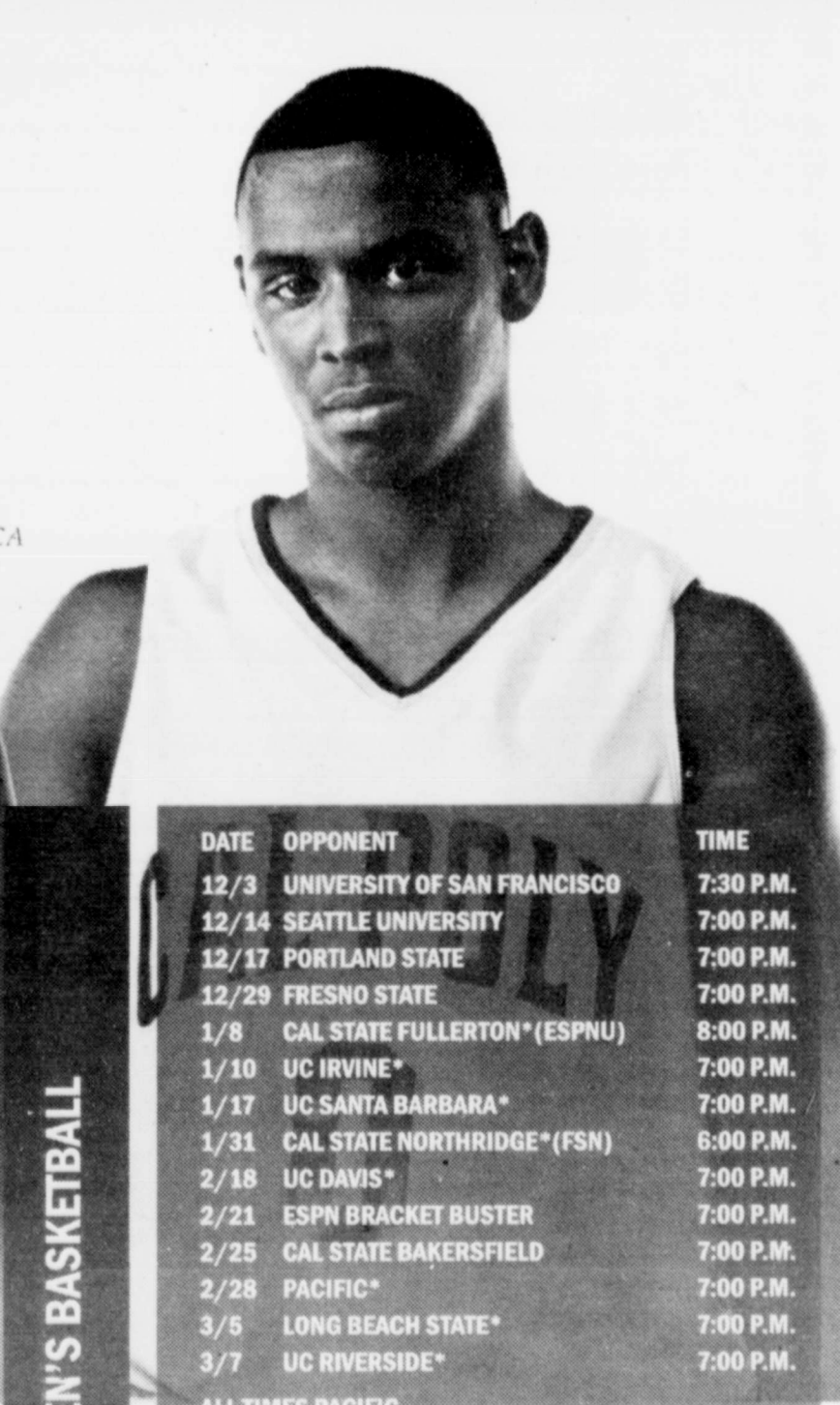
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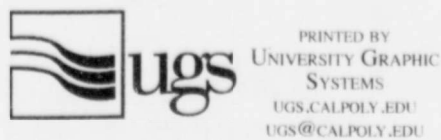
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"See you later, miracle baby."

guest commentary

This election's 'hanging chad' is 'migrating ink'

As I finished casting my vote this last election day in San Luis Obispo County, I was surprised to see a number of stray, black marks on my ballot. Turns out, I made these marks. After carefully filling each desired bubble on my ballot, the ink from the felt-tip pens provided at my precinct actually went through to the other side of the ballot. The marks went through so well that they easily could have been seen as viable vote markings, if they aligned with bubbles on the other side of the ballot. On my ballot, two such marks were only a mere quarter inch away from a bubble. Given the importance of this particular election and the many devastating problems experienced in past elections, I was amazed such a problem could be happening again, albeit in a different way. Making matters worse, this problem, as I understand it, was reported even outside the precinct where I voted, and outside the county where I reside.

