need to be more cautious. Authorities say cyclists need to follow road laws.

"The main problem with bicyclists is that many feel that they do not have to abide by the rules of the road," he said. "I'd say that 98 percent of bicyclists do know the laws, but choose not to follow them."

Mike Hartig, an agricultural engineering senior, agreed. "I'm aware of the laws, but I don't obey them," he said. "I guess if I were (going) to obey street laws, I would drive my car."

Many bicyclists have the same attitude; many people say that cyclists on campus are the worst. Common complaints include bicyclists running stop signs, making improper turns and riding on the wrong side of the road.

"It seems students are always in a hurry," he said. "And if you have a bike, you can take shortcuts and fly through campus."

Jan Trenner, a service representative for the Automobile Club of Southern California (AAA) in San Luis Obispo, said safety is the responsibility of both bicyclists and motorists.

"We do a lot of bike safety," she said. "Even though most bike-related accidents are the bicyclist's fault, we stress the need for both parties to be cautious."

In 1990, police reported 51 bike/car accidents in San Luis Obispo. Nearly half were labeled the cyclist's fault. The following year, 55 such accidents were reported. Statistics show approximately 60 percent of the accidents were caused by bicyclists not giving hand signals, swerving across lanes, traveling at unsafe speeds or riding too close to cars.

The number of accidents reported from January 1 to September 30 in 1992, decreased to 22. But bicyclists were listed at fault in the majority of cases. In an attempt to remedy the problem, police and city officials organized a bicycle committee.

"Right now we are working on increasing the number of bike lanes within the city," Brown said. "We are also working on better ways to inform the public about bike safety and the basic rules bicyclists and motorists should follow."

That education is sorely needed, according to Trenner. "Even though cyclists are sometimes rude, there needs to be a reciprocal respect for one another," she said.

"I think the program has the potential to make a very real difference in the community," he said.

The peer policing program, a joint venture between ASI and the San Luis Obispo Police Department, is an attempt to use students as intermediates between police and community complaints — usually in cases involving local parties.

Ideally, the student intervention would eliminate police involvement with noise complaints, helping police focus on more important duties and improve student-community relations, program officials say.

The next step toward initiating the peer policing program in the creation of an Advisory Council, which will work out the specifics of daily operation, Hartig said.

The Advisory Council will consist of representatives from almost every affected group, ranging from the San Luis Obispo Police Department to City College.
University considers ban on student-instructor sex

Charlottesville, Va.

Faculty members at the University of Virginia considered Thursday whether to endorse a strict ban on sexual relations between college students and their instructors.

The Faculty Senate weighed two proposals supported by a number of supporters who say there would be no sexual intimidation of students, but which opponents say would be too limiting.

The faculty votes will be sent to University President John T. Casteen III, who will make a recommendation to the Board of Visitors. The board sets policy at the 18,000-student school Thomas Jefferson founded in 1819.

"We've gone to a lot of trouble and I'm certain that he'll pay a great deal of heed to our advice," said Robert H. Kneitzer, President of the 99-member Senate, which represents the school's 2,000 faculty members.

Proposal A, offered by the Women's Concerns Committee, would ban all sexual or amorous relations between undergraduates and students, but would also bar similar activity between professors and graduate students in the same department, teaching assistants and their students, and financial officers and any students they could affect through their scholarly or grants.

Proposal B, devised by an ad hoc faculty group, states that teachers, supervisors or evaluators "should not engage in amorous or sexual relations with students enrolled in their classes, with their students or advisees or with their student employees." The proposal applies to both undergraduate and graduate students.

Proposal B also recommends sanctions for violations, ranging from reprimand to dismissal, depending on the case. The Women's Concerns Committee proposed no penalties, saying it's main goal was to establish a policy.

Kneitzer, the Senate president, said Proposal A goes further than any policies he is aware of at other public colleges and universities, while Proposal B is similar to codes at a few dozen other schools, including the College of William and Mary in Virginia.

The American Civil Liberties Union advised the faculty to reject both proposals, saying bans on relations between consenting adults are unconstitutional.

"The Constitution protects privacy and associational rights that allow consenting adults to explore and create their own relationships," Kent Willis, Virginia ACLU executive director, said in a letter to the Senate members.

NEWS BRIEFS

Ozone layer drops to record low

Washington, D.C.

The ozone layer that protects the Earth from ultraviolet radiation has dropped to record low levels globally, with the biggest decline ever in areas that include North America, Europe and parts of Asia.

