Cal Poly Foundation employee, wife killed in Honduran plane crash

Apodaca was 'real friend, dedicated'

By Steve Harmon

Cal Poly Foundation employee Eduardo Apodaca, 49, and his wife, Maria, 50, were killed Saturday when the plane they were passengers on crashed into a hillside about 20 miles from Tegucigalpa, Honduras.

Apodaca was on assignment with the Cal Poly Foundation — the university's fund-raising department — working with the

U.S. Agency for International Development to help develop schoolbooks for Honduran children.

He was also helping to create videos, slideshows and manuals to assist college professors and other instructors in teaching.

The Tan-SAHA Flight 414 Honduran jet carrying 164 people broke apart in the air and crashed in flames Saturday as it prepared to land. As many as 144 people — 15 of whom were Americans — were feared dead, officials said. The plane was on route from San Jose, Costa Rica, to Managua, Nicaragua.

Apodaca was assigned in May 1988 to develop a contract that coordinated work between the Cal Poly Foundation and the International Institute for Research and the U.S. AID. He had been employed with Cal Poly since 1973.

His job required that he travel frequently between Honduras and the United States. He lived in Tegucigalpa with his wife, Maria, 50, who was killed in the crash. The couple had no children.

Wagner was first student diagnosed with fatal disease

By Steve Harmon

Cal Poly graduate Ronald Wagner, diagnosed as the university's first student with AIDS in 1987, died Friday at Ahimsa Hospice in Laguna Beach, Calif. He was 24.

Nancy Waugh, his girlfriend, said Wagner had been in and out of the hospital for the past six months but that he fought a hard battle against the deadly syndrome. He will be buried this weekend in Denver, where his family resides.

"He didn't give up even though he was diagnosed half way through his university career," said Waugh, a 1987 Cal Poly graphics communications graduate. "He could have given up and dropped out of school like so many do, but he kept in school and excelled."

Wagner was an aeronautical engineering student who graduated with honors in 1988 with a 3.96 GPA.

Doral Sandlin, head of the aeronautical engineering department, said Wagner was an

Early morning bus riders complain of overcrowding

Passengers often exceed 72-person max

By Nadya Williams

Students riding the city buses to early morning classes have often felt like sardines in a can.

By the time certain routes — especially No. 4 — approach campus, every available seat and standing space is taken, students complained. Over crowding has also plagued other routes. The maximum number of passengers that the large 35-foot buses can legally carry is 72, according to Nancy Knofler, the city's transit manager.

Knofler said that tandem buses run behind the regular ones twice each morning, Monday through Thursday, on Route 1 from City Hall down Mill Street to Poly and on Route 4 from Ramona Street to the campus to accommodate extra riders.

The City Council has allocated $50,000 to hire a consultant to study the entire

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Enough buses should be leased to seat patrons during those mornings, Laidlaw has been running some buses in tandem. It's not uncommon for both buses to fill up before reaching the back of the bus. The system doesn't exist solely for the students' convenience and should obviously service the greater community. What's blue and white and looks like a can of human sardines? Students who have been relying on public transportation this quarter have encountered new meanings to the phrases "move to the back of the bus" and "just a little more," in true Cal Poly style. Some small country, and my whole train of thought is interrupted by one of those new "yuppie" commercials for Kool-Aid. The victims of douching. Well, men, here's the solution! Granted, Sanger's byline seemed to be telling the reader Planned Parenthood was

### Editorial

**Not enough buses for demand**

What's blue and white and looks like a can of human sardines? Why, it's a SLO Transit bus on its way to Cal Poly at 8 and 9 on weekday mornings. Students who have been relying on public transportation this quarter have encountered new meanings to the phrases "move to the back of the bus" and "just a little more," in true Cal Poly style. Some small country, and my whole train of thought is interrupted by one of those new "yuppie" commercials for Kool-Aid. The victims of douching. Well, men, here's the solution! Granted, Sanger's

