**The Way We Are**

Mustang Daily is devoting a series of articles this week to explore Cal Poly's challenges and successes in the search for community. Here is a listing of what to expect:

**TODAY**
- An introduction to this week's series
- A look at the personal experiences of different ethnic groups on campus
- The true free speech arena on campus - the U.U. bathroom walls

**TUESDAY**
- What it's like to be gay, lesbian or bisexual on a "conservative" campus
- Views from students and faculty figures about equality in the workplace

**WEDNESDAY**
- How different groups are labeled and what individuals prefer to call themselves

**THURSDAY**
- Cal Poly's racial harassment policy in the works
- An update of Cal Poly's sexual harassment policy

**Familiar faces**

**Ethnic clubs offer support**

**English senior Maurice Campbell, left, and business junior Niko Nystrom talk about their experiences at Cal Poly. Daily photo by L. Scott Robinson**

**Searching for a sense of community**

**Mustang Daily series will explore Cal Poly's struggle to find signs of unity within itself**

**English senior Midori Davidson says she expected Cal Poly to be more like the Bay Area when she first transferred. Daily photo by L. Scott Robinson**

**Hackers, security holes plague AIX computer system**

By Gobe Joynt

Daily Managing Editor

- Despite widespread knowledge of security holes in AIX, Cal Poly computer network users say not enough has been done to protect the integrity of users' accounts and prevent hackers from sending the campus into virtual chaos.

Users say the network is prone to security holes - flaws in the system that allow users to access and modify restricted files - and that a malicious hacker could wreak havoc on the system and bring all network-based instruction to a halt for days at a time. Christopher Ambler, a physics major on leave from the university, said there are widely known ways to "get root" on the system.

TOMORROW

Mustang Daily looks at how users are reacting to crime problems on the net.

**Senators keep debating calendar system switch**

By Joy Niofflon

Daily Managing Editor

- While most students were leaving town for Thanksgiving break Tuesday, Cal Poly's Academic Senate continued debating the costs of switching from a quarter to a semester system. In a report to the Senate, Daniel Howard-Greene, executive assistant to President Warren Baker, said the direct costs of changing from quarters to semesters were estimated at around $220,000.

Howard-Greene acknowledged that Cal Poly is a larger school than CSU-Humboldt, and inflation would probably affect the cost of the transition. He also expects with time there will be some real savings and ways of using resources, but all of that would have to be "worked out."

The Senate will vote Tuesday on a resolution to change to a 15-week semester system with one week of finals. If a calendar change is approved, a vote will come before the faculty in early winter quarter. President Baker will have the final decision.

Under a semester system, the savings on administrative costs would be around $50,000 a year, according to a memorandum from Academic Senate Chair Jack Wilson. The university's total budget is about $117 million.

**Opinion**

By Robert Knoob

Explains scenario for technology fee

**Sports**

Boston College trip teaches basketball team a lot

**Inside Today's Mustang Daily**
Serbs advance on safe-haven in Bosnia

By Sophia Vuki
Associated Press

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina - Rebel Serbs pounded the outskirts of Bihac in northwestern Bosnia Sunday as U.S. and NATO officials admitted they were powerless to stop the advance.

U.S. Defense Secretary William Perry even suggested that the Bosnian government had now lost the 81-month war.

The Bosnian government claimed it would accept a U.N. proposal for a Bihac cease-fire, demilitarization of the "safe area" and withdrawal of forces.

Bosnian Serbs have demanded a nationwide cease-fire. Their answer to the U.N. proposal was not immediately known.

Fierce fighting from Bosnia and neighboring Croatia now control 30 to 40 percent of the U.N. designated "safe area" at Bihac, and there was no sign their assault would stop. U.N. officials said shelling and heavy small arms and machine-gun fire rang out southwest and east of Bihac town.

The capture of Bihac would be the strongest indication yet that the United Nations can't stop the war with peacekeeping troops or airdrops.