The finding strengthens the concern about the effects of manmade chemicals on the natural ozone layer, researchers said, although they also said the dip in the concentration may be related to a 1991 volcanic eruption.

"The global ozone levels are still way below normal and they have not recovered," said Gleason. "We had never seen the ozone layer under 280 Dobson units." Readings taken as recently as Sunday, he said, show that the ozone level "reinforces the wisdom" of limiting chlorofluorocarbon production.

Only costs-cuts can save hospitals

San Francisco, Calif.

Hospitals in the region face financial ruin by the end of the decade unless operating costs can be reined in, said an industry report released Thursday.

The study, commissioned by the Hospital Council of Northern and Central California, found that operating costs in a nine-county area rose $735 million since 1987, pushing annual losses to more than $150 million.

By the year 2000, annual operating losses are projected to reach $705 million.

"Hospitals are running out of money - and the future of the Bay area's health care delivery system is a community concern," said Michael Gallagher, president of the Hospital Council.

The report, which examined 88 hospitals, urged more cooperation among hospital administrators, health care workers and suppliers in the effort to reduce costs.

"Hospitals have been doing what they can to cut the root causes of many of these cost increases. However, most of the external pressures on hospitals are beyond their sole control," Gallagher said.

"Mercely attacking charges billed to patients without addressing the real causes for costs increases is a recipe for disaster," he said.

The study said $396 million in wages and benefit increases for hospital workers was the main reason for the surge in operating costs. But it also found that the price of drugs, supplies, and other non-labor expenses also soared.

Hospitals also provided $465 million in uncompensated care during 1990.

Compiled from Associated Press Reports
Concerts banking on Kershaw to better its record

Conway says future 'in jeopardy' if country show flops

By Todd Hogan

ASU Concerts will attempt what one official called a "near impossibility" this Sunday when rising country star Sammy Kershaw takes the stage in Mustag Student Center. The odd is against them.

The odds — and history — are against them.

"There's an assumption that when you put on a show, you simply hire an artist, sell tickets and naturally break even," said ASI Executive Director Roger Conway. "But that's not the way the industry operates."

ASI Concerts, a division of the ASI Program Board, is a group of student volunteers whose motto and function is to provide "quality entertainment to the masses," said Tim McWilliams, ASI Concerts committee chair.

"We try to bring cultural, intellectually stimulating and purely entertaining events to the campus for the benefit of students," McWilliams said. "We want to enhance the whole college experience by providing an array of entertainment opportunities."

Bringing entertainment to campus, however, involves money.

Since 1988, ASI Concerts has sponsored 18 shows, 15 of which lost money. In May 1991, a Bob Hope show in Mustang Student Center lost $35,000.

That loss, however, was offset somewhat by a March concert featuring the hard rock of Living Colour. That Mott Gym concert generated $24,332 in profits.

This year, McWilliams hopes to end ASI Concerts' losing streak record. An October, 1992 show in Chumash Auditorium featuring the band Toad the Wet Sprocket was a success, McWilliams said. "Sometimes the smaller shows get lucky, Conway said, if they can hit a rising star in a small venue and make money."

ASI Concerts is one facet of ASI Special Projects, which consists of the Cultural Advisory Committee, Speakers Forum, Special Events and Films, Fine Arts and Concerts, Special Projects committee.

Unfortunately, the success and future of ASI Concerts, and the Program Board in general, depends on the students.

"Students decide what they want and what they don't want," Conway said. "Many campuses have a mandatory $2 fee per quarter or semester that generates money for concerts and other Student activity. In essence, they've decided they want concerts and they have taxed themselves for it."

But the success of ASI Concerts may depend also on geographic limitations. And many people within ASU are using Sunday's Sammy Kershaw show as a gauge to the potential success of any show at Cal Poly.

"We wanted to bring a country music act to Cal Poly the same weekend as the rodeo and the Poly Agriculture Review, when we will be drawing lots of people to the campus," said ASI President Kristin Burnett. "If that show doesn't succeed, it makes you wonder what will."

Indeed, Conway, if the Kershaw show loses money, ASI Concerts could be "in jeopardy."

"It may turn out to be a market reality," Conway said. "This area is going to be big enough to make money sponsoring concerts."

In that case, evaluations and revisions to the program may be made. The Wet Sprocket made just over $3,000. But a January Faith No More show in Mott Gym lost $10,000.

"It's almost impossible without subsidies — for a college campus to break even sponsoring concerts," Conway said. "That's the reality of the market."