### Letters to the Editor

**Comparison false in pure race piece**

Editor — I'm writing in response to the commentary about Planned Parenthood and racial movement alive in U.S., Oct. 18. In the column, Matthew Wisby compared Planned Parenthood with the Nazis and Margaret Sanger with Adolf Hitler. I was appalled at the comparison. Granted, Sanger's motives may not have been the purest in heart, but Planned Parenthood has become a necessary part of our society. Although the comparison first made by Wisby, I believe, Wisby failed to recognize one major difference that makes the comparison invalid. When Hitler was trying to exterminate the Jews, gypsies and homosexuals, he never asked them if they wanted to die. The victims of Hitler had no choice. In case you haven't noticed, no one is pointing guns at Planned Parenthood, or any other organization, to make it perform abortions. The people who go there have the freedom of choice. Planned Parenthood is providing a service for people who want it, people who cannot afford to have a baby either economically or emotionally. This country is known for the freedoms we have, so it saddens me to see this country turn into a bunch of hypocrites.

Steve Shadoff

**Agency exists for family planning**

Editor — This letter is in regard to the Oct. 18 column "Pure race movement alive in U.S." The author seemed to be telling the reader Planned Parenthood was

### Ads insult public's intelligence

Lastly I've almost been afraid to watch these "yuppie" commercials because of the hours I'll spend running my brain or because of the depressing things I'll see on nationwide television. But of course the commercials.

It seems as if advertisers feel they can sell a product three days without insulting the public. They can't get me wrong: I don't mind having my intelligence insulted by watching such shows as "Married With Children," "Just The Ten of Us" and "Out of This World." At least I can choose whether or not to watch shows. But boy do I get mad when I'm getting ready to go out. "60 Minutes," my mind pondering the plight of the homeless or the fate of a dictator of some small country, and my whole train of thought is interrupted by one of those new "yuppie" commercials for Kool-Aid. Yuppie commercials are perhaps the most insulting of all commercials. You know the ones. They feature groups of either families or married couples sitting around a table talking about something completely unrelated to the product. Breakout, Traffic signs, BMX bikes and jeans? BMX bikes and drink mix? Somewhere these are just not normal correlations for my brain to make. Am I supposed to work up an appetite for pancake syrup when the whole commercial is talking about saving the rain forest? I'm wrong, but I think most people would rather hear about the features of a car commercial featuring a fat man eating doughnuts and talking about his family. And then there's the mysterious realm of the feminine hygiene commercials. From these ads, you can tell that women around the world have secret, feminine-bonding conversa-

A solution is needed now, since the city's six buses are obviously unable to handle the demand during peak periods. Enough buses should be leased to seat patrons during those hours until the study is completed and other options considered.

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Santa Cruz: Coming to terms with destruction

We've had a flood, a fire... and now, the earthquake

By Stewart McKenzie

I was born in 1968 and I have lived in Santa Cruz County since 1969. Up until 1986, when I came to Cal Poly, I considered myself a resident of Santa Cruz.

I watched Santa Cruz change from a small town, much like San Luis Obispo, to a small metropolis. Bedroom for San Jose, "hippie" town, college town, tourist trap, what have you. The diversity of the city made it unique. Something happened a week ago today to add its uniqueness.

The last 10 years have been hard on this town 160 miles north of SLO. In 1982, it rained 13 inches in one day, causing huge mudslides and killing 25 people. A fire whipped through the mountains nearby in 1985, charing 12,000 acres and causing $12 million in property dam­age. And now a major earthquake. What next—a famine?

Last Tuesday, as I endlessly watched the tube for news, it was ap­parent how the latest disaster differed. In those other catastrophes, Santa Cruz got fairly good coverage on television and in the papers. This time, TV cancelled most of its regular programming. The headlines practically screamed at you, even in the stodgy old Los Angeles Times.

I went to Santa Cruz last weekend, wondering what I'd find. Did anyone know get hurt? What's been damaged? All the way up Highway 101, I was paranoid. I watched the road for cracks, changes in the alignment, things like that. The first real indicator came in Salinas, where an old hord had partially collapsed. There was more to follow.