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TODAY
AIDS Education and Prevention Community Planning Committee Meeting • Home Health Office Conference Room, 285 South St., Suite J, San Luis Obispo, 5-6:30 p.m. — 781-4200
Writing Proficiency Exam • Sign-ups begin today for the Jan. 21 exam
TUESDAY
Voices for Children Orientation Meeting • The San Luis Obispo Court Appointed Special Advocate Program is holding a meeting for volunteers and supporters, 7-8:30 p.m. Call 541-6542 for more information.
UPCOMING
Habitat for Humanity Presentation • Nov. 30. Call (602) 814-8108 for location and more information.
World AIDS Day • Dec. 1. Call 781-4200 for more information on events and activities.

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Christopher Ambler
former system administrator
for ACS

"Unfortunately," Ellwood said, "it seems I am one of the only (system administrators) on campus that does this, so we would have a lot less problems."

George Westlund, who supervises the AIX system for Academic Computing Services, said it is difficult to find the time to read all the lists and news groups, in addition to maintaining a system of 17,000 users.

But several users said that when they have reported security holes to ACS, their reports have gone ignored.

"It has been my experience that most bug reports seem to disappear into a black hole, and the submitter tagged as 'someone to watch,'" Ambler said. "What should be interpreted as a gesture of thanks is usually seen as a threat."

"Perhaps this isn't the mindset of ACS," Ambler said, "but if that's the case, they need to make it a lot more clear, as that's how it looks from the user's side."

While other users agreed with Ambler, Westlund denied that ACS has ignored any reports from students about potential security holes.

"Everything that has ever been reported has been acted on," Westlund said.

Academic Computing Services Director Bob Clever said it may be unwise to users how they should report security holes.

"If there is an environment where people are hesitant to point out problems, that needs to change," Clever said.

Ambler said the lack of an appropriate channel for reporting problems has alienated some users who typically gain knowledge of security holes by trying to break into the system — a violation of the law.

"If there's no feedback, people (who report security holes) feel like they are being ignored," Ambler said.

"In the best case, they will stop sending reports (in). In the worst case, they start publishing (the holes)," Ambler said. "If a user feels alienated, they're much more likely to exploit the holes.

One such user, who asked to be identified only as "Len," said he became frustrated last spring when ACS ignored any reports he posted last spring.

"Len" said that by using a better encrypted file containing all of the AIX passwords — what a hacker would need to run Crack on to decode passwords — is still available to anyone on the Internet.

Ellwood cited changing student attitudes as the reason for a rash of security problems in the past year, including root breaches, compromised accounts and fake postings to news groups.

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Ellwood and other users said the relationships between various computer system staff has traditionally been competitive, rather than collaborative.

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LETTERS

The face of racism

I am an American and I live in America. I hate to break the news to Mr. McDonald, but he was born here and he lives here, also.

I also wish to say that there is a fine line between yearning for equalization, wanting separation and at­
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However, “the man” or “the establishment” does not have a face of color. In America, there may have been the White

I have seen the racist teachings as well as the non-ac­

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This is a request for information—we want to find out the Trustees’ policies on these matters—but we had not

Familiarity with computing will be essential when (graduates) enter the work force and... is the univer­

I know many other considerations are involved in our

Believing in Santa opens minds

I once bought Christmas cards which had a unique pic­

Before you open up, please consider this: before you open the card, you will have to face the fact that the card is about...
CLUBS: Cultural groups provide a setting where ethnic students can feel comfortable

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Gonzalez, who identifies himself as a Chicano, is the president of the Asian American Exchange and the president of the College of Business after graduating in the spring of 1995.

"Walking down the corridor, passing the bookstore, I didn't see many faces of my own," Davidson said.

But Chai stresses that anyone can get involved with the club. He encourages people to come to club meetings and learn about the Chinese culture.

"If there's anything that I think we've done a good job on, Chai said.