At most college campuses, the average subsidy from the student body for concert promotions is between $75,000 and $100,000 per year, Conway said.

ASI Concerts annual subsidy is $14,000, according to McWilliams.

"The fact is, most college campuses are highly subsidized," Conway said. "Some campuses are able to break even, those schools usually have large halls available and are located in a densely populated area to fill it."

Typically, Conway said, larger schools with the necessary facilities succeed in concert promotion while medium-sized schools struggle and smaller schools generally lose.

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But the success of ASI Concerts, its very survival "defies the odds," said Brown Brown, chair of the ASI Special Projects committee.

The university isn't doing it, so we need to," Brown said. "If the show does well, we will all breathe a sigh of relief. If not, we'll have to ask ourselves what we're going to take to break even."

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**ASU Concerts financial history**

ASI has held 18 concerts since 1988, and have suffered financial losses in 15 of them. Listed below are the totals from each show:

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**Statistics supplied by ASI Concerts; research by staff writer Todd Hogan.**

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**CHILE PEPPER'S IS Expanding!**

Look for new Chille Pepper location to open on Foothill COMING SOON! Grand Opening with 1/2 off entire menu!
Well, I'm finally old.

Yesterday, I was young, full of the pride of youth—just a different person. My face no longer looks like a ghoul of play-doh, being shaped by the inartistic hand of puberty. My nerves have gone off, my skin has cleared up, and I've grown all of the hair nature intended for me. Salespeople call me sir, and 16-year-old girls no longer see me as the great beacon of hope the sight of two people walking next to us. It was a month ago when I was one leg with my hands clutching the base of my spine. I'm not a quantum Thermonuclear Dynamics final, I realized something that brought me a little comfort: In 10 years, I would look back on this test and remember the one problem I actually got correct. Ethan Plotkin is an industrial engineering senior at Cal Poly.

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Friday, April 23, 1993

**COMMENTARY**

Getting old

By Ethan Plotkin

I'm not gonna look like an old man...am I?

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Our keynote speaker

By Elizabeth Magill

Albert Kern, 47, is an Executive Vice President of Mycogen Corporation. For the past seven years, he has been instrumental in the growth of Mycogen's technology, business, and corporate growth. In addition to his corporate responsibilities, Dr. Kern currently oversees the International Division and Human Resource Management.

Dr. Kern joined Mycogen in June 1986 to assume responsibility for Research and Development. He has held several positions of responsibility including Marketing and Sales, Fermentation, and Manufacturing.

Mycogen Corporation provides crop protection products and services. The company develops, manufactures, and markets environmentally compatible products based on naturally agents to control insects, parasites, weeds and other pests. The company develops its products through the application of biotechnology and innovative formulations.
Cal Poly and Cuesta form a partnership

If there is a natural wedding between two institutions of learning, the bride is Cuesta College and the groom is Cal Poly. Or vice versa, if you prefer.

The wedding and honeymoon have happened, and the schools are now in the throes of domesticity—which is the way that they are cooperating in providing agriculture courses for Cuesta students.

This is the first time that Cal Poly and Cuesta have merged students.

The "team teach" concept is so new to Cal Poly that the four professors had to convince the campus administration that it was worth trying.

Joining Hellyer will be Bud Evans, political science; Steve Kaminaka, agricultural engineering; and Richard Krejsa, biological science.

Hellyer and Kaminaka will concentrate on agriculture production; Evans will explain how politics determines the allocation of food in the world; and Krejsa will engage students in discussing the impact of global ecology on agriculture from the perspective of a political scientist.

"The course," Hellyer said, "is designed to confront the agricultural crises that are threatening our planet. It will help students understand the complexity of our interconnected social and natural systems."

Cal Poly and Cuesta students are in the program,” but many more are expected to participate as the program develops.

On another front, Poly President and Director Francisco Hellyer announced that the Instituto Tecnologico de Culiacan (ITC) in Mexico signed an agreement that will allow “interactions” between their schools.

Initially, only the College of Agriculture will be involved in the program, but the exchange program may start as early as this fall.

One the benefits that are more of ITC’s faculty and students will come to Cal Poly than the reverse. In the first stage, only Cal Poly faculty will take part in the exchange, but students should be joining up in the near future.

This is the ITC’s second arrangement with a California agricultural college. The ITC has had an exchange program that past three years with the University of California at Davis.

Students and Faculty of the CAL POLY COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE at their best

Helping to develop journalists in the field of agriculture...Serving the farm industry throughout California
3,700 Cal Poly students take agriculture courses

More than 3,700 students are provided with scientific, practical and hands-on experience in various majors in the Cal Poly College of Agriculture.

