Animals abused, activists claim

By Ryan Becker
Daily Staff Writer

About a dozen animal-rights activists unfurled banners, hoisted signs and distributed leaflets Thursday to protest Cal Poly's treatment of research animals.

“We're here to get the message out that animals are being treated poorly,” said Peggy Koteen, director of San Luis Obispo's Animal Emancipation. “We've gotten a good response, and we're passing out a lot of literature.”

The protesters marched from the Administration Building Thursday afternoon. (Above) Protesters carried signs out that animals are being used in lab experiments. (Top) Lindsey Owen from the Animal Emancipation group protests outside the Administration Building, carrying banners and signs decrying the use of treatment of research animals. The protest was staged to commemorate the annual World Week for Animals in Emancipation has organized several protests at UC Santa Barbara, but this is the first time.

Candidates face-off at forum

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Act may force tobacco companies to pay Californians $1 billion a year

State Assemblyman Tom Torlakson (D-Arroyo Grande), chair of the Assembly Housing and Community Development Committee, announced legislation to ensure that tobacco companies are held fully liable for the financial havoc their products wreak on California’s health care budget.

The California Taxpayers Tobacco Relief Act directs the State Department of Health Services to assess fees on manufacturers of tobacco products to reimburse California taxpayers for the state’s costs to care for people who smoke.

This act would allow California to become the first state in the nation to levy a fee on manufacturers of tobacco products to reimburse state and local governments for the money they spend treating tobacco-related illnesses. The fee would be assessed directly on manufacturers, who can either pass it on to shareholders or consumers.

County education leaders endorse Gardner for sheriff

San Luis Obispo police chief has been endorsed by the County’s education leaders in his bid for Sheriff. He has worked closely with the education community in reducing crime and truancy. Retiring Sheriff Ed Williams, both Chief Deputy Sheriffs, every police chief in the county, the California Peace Officers’ Association and the California State Sheriffs’ Association have also endorsed Gardiner.

He has worked in law enforcement for 29 years and has been the police chief for the City of San Luis Obispo since 1987.

M.B.A. “Sim Team” wraps up International Collegiate Business Policy Competition in San Jose

Five members of Cal Poly’s business simulation team, “SLO Motion,” matched their corporate skills and nerve against a field of other business programs from the U.S., Canada, Mexico and Europe.

The team tied for first place in the market segment, the “Grove” pack dispenses an array of alternative beverages for those who want more than water outdoors.

“Thanks for the opportunity to participate in the simulation,” said Tom Mills, the team’s coach.

Though no trophy was won, CEO Rob Wingham echoed the sentiments of the team.

“We’ve gained valuable ‘real world’ knowledge here that will stay with us for future competitions,” he said.

The team consists of second-year students and one first-year “intern,” who took over as CEO the following year.

The competition was set and judged by a panel of business professors and industry executives from around the United States. Each team created a virtual company with its own logo, product, manufacturing plants and sales offices. The company produced a hard-copy business plan and annual report, along with weekly “quarterly” decisions over the Internet.

The decisions dictated what price the product would sell for and how much to produce and spend on advertising, along with other top-level management decisions.

The company’s web page is http://frontpage. lightspeed.net/puang/simulations/.

— Steve Baruccia (1st year M.B.A. student)

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Low Poly turnout at Earth Day event

Earth Day passed as quietly as it was promoted on campus Wednesday.

The Business Council was one of few clubs to take advantage of the environmental awareness day with a club fair outside the Education Building.

“We’re looking at the business side of recycling,” said Ramiro Perez, council chair and business administration senior. He noticed students taking advantage of recycling bins at the fair.

The Environmental Council of Student Community Services scheduled no specific Earth Day events. Last Sunday, the club planted more than 700 acres in pots, but only seven students participated in the planting, according to council co-director and ecology and systematic biology junior Lindsay Anderson.

“We need more student involvement,” Anderson said. She encouraged students to “act locally while thinking globally.”

Anderson said she thinks students can be apathetic because they don’t always see immediate benefits of their actions. By increasing publicity, she hopes to change students’ attitudes.

Ben Lovjoy, spokesman for the county’s Earth Day Coalition, also noted slow community response. The coalition is orchestrating Saturday’s Earth Day Festival at L. O. O.

“The rough year for support,” Lovjoy said. “It was hard to get a lot of volunteers to help us.”

Environmental groups are tied up with independent projects, and volunteers are crowded for time and money, Lovjoy said.