But this problem had a quick fix: Replace all felt-tip pens with ball-point pens or their equivalent. I implored the election officials present to do so, but their protocol would not allow for immediate action. I then called our County Clerk's Office in San Luis Obispo and after some relatively minimal effort, I was put in touch with the County Clerk herself. She informed me that she was aware of the problem, that her previous review indicated that the bubbles on one side did not align with the bubbles on the other thereby reducing the possibility of an erroneous count, and that all ballots with stray marks would be counted by hand to ensure accuracy. The County Clerk did not agree with my recommendation to remove the felt-tip pens, assuring me the problem would be addressed in the way described above. As for my particular ballot, the election officials spoiled my initial ballot, and I was permitted to use my regular pen to effectively cast a second ballot without any stray marks.

Hindsight is 20-20, and hindsight is a very important factor in elections as the lessons learned in one election can be applied to those that follow. Let's first look at what went right. A voter found a problem, the complaint was accepted and report-

ed upstream at the local level, the County Clerk's Office agreed to report the problem to the Clerk herself, the County Clerk responded to the voter within minutes, and most importantly, she was aware of the problem, had done a previous troubleshooting on its possible effect at the election, concluded no problem should occur, and implemented measures to ensure an accurate count at the end of the line. In short, our County Clerk owned the

model in my mind for all government to follow).

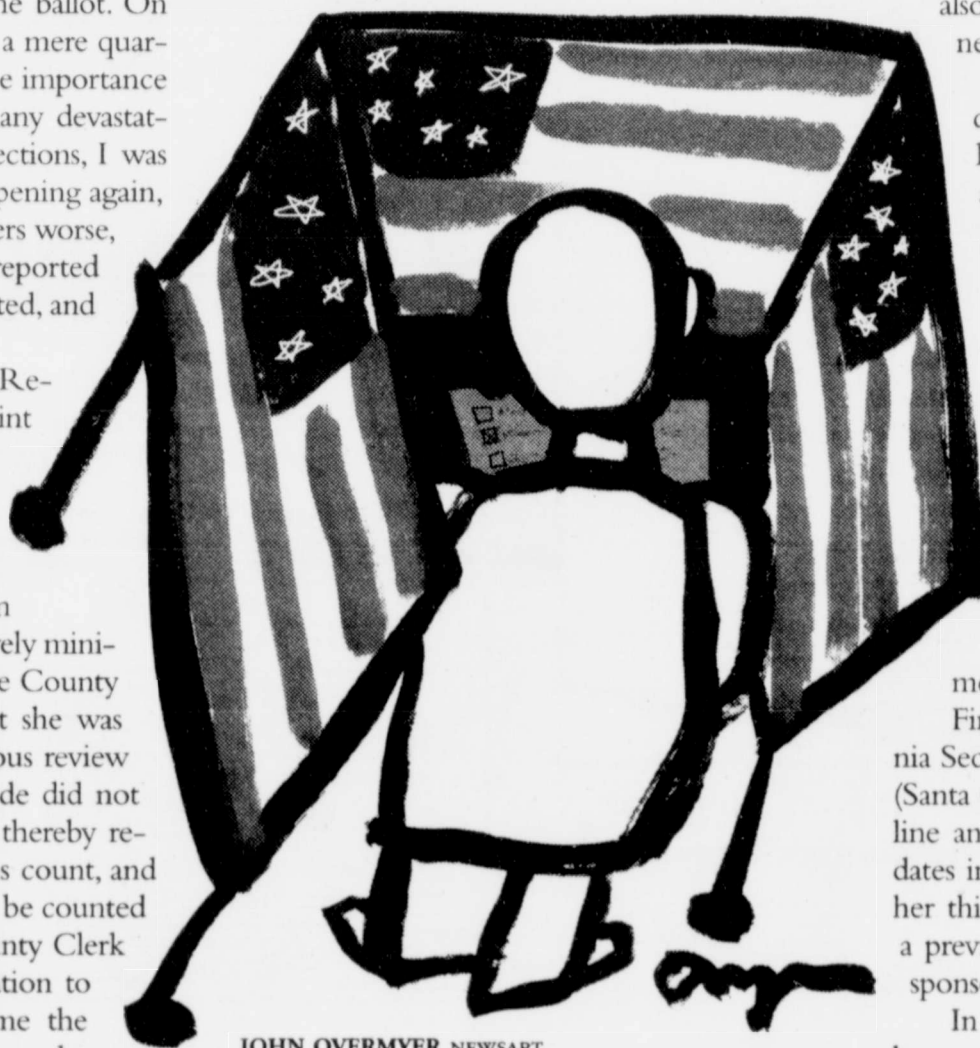
Yet, we could have done better here. How? By eliminating the problem in the first place. While providing a leaking boat with bigger buckets to dump out encroaching water may keep it afloat, wouldn't it be better to seal the leaks in the first place? In this election, using a different kind of pen should not have been so difficult. Not only would it have resulted in unblemished ballots, but it would also have saved time and money in reducing the need for hand counting of votes later.