From the production, processing, marketing, and packaging of food and fiber products through new product development, resource allocation, business management and technical analysis, the College of Agriculture prepares students in 14 undergraduate majors, leading to a Bachelor of Science degree and offers a Master of Science degree in Agriculture.

The campus has nearly 6,000 acres of agricultural instruction. Range land is used for grazing, while more intensively cultivated parcels are in orchards, vineyards, fruit and nut crops, vegetable production and field crops.

Also, the Brock Center for Agricultural Communication prepares people to accurately and effectively tell the story of agriculture.

Scholarships totaling almost $33,000 will enable 30 Cal Poly agriculture students to take the Dale Carnegie Course on campus during spring quarter.

The students are members of the Agriculture Ambassadors program, sponsored by Cal Poly's College of Agriculture. A 12-week course is intended to enhance public-speaking ability and self-confidence.

Ag Ambassadors visit high school and community college classes throughout California to encourage students to continue their education and consider enrolling at Cal Poly to prepare for careers in agriculture.

The scholarships were made possible by Ray R. Roberts and Associates of Fresno.

While farmers may survive periodic bouts with drought, and depressed market prices, they cannot withstand public policy decisions that take away the water, land and chemicals, tools allowing them to stay competitive in the global marketplace.

Clearly, California's economy is in a distressed situation. But just think how much worse off we would be if we didn't have healthy agriculture propping up the state's economic foundation.

The Agriculture Sciences Building, "nerve center" of the college.

Sherry Gurtler/Mustang Daily

Scholarships come our way

Almost $33,000 helps 30 Cal Poly students

- Dan Lassanane, a professor in Ornamental Horticulture at Cal Poly, has been awarded the 1993 Bert Kallman Award of $500, presented annually by the California Association of Nurserymen to honor outstanding horticulturists.

- Brenda Souza, a student in agriculture and communications at Cal Poly, has been awarded a $2,000 Hull Associates scholarship.

Brenda and Stephen McGary, an agricultural professor, collaborated on a proposal to develop a program kit on agriculture for county fairs.

The kit is expected to be of particular interest to the California Fair Board and the State Department of Food and Agriculture.

Cal Poly's College of Agriculture Presents...

- Keynote Speaker: Dr. Albert Kerrt 9 A.M. at the Ag Science Courtyard

- Horse Show
- Science Fair
- Flower Show
- Irrigation Tours
- Dairy & Beef Showmanship
- Logging Demonstrations
- Embryo Manipulation
- Safety Demonstrations
- Appleseed Production
- Horticultural, Agricultural, Forestry Display
- Orientation Meeting for New Students

something for everyone open to the public

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Saturday, April 24, 1993
9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Two $1,000 winners in Brock contest

The food editor of the Chicago Tribune and a general assignment reporter for the Lakeland (Fla.) Ledger are the top winners in the annual food-writing contest sponsored by the Brock Center for Agricultural Communication at Cal Poly.

Each will receive $1,000.

Carol Haddix was judged best among writers whose newspapers exceed 100,000 circulation.

William Levesque was honored similarly in the classification for newspapers under 100,000.

Second and third-prize winners, who will receive $750 and $250, are:

Over 100,000: Daniel Puzo, Los Angeles Times, and Pet Dailey, Chicago Tribune.


Carol Haddix has been editor of the Chicago Tribune’s weekly food section for 13 years, after having been a food writer at the Detroit Free Press for six years.

She is the author of several cookbooks. Her winning entry, titled “King of Turia,” dealt with the nutrition versatility of cherries.

William Levesque, 29, who was honored for articles which exposed the dangerous effects on crops of a pesticide produced by Dupont, has been writing agricultural and food-industry issues for 16 years. He was previously a reporter for United Press in Providence, R.I., and the Fall River (Mass.) Herald.

The Brock Center is endowed by the late James Brock, a Colorado agriculturalist, and his wife Mary. This year’s awards were made possible by a grant from the Fresh Produce Council of California.

The welcome mat is out for new students

By Kim Houlding

The invitations have been sent, the phone rolls have been made, and future Cal Poly students are on their way.

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Kern pointed to advances, affecting the future of agriculture, that Monsanto is directly involved with. We are looking at biotechnology to develop pest-resistant maize, protect plants resistant to insects, disease, lessen the need for chemicals of any kind.