He had been hoping for more interest from Cal Poly clubs. Only the Permaculture Club will have a booth at the Saturday festival.

“A coalition is only powerful as how much the community puts into it,” Lovjoy said.

Geof Land, director of Ecoslo, also sees a decline in environmental groups’ participation in Earth Day. However, he does not see a drop-off in environmental awareness. Now organizations have formed recently, and every group is busy with projects of their own, he said.

“Community awareness about environmental issues seems to be building,” Land said.

Despite differing opinions, local environmental groups will proceed with upcoming events.

The Earth Day celebration at the Los Osos Community Park will bring environmental speakers together with live music, storytelling and belly dancing.

Phila Kuo, a Chumash Bear Clan elder, will set the festival in motion at a 10 a.m. opening ceremony.

Several organizations will be on-hand for answers and information.

The Terra Foundation will offer tips on composting. Lovjoy said this festival will be more educational than in the past.

Earth Day organizers aim to “celebrate, educate and motivate,” the theme for this year’s event.

Lovjoy said he hopes the public will learn practical environmental solutions.

“You can have a pretty nice lifestyle and be harmless to the planet,” he said.

With help by turning off lights, riding buses and buying environmentally safe packaging.

A little bit of effort by a lot of people, Lovjoy said, will have positive effects.

Apart from the festival, Earth Day-related events happened, and are happening, all week.

— Nicaragua feminist Gretahl Seguera and 1997 International Pfeffer Peace Prize recipient Dorothy Granada discussed conditions in post-Sandinista Nicaragua Thursday evening at the City-County Library. The two also spoke about their work with a cooperative health clinic in Muniukika.

• Jacaranda T-shirts and information were handed out at Farmers’ Market Thursday.

• A panel discussion on American Indian religions and cultures is scheduled tonight at 7 p.m. at Cawston Bookstore in Morro Bay.

The panel will address how indigenous religions connect with the environment, government, education and other issues. For information, contact 528-0890.

• The power of worms on kitchen waste will be mentioned during a series of composting workshops. One workshop is tonight at 7 p.m. at the City-County Library. Another is Sunday at 10 a.m. at the Pismo Beach Veterans Memorial Building. Call the Terra Foundation at 544-1777 for more information.

• Grover Beach’s Arbor Day fair is today at 2 p.m. at 16th Street Park, featuring tree plantings and performances by a children’s group.

• The Surfrider Foundation will hold a beach clean-up at Montana de Oro State Park at 10 a.m. on Saturday.

• Also on Saturday, the Land Conservancy of San Luis Obispo County plant trees along San Luis Obispo Creek. Meet at 10 a.m. at Arila Beach Resort, or call 544-9006 for information.

• Harbor Day in Morro Bay is Saturday starting at 10 a.m. in Del Monte Park.

• A morning trailride in the mountains is scheduled for Wednesday. Bring a horse, saddle and helmet. Call Bill at 929-3647 to confirm.

• Eco-Spirit will connect the outer environment with inner spirituality during a lecture Wednesday at 3 p.m. at the Pismo Beach Meditation Foundation. Call the foundation at 545-7910.

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celebrating the city. Obispo has been around town. "I'm a tree lover and a tree lunch, * * * tree planting is an integral part of the Arbor Day event at the Mustang Daily.

Arbor Day sponsors are expecting about 200 people to participate in the celebration. Cal Poly's environmental horticultural science department is sponsoring its second annual Arbor Day event at the Leaning Pine Arboretum in the ornamental horticulture unit located in the back of Via Kartia, across from the horse unit.

"The arboretum is a five-acre site planted with many trees, shrubs and other ornamental plants," said Tom Elliott, who works at the arboretum. "All the plants are arranged by the location of where they are located in Australia, New Zealand, California and Mediterranean native areas around the world."

The arboretum name originated from a Leaning Pine used as a roadside entrance. Free tours of the arboretum will begin at 10 a.m. Visitors can also purchase unusual plants from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the arboretum.

"Australian, Californian, African, South American and South African native plants that are adapted to our climate will be sold," Elliott said.

At 2 p.m. there will be a free speech on "New Perennial Plants for Central Coast Gardens," also at the arboretum. The speaker, Dave Fross, is a professor in the environmental horticulture department and owner of Native Plant Wholesale Nursery in Arroyo Grande.

The City of San Luis Obispo's proposed Arbor Day event will also celebrate Arbor Day at the Cal Poly Academic Accounting Building.