Why were different pens not used? In addition to our County Clerk, we should also look to the California Secretary of State for an answer. And while we're asking about this, we should also ask why California utilizes inconsistent ballots across county lines, with some counties opting for filling a bubble to vote while others require the connection of two arrows. Shouldn't these be standardized throughout California to avoid confusion? Of course. Voting occurs on issues and districts that span multiple counties. Any survey expert can discuss the potential for biases that may present where members of one county have to do something different to vote than members of another county.

Finally, we should also ask why the California Secretary of State allowed at least two counties (Santa Clara and Santa Cruz) to drop the write-in line and write-in designation for write-in candidates in the primary election ballots (I have asked her this last question some months ago based on a previous concern, but have yet to receive a response).

In the long and short of it, California should have consistent, clear ballots that require voters to make only one type of mark to vote, with lines and designations provided where lines and designations are called for, and ballot procedures that avoid any possibility of unintentional, stray marks be made on the ballot sheet, whether or not they can be accounted for later. Is that too much to ask?

Dennis Morris is a Pismo Beach resident and Mustang Daily guest columnist.



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problem and was not above providing this information to the inquiring public.

As government responsiveness goes, this is one of the best examples I have seen (Indeed, a simple visit to the SLO County Clerk's Office will reveal one of the most efficient, collegial and public-friendly offices you will ever see, public or private — a role

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Local protests prove Prop 8 won't last

What happens when a majority of voters denies equal rights to a minority? It took decades for interracial marriage to be legal in every state. Now, we will have a bi-racial president.

Why should we believe that the passage of California Proposition 8 will permanently deny marriage to all consenting adults? It is only a matter of time and hard work on the part of those who understand what truly is at stake to win equality for all.

Why do I know that this change to the California constitution will not stand? I know because of the 100 people who assembled at the corner of Main and Broadway in Santa Maria to urge people to vote NO on proposition 8. They were

black, white, Latino, young, old, middle-aged, mothers, fathers, sisters, brothers, students and families and were all there to say "don't take rights away from others. Don't make gays, lesbians and transgender Californians second-class citizens."

We are all equal! That will be the final verdict of history. No amount of money, religious dogma, lies and fears can defeat the truth. I believe that we, as a people, will finally grant every person an equal right to marry because mutual respect for all human beings is the essence of who we are as a people.

Gale McNeeley
Santa Maria resident

Cal Poly should take responsibility for incident

I am appalled that administra-

tors justify their failure to discipline students who displayed hate symbols at the crop house by citing the students' rights to free speech. Evidently, administrators are afraid of legal action in response to expulsion of the students responsible for the display of hate symbols at the crop house.

In my opinion, if fighting legal action is the consequence of removing from the Cal Poly community the students responsible for the display of hate symbols at the crop house, even temporarily, then it is worthwhile to fight that ultimately futile legal battle. Cal Poly owes you the dignity of fighting that battle. The display of hate symbols was allowed to happen on campus, and Cal Poly as an institution of higher learning must take responsibility for its negli-

gence, even if that responsibility includes spending time and money in court.

I suspect the language I used in that last sentence ("allowed to happen") will be questioned. Given the amount of time it likely took to design and produce a painting of a confederate flag on a table, it appears that the intolerant culture as expressed in the recent display of hate symbols is long standing and was expected to persist indefinitely.

