Students treasure time with their pets

By Heather Hershman
Mustang Daily

With burdens like homework, studying and term papers, many students are bogged down with overwhelming responsibilities. However, some choose to take on the extra responsibility of caring for a pet — a duty they see as more of a pleasure than an obligation.

"Dogs are my best friends in the world," said Brian Lombardi, an urban business senior. "She brought a lot of happiness I could never put a price tag on her."

Lombardi received his dog, Giuseppe, as a gift about two years ago. The only downside to having a dog is finding adequate housing, he said.

"It's difficult to put her in an ideal living situation," he said. "We have to keep her a secret from our landlord."

Most landlords don’t allow pets, but there are rare exceptions to the rule.

"A pet causes unusual wear and tear to property," said Nancy Jensen, maintenance director for Farrell-Smith Property Management. "All of our leases have special restrictions for pets."

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Raging runningbacks

Craig Young’s and Antonio Warren’s legacy ends this year
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Poly’s caste system

Students speak out on the class stratification on campus
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A victim of hatred

Beating of a gay Wyoming student leads to his death
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ASB steps in, foots bus bill

Passes may be required as soon as Fall quarter 1999

By Jen Stevenson
Mustang Daily

After spending more than $2 million in 13 years to pay for students to ride city buses free, Cal Poly said next year it may be time for students to help out.

The rising demand from SLO Transit for Cal Poly to foot more of the bill for bus services could force students to start chipping in to help pay for themselves, says Jacqueline Paulsen, Commuter Services coordinator. Students may have to pitch in $5 a month for a bus pass beginning next fall.

While bus service may seem free to students, who now need only their valid student identification card to ride city buses, it is not free for Cal Poly.

Students were too able to take advantage of partially subsidized bus service in 1985, when Cal Poly worked out an agreement with SLO Transit to pay $69,000 a year enabling students to purchase tokens that allowed them to ride the bus for a reduced price.

Commuter Services paid for the deal with parking ticket revenues, which average $220,000 a year, according to Paulsen. It wasn’t until 1992 that the university completely subsidized bus service for students.

In 1985, Paulsen said, the SLO city bus system wasn’t very big, and campus was serviced by only one route. Today, Cal Poly students can get to campus for free on SLO Transit on any of six different routes that operate within city limits. Those who live in the North County as far as Paso Robles and those who live as far south as Santa Maria can take the CCAT (Central Coast Area Transit) buses for a reduced charge.

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Online bookstores boast convenience, not speed

By Lauren Nowenstein
Mustang Daily

Cal Poly students now have one more place to buy their books.

With the addition of BIGWORDS.com the textbook market, online stores are providing students with more book buying choices. BIGWORDS.com Marketing Director John Bates said the company, in its first month of operation, has sold textbooks to students from more than 175 schools.

Bates added that Cal Poly ranks among the top ten schools whose students use the service. Kyle Stafford, a BIGWORDS.com employee, has received more than 250 orders from Cal Poly students.

Bates said BIGWORDS.com buys books from more than 150 publishers. The company’s main goal is to deliver books to students quickly and inexpensively.

Chief Executive Officer Matt Johnson said business is going well for the company and the market for an online bookstore has existed for a long time. He said BIGWORDS.com leads the online textbook purchasing industry in prices and turn-around time.

El Corral Associate Director Nick Routh said he doesn’t know for sure if online bookstores pose a major threat to the campus bookstore. Other companies — such as Amazon.com, another online textbook source — have not asked for information about textbooks required at Cal Poly.

"They are out there to make money and we are here to serve the students," Routh said, adding that
By Mike Munson

Retention and Outreach Center helps high-risk students

The Cal Poly Retention and Outreach Center is open for business after the Associated Students Inc. board of directors approved first-year funding last week.

The board released $33,133 for the center after members approved a plan put together by ASI staff. The program is a joint effort between ASI and the university.

Last spring the board passed Bill 98-08 Student Action for Diversity, funding a reserve to create a program that would "increase and maintain diversity among students."

