ON SHAKY GROUND

Steve McCrank
Valencia was suffering

It was unreal! Catastrophes never strike planned suburban communities such as Valencia. What used to be private residences quickly became open houses for members in the community. Slump walls dividing the individual homes from each other, and the piles of crushed brick that are now everywhere in the streets, will be like. Finally, I couldn't calm them down. My mind concentrated on hitting the freeway to go home and see it for myself.

When I arrived home last week, the crack was approximately one-and-a-half inches deep covered the walls and floors. There wasn't anything left in my imagination of what my hometown must be like. Finally, I couldn't concentrate on hitting the books, so I hit the freeway. There wasn't anything out of the ordinary until I hit I-5. Only trash and tumbleweeds were rolling down the road, cars were nowhere in sight. The freeway condition signs all stated: "See McCrank, page 3"

Elizabeth Potruch

'I felt like someone ripped my heart out'

After days of allowing my imagination to run wild, envisioning what my parent, described to me over the telephone, I had to go home and see it for myself.

"This is not my house!" I exclaimed as I entered the dilapidated street of Valencia. Cracks ranging from three inches to as wide as 16 inches deep covered the walls and floors. The roof, bowing in the middle, looked as if it was going to cave in at any minute.

My house looked as if it was built directly over the unnamed fault geologists have recently discovered. A crack which tore through the street out front extended through the entrance way, the living room and the backyard. What used to be the doorway was now piles of crushed brick.

When I arrived home last week, the crack was approximately one-and-a-half inches wide. By the time I left on Monday, it had nearly doubled. From the moment I arrived home, the house had not stopped shifting. With each aftershock, more structural damage surfaced. My parent's bathroom was slowly slipping. See POTRUCH, page 3

Trustees grant CSU presidents salary boosts

$200,000 expenditure called minimal

By Len Arends, Daily Photo Managing Editor

Cal Poly President Warren Baker and 17 other California State University presidents were granted pay raises by the Board of Trustees on Tuesday.

In a voice vote taken at the Long Beach office of the CSU, the board decided to increase the salaries for 18 of the presidents of the CSU's 20 campuses by an average of 8 percent. Baker's raise was much higher than the average. He will receive an 18 percent or $22,323 raise.

The interim presidents of CSU-Long Beach and Stanislaus will not receive raises because their positions await full-time presidents.

Here is what they found.

**Geographically, San Luis Obispo sits away from the urban sprawl of Southern California. But last Monday, many Cal Poly students who've come here from the Southland were reminded of their attachment to the region when a 6.6-magnitude earthquake rumbled through Los Angeles.** In its wake, the quake has left more than broken glass and shifted foundations: It has again shattered what Californians know is a pretty peculiar peace with nature. When the earth moves, it joins the serenity of life. It alters the spirit of place. And nothing seems the same. The families of Daily Photo Editor Steve McCrank and Staff Writer Elizabeth Potruch were, to varying degrees, directly impacted by the earthquake. Last weekend, McCrank and Potruch journeyed home. Here is what they found.
CLINTON: Pledges welfare reform

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be taken away, I will take this pen, veto that legislation, and we'll come right back here and start over again."

Clinton took advantage of — and some of the credit for the improving economy to call for Congress to "continue our journey of renewal" by enacting the remainder of his domestic program.

"We replaced drift and deadlock with renewal and reform," Clinton said.

Turning to crime, Clinton voiced strong support for legislation that would put 100,000 more police on the beat, send three-time felons to prison for life and ban assault weapons.

"Violent crime and the fear it provokes are crippling our society, limiting personal freedom and fracturing the ties that bind us," Clinton said.

He also urged sportspersons to "join us in a common campaign to reduce gun violence."

The emphasis on crime follows polls suggesting that crime has become the No. 1 concern of most Americans.

We want families to stay together."

Welfare reform was given added emphasis in the speech after Senate Finance Committee Chairman Daniel Patrick Moynihan of New York complained about inattention to the problem. His committee will handle both health care and welfare reform.

He said his welfare reform package would withhold certain benefits to pregnant teens. "We will say to teenagers, 'If you have a child out of wedlock, we will no longer give you a check to set up a separate household. We want families to stay together.'"

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Clearly the centerpiece of Clinton's agenda remained his health-care plan — which would extend coverage all Americans, largely by requiring all employers to pay 80 percent of the cost.

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Quake survivors attempting normalcy; returning to schools, homes

By George Garties

LOS ANGELES — Children trooped back to earthquake-graded schools and frightened residents started straggling home from shelters on Monday as the city began to pick up pieces of normalcy.

President Clinton asked Congress for $7.5 billion to rebuild highways and get families and students back on their feet following the Jan. 17 earthquake whose death toll rose Tuesday to 61.

And the city's 5.6 million commuters refined techniques for threading the maze of crumpled concrete, driving long detours, carpooling and riding the train.

Lesson plans gave way to counseling sessions and group discussions at the 640,000-student Los Angeles Unified School District, as principals stepped in for the first time since the Friday before the quake exploded.