Arriving in Santa Cruz, things appeared normal. There was only one major detour on Highway 1. In places, the freeway seemed to have wobbled, but I wasn't sure if it had always been that way. I couldn't put my finger on it.

That was the weird part—the subtlety. The destruction from the 1982 flood was obvious, and in places, complete. This time, everything looked just the way it always has, but something was definitely wrong. Traffic was light. A collapsed chimney here, a broken window there. Everybody had his own story.

Fortunately, my folks were not home when the quake struck at 5:04 p.m. Oct. 17. If so, they probably would have been cut to ribbons. Everything fell—dishes, cups, cans, pictures on the wall, food in the refrigerator, an entire Encyclopedia Britannica set. Our television set fell, putting a big munch in the top, right corner, but it still worked. Otherwise, our house was fine. We were pretty lucky.

My friend's house near the Highway 17 summit wasn't so lucky. His family lives just off the four-lane highway connecting San Jose and Santa Cruz, and is located about two miles from the epicenter. Their house is still standing—barely.

The walls bounced around, but for some reason had landed squarely back on the foundation—you can see half of a magazine peeping out from under one of the walls. A water heater fell over; their wood stove was destroyed; a gazebo built into their deck had totally collapsed. Their barn/garage next to the house was partially off the foundation, and everything inside—tools, a ping pong table, shelves, a machine press—was tossed around like matchsticks. And, scariest of all, their propane tank started sliding down a hill but was stopped by the piping. Luckily, it didn't rupture.

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But what was most disturbing was downtown Santa Cruz. In a county of 220,000, the Pacific Garden Mall was the core. It was the cultural, shopping and people-wat­ching center of town. It was where all the bums, hippies, punks, artists, students, tourists and shoppers came together. This eight-block section of Pacific Avenue was also the historical backbone. Many buildings were built at the turn of the century and gave a sense of place to local residents. They breathed life into just another California city. Those buildings gave one historical perspective.

And now, they're history. Because I had media creden­tials, I was allowed to walk past police lines and see the devast­ation. The group I was with walk­ed down the center of the street because buildings could simply collapse due to walking on the sidewalk. As we walked, it seemed too quiet and still. And final. I was flooded with memories as I walked by the crumbling struc­tures. I ate pizza at Pizza My Heart. I went on my first date at Old Theatre Cafe. I watched jazz at the Cooper House. I read and drank coffee behind Bookshop Santa Cruz. Those buildings, and more, have been "red-tagged"—scheduled for demolition.

As the group continued to take pictures, I felt like an an­thropologist, out on a dig, study­ing how some ancient civilization lived. These were their stores, their routines, their culture—and mine.

Though things look basically normal, I know Santa Cruz is forever changed. Thank God only five people died, but something else died three in the earthquake that the floods and fire didn't wipe away.

It destroyed its soul.
Library offers $100 for best card catalog design

By Ken A. Forkus
Staff Writer

Cal Poly's Kennedy Library is offering $100 cash to one very creative student.

A contest to design a logo and name for the new Online Catalog began Oct. 20 and will end Nov. 20.

The Online Catalog puts the old card catalog onto computers. This new system will be much more efficient and precise in locating material in the library. The new system will be running at the start of the winter quarter.

Contestants will be judged on creativity, appropriateness - and uniqueness.

Paul Adalian, director of the library reference room, said "We want the logo to be the final logo." However, if the artwork is not of top quality, Adalian added, "We would probably see if the person could do a better job."

This means the contest is only for the art majors, everyone with an idea. To qualify, contestants must be either a Cal Poly student, faculty member or staff member. Entries can be submitted into a computer terminal at the information desk in the library. The logo and name will be implemented on all library publications, handouts and Online computer terminals.

"We have high expectations. I think the students will do good work."

Terminals for the Online Catalog will be located on all floors of the library, and lessons on how to work the system will be held in Room 202.

Poly Homecoming has games, dance

This Friday, Oct. 27, look for Cal Poly Homecoming's Laugh Olympics from 2 to 4 p.m. on the women's softball field. Events include egg smashing, eat and whistle, ice cream sundae building contest, dress a Mustang and water football and triathlon.