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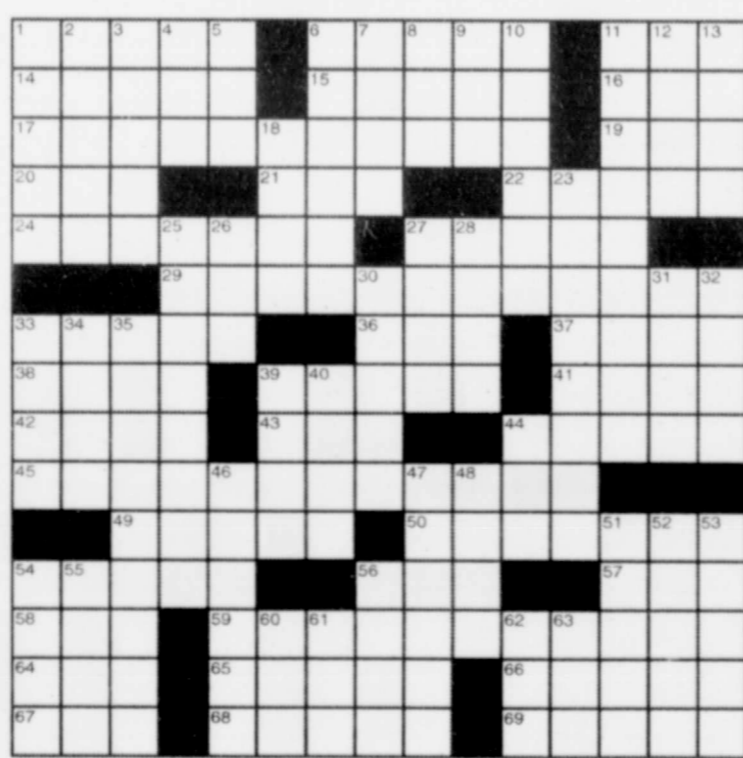
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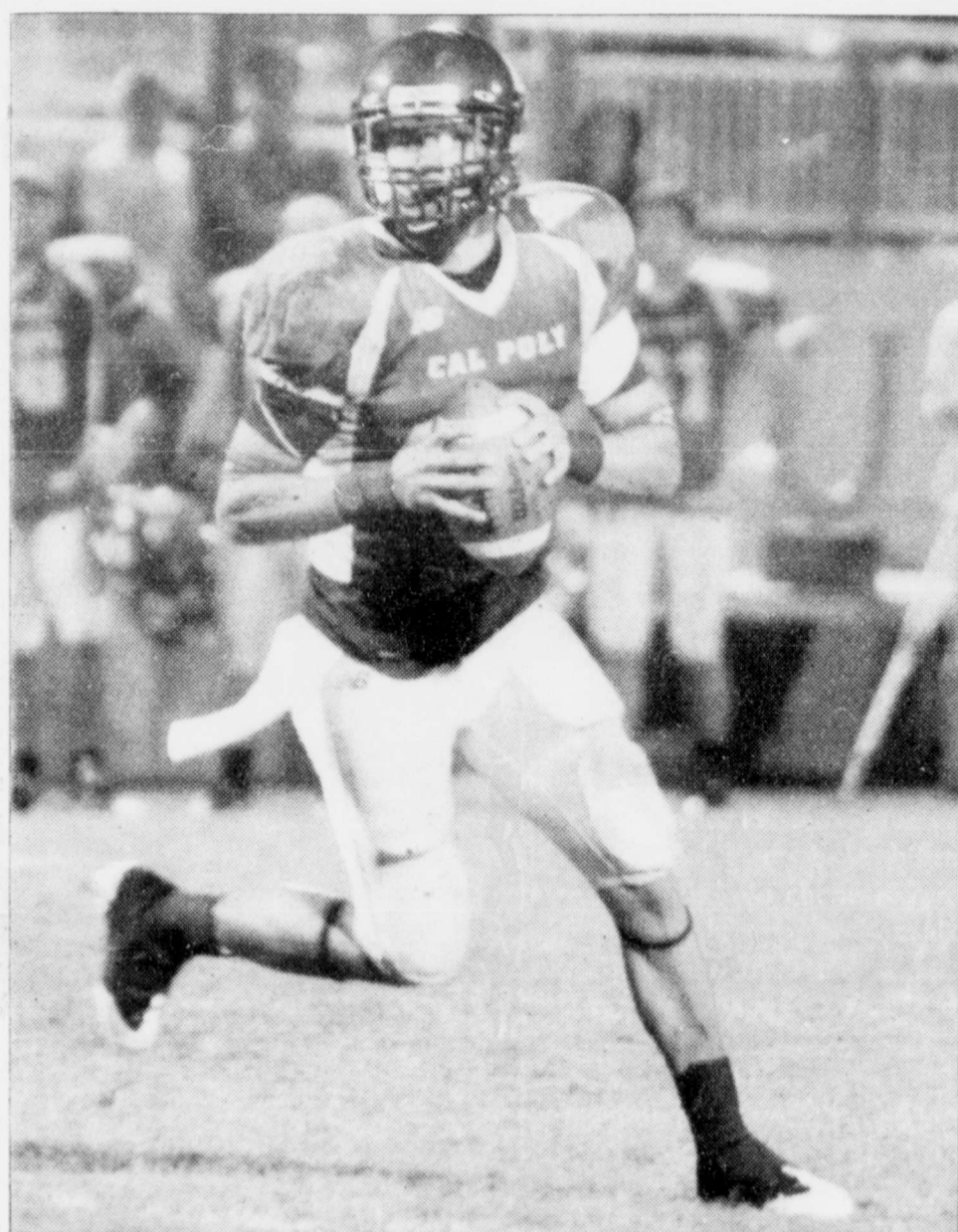
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Football

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NICK CAMACHO MUSTANG DAILY

Cal Poly senior quarterback Jonathan Dally rushed for 173 yards and a touchdown on 22 carries Saturday night. He also completed 8 of 20 passes for 95 yards and two touchdowns.

line. Four plays later, the Mustangs capitalized on the turnover as Barden made his second touchdown catch of the game, a 2-yarder in the left corner of the end zone.