This was after the Coalition for Diversity presented the problem of decreased enrollment among under-represented students to ASI earlier this year. The coalition was formed by students from various organizations after the passage of Proposition 209, which they blame for causing decreased diversity on campus by outlawing affirmative action in state college admissions. The bill directed ASI President Dan Geis and staff to create an operational plan for the program.

During the summer the university approached Geis and ASI Executive Director Sondra Lilly to combine funding and create a larger program.

The university received funds from the Cal Poly Plan, which calls for the creation of a student retention program. ASI will provide a total of $102,042 for the first three years if the board approves financing in the fall and third years of operation. According to Juan Gonzalez, Vice President for Student Affairs, President Warren Barker has pledged to match ASI funding. After the first three years, the university will take over the program.

The Retention and Outreach Program, which will run with help from the Coalition for Diversity, will focus on increasing the retention and graduation rates of students who fit the high-risk profile:

■ New students for the 1998-1999 academic year who did not attend summer sessions.

■ Students belonging to an under-represented population as defined by the Federal Affirmative Action guidelines (Blacks, American Indians, Filipinos, Asian-Americans and Mexican-Americans).

■ Students belonging to an ASI club or organization that identifies its membership as high-risk and is interested in developing a mentor program to address the needs of high-risk students.

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"The primary focus is high-risk new students — freshman and transfers," Davis said. She said the Outreach Center, located in the Multicultural Center, will help connect students to campus academic advisors and link them with mentors in campus clubs.

The center will also permit early contact with students to ensure their success.

According to coordinator Donna Davis, the office's staff will work on connecting early with students to ensure their success.

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Davis said the Retention and Outreach Center may partner with other organizations, such as POLY Poly throughout the state.

Reps. to share training and make travel arrangements when promoting Cal Poly throughout the state.

"I still use (El Corral) for main course texts," Rates said. He said if students have difficulty finding things at the bookstore, they can continue to use (El Corral) for main course texts, though at a higher price.

Online services are usually pretty easy to use. After logging on to the Internet, the most efficient way to search for books is by using the International Standard Book Number for identification purposes.

"The ISBN, located on the back of the book, refers to the specific edition of the publication. BIGWORDS.com, BarnesandNoble.com and Amazon.com all have virtual shopping baskets to hold purchases. How do the prices and availability of four common textbooks at BIGWORDS.com, BarnesandNoble.com and Amazon.com compare with El Corral's used book prices?

"General Chemistry" (ISBN 039572585) can be purchased from Amazon.com for $148.10 (plus $3.00 shipping), saving $66.65 over the El Corral used price.

However, shipping takes four to six weeks, and BIGWORDS.com and BarnesandNoble.com do not have the same version of the book currently used at Cal Poly.

The cheapest way to buy thing for me, but Barnes and Noble," Rates said. Professor Clinton Staley of the computer science department said he uses reviews by Amazon.com when deciding on personal books and course texts.

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Faculty walkout breaks law, UC Chancellor says

Berkeley administrator says school must conform to Proposition 209

BEAVERTON (U-WIRE) — Responding to students' questions regarding a proposed faculty walkout, UC Berkeley Chancellor Robert Berdahl told an ethnic studies class Thursday that although he cannot support canceling classes, he does support the right of professors to express their opinions.

"The faculty who are critical of Proposition 209 are trying to raise consciousness about affirmative action," Berdahl said.

"I cannot condone there not being classes. They have every right as faculty, however, to express their concerns." Berdahl spoke to about 120 students as a guest lecturer in professor Ling-Chi Wang's introductory ethnic studies class.

During the class, he addressed a variety of topics from the necessity of admission exams to his stance on the affirmative action walkout. Wang told students it was very hard for Berdahl to give an opinion about a political issue because of his position as head of the university.

"He is bound by law, none of us should have any doubt about his commitment (to affirmative action)," Wang said. "He cannot be overly associated with any political institution.

He cannot lobby for or against a law because he is an officer of the state."

The chancellor said that, because it was law, he could not and would not disobey Proposition 209, the 1996 statewide voter-approved measure eliminating affirmative action in public institutions.

We will and must conform to Proposition 209," he said. "The only alternative that we have to invest substantial resources to make sure that students coming out of high school are more prepared.