Approaching different cultures

Chanda Dok and Ron Tariga have been dating for more than a year.

"That's why we feel it's important for ethnic students to feel comfortable coming here and it's predominantly Chicano," Gonzalez said.

"From there, being with people who look like me, people of my own culture, it just made me want to be part of your culture and never lose that," Urquizo said.

"We also let it be known that these events are open to everyone," Smith said.

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"I'm just trying to help out," Chai said.

"A lot of people don't know that there are people of African descent who are going through these experiences," he said.

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VOLLEYBALL: Silliman finishes with 10 kills

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The Mustangs played with 15 points and seven rebonds in the loss to NNU.

"I think that constantly plagued the Mustangs last year," Orrock said. "The team is injury-prone; we had a lack of height among the players.

Newcomers add height to lineup.

But the list of new Mustangs added to the team this year is impressive. The top newcomer is freshman middle blocker Taylor, who had a 4.3 rebound per game average last year and has emerged as another offensive weapon for the team.

Senior guard Vonetta Miller averages 18.1 points and six rebounds at Cal Poly and is one of four All-Pacific League Most Valuable Players.

While the newcomers add size, the injury bug continues to resurface in the Spartan program. San Jose State was fifth and Cal State Fullerton tied for sixth in the conference.

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Silliman's performance plus 19 other Mustangs showed up in the box score with more than a contribution of 1 kill each.

With Taylor injured, Orrock hopes Girard or Lee can join the starting rotation. Regardless, Cal Poly enjoys the opportunity of throwing more players at opponents this year.

Sophomore Katie Bauer and senior Wendy Bruse are experienced players.

The injuries to Girard and Miller have left the backcourt a little thin. Junior guard Hoffman averaged 13 points last year and has emerged as another offensive weapon for the Mustangs.

Senior Mariah Volk was one of the top returnees and fullback last year because of the injury problems. She responded with well and gained valuable experience in running the team, Orrock said.

Cal Poly will travel to USF Monday for a 7 p.m. game with the Dons.

BOSNIA: Serbs have captured peacemakers

From page 2

Even NATO airstrikes on the Serbs. The government forces haven't been able to beat the Serbs, who are backed by the International War Crimes Tribunal.

Bihac Mayor Hamidja Kabilov said that the Serbs have seized the control over Bihac and that he is not sure whether he and his family will be able to leave the city.

In July, the U.N. report that the government army's 5th Corps blew up its border with the Serbs in September and retreated north.

The Serbs have vowed to destroy the 5th Corps, which launched a successful offensive from Bihac last month, only to lose much of the captured territory.

Elsewhere, Serbs again TIPS: Cal Poly officials advise AIX users to create a original password

From page 1 lock," Kennedy advises, "create a good password."

In most cases when hackers have access to a system, they start by getting access to an account, usually by cracking a password.

Once a hacker has your password, he can get access from reading your mail and deleting emails, accessing your account and breaking into other systems.

In the following tips, you can more assuredly secure your password in order to guarantee the security of the network as a whole:

• Do not choose a word — whether it is a slang term, profanity, a foreign word or even a combination of the first letters of a compound word such as a sexual rebuff or "political correctness on campus."

In order to ensure the safety of the campus, the police are patrolling the campus with additional officers.

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Another concern about hate speech is the crisis that right at a learning institution. The student community feels comfortable.

Is it reasonable to expect the students to sit there and listen to a speech, students think they are logged in and out with their "academic purpose is secondary to the security of the network as a whole."

• Never write your password down. You will need to have at least one number in your password — do not use "1" and the beginning or end of your password as your only number.

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Walker: On-the-court struggles this season will help Poly players later in the game of life

Thursday, November 24

THANKSGIVING

Our wake-up time was at 6 a.m., which according to my biological clock, is 6 a.m. Sun.-Louis-Oslo time. We had a 10 a.m. practice at Boston College. We practiced in a small gym so we did not get a chance to feel how it is to practice in Conte Forum, though we did look at it from the stands. Conte Forum seats almost 10,000.