Events on Saturday, Oct. 28, include the Homecoming Parade at 10 a.m. in downtown San Luis Obispo; a Tailgating Party from 12 to 2 p.m. on the campus Clock Tower Lawn; a football game, Cal Poly vs. UC Davis at 2 p.m. in Mustang Stadium; and a 'Come as You Were' Sock Hop dance 9:30 p.m. in Mott Gym.

Also as part of Homecoming celebrations, seven former Cal Poly students will be honored at a banquet in 7 p.m. in Chumash Auditorium. The seven are: Al Amaral, Christopher Smith, Marc Loupe, Alfred "Colton" Qoyawayma, Fred C. Schack, Guy Thomas, and Dr. Michael R. McGinnis.

Prof signing book today at El Corral

Professor emeritus and former head of the journalism department Loren Nicholson will be signing his new book, "Old Picture Postcards, A Historic Journey Along California's Central Coast," at El Corral Bookstore from 2 to 4 p.m. today.

The book features the illustrated story of the construction of Cuesta Grade from pioneer trail to the present highway, the beginnings of Cal Poly and the old tents that made up the city of Pismo Beach.
Cases of genital warts increase in last 5 years; lesions are contagious, ugly, painful

By June Thompson

Genital warts are ugly, says James Nash, director of student health services at Cal Poly.

“Our regular staff of doctors and nurse practitioners have seen hundreds of cases of human papilloma virus (HPV), commonly known as venereal warts,” Nash said. “The number of cases seen at our health center has increased over the last five years, but I couldn’t tell you why.”

This reflects the increase in HPV infection throughout the nation and foreign countries, he added.

The situation and management of HPV disease has been addressed at the last three annual meetings of the American College Health Association, Nash said. At the 1989 meeting, Henry W. Buck of the University of Kansas said that the “incidence of infection increased over 500 percent in the past 15 years, 10 percent in women and about 6 percent in men.”

New British beer guide says its OK to label brews as ‘urinous, skunky’

LONDON (AP) — If a beer tastes like a wet dog, beer lovers should know it, according to a new guide to British beers.

But if it has “a clean, crystal malt palate with more than a hint of Seville oranges about it,” that, too, should be stated out loud without fear of sounding like a wine snob, says the Good Beer Guide.

The guide, published Monday by the Campaign for Real Ale, aims to go beyond the time-honored but undiscerning request for “a pint of bitter, please” and put a touch of class into the beer-drinking vocabulary.

Among terms appearing in the guide is “wet dog.”

That description is applied to a Kentish brew, one of 342 beers described in the guide.

Other terms include marispiian, rancid, spicy and witty.

Then there is “Tom Cat” — any brew with a “pungent, unrefined, urinous, skunky” flavor.

The campaign, which fights for regional beers against the inroads of the lager industry, says it didn’t ask its tasters to go so far as to swill their samplings and spit them out, as wine tasters do.

But its tasters attended training sessions to educate their palates, and approached the job like wine experts, sniffing first and sometimes nibbling bread to cleanse the taste buds when moving to another brew.

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“exceptional, very bright student. He was the brightest in the senior class.”

Wagner was working with McDonald’s at Long Beach as a manager when he contracted HIV.

Wagner was diagnosed as having AIDS in 1986 by Dr. Michael Perry of the Cal Poly Health Center after having complained of a sore throat.

Wagner, in a May 12, 1988 Mustang Daily article on AIDS that featured him and his girlfriend, said that Perry examined him and then asked about his medical history. Perry “knew right away what the problem might be,” Wagner said.

Wagner traced the AIDS infection back to 1985 when he had his wisdom teeth pulled. Since he was a hemophiliac (a blood disorder that prevents blood from clotting) Wagner had to have blood during the operation.

That blood was contaminated with the AIDS virus.

Wagner said Wagner was not bitter about the disease, that he did not blame anyone.

“In those days nobody knew,” Waugh said.

In the earlier interview Wagner said he was fearful that not only he, but his girlfriend might have it.

She has been tested and the results have been negative.