The celebration will begin with the announcement of city employees and Arboretum Day Art and Poetry Contest.

The celebration will also be added to the Commemorative Grove in Laguna Lakes.

People give $200 to have a tree planted in someone's name with a $200 donation accompanying it, Martin said.

"The California Department of Forestry will also present the Tree City USA award to the mayor," Martin said. "This speaks to cities that a show a strong interest in trees. To qualify, the city must have a tree board, spend $X amount of dollars on trees, have a tree ordinance and have an Arbor Day celebration."

The tree planting will begin at 11 a.m. and participants will participate, and those who do will receive a free lunch. The participants will stick the tree in a pot in prepung holes and then fill in the hole.

"Out along Madonna Road we will plant Italian Stone Pines to replace the Monterey Pines that have died from Pine Pitch Bark," Martin said. "Wheatstone Willows and Sycamores will be planted."

The lack of trees in Nebraska led to the founding of Arbor Day in the 1960s, according to The National Arbor Day Foundation.

Detroit's Sterling Morton was among the pioneers who moved into the Nebraska Territory in 1854. He and his wife were lovers of nature, quickly planting their new home with trees, shrubs and flowers. Morton was a journalist and editor of Nebraska's first newspaper. He spread agricultural information and his enthusiasm for trees through this medium. Not only did his fellow pioneers miss their trees, they were need ed as windbreaks to keep soil from blowing away, and building materials, as well as shade from the hot sun on summer days.

On Jan. 4, 1872, Morton first proposed a tree-planting holiday to be called "Arbor Day" at a meeting of the State Board of Agriculture. The date was set for April 10, 1872. Prizes were offered to counties and individuals for planting the largest number of trees on that day. Estimates show more than one million trees were planted in Nebraska on the first Arbor Day.

During the 1870s, other states passed legislation to observe Arbor Day, and the tradition began to be observed in schools in 1882.

**CETI from page 1**

relations would gain exclusive rights to market the genetically improved wheat and barley to CSU students, faculty and staff. The CSU would also provide a $200,000 grant to develop new products under the terms of the CETI agreement. "Our negotiating team has worked seven days a week over the past several months trying to put together the best possible agreement for the CSU, its faculty and students," according to CSU Chancellor Charles B. Reed.

Although the fate of CETI has been delayed, much controversy still surrounds the partnership.

Jay Jimenez, division director for CSU, employed by the California State Employees Association (CSEA), agrees with the efforts to meet the universities' technology needs, however he doesn't like the terms of the initiative.

"CSEA will work with the university and legislative leadership to craft a plan which makes a public investment in higher education's technology infrastructure...but keeps the CSUs' responsibilities to low-cost, accessible and equitable quality education," Jimenez said.

In any case, some kind of public-private venture, CETI or not, is likely to be reached in the near future in an effort to upgrade CSU's technology system.

"I think they're still committed to not going down the road, but they're running into problems getting it worked out," said Brent Keetch, interim director of University Relations. "They really want to get something for the campuses to review by next fall."

Once the terms of the proposals are released to each CSU campus, a 45-day period of review, according to the terms of the plan.

The review wouldn't begin until fall quarter, when more students, faculty and staff are on campus.

"They don't want a summer surprise," Keetch said. "Thus, the CSU would also work out an agreement upon which the CSU could launch an unprecedented deal with the private sector.

The CSU system may not give up on Microsoft, even if it's not this year. "The CSU is continuing to work with Microsoft on an agreement in a 45-day period of review according to Reed. "We look forward to working with everyone to make sure the CSU has the best technology available for the 21st century."

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**Daily cartoon is more than just humorous**

**Editor,**

Tommy Linn started his letter to the editor Monday, April 20, saying, "I am ashamed to be human." The caricature at the top of that column (accompanying a letter by Dr. Cabot) makes me ashamed to be a student at Cal Poly.

How is Mustang Daily so hypocritical as to editorialize in favor of Victor Goff's efforts toward diversity and on the same page present a degrading and belittling image of a droopy-eyed "Native American" with a pot belly, wearing little more than his moccasins? Is this stereotypical image simply representative of ignorance in the Mustang Daily's staff or is it representative of a lack of cultural understanding throughout Cal Poly? Unfortunately my experiences here over the last few years and the picture's prominent placement on the front page of the paper point toward the latter case.

On a campus that claims to support diversity, what place is there for images that do not reflect the rich reality of Native American history and culture? We live in a society where image is everything. We form our ideas and values from the images we see in the media, and the media, sadly, is the only exposure many people get to the varied ethnicities of our world.