From 1974 to 1986, Dr. Kern served in product and field testing. He received his Ph.D. in agronomy from California State University, Los Angeles. He joined the Ledger in 1969 and has been covering agriculture and food-industry issues ever since.

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Kern pointed to advances, affecting the future of agriculture, that Monsanto is directly involved with. We are looking at biotechnology to develop pest-resistant maize, protect plants resistant to insects, disease, lessen the need for chemicals of any kind.

From 1974 to 1986, Dr. Kern served in product and field testing. He received his Ph.D. in agronomy from California State University, Los Angeles. He joined the Ledger in 1969 and has been covering agriculture and food-industry issues ever since.
Cattle roping is one of the top events at the rodeo.

**Rodeo is a rugged test for rider and animal**

By Chris Brandi

Horses, ropes and cowfolk are in the spotlight at Cal Poly this weekend.

Cal Poly will host the Mustang Stampede intercollegiate rodeos on Saturday and Sunday. Saturday there will be two events, the first at 1 p.m. and the second at 5 p.m. The finals will be held Sunday at 1 p.m.

Rodeo contestants from the West Coast region will rope and ride steer-wrestling.

Clay Robinson, coach of the Cal Poly rodeo team for the last eight years, expects good things from his men's and women's teams.

The men's team is ranked second in the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association. They will be going to the national finals at the end of the season, for which they have qualified every year since the rodeo began at Cal Poly in 1948.

"Our girls team is young. They won their last rodeo and are getting better everyday," Robinson said.

Ball-riding, which Robinson considers the most dangerous and exciting event at the rodeo, is on again both days.

"At any time there is a chance for injury," Robinson said. "Even after the eight-second ride is over there is still a chance for injury until the rider is out of the ring."

As far as injuries go, Robinson considers his team has been fortunate.

"I figure as long as you can walk away from it. There are always going to be a few broken bones," Robinson said. "When a 2,000-pound bull lands on you it's going to hurt."

Skill and agility are two important qualities for every rodeo participant. Nowhere is this more vital than in the calf-roping category.

Robinson considers Tyler Keith, a construction management junior, one of the best.

Keith said the event is one of his favorites.

"It's a one-on-one event and one of the most skilled at the rodeo," Keith said.

Although there is always a chance for injury to the animals, their safety is the rodeo teams main concern.

"If they can't perform, we can't perform," Robinson said. "We want to keep this sport as humane as possible and we've going to do everything we can to protect the animals."

Robinson praised the care of the animals to a presumed student.

"She takes care of our animals just like a mother would take care of her children," Robinson said. "But just like the rest of the rodeo education is the bottom line, to keep everyone, including the animals, safe."

According to Robinson, anyone seen abusing the animals while in competition or practice is fined $500.

"We have a lot of rules that are designed to protect the livestock," Robinson said.

The rodeo has taken some major budget cuts in the past year, the main one being in Robinson's salary. He took a 60% pay cut this year, and his entire salary is raised by rodeo events and functions.

Although the rodeo team has never received any money for practicing, the fact that team members can participate in professional rodeos helps.

About half of the members of Cal Poly's men's team have their professional Rodeo Cowboy's Association card, which enables them to compete on the pro circuit.

"We're disappointed in the cuts but not in the support of the school," Robinson said. "We figure you can either whine about the cuts or do what you can with what you have and that's what cowboys are all about."
Survey findings questioned
Campus gays say research numbers are too low
By Lisa Iruguin
Staff Writer

Despite national surveys which indicate a declining gay and lesbian population, homosexual leaders on campus say there are more gays in the United States than such studies could ever show.

The Janus Report on Sexual Behavior, a recent survey of the sexual habits of 2,704 American men and women, said 9 percent of men and 5 percent of women said they regularly have sex with others of their gender.

But a 1987 California Department of Health study estimated as little as 2.7 percent of the state's population was gay or bisexual.

These cases and other research contradict the landmark study of Alfred Kinsey, who, over 40 years ago estimated that 10 percent of American men were gay.

Joy de Graaf, vice president of Cal Poly's Gays, Lesbians and Bisexuals United (GLBU), said she feels recent surveys inherently underestimate the number of gays and lesbians in the nation. That's because bisexuals are not often included in such research, she said.

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Despite recent struggles, Cal Poly's baseball team is tied for second place in the California Collegiate Athletic Association. Although the Mustangs have not lived up to their preseason No. 1 ranking, they have a good chance to make a run at first place.

That run starts tonight at SLO Stadium when Cal Poly takes on Cal State Los Angeles to come to town for a three-game series with the Mustangs.