At the time, Wagner said, “I just want to tell people that it happens to normal people.”

Wagner said she will miss him, that “he was great.”

However, “‘it’s not an epidemic,’” Nash said. “We haven’t had an epidemic of this disease on campus in years.”

Nash said “The great bulk of HPV is transmitted sexually. But it certainly is possible to catch the virus in other ways, such as by borrowing clothes (i.e., underwear and pajamas).”

The old toilet seat story is true, in this case. Also, a pregnant woman can transmit the disease to her baby.

However, Nash said that hot tubs and public washing machines do not seem to be a problem.

He said that warts may be in the mouth and on other areas of the body. A person may have one wart or many. Some develop warts after exposure to the virus, although not always.

Genital warts may sometimes show up on a Pap smear, though that isn’t necessarily a given. Also, some, but not all, are pre-cancerous. Some respond to one treatment but most do not.

“Over 50 types of HPV have been identified,” Nash said. “It’s important to see a doctor for an examination if exposed to HPV. But not the next morning.”

He said the incubation period from exposure to appearance of lesions varies from weeks to years. This sometimes makes it difficult to determine where the warts came from.

It’s also important to avoid discouragement and to have adequate follow up, especially when the treatment extends over many months. The viruses seem to be resistant to everything.

Treatment of venereal warts varies from applications of an “ancient chemical from an odd-ball kind of apple” to freezing the areas, or a combination of the two, he said. Laser treatment is also used.

If not treated, the warts may grow, possibly into cancer.

Although there is no totally successful method of prevention, good health habits help. A balanced diet, adequate exercise and rest will help the body’s immune system inhibit growth of new lesions, Nash said.

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about 10 percent each year.

“Ridership is always heavier at the beginning of the quarter,” Risser said. “But as the weather gets colder, that is if we get rain and as it gets darker earlier, ridership should also increase,”

Risser said that each spring he publicizes an open forum on campus to receive student input and recommendations, but few people show up. An all-day survey was taken last June on all city buses to assess public opinion on the service. This resulted in the extension of Route 4 through the summer months and in changes in the inter-city route.

Both Risser and Knofler encourage students to voice their complaints and suggestions by calling the SLO Transit office.

“Overall, compared to many other cities, I think that San Luis Obispo’s public transportation system is very efficient and effective,” Knofler said.
131 dead in Honduran air crash; survivor tells of pre-crash horror

Plane ‘shook violently, seemed to plunge’ before accident

TEGUICIGALPA, Honduras (AP) — A Boeing 727 shook violently as it began to plunge just before it crashed in flames into a hillside, killing 131 people, a badly burned survivor said Sunday.

"They told us to put on our seatbelts for landing, and then suddenly the plane began to shake, like air turbulence," said Evaro Lopez, a Honduran businessman.

"But it went on for a long time, and we seemed to be descending too rapidly. Some people were screaming," Lopez said in an interview.

Investigators from the National Air Transportation Safety Board arrived Sunday from the United States aboard a Coast Guard plane and went directly to the site of Saturday’s crash.

The plane was operated by the Honduran airline TAN-SAHS.

Authorities said 131 of the 146 people aboard were killed. U.S. Embassy spokesman Terry Kneebone said there were 15 Americans aboard. Airline officials said three of the 15 survivors were Americans.

Mark Jacobs, another embassy spokesman, released an incomplete list of the dead Americans, identified as:

Eduardo Apodaca, Maria Ester Apodaca, Charles Friederich, Connie Montelaguer, Charles Kendall Morrow, Michael O'Shea, Daniel Yurista and Robert Hebb.

He said he did not have their ages or hometowns. He said he could not identify other U.S. citizens until relatives were notified.

The plane's 'black box' recorder was flown to Washington for analysis, said Barry Trotter, leader of the Safety Board team.

TAN-SAHS Flight 414 crashed Saturday morning on a hillside 20 miles south of Tegucigalpa while on a flight from San Jose, Costa Rica, with a stop in Managua, Nicaragua.

Major Alejandro Arguello, director of Nicaragua’s civil aeronautics, quoted regional air controllers as saying the roof of the plane tore away before the crash.