Mustang Daily's caricature is representative of nothing but the false images of Native Americans portrayed in and perpetuated by the media. It in no way reflects the varied shades of skin, color of eye, or physique of Native American students at Poly or of Native people in general.

As a Native American and a member of Cal Poly's chapter of the American Indian Science and Engineering Society (AISES)—Poly's only active Native American organization—I represent the campus' Native Americans in demanding an apology for the publication of this overtly racist caricature.

**Tim Pepper is a computer engineering senior.**

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**By David Farsakian**

**Another year of denial**

Thursday marks the 85th anniversary of the genocide of the Armenian people by the Young Turk government of the Ottoman Empire. Saddam Hussein and the last year of its occurrence by yet another Turkish government: Sandy O'Harra frolicking forward that burden some sense and preventing Armenian aspirations for truth, continence and justice from Turkey.

Armenian frustrations continue to grow in the face of the Turkish government's continuing genocidal policy toward Armenia and Nagorno-Karabakh via its present illegal blackblocks stemming the flow of vital supplies necessary for their survival. To add to the frustration, Turkey apportions millions of dollars toward an extensive campaign to deny the occurrence of the Armenian Genocide.

Public relations propagandists and revisionist historians have been hired to distort and rewrite Turkish history in an attempt to discredit Armenian claims.

However, truth cannot be erased. There are too many eyewitnesses to the tragedy. The massacres have been fully and authentically documented by German Turkey's ally during WW I, American, British, Canadian and neutral observers, namely military and missionary personnel. The evidence is overwhelming—it is irrefutable.

My grandparents experienced, first-hand, those dark days of World War I when they were ordered from their homes with what little they could carry, and forced to march for two months through the Syrian desert toward their ultimate destination, southern Jordan. At such a young age (10-12 years), their survival through such a sweltering furnace seemed nothing short of a miracle.

In this day, the Turks still maintain that they are moving Armenians from Turkey to away from the war zone, and would return them following the war. Had they had humane intentions, they would have moved the Armenians directly east out of Turkey, where the climate was more moderate than into the suffocating heat of the Syrian desert where countless thousands perished from exposure. The plan of genocide formulat by the ruling Trumvretate of the Young Turkish Party was being implemented efficiently and brutally with Mother Nature, now an unwitting accomplice.

It all began on April 24, 1915 when 235 Armenian leaders, intellectuals, writers, students and the Armenian members of the Turkish parliament were taken from their homes in Constantinople and sent to death. A few days later 365 were arrested, taken to a remote place and slaughtered. During the same week 5,000 Armenian merchants and professionals in Constantinople were taken from their homes and murdered.

All across Turkey a program of mass deportation and extermination was put into action. All able-bodied men between the ages of 20 and 50 were drafted for military service. Since Armenians were forbidden to carry weapons, they were armed with picks, shovels and hammers and placed into labor battalions where they were literally worked to death. Genocide cell, whereby every forward that burden some sense and preventing Armenian aspirations for truth, continence and justice from Turkey.

With the villages now devoid of able-bodied men, the women, babies and children were forced to be at the mercy of the Turkish militia. Those who were not raped, tortured and murdered were cast from their homes and, with the prodding of Turkish whips, sent marching into the deserts.

By 1919, more than one million Armenians had perished. The horrible suffering and trauma endured by the likes of my grandparents was not imagined. It was real, it was painful; it was horrifying. Of the 2,000 people who were in their village (Chomakhka) in 1915, only 500 survived.

From 1915 to 1923, 80 percent of all Armenians within the Ottoman Empire had died victims of murder, starvation, exposure and disease. Some $45 billion of property was destroyed including 2,000 Armenian Apostolic churches, 203 monasteries and many Protestant churches.

My grandparents were finally able to return to Turkey in 1919 with thousands of repatriates and soon a thriving Armenian community, complete with schools, churches and businesses, began to flourish. However, the peace and tranquility they hoped was permanent was not to be. In violation of the peace accord, Turkey once again began the systematic extermination of its Christian minorities.

Many Armenians escaped to Greece, as did many others. However, there were fortunate enough to make urgent to the U.S. where they received the freedoms that Turkey denied them.

As do most Armenians, I become frustrated by Turkey's attempts to deny the occurrence of the Armenian Genocide. Germany has cleansed her soul by confessing the sins of the Jewish Holocaust and the world has applauded. When will the moral conscience of Turkey be awakened? The civilized world has waited patiently for too long. Only by admitting her error can Turkey be free from the moral bankruptcy which has plagued her for the greater part of this century.