Cal Poly head coach Rich Ellerson said that the team's half-time speech centered more on mental adjustments than specific game-planning.

"I thought the guys made a great emotional adjustment at halftime, as well as some real technical things that I thought really affected the second half," he said.

Junior safety David Fullerton agreed that with so much at stake, the Mustangs needed to make an emotional adjustment.

"We've got too much on the line — playing for a conference championship," Fullerton said. "We came out (in the second half) and we were a totally different defense."

The defense was aided by a resurgent pass rush that recorded two sacks and multiple hurries in the second half.

"They did a lot better job of getting pressure on the quarterback," Fullerton said. "(Denham) made some bad throws and that did a lot for us."

Cal Poly put the game out of reach midway through the third quarter as sophomore fullback Jordan Yocum ran straight up the middle for 43 yards. After a 29-yard field goal was taken off the board due to a UC Davis personal foul, Yocum finished the drive with a 6-yard touchdown run to give the Mustangs a commanding 41-21 lead.

The Aggies tried to claw their way back into the game on a 28-yard touchdown pass to Rice, his third of the night, to cut the lead to 41-28.

But the Mustangs' pressure got to Denham again. After hurrying a throw to avoid being sacked, Denham's errant pass was tipped and intercepted by Fullerton, who returned it 38 yards for a touchdown to complete the scoring.

"It was a ball that got tipped right into my hands," Fullerton said. "It was open right to the end zone."

Ellerson acknowledged that once the Aggies fell behind, it allowed his defense to change its play calling.

"Defensively, when they got a little behind, you pin your ears back a little bit," Ellerson said. "You're going to call it a little more aggressively."

Cal Poly will face its toughest test of the season at Wisconsin (6-5, 3-5 Big Ten Conference) on Saturday at Camp Randall Stadium, which averaged attendances of more than 80,000 last season.

"It's kind of a once-in-a-lifetime experience for us to go into an environment like Camp Randall," Ellerson said. "It's a chance to test yourself as an athlete. It's an uphill fight, obviously, but we do some stuff that's goofy enough, maybe we'll give them some problems."

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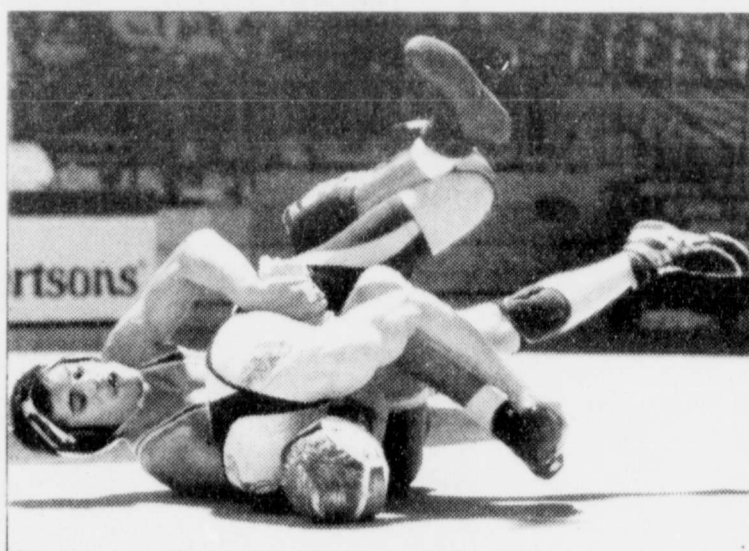
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The Mustangs, who stayed in a second-place tie in the Big West with UC Irvine, visit UC Riverside at 5 p.m. Friday.

wrestling

Cal Poly 30, Menlo 10;
Cal Poly 26, SF State 13



BRYAN BEILKE MUSTANG DAILY

Cal Poly's Eric Maldonado (left) won twice Saturday at 149 pounds against Menlo and San Francisco State.

Cal Poly rolled past Menlo and San Francisco State on Saturday to open its season.