The bigger plane was much more relaxing because we had more room to stretch, we knew food was coming, there was a movie and even a bathroom.

We arrived in Boston about 9:30 p.m. EST. I hit the cold air and immediately I found out first-hand that Boston is a cold place.

We had a three-hour stopover in Los Angeles. Then we switched to a bigger jet airplane. With more room to stretch, we knew food was coming, there was a movie and even a bathroom.

Once the plane was in the air, we realized that Boston is a cold place. We practiced in a small gym so we didn’t get a chance to feel how it is to practice in Conte Forum, though we did look at it from the stands. Conte Forum seats almost 10,000.

Friday, November 25

GAME DAY

We had a shoot around at the big arena at noon. I felt pretty relaxed at the time as we prepared for the night’s game.

The prevailing attitude of the players and coaches was to do whatever you had to do to get an understanding of what our purpose on this trip was and what roles we would play on the team.

The seniors, including myself, expressed the importance of the game against Boston College.

We stressed the fact that our team is getting the chance to play at the top of Division I in Cal Poly’s first official game at that level.

Later that afternoon, we ate Thanksgiving dinner in the hotel. It was good except for the so-called squash that we ate. Nobody knew exactly what it was. Assistant Coach Bill Becker mixed the “squash” with gravy, which made it acceptable for him.

Later, I was served a dessert that included a cold-plate duck. On the ice cream looked more like a scoop of butter because it was so small.

That evening, more than half of the team went to see the movie “Hoop Dreams.”

Judging by the title, this movie was in line with what we were dreaming of at Boston College Friday—upssetting a top-flight Division I squad, against all odds.

Saturday, November 26

RECOVERY

I commended the guys on the team for keeping a positive attitude after a rough game. We still have a whole season left to play.

A lot of times this season we will be tested, but if we work hard making it will work we could better prepare for basketball and the game of life.

In basketball and in life, there are good times and bad times. But if you give up in the bad times, you’re not going to achieve any goal you’ve set.

There are no guarantees in life. You just do the best you can.

Brandon Wilkerson is a senior point guard on the men’s basketball team. Don’t ask him what happened.

BASKETBALL

From page 8

The Eagles’ freshman guards Doug Currie and Chris Herren contributed 15 and 14 points respectively.

Abrams, the only Boston College player with tournament experience, had six points, including four free throws. Bevan Thomas also had six points in the run.

After the Mustangs ended their scoring drought on freshman guard Frank Henderson’s three-pointer with 2:46 left in the half, the Eagles followed with a quick 7-0 spurt, capped by Herrn’s spinning, off-balance basket and free throw for a three-point play, making it 44-17 with 1:47 remaining.

The Eagles, who led 46-24 at halftime, never saw their advantage fall below 20 points in the second half. Boston College hit 8-12 from the free-throw line in the second half.

I probably had too high of expectations for this team.

“And I probably wasn’t giving us enough credit for our youth and inexperience.”

It was a good learning experience for us. He added that though some mistakes were made, there’s no reason to be expected in an early-season game.

Cal Poly will return home to face University of the Pacific Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.

Announcements

Greek News


Second Edition

A great win for the Associated Students.

OVERSEA STUDY

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Eagles inaugurate Poly, 97-60
By Jeffrey Jen

The Cal Poly women's basketball team made its official Friday in Phegnaud, Alta., with a 97-60 rout of Cal Poly.

The team has entered the Division I arena, and though the Mustangs were outshot Northern Arizona in their debut, they fall 78-67.

Cal Poly made 31 of 67 shots from the floor, good for 46.3 percent, while NAU was just 27-74 (36.5 percent).

However, NAU compensated with an inside game that drew a host of fouls, resulting in a huge free throw disparity between the two teams.