Many of my close relatives were killed during those terrible days of WW I. They and the million and a half other Armenian martyrs deserve peace in their graves, and we the living, too, deserve that tranquility which will come with closing the pages of the saddest chapter of Armenian history.

David Farsakian is a biological sciences junior.
Dan Geis, said he thinks past ASI presidents have worked to improve conditions within ASI, but students see no results.

"Every day that you come on campus, you should see what your president is doing for you," Geis said. He said he hopes people will remember his work in five or six years.

"There's no cooler thing than being ASI President," he said.

Presidential candidate Neel "Bubba" Murarka also said he wants ASI to have more visibility.

"I want to make ASI approachable, accountable and accessible," he said.

Matthew Lardy spoke first for the three Chair of the Board candidates. Lardy referred to his experience on the Board of Directors and his opposition to student fee increases.

"Student rights are my utmost concern," he said. Lardy hopes to eliminate all ASI and U.U. fees.

After serving on the board this year, Chair of the Board candidate Amy Luker said she was excited to be a presidential candidate, proposed online course registration, and advocated for the 24 directors to work for the students only for the services they use.

"If there were user fees, why would mandatory fees that students pay for the corporation known as ASI?" he said.

Geis also said he firmly supports the center. He also proposes a multicultural ambassador program, which sends Cal Poly students to high schools and junior colleges to attract the minority applicant pool. Likewise, Murarka pledged his support and ASI funds toward the center.

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Luker agreed that user fees should be the trend instead. Geis pointed out that 33 percent of general student fees go to the chancellors' office. Charging students only for the services they use will lower fees.

Lardy said, "Any services students use they should pay for themselves." This would eliminate the mandatory fees that students pay regardless of what they use, he said.

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Luker agreed that the chair fulfills both roles.

"We are all shareholders in the corporation known as ASI," he said.

He also cited the financial experience he gained as a corporate owner and manager.

Luker concurred with her opponent. She would fill both roles, she said, if she had student input.

Polls are open Wednesday April 29 from 8 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. and Thursday April 30 from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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Women's tennis heads to fifth

Daily Staff Report

The Cal Poly women's tennis team cleared one hurdle on Wednesday, but ran into a wall on Thursday on the way to a Big West Championship title at the Big West Championship in Ojai.

The Mustangs, seeded No. 5 in the tournament, swept the No. 12 seed Utah State, 6-0, but after a tough battle fell to No. 4 seed Long Beach State, 5-4.

Cal Poly will play Cal State Fullerton in the loser's bracket on Saturday to try to place fifth in the tournament.

Most of the teams have stayed true to their seeding, with the three of the top four teams reaching the semifinals.

On Wednesday, Cal Poly didn't give up a single set to the Aggies in the singles competition.

The Mustang's No. 1 player Hanna Brummett knocked off Aggie Julie Hanson, 6-1, 6-1.

Cal Poly's No. 2 player Karen Apra didn't allow Sydney Manning to even score a point. Apra took the match, 6-0, 6-0.

On Thursday, Cal Poly fought for every point it could get against Long Beach State.

The Mustangs and the 49ers split the singles matches, grabbing three each.

Brummett fell to Jing Chen, 6-1, 6-4. Apra and No. 3 seed Karly Kols grabbed two wins for the Mustangs. Apra swept her opponent off the court again, 6-2, 6-1. Kols defeated Connie Burggraff, 6-2, 6-3.

The next three matches lasted three sets with both teams battling. Long Beach's Diane Asis defeated Danielle Brandlin, 1-6, 7-6, 6-3. Long Beach's Judy Esmero grabbed the win over Jennifer Mesmer, 5-7, 6-2, 6-1. And Cal Poly Amanda Bernal battled for the win over Jessica Perico, 3-6, 6-2, 6-4.

In the doubles matches, Chen and Avent toppled over Brandlin and Brummett, 8-4. Cal Poly's Apra and Kols picked up a win for the team over Burggraff and Perico, 9-8. But Long Beach State sealed its win when Asia and Esmero defeated Bernal and Mesmer, 8-4.

USA hockey announced

USA Hockey, the same organization that picked the Olympic team, honored nine NHL players, none from the Olympic team, who will play for the United States at near month's world championships.