Filip Novachkov and Joel Shaw were the only Mustangs to win by fall, as Novachkov pinned San Francisco State's Joaquin Carlos in 2:19 in the 141-pound class and Shaw took down Zach Sesar, also from SFSU, in 2:21 in the 165-pound class.

Chase Pami won both of his matches. The 17th-ranked 157-pounder defeated Sabas Cruz of Menlo 14-3 by major decision and then recorded a technical fall over SFSU's Mark Berton in five minutes.

cross country

NCAA West Regional

Cal Poly's Daniel Gonia ran to a ninth-place finish at the 25-team race Saturday in Palo Alto.

Gonia finished in a time of 29 minutes, 12 seconds on the 10K course to lead the Mustangs to a seventh-place overall finish. Oregon won as a team.

Bridie McCarey was the first Mustang to finish the women's 6K race, with a 30th-place time of 20:56.

The women finished 21st overall, with Washington taking top honors.

women's basketball

Cal Poly 75, New Mexico State 53

Mustangs senior forward Megan Harrison scored a team-high 24 points on 9-of-18 shooting as Cal Poly got its first win of the season on Sunday.

Fellow senior forward Lisa McBride added 19 points in the win.

Cal Poly junior forward Becky Tratter also added double figures for the visiting Mustangs (1-1), with 13 points.

men's tennis

UCSB Classic

Cal Poly's top singles player, Robert Foy, edged out a 7-5, 4-6, 7-5 nail-biter against Loyola Marymount's Aris Andresian on Friday, as the Mustangs took six of seven singles matches and two of three in doubles play.

Drew Jacobs and Nick Berger were the only two singles players to win in two sets for Cal Poly. Jacobs defeated Aram Abgaryan 6-4, 6-0 in the No. 4 match and Berger defeated Dmitry Popov 6-4, 6-1 in the No. 7 match.

The Mustangs dropped their match 7-5 to Sacramento State on Saturday but saw singles wins from Andre Dome, Berger and Robert Zacks. Dome and Berger also picked up a doubles win when they defeated Kiryl Harbatsiuk and Blake Wardman in the No. 2 match.

Sunday, Dome finished the weekend a perfect 3-0 by edging UC Santa Barbara's Matt Forget 6-4, 6-7, 6-2.

Cal Poly begins its spring season by hosting Concordia at noon Jan. 17.

women's tennis

Cal Poly Invitational

Cal Poly's Suzie Matzenauer rolled past UC Santa Barbara's Tova Hausman 6-1, 6-1 on her way to a Flight 1 championship on the final day of the invitational Sunday at the Cal Poly Tennis Courts.

The Mustangs duo of Brittany Blalock and Steffi Wong finished the tournament with an undefeated record following their 8-2 win over San Francisco's Cecilia Gratian and Jessy Mekpoh.

—Josh Ayers, Mustang Daily

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Mustangs stampede into playoffs

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MUSTANG DAILY

UC Davis knew that Jonathan Dally could beat teams with his arm. Cal Poly's senior quarterback has been doing it all year.

The Aggies may not have anticipated he could also beat them with his feet.

Dally, the highest-rated passer in the Football Championship Subdivision (formerly Division I-AA), rushed for a season-high 173 yards and a touchdown on 22 carries in the No. 3 Mustangs' 51-28 win over UC Davis in the Golden Horseshoe Classic on Saturday night at Alex G. Spanos Stadium.

"The ball is in my hands every play," Dally said. "I knew I had to step it up."

With the win, Cal Poly (8-1, 3-0) won not only the Golden Horseshoe but also captured the Great West Conference championship and likely an at-large playoff berth.

"It felt great, the whole season," Dally said. "I know it's not over yet, but it's starting to pay off. The

locker room was all pumped up."

Early on, however, all was not rosy for Cal Poly, as the Aggies (5-6, 2-1) came out firing on all cylinders on their opening possession, capping a six-play, 81-yard drive with a spectacular one-handed, 5-yard touchdown reception by Brandon Rice.

On the first play following a Cal Poly three-and-out, safety Greg Francis recovered a fumble by Aggies receiver Chris Miller and returned it to the UC Davis 26-yard line. Three plays later, Dally called his own number on an option run busting straight up the middle for a 14-yard touchdown to tie the game.