Many students said they believe Berdahl's administration lacked initiative in helping to recruit minority students after Proposition 209.

Berdahl responded by pointing to an outreach program called the Academic Talent Development Program, which sends campus representatives into inner-city schools and helps to prepare high school students for the university's admission process.

According to Berdahl, the UC system has increased funding for the outreach committee by more than $18 million over last year's budget.

"We are not allowed to have pets," she said. "But cats are easy to hide." Some pets are expensive to keep and require a lot of time and attention, while others are considered inexpensive, low-maintenance and easy.

"Snakes are a good pet student," said Nate Levy, industrial technology senior. "They are maintenance-free."

"If only I have to feed them once every month," he said. "Chickens, ducks, and design sophomores, has had Augustus, his pet spitzakan, for two years and said the student's pet with his pet is that it needs to eat fresh vegetables."

"I feed him kale (an inexpensive vegetable)," he said. "He also eats tofu, carrots and apples."

Augustus eats a lot of the same food as Daniels and his roommates.

"We always give him scraps," he said.

"Dogs and cats often are expensive to keep because most other pets."

"It is the vet bill that is expensive," Lombaro said.

"I've spent over $1,200 since I've had my dog."

"I Mass and her roommates spent $600 in veterinary bills last month.

"It costs more money than I thought," she said.

"If we are having pets can sometimes be expensive, most students say their pets are worth the money.

"It is even worse for pets relieve stress and provide good company."

Scott Bradley, an agribusiness senior, said pets are great companions.

"He especially likes his bearded, a breed he says because he doesn't talk back."

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Pat McGey of SLO Transit estimated that there are about 5,000 Cal Poly riders each week. Branden Farley, transportation assistant at City Hall, said SLO Transit makes from 500,000 to 600,000 Cal Poly-related trips a year.

"The system has increased and grown into the wonderful system it is now thanks in part to Cal Poly students," Paulsen said.

But progress has a price, and inflation takes a toll. As the arrangement continued into the 1990s, it became increasingly expensive for Cal Poly as SLO Transit started charging the university a higher fee because more ridership was increasing. Paulsen said Cal Poly was paying up to $340,000 to $500,000 a year.

"Our funding was no longer where we could afford to continue," Paulsen said. "We were making maybe $200,000 a year, tops. We were digging into our reserve fund. From our standpoint we couldn't continue.

So in 1996, a Mass Transit Task Force was created, headed by Vicki Stover, associate vice president for administration and finance. The committee included representatives from Cal Poly faculty, staff, ASI and Foundation.

An agreement was worked out with SLO Transit. Starting in 1996, Cal Poly would pay SLO Transit $169,000 to service university riders - which make up 27 percent of all SLO Transit riders, according to Farley. That amount would increase annually for inflation and cost increases. However, with a $200,000 budget coming from parking ticket revenues, paying the entire amount each year from that fund left Cal Poly Computer Services with little to fund other alternative transportation responsibilities, Paulsen said. These include the maintenance of bike lanes and racks, valet and county ride share arrangements.

The task force recommended in 1996 that SLO Transit's maximum of $125,000 a year to subsidize bus service, and suggested that the remainder of the cost should be funded by riders.

For the first year under this agreement, Computer Services did cover the entire amount to give students one more year of fully subsidized service, said Computer Services Program Administrator Cindy Campbell.

However, Cal Poly riders were going to have to foot the difference beginning in the 1997-1998 school year until a Foundation voted and set aside money in fund to bus service for that year.

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— Dan Geis ASI president

The city council and think Cal Poly is doing a bad thing," Paulsen said. "We're doing a good thing. It is as valuable to Cal Poly to have students here as it is to the students to have this transportation."

Paulsen said that since 1985, Cal Poly has spent $2,813,429 to subsidize bus service. "We've done a heck of a lot to keep our students riding for free," Paulsen said.

Psychology senior Denise Cahill, who rides the bus to school daily, said she wouldn't be able to afford the $5 charge for a bus pass.

"Five dollars a month wouldn't be too bad compared to paying for a parking permit and struggling to find a parking space every day," she said.