"I guess it's safer to be here than at home," said 14-year-old Monica Sandoval at James Monroe High School in Sepulveda, near the quake's epicenter in the San Fernando Valley. "At home you run around like a maniac. Here they tell you what to do.

"I say it's safer here, it's safe."

District officials weren't immediately able to provide attendance figures. Several principals in the hard-hit San Fernando Valley reported attendance at 40 percent to 60 percent of normal.

About 65,000 students had no chance to return to classrooms because 76 closed schools were closed by quake damage.

Gov't. marks $7.5 million in aid funds to Los Angeles

By Marie Granger

WASHINGTON — The Clinton administration wants $7.5 billion in federal spending to aid earthquake victims in California.

They urged Congress to act quickly to speed the flow of relief funds.

White House chief domestic affairs assistant Leon Panetta said the administration would send Congress an emergency supplementen...
LORENA BOBBIOTT
The more mundane of the name evokes twists in the groin area of men everywhere. Frankly, I’m sick of hearing about her. It seems that no one, television media included, can get past that one line aspect and learn the lessons that should be learned.

I find men’s reactions to the verdict most interesting. Men have had the tables turned on them, and are experiencing what it feels like to be outraged — in angry voices. “How could she get away with that?”

That disbelief— that feeling that justice had failed — was William Kennedy Smith sent on his merry way. But I believe Lorena. Although I still don’t think that gives her jive (in the extended sense of the program band. However, after the ordeal Lorena claims to have been through, she should be required to have extensive psychotherapy. Her husband deserves at least the same.

How could they acquit Lorena? What I want to know is where that sense of outrage was when millions of women in America were being viciously raped? Why is there not a sense of frustration every time a woman is raped, her rights sexually harassed? Was there this same pizzazz self-righteousness when Clarence Thomas was confirmed to the Supreme Court? Why was William Kennedy Smith sent on his merry way, and his alleged raping and beating of her not? But I believe Lorena. Although I still don’t think that gives her jive (in the extended sense of the program band. However, after the ordeal Lorena claims to have been through, she should be required to have extensive psychotherapy. Her husband deserves at least the same.

The media circus surrounding the Bobbitt case was sensational and ignored the larger issue — violence against women.

It was this violence that led Lorena to carry out her brutal attack. But what people are focusing on is, that she escaped repercussions. And the main concern of many men, the whispered fear — is that others may follow in Lorena’s footsteps.

Now the spotlight is on the male victim. A man’s world was turned upside down. His wife was violated. A man was robbed of his dignity.

But female rape victims are treated differently. Their names are kept out of the press. In televised trials, their selves are obscured. They are kept in a dark shame, not wanting anyone to know.

Then we have John who appeared on unspeakable talk shows. He didn’t need the need to savor himself in shame. He appeared as a survivor rather than a victim. Whether this is because he is man or because he was not ashamed, is not for me to say. But I find the difference in reactions a telling comparison. Are women socialized to forget their dignity and men to keep theirs?

The more I am more disencouraged when I hear a man say women are sated Lorena “got away with it.” Not only would that be inaccurate, but it would be hypocritical for men to condone the violation of a woman.

But what saddens me the most, is that nothing will be learned from the Bobbitt’s misfortune. Few people will ever come to terms with this issue, and even understand, escalating sexual violence. It is not at all sure that some misguided women who will see Lorena’s acquittal as a win for the female gender, there will be men who will continue to think sexual assault is “no sex.”

I hope the Bobbitt trial will teach every person a lesson. Let us all get away in a haze of anger for every victim.

But I’m not that optimistic.

• Carolyn Nichols is a Daily senior editor. Her column will appear every other Wednesday.


LETTERS
Additional points about bus service
Re: “Bus service slated for improvement,” Mustang Daily 1/10

More than 600 Cal Poly trips were made on the city bus last year. How much of the campus would need to be paved to park the cars needed to accommodate these trips?

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Harry Watson
3013 Vista Moon

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Jackson settles civil suit; criminal molestation charges may linger

By Jeff Wilson

SANTA MONICA — Michael Jackson settled a child molestation lawsuit Tuesday on terms that left the alleged victim "very happy" and Jackson proclaiming his innocence, attorneys said.

Terms of the settlement weren't disclosed, although a source close to the case told The Associated Press that the teenager and Jackson agreed to a financial settlement "in eight figures," or between $10 million and $90 million.

Other media reports put the settlement figure anywhere from $5 million to $50 million.

"I am very happy with the resolution of this matter," said Larry Feldman, attorney for the 14-year-old boy. The boy, Feldman told reporters, was also "very happy with the resolution of this matter."

Feldman and Jackson attorneys Johnnie Cochran Jr. and Howard Weitzman met privately in the chambers of Superior Court Judge David Rothman before the announcement.

"We signed off on the deal. That was it," Feldman said of the conference in chambers.

Experts said the settlement could cripple a criminal molestation investigation.