It was the worst air crash in Central American history.

Among the dead were the Honduran Minister of Labor, Armando Blanco Paniagua; and Mario Rodriguez Cubero, an aide to Costa Rican president Oscar Arias.

"I was asleep, and when I woke up we were on the ground," said Rosario Ubeda Gonzalez, a 35-year-old Salvadoran who ran a restaurant in Shreveport, La., with her husband.

"I was buckled into my seat, and I heard some people help, but somebody behind me. Everything was on fire and I yelled, 'Don't leave me!'"

Pilot Raul Argueta was one of the survivors. Doctors said all were in serious condition.

Two Americans, Kurt Shaffer and Eugene Van Dyke, were evacuated to U.S. hospitals.

The hometowns of Shaffer and Van Dyke were not available.

The other U.S. survivor, Doug Dougherty, a 25-year-old U.S. Air Force Base in Texas.

The cause of the crash was still not clear.

Speculation centered on the plane’s age, more than 20 years, and on bad weather at Tegucigalpa’s Toncontin airport.

Make a new run for Santa Rosa and Olive:
Taco Bell loses lease, moves down street

By Julie Gieringer

After 22 years at the same location, the Taco Bell on Santa Rosa and Olive streets is scheduled to relocate 100 yards down the block.

"We are losing our lease," said Mitch Wolf, part owner of the Taco Bell.

The new location is at the corner of Santa Rosa and Olive streets. Building is scheduled to begin next month, Wolf said.

"I think the popularity will increase because of the accessibility at the new location," said Tom Stenovec, co-owner of the Taco Bell.

The new building will be larger and will require hiring additional employees, Stenovec said.

The late night hours will remain the same, said Wolf. The only difference will be the addition of indoor seating.

Seating at the current location is limited to a few outdoor tables.

"We own the property there (at the new location)," said Wolf.

"We can build it pretty fast. Taco Bell Corporation is experienced doing this," Wolf said.

About 90 percent of the equipment in the new location will be new, but some of the equipment transfer to the new building may cause Taco Bell to be closed for a few hours, Wolf said.

Wolf said that they will most likely close on Sunday night to accommodate the delay.

The new location is scheduled to open the first week in January, Wolf said.

"We’re planning a party," Wolf said. He added that special deals, including 1960s prices, will be part of the party.

Taco Bell has been at the present site on Santa Rosa Street since 1967.

Wolf said the Santa Rosa location varies in profitability, but it is definitely among the best in the country.

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and Costa Rica to pick up supplies, said Al Amaral, executive director of the Cal Poly Foundation.

Maria was a former schoolteacher who had received recognition for her teaching.

Amaral said both Eduardo and Maria will be missed.

"He was a great person to work with," Amaral said. "He was a dedicated type of person who treated everyone else with respect, regardless of their station in life. He was a real friend you can be sure he’ll be sorely missed. Both of them were great people."

Amaral said Apodaca had gone on numerous assignments for the foundation over the years. Apodaca had been director of the foundation’s vocational education production since 1980.

He had been on leave from campus for about two years.

Amaral said the funeral will be in Las Vegas, Nev., where he didn’t know when.

The Apodacas are survived by their four children: Margaret, 26, Sylvia, 20, Eduardo Jr., 19, and a 30-year-old Nicaraguan who runs a restaurant in Shreveport, La., with her husband.

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Colombian journalists face constant peril from cartels

BOGOTA, Colombia (AP) — "Every time I kiss my wife and every time I go to the store, every time I do anything, it’s like a disaster," said the slain publisher, said last month because some advertisers, Cano said, causing the paper's office Sept. 2, causing a $5 million in damage and nearly causing it to close.

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Former LA police officer speaks against racism

Says departments are riddled with violence

By Nadra Williams

Violence is the best kept police secret, according to former Los Angeles Police Sgt. Don Jackson.

Nine years of experience on the LAPD have convinced Jackson that "there is a civil rights backlash in this country — a racial crisis, if not a class crisis," he said.