"As long as you have a permit for your car, you can have your license plate number put on a list and you don't have to worry about paying the fees."
Go ahead and listen to rap, but count me out

I hate rap music. Matter of fact, I'm allergic to it. I have a veritable medical condition whereby, when exposed to rap music, I get a throbbing headache within 48 seconds.

However, I respect the right of others to listen to rap or any other kind of music they choose. Others may not care for jazz, but I hope they likewise respect my right to listen to Billie Holiday all day long. So everyone respects each other's right to listen to rap or any other kind of music they like.

I soon began noticing that rap advocates also use their cars as a vehicle to share their music with the rest of the world. This would normally mean only a fleeting disturbance for the victims of their insouciance, except that sometimes I find myself awakened in the middle of the night by what I first believe to be an earthquake, but about the time I'm docking and covering, I realize it's the blaring rap music coming to my ears.

I'm not one for stereotypes. I know that not everyone who listens to rap feels compelled to force their musical choice on others. However, I have perceived a strange correlation between the two. I mean how often do you hear a neighbor or a motorist blasting Miles Davis or James Taylor?

I simply want to understand why. It's like the question of the chicken and the egg. Are obnoxious people drawn to rap music, or does the music transform some of its listeners into inconsiderate individuals? Some have suggested that violence and rap music go hand in hand. I've noticed that a popular label for rap artists is "Death Row Records." Is that pertinent? Maybe rap music simply impairs one's hearing so that the volume must be continually elevated.

Whatever the cause of this social injustice, something must be done. We all have the right to choose what music we will listen to, and in this case, what music we will not listen to. All you rap fans out there, please be kind. I'm running out of Vicadin.

Jamie Rudolph is a speech communication junior.

Help save General Hospital

Editor:

For years, the SLO County Board of Supervisors has systematically tried to close General Hospital, despite the broad base of support the hospital enjoys in our community. The supervisors have said more than once that people may think they want to keep General Hospital open, but they're not willing to pay for it. We have a chance to prove them wrong.

Measure M allows for a 0.25% increase in the county sales tax with the proceeds to go toward maintaining, upgrading, and perhaps rebuilding General. This tax increase will be shared by all members of our community as well as by the many tourists who visit our county. How will this increase affect your budget? A family who spends $500 a month on taxable items will see an increase of $9 a year.

This is a small price to pay for locally-controlled health care we can count on. Show the board that we care about our community by voting "Yes" on Measure M.

Jennifer and Matthew Trautman are residents of SLO.

Column for voters is misused

Editor:

Mr. DeFerrari's writing is an attempt to perpetuate his own political views by disguising them as an effort to "educate" voters on what he sees as the issues in this year's elections. He may as well be wearing a "Dole-Kemp '96" hat instead of his Cal Poly hat, in his column mug shot.

Mr. DeFerrari's columns attack people, not political ideologies. It doesn't take a master of argument to expose upon the shortcomings of certain politicians in a political party and try to use that as a statement about the party as a whole. I could rip on Mr. DeFerrari and let the readers know what I think of his views, but no legitimate point would be made about his writing.

Even Mr. DeFerrari had something valid to say about the issues and of the parties, I think the Mustang Daily is the appropriate place for it. I think that we should quietly respect the views of all our students when issues don't directly pertain to university affairs.

Dustin S. Okada is an aeronautical engineering sophomore.

Vote Green and keep the Earth clean

Editor:

His strategy to take everyone to his left for granted while appealing to the right won Bill Clinton the presidency. It also moved his party and the country to the right of center.

Now, Gray Davis employs the same tactics. He is for the death penalty, he supports "Three Strikes" and strongly advocates NAFTA, GATT, MAI and WTO, the international "free-trade" agreements which have environmental, labor, health and safety standards racing to the bottom worldwide.

All of these positions have been on the Republican/corporate agenda for some time. In light of these trends, liberal- and progressive-minded voters can no longer afford to vote for the "loser of the two evils."

Fortunately, we have a viable alternative in Dan Hamburg, the Green Party candidate for governor. The former congressman from Mendocino County has become disillusioned with the Democrats and runs now with Sara Amir for Lt. Governor as a Green Party member. Both are committed to the 10 Green key values and the Green platform which Ralph Nader considers to be "the best platform in America today by far."