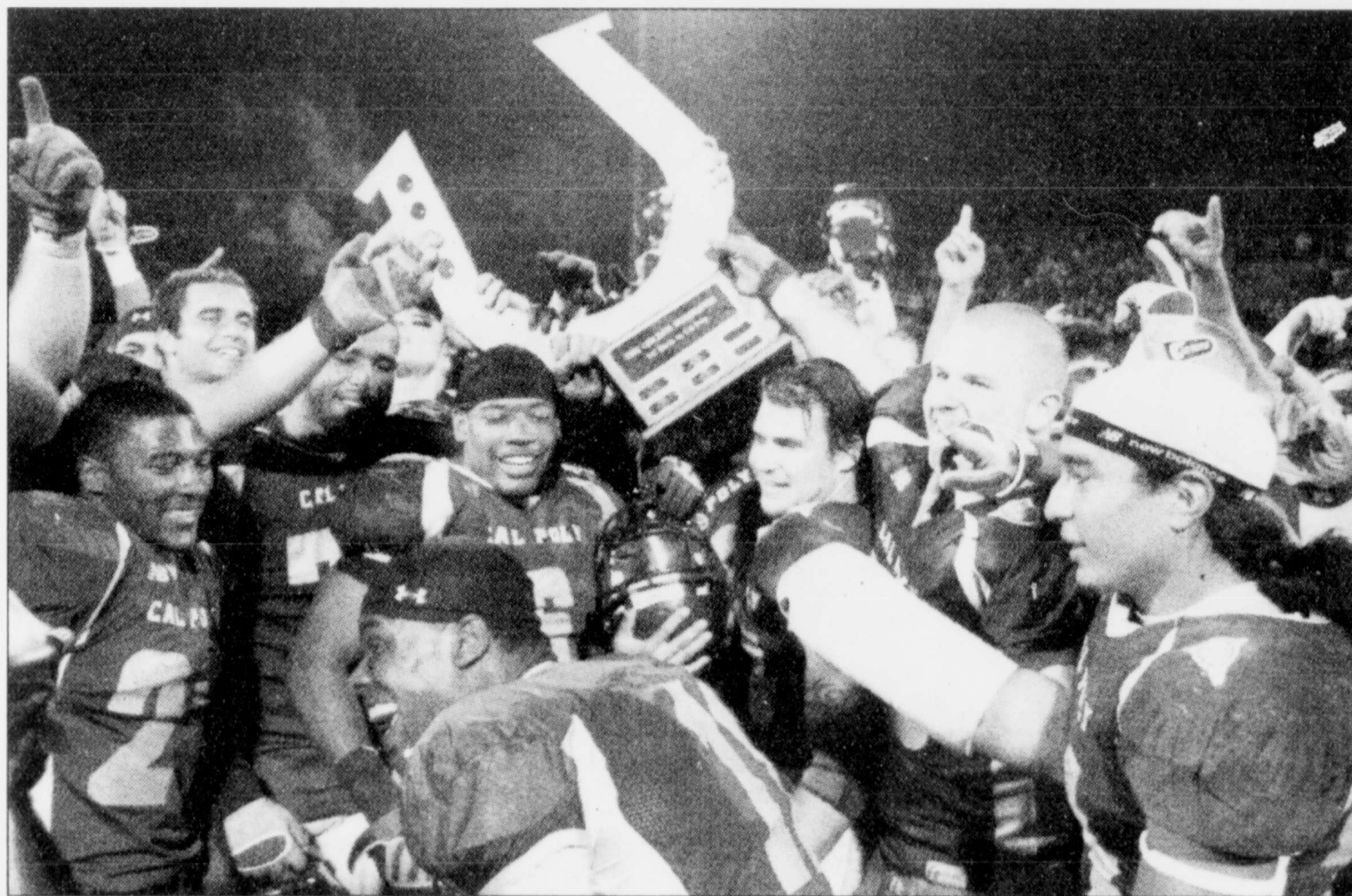
But the Aggies came right back on an 18-yard touchdown reception from quarterback Greg Denham to tight end Brad Bispo to take a 14-7 lead with 5:55 remaining in the opening quarter.

Dally again showed off his own running prowess on the ensuing possession.

Just moments after a 29-yard run, on third-and-seven, Dally deftly evaded pass rushers and scrambled for a first down to keep the drive alive inside the red zone.

Two plays later, junior running back Jono Grayson capped the 12-play, 80-yard drive with a 7-yard touchdown run knotting the game 14-14.

The Mustangs began asserting themselves in the second quarter after forcing a three-and-out on the next UC Davis drive. Senior



NICK CAMACHO MUSTANG DAILY

Cal Poly football players hoist the Golden Horseshoe Trophy after defeating rival UC Davis 51-28 Saturday night at Alex G. Spanos Stadium. The victory also gave the Mustangs the Great West Conference title.

receiver Ramses Barden caught a 3-yard touchdown pass, giving him a touchdown reception in 18 consecutive games, breaking Jerry Rice's all-time FCS record of 17.

"The record will mean a lot more a few years from now," said Dally, who threw all of the touchdown passes during the record-breaking span. "I went over and told him congratulations and he told me congratulations. It's been

fun. The ride's been great, but it's not over."