"Forty years of civil rights progress has been whittled down during the past eight years."

Jackson spoke at the San Luis Obispo Grange Hall Saturday as a benefit luncheon for the county chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union.

He became well known to the general public because of a videotaped "sting" operation early this year, exposing police misconduct in Long Beach. As part of his presentation, Jackson showed the widely televised video of an assault by two un duty police officers against him and a companion.

While on leave from his post as sergeant on the Hawthorne Police Department, Jackson, who is black, was alerted by white police officers in Long Beach that two members of a group were well-known for racially-motivated violence towards citizens. Jackson and another officer drove down the street patrolled by the suspected officers one night in January of this year, carefully adhering to all traffic regulations.

A video camera in Jackson's car was turned in, in an NBC news van following his car recorded the entire incident. His car was pulled over, and Jackson got out demanding to know the reason. He recorded Officer Mark Dickey shoving Jackson's head through a large plate-glass window. His arm was twisted behind his back, and the officer then slammed his face onto the patrol car hood three times.

"I knew well the daily threats of violence and danger that police officers face," said Jackson.

"But I never justify or condone abuses by police officers under pretense of enforcing the law."

Statistics show blacks, Hispanics and other minorities are far more likely to be victimized, he said, but anyone can be a target.

Jackson showed several other videos documenting police misconduct.

One video taken by a neighbor showed a 20-year-old white man in his front yard in Torrance feebly trying to get away from police who clubbed and choked him into unconsciousness. He said he had committed no crime.

Another tape showed police beating several Hispanic men who were seated outside their home. They had been drinking beer and talking loudly before police arrived.

Still another tape showed the destruction of four apartments for Cal Trans or the fire department is more dangerous than being a police officer," he added. "Yet so often our society will look the other way when an officer kills unjustifiably."

Jackson experienced firsthand the "closed system" of most police departments. Even in the face of blatant misconduct, there is a code of silence, tremendous peer pressure and actual policies to forbid revealing information, he said.

"You'd be aghast if you could actually see the misconduct," he said. "It ranges from racketing off profits from drug raids, to drug use and even torture and sexual abuse of suspects.

Many policemen and women are good officers, he said, but some are "bankrupt in terms of ethics." These officers should be either retrained or prosecuted and removed from the force.

"Demanding accountability is the best way to fight police," he said.

For the present, there is rarely legal redress of grievances for a private citizen in a case against the police. Less than 3 percent of the cases involving police and private citizens in Los Angeles County result in prosecution of the officer, according to the district attorney's office there, Jackson said.

The Police Misconduct Lawyer Referral Service is an organization that Jackson works with to help victims obtain legal support. As one lawyer member wrote, "It is standard practice to charge victims of police beatings with battery on an officer or resisting or obstructing an arrest. Such prosecutions are often based on fabricated police reports, used to cover up the real crime and to force the victim into a plea bargain in which he gives up his right to sue the officer for damages."

Jackson himself was charged with obstructing an officer in the performance of his duty. The charges were dropped on the day of the trial in the face of the videotaped evidence. A police review board is investigating the Long Beach incident, and the on-duty officer will go to trial Jan. 22 on charges of falsifying a police report and assault and battery.

Although Jackson may see justice done, he recommended at least five long-range changes to improve the situation.

First, he called for a Freedom of Information Act covering police activities.

Second, a structure for regional tracking of offending officers, traditionally moved from city to city to avoid detection.

Third, Jackson wants re-education and retraining for police and less focus on combat-type training.

Fourth, he feels police should be personally held financially accountable for the damage they might inflict on people and their property. As it stands now, the city pays for police misconduct.

Last of all, he said there needs to be governmental apparatus to take away the state license of repeat offenders. Currently, only an officer's own department can fire him or her.

In conclusion, Jackson reminded the audience of the magnitude of the problem. After the attack on him, some members of the Long Beach Police Department had T-shirts made with a drawing of the battery and the words "LBPD — We Got The Situation."

Jackson himself was "retired" from the Hawthorne Police Department in March for a 'disability' that he called "hyper-sensitivity to racism."