Game Time Friday is set for 7:30 p.m. The teams will clash in a doubleheader Saturday beginning at 1 p.m.

When Mustang starter Dan Cherepov throws his first pitch and the game's opening toss, it will be the first time Cal Poly has played at home in nearly two weeks.

The Mustangs are coming off three consecutive losses, including a doubleheader sweep to Pomona Saturday and an 11-7 loss to UC Santa Barbara Tuesday.

"I hope we can rebound from last weekend," Mustang coach Steve Marfian said. "If Chere­poy wins, it will set the tone for the weekend.

Cal Poly swept the Golden Eagles in their three-game series May 12-13.

"We handled them pretty well last time," Marfian said. "But they're big hitters and tough to hold down."

Dominguez Hills is in last place with its 6-11 mark.

Cal Poly will play its next 11 games at home before ending the season at Pomona Thursday night.

Sunday's criteria started well for Cal Poly as Luxe took second in the men's A, Mark Stinson came back from an early season rash to win the men's C race.

Steiner unleashed her powerful aptitude on the women's A field and won the race to collect her third medal of the season. Kenner also rebounded from a hard hitting finish to win the men's B race.

No future matches have been scheduled.

Steiner wins a trio of medals

Cal Poly's wheelmen returned to action this past weekend with only one team victory in three events, having been thwarted once again by a powerful UCSB squad.

The women's Saturday morning time trial ended with a wide margin over second place Cal Poly. Carl Hekkert of the wheelmen won the men's B race easily.

The wheelmen showed their climbing ability as they won Saturday's brutal road race. Steve Hullenbeck and Jason Lincke took first and third in fourth.

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Poly women knock off top-ranked Davis

By Christopher Black
Staff Writer

It couldn’t have been scripted any better.

With the match score tied 4-4, the fate of the Cal Poly women’s tennis team rested on the capable shoulders of its top doubles team, Michelle Berkowitz and Beth Reed.

It was up to them to swing the Mustangs’ earlier season losses to UC Davis, the reigning No. 1 NCAA Division II team in the country.

Berkowitz and Reed didn’t disappoint.

They pulled out a three-set victory and gave Cal Poly a 5-4 upset over the visiting Aggies.

“This is my best win as a coach,” Cal Poly coach Chris Eppright said. “The Mustangs played their best match of the year, especially the doubles.

Cal Poly fell behind 3-2 in singles play before Berkowitz won her singles match, 6-4, 1-6, 6-1, at the No. 4 position to even the match at 3-3 heading into doubles.

“When you fall behind the number one team in the country, it’s easy to say ‘they’re better than we are,’” Eppright said. “But they didn’t give up. They played loose, and they played hard.”

Cal Poly lost the No. 3 doubles match, but Julie Ciancio and Shɑrtie Holmes posted a 6-4, 6-3 win at No. 2, tying the team score at 4-4.

With the other matches completed, all eyes were upon Berkowitz and Reed as a large contingent of Cal Poly faithful gathered to cheer on their Mustangs.

Taking the first set, 6-3, in the best-of-three match, it looked as though Berkowitz-Reed would have little trouble disposing of their opponents, Anne Beesgent and Leslie Cavanaugh, beat the Mustangs in the first set.

The Aggie duo, however, took command of the second set, winning 6-1 and sending the match to a deciding third set.

Falling behind 3-1 in the final set, Berkowitz-Reed rode a wave of crowd support and teamwork to even the set and secure the doubles point.

“Pulling from a wealth of cheers off the court and high-fives on the court, Cal Poly’s No. 1 doubles team seemed to gain confidence and strength as they broke Cavanaugh’s serve and took a 6-3 advantage.

It was up to Reed to serve Cal Poly to victory. After double-faulting on her first match-point opportunity, Reed delivered a service winner to take the match and secure a huge win for the Mustangs.

Overwhelmed by their victory over the nation’s highest-ranked team, Berkowitz and Reed were practically speechless.

“I don’t know how to say anything,” said Reed, a senior. “This is the first time we’ve ever beaten Davis since I’ve been here.

“It hasn’t hit me yet.”

Reed also won in singles, 6-4, 6-3, as did Berkowitz and Ciancio.

With the victory, the Califor­nia Collegiate Athletic Association co-champion Mustangs improved their overall record to 20-3 and look poised to contend for a national championship in Pomona May 7-12.

Cal Poly, which had lost three of its previous six matches prior to Wednesday, next plays in the Ojai Invitational this weekend.