Register and vote Green. It is not only the right thing to do for Earth's sake, but it also signals to many Democratic candidates, like Gray Davis, that they no longer can take our votes for granted.

Jay Adams is a member of the SLO Green Party.

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"You guys are a bunch of smoochers."
President Bakers’ guests get too many privileges

Dakota student (U-WIRE)

Sanctions against other countries hurt the wrong people

Editor:

As Americans we have been known to criticize the structured caste system of India, and to sneer at the distinction placed on persons of different social levels, as in England.

On my way up to Northern California on Oct. 3, at the behest of my sister's daughter who is a member of the Cal Poly band, I stood long enough to attend the football game. I wish I had gone directly home. I saw a caste system within the framework of Cal Poly administration as bad as, or even worse than, the caste structure in India or England.

The first seat I found was "in the area reserved for President Baker's guests." I was asked to move (oh yes, politely). I took another seat just outside of HIS reserved area.

I watched the game as President Baker's guests, comfortable in their seats with built-in back rests, were given special treatment. Free refreshments—candy, peanuts, soft drinks, even bottles of water were passed out to serve HIS guests.

I ask: who is paying for their admission tickets? Who is paying for their refreshments? Are the young people serving the refreshments getting paid for their services? How much does all of this cost the college, or the taxpayers? Is it fair that the President reserves parking spaces for HIS guests? I didn't mind what it cost me to attend that game but I do resent President Baker's guests getting a handout. What can be done about it?

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Mike Wereschagin is a student at the University of North Dakota.
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Laramie, Wyo. (AP) — As the sun dropped behind the Snowy Range mountains that rise west of Wyoming's only four-year college, hundreds of students prayed and sang for Matthew Shepard.

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Lake Mead: Hot, busy and tragic

Nevada lake has claimed 36 lives this year

BOULDER CITY, Nev. (AP) — It has been a typically trying season at Lake Mead hot, busy and tragic.

So far this year, 36 people have died at America's oldest and most popular National Recreation Area, on average of almost one fatality a week.

"Most of them perished from a lethal combination of what park rangers call recklessness and cluelessness." They have climbed on Jet-Skis at midnight and roared into rocks outskirts near shore. They have lept off 50-foot-high cliffs into the lake, striking like stones. They have fallen off boat decks and never surfaced. They have pushed their speedboats to full throttle and run aground.

There have been 22 water-related fatalities this year, prompting the National Park Service to declare that drowning has reached "virtual epidemic proportions" at Lake Mead, the body of water behind Hoover Dam and east of Las Vegas.

With an average of 10 million visitors annually — most from Nevada, Arizona, Southern California and Utah — this is the busiest National Recreation Area in the country. It also leads the national park system in fatalities.

Since 1991, an average of 33 people have died annually on and around Lake Mead and Lake Mohave, the two artificial lakes on the Colorado River that comprise the 1.5 million-acre desert recreation haven twice the size of Rhode Island.

"The fatality rate is not something we are terribly proud of, and it is not acceptable within a unit of the National Park Service," said Alan O'Neill, the park superintendent.

"We've got to rededicate ourselves to making sure people can come here and not fear for their safety."

At times, the summer accident log at Lake Mead reads like a cross between "Baywatch" and "E.R.," with a steady stream of boating accidents, suicides, drownings, murder-victim dumpings, drug overdoses and exposure deaths.

"It was getting to be routine because there is just so much of it," O'Neill said. "But this year, something happened. In our hearts, we just said enough is enough."

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So O'Neil did what may have been unthinkable for a sunny shoreline so close to the party capital of Las Vegas: He banned alcohol on a popular section of beachfront and closed Boulder Beach, a 45-minute drive from The Strip, to vehicles after 10 p.m.

And the park is developing a new Lake Management Plan that suggests even more sweeping changes, such as prohibiting alcohol consumption by boat pilots when a craft is under way, requiring wake-less operation for water-craft passing within 100 feet of one another, and prohibiting motors on boats operating in primitive sections of the sprawling lake complex.