Senior forward Christine Redness said home-court officiating may have been a factor.

"I don't think I had one foul called on me," she said.

Coach Bill Orrock was pleased with the team's performance despite the loss.

"It was a great shot opener for us," Orrock said. "We played with a lot of heart."

Redness spoke of the game with the same intensity and passion.

"I wouldn't say we were happy with the loss, because I think we could have won," she said. "But what we did want to do was competitive. After all, the team, in its first year at Division I, is ranked 273 out of 273 teams in the nation."

"If we can continue to play with the same intensity and passion, the things we will surprise some people," Orrock said.

Poly women fall to NAU in opener
By Jeffrey Jen and Troy Peterson

The Cal Poly volleyball team fell to Northern Arizona 97-60 in the season opener.

The Mustangs were down 16-3 at one point in the first half. A 12-0 run by NAU put the Mustangs on the defensive and put the Mustangs on the defensive.

"We played well in spurts," Beason said. "I think overall we were pretty overwhelmed."

"We were a young team, and playing a team from the Big East and playing in a 10,000-seat arena," he said.

Beason said the game was a couple turnovers when they were down 16-15, but then fell apart.

"We got a little disjointed and lost our composure," he said. After the 22-0 run, the team regrouped and played well off and on, Beason said.

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Senior setter Carrie Bartkoski passes to junior middle blocker Allison Brady / Daily photo by Juan Martinez

Volleyball team falls in season finale
By Jeffrey Jen

The Cal Poly volleyball team closed out its season with a tough three-game loss to San Jose State (18-11) on Saturday night.

San Jose State was coming off a big 3-4 victory over No. 8-ranked Pacific last Saturday. The 15-6, 15-12, 19-17 loss left the Mustangs with a season-ending record of 9-18, its lowest win output in school history.

"We've played a lot of tough teams," said Coach Craig Cumming. "We had some good games during the season. And we're younger. The teams that have done well here have been together two or three years."

The game marked the final time that Cal Poly fans would see senior setter Carrie Bartkoski and senior middle blocker Natalie Silliman in action.

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Wrestlers finish middle of pack
Senior Tim Cano finished seventh in the 150-pound weight class and sophomore Greg Miller was eighth in the 177-pound weight class as Cal Poly's wrestling team competed in this weekend's Las Vegas Tournament.

Cal Poly finished 14th in a field of 22 teams chopped by Oklahoma State. The Pac-10's Arizona State took first.

Seniors Patterson, Fisher honored by AWC
Cal Poly football Coach Andre Pagan was named the American West Conference Coach of the Year on Tuesday.

The AWC also recognized standout players and teams. The Mustangs' Cal Poly defensive back Steve Rudisill was named the AWC Defensive Player of the Year.

Sophomore defensive lineman Martin Cano, junior defensive lineman Brian Pearseall and senior defensive back David Brown were named to the AWC second team and senior defensive back Steve Rudisill received honorable mention.

Junior wide receiver Ariki Fiyua, senior wide receiver Jon Peck received honorable mention.

Senior defensive lineman Ross Mader, junior linebacker Alex Garwood and senior nose tackle Matthew Il lettered as the first-team All-AWC defense.

Senior defensive lineman Martin Cano, junior defensive lineman Brian Pearseall and sophomore Robert Fisher were named to the All-AVC first team.

Freshman running back Brian Mader, junior linebacker Alex Garwood and senior nose tackle Matthew Il lettered as the first-team All-AVC defense.

Junior running back Jon Peck received honorable mention.

Wrestlers finish middle of pack
Senior Tim Cano finished seventh in the 150-pound weight class and sophomore Greg Miller was eighth in the 177-pound weight class as Cal Poly's wrestling team competed in this weekend's Las Vegas Tournament.

Cal Poly finished 14th in a field of 22 teams chopped by Oklahoma State. The Pac-10's Arizona State took first.