A joint statement from Weitzman and Cochran, and read by Cochran, proclaimed Jackson's innocence.

"Michael Jackson has maintained his innocence since the beginning of this matter and now, since this matter will soon be concluded, he still maintains that innocence," the statement said.

"The resolution of this case is in no way an admission of guilt by Michael Jackson. In short, he is an innocent man who does not intend to have his career and his life destroyed by rumors and innuendo," it said.

Jackson will speak out publicly about the case at an undetermined time, his attorneys said.

The civil suit filed last September alleged Jackson, 35, committed sexual battery, seduction, willful misconduct, intentional infliction of emotional distress, fraud and negligence in a campaign to entice the boy.

There's no way around it. You use more energy in the winter. It gets cold. You turn up the heat. You stay a little longer under the shower. So your winter energy bills shoot up. Which hits hard if you're not ready for it. And in today's economy, a lot of people aren't ready for it.

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 prototype missile-folder launched at Vandenberg

ANNOUNCING THE MISSILE PLUS 1 MISSILE TO FIGHT THE NEXT WAR...

VANDENBERG AIR FORCE BASE — An unmanned spacecraft named Clementine 1 roared off a launch pad Tuesday on a seven-month journey to explore the moon and an asteroid with sensors built for missile defense.

Science data collected when Clementine points its instruments at the moon next month and the asteroid Geographos next summer will be a byproduct of a $79 million mission primarily intended to test new defense technology.

The key instruments are five advanced sensors designed for detecting and tracking missiles, according to the Defense Department's Ballistic Missile Defense Organization, which recently sponsored the mission with NASA.

A two-stage Titan 2G booster, a converted ballistic missile, lifted Clementine off at 8:34 a.m. PST and sent it southwestward over the Pacific.

PHONES: Fiber optics fizzle competition

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"It's as if we've after the best-dressed, most on sinking ships," he said.

Superiority, swimmer Joly Campbell explained. Swimmers in the next lane is a big motivational factor, she said. Another double zone to phone meets includes the honesty of the coach and the changing time. But touch pads mounted in the pool would eliminate any dishonesty, he said.

The Future

Crawford said if phone meets in track occur, they hope they are scheduled because of "existential circumstances" only like individual weather.

However, she said she would be intrigued to even attempt to run a victory of someone on the other side of the world challenged her to a race through the phone line.

And who knows, with technology advancing as fast as Carl Lewis used to run the 100-yard dash, phone meets may alter the future. Virtual reality meets might evolve — swim meets from a bath tub. Perhaps, a soccer player could kick a ball against a screen and a computer print out to her that she shot on goal missed wide right.

"It might work on paper," she said. "But I doubt it will be pretty."
Brod Hamilton
No Goal

Phone meet offers peek at sports future
No, a phone meet is not a contest between Sally Struthers and John Ritter dialing for donations during a phone-a-thon as one student suggested.
A phone meet is oddities of phone company slogans bundled by a phone chord. "It's not an information highway. It's about you, me and Uncle Jack," as the little girl did in colonial garb frolicking on the beach suggests in an MCI commercial.
With a little thumb pressure on seven to 15 buttons on the phone, it is the doorway to another dimension of sports.
Saturday Cal Poly's swim team competed in a phone meet against the University of South Dakota — more than 1,200 miles away.
After Cal Poly’s swimmers darted through the water in a backstroke or freestyle race, the poolside phone rang.
"Two women scribbling numerals onto a scoring sheet also rattled off names and times — Krista Kiedrowski, 2:11.13, Jody Campbell, 54.50 — without any cheers or jeers, without sparking the phone down and pumping clinched fists like Kirk Gibson did when he hit a World Series winning homer off Dennis Eckersley."

Sandboarding

Name: Chris Elmerick
Age: 21
Major: Agribusiness junior
Years doing this: Two
How often do you sandboard? Once every two or three weeks, especially when the waves are blown out.

Most interesting aspect: You don’t have to be very good to enjoy the sport. So it’s easy to get friends involved.

Worst aspect of sandboarding: People claim that it weather's the dunes. I don’t quite believe that because the wind naturally weather's and builds up the dunes again. The dunes in Pismo Beach have been ridden for years. I don't think it has that high of an impact.

Name: Montana De Oro
Favorite place to sandsurf: Montana De Oro

KRISTA KIEDROWSKI
Swimming

The freshman swimmer, also a volleyball red-shirt, accounted for half of her team's winning performances Saturday against Cal State Bakersfield. The Los Gatos native sprinted to a field of Cal State Bakersfield swimmers in the 100-yard freestyle.

TYSON RONDEAU
Wrestling

The freshman Tyson Rondeau won two quality matches Friday at the 118-pound weight class to lead his team to easy victories over San Francisco State and UC-Davis. Rondeau, from Phoenix, Ariz., pinned his first opponent 3:56 into the match. He handily defeated his second opponent 12-4.

The pin was the three-time Arizona high school champion's seventh this season. Rondeau has wrestled to a 5-9 overall record — 5-5 in duals.

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