Matthew Cullen and Ted Drury of the New Hampshire Mighty Ducks were picked for the national team Thursday along with two New York Islanders, Tom Cheswicke and Bryan Smolinski, and two Carolina Hurricanes, Bates Battaglia and Adam Burt. Also named were Darby Hendrickson of the Toronto Maple Leafs, Eric Weinfurter of the Chicago Blackhawks and Garth Snow of the Vancouver Canucks.

The selections were made by the NHL Players' Association.

Manning wins Sixth Man Award

Manning was college basketball's Player of the Year in 1988 when he led Kansas to the NCAA championship. The No. 1 overall draft choice, he played just 26 games in his rookie season with the Los Angeles Clippers before tearing the ACL in his right knee, requiring his first reconstructive surgery.

In 1994-95, his first season in Phoenix, he suffered the same injury to his left knee and again underwent reconstructive surgery.

He came back last season as the Suns sixth man and continued in that role this season. In the voting by a panel of sports writers and broadcasters throughout the United States and Canada, Manning received 57 of a possible 116 votes. Kobe Bryant of the Los Angeles Lakers was second with 31 votes and Dale Ellis of the Seattle SuperSonics finished third with 21 votes.
The text seems to be about a tennis player, Magyary, who started playing at a young age and had a supportive family. The player, Magyary, has developed into a top 250 player in the world. The text also mentions other tennis players and coaches who have helped Magyary improve his game. The text concludes with Magyary expressing gratitude for his family and coaches.
SPORTS

Struggling in the face of adversity

Cal Poly's men's tennis No. 1 seed, Chris Magary, is conquering life

By Jess Garcia
Daily Staff Writer

Cal Poly's top seeded tennis player Chris Magary is driven by a memory.

"Before my brother passed away I used to always admire how he applied himself to any task he was trying to accomplish. I still carry that with me," said Magary. Magary's brother, Steven, passed away at the young age of 25 in November. Magary didn't want to discuss the cause of death.

"It's still pretty hard on me. I mean, it's still with me. I haven't completely gotten over it, but I've dealt with it." Magary explained. "My brother worked extremely hard. That aspect has rubbed off on me and off the court.

Magary's brother Steven graduated magna cum laude with a double major from U.C. Davis. He was working as a bonds analyst before he passed away.

Magary's dedication has not only helped him develop as one of the top 50 players in the nation, but despite his troublesome year, the 22-year-old senior has maintained a 3.2 cumulative GPA. He is the first Cal Poly tennis player to be given a single ranking in Division I.

"He's put Cal Poly on the map. When he was a sophomore he beat three of the top ranked players in the nation. I'm glad he will be playing in the Big West Championships."

— Tony Piccuto
Magary's teammate and doubles partner

Mustangs take on Big West

By Kimberly Kanny
Daily Sports Editor

It all comes down to this weekend.

Eleven teams stand in the way, but the Cal Poly men's tennis team determined to bring home a Big West Championship title.

The Mustangs are seeded fifth going into the tournament finishing 8-6 in regular season play.

But of their eight losses, five of them were to top 20 ranked teams in the nation including UCLA, Boise State, Cal Berkeley, and Pepperdine.

Nonetheless, the Mustangs' season was stunted short by rains. Eight of their matches were cancelled and rescheduled. Even the annual Mustang Invitational in which the Mustangs would have hosted six teams, was rained out.

At the Big West Tournament, the Mustangs will face U.C. Irvine in their first match.

Irvine is Cal Poly's biggest rival, according to Cal Poly's Tony Piccuto.

"They are the exact opposite of our team, very conservative," Piccuto said.

Piccuto says that a win over Irvine will help the Mustangs earn a NCAA bid. Cal Poly is out for revenge. When the two last met up this season, the Anteaters took the match from the Mustangs, 5-2.

Cal Poly's lone singles win in the match was secured by Chris Magary who defeated Thomas Bohan 6-3, 6-3.

The Mustangs dominated doubles matches. Magary teamed up with Piccuto to defeat the Irvine team of Bohan and Andrew Chenoy to record the No. 1 doubles win.

The U.C. Irvine team of David Chang and Nick Varsan defeated Brett Masi and George Moungong to pick up the squad's only victory in doubles action.

Masi, Piccuto, Mychael, Zenoquan and Wensmuth are all looking for the win they didn't get earlier in the season. Piccuto said this is one of the best men's tennis teams Cal Poly has had.

"Our team has the best chemistry," Piccuto said. "He [coach Chris Eppright] lets us play to our personality."