After a Cal Poly missed field goal, a 46-yard pass to Brandon Rice put the Aggies in scoring position. On the next play the combination hooked up again on a 16-yard strike to tie the game with just 12 seconds left in the first half.

Ryan Mole opened the second half with a 45-yard touchdown run. The extra point was blocked,

leaving the Mustangs with a 27-21 advantage.

The Mustangs started to put pressure on Denham, who had 332 yards passing, but only 98 in the second half.

Denham was pressured into an attempted throwaway that was intercepted by end Gavin Cooper and returned to the Aggies 16-yard

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men's basketball | UALR 67, CAL POLY 40

Cal Poly struggles in season opener



NICK CAMACHO MUSTANG DAILY

Cal Poly senior guard Trae Clark (0) makes a move during the Mustangs' 67-40 loss to Arkansas-Little Rock on Friday night at Mott Gym. The Mustangs shot just 25.9 percent from the floor. To find a complete recap of the game, go online to mustangdaily.net.

MUSTANG round-up

Atherstone, Waller, Houston win on Senior Night

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF REPORT

Senior opposite Kylie Atherstone wrapped up her at-home Cal Poly career with a team-high 13 kills and a .379 hitting percentage to lead the Mustangs women's volleyball team to a 25-16, 25-15, 25-14 Senior Night sweep of UC Riverside on Saturday at Mott Gym.

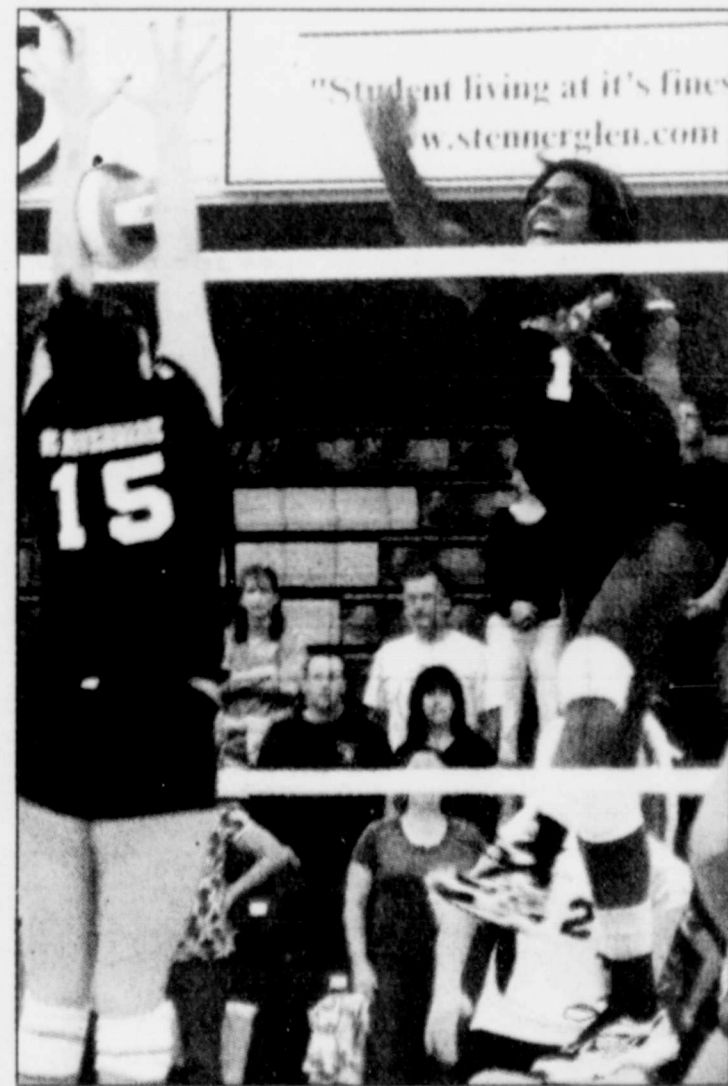
Senior middle blocker Jaelyn Houston added eight kills and senior outside hitter Ali Waller chipped in four in the win.

Sophomore middle blocker Dominique Olowolafe led the Mustangs (15-10, 10-4 Big West Conference) with a .471 hitting percentage.

While Cal Poly as a team hit .300, its defense, led by Alison Mort's 11 digs, limited the Highlanders (8-21, 3-11) to a mere .072 hitting performance.

Junior setter Hailey Fithian distributed 34 assists.

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JOSH AYERS MUSTANG DAILY

Cal Poly sophomore middle blocker Dominique Olowolafe (1) hit .471 during the Mustangs' 25-16, 25-15, 25-14 sweep Saturday night at Mott Gym.