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Water-based dental drill gets FDA OK

WASHINGTON (AP) — People scared of the dentist could soon have a new option for dealing with cavities: a machine that uses water particles to cut into teeth without as much pain and noise as the dreaded drill.

Biolase Technology Inc. announced Food and Drug Administration approval of its Millennium device Monday.

"Laser energy bombards water droplets until they move at such high speed that they become a "hydrokinetic" drill," said Dr. Thomas B. Caleo, chief of the San Diego-based company.

Despite a few bumpy snags, the tool remains cool to the touch because only cool water, not the laser's heat, energy, actually reaches the tooth.

Biolase said the water drills would sell for $39,900 to $45,000, somewhat higher than a regular dental drill and about the same as a laser the FDA approved for cavity drilling last year.

Dr. Lewis E. Fishman of the University of the Pacific studied 66 people who had two teeth with cavities the same size.

One tooth got regular drilling, and the other was drilled with Millennium.

Both systems were comparable, he concluded after seeing the fillings were equally intact six months later.

But the Millennium didn't cause the high-pitched grinding that makes "a lot of people want to jump out of the chair," he said.

In 20 people who opted not to receive anesthetics for either filling, patients reported significantly less discomfort on the Millennium-drilled tooth, he said.

But the Millennium is only for certain kinds of cavities, so it's uncertain how often dentists would be able to use it, cautioned Dr. William Issacs, president of the American Dental Association.

For example, it can't treat a cavity that forms inside a tooth.

"It's a good concept," said Dr. Issacs. "But it will need further research to decide just how useful such a device would be in the dental office," he said.

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Poll: Davis clings to lead over Lungren

U.S. Senate race too close to call

SACRAMENTO (AP) — Three weeks before the election, a statewide poll of likely voters showed Republican Senator Gray Davis clinging to a slim lead over Republican Dan Lungren in the U.S. Senate race in a dead heat.

The nonpartisan Public Policy Institute of California poll reported Davis ahead by 2 percent in the governor's race by 49 percent to 41 percent among likely voters, almost identical to the results in early September.

Democratic Sen. Barbara Boxer was favored by 47 percent and Republican rival Matt Fong by 44 percent, both candidates showing no change in support.

For both races, the margin of error was plus or minus 4 percentage points.

The close statewide totals masked sharp differences from one region of the state to another, however.

In the Senate contest, Davis led by 25 percentage points in the heavily Democratic San Francisco Bay area but by 16 percentage points in greater Los Angeles, the most populous region of the state. Lungren was favored by 21 percentage points in the increasingly conservative Central Valley.

In the governor's race, Davis was favored over Fong by 12 percentage points in her home base of the Bay area and by 15 percentage points in greater Los Angeles, while Fong was preferred over Boxer by 23 percentage points in the state at large.

The survey found Davis and Boxer holding almost identical leads over their Republican opponents among Hispanic voters. Davis by 67 percent to 22 percent and Boxer by 68 percent to 22 percent.

Among women, Davis was preferred to Lungren by 13 percentage points and Boxer favored over Fong by 10 percentage points. Among men, Fong was favored over Davis by 12 percentage points, while Lungren and Davis were tied at 46-46.

The poll also found strong party loyalty in both races. Of the Republicans surveyed, just 15 percent supported Davis. Lungren was favored by just 11 percent of Democrats surveyed.

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for being behind him.
"It took a lot of hard work," Warren said. "That night, the whole line got out there and opened up huge holes for me and Craig to get through, and our fullback, Latrick Washington, led us through the holes."

Coach Walsh said he loves having the dynamic duo, and he wouldn't want to have to play against them.

"Most teams have only one outstanding running back," he said. "We're very fortunate to have two."

They alternate playing each series, which Walsh hopes to double as trouble for the opposition. Young and Warren said they have a very unique relationship on the field. The two even have special signals that they use to communicate during the game.

"If we get tired," Warren said, "we just tap our helmets. Basically, it's up to us how we want to (switch series). So that means we've got to stay alert at all times and watch each other."

As for their roles with their fellow players, Young said he considers them both to have key positions on the team.

"I feel we're both leaders," he said. "But we're leaders because we're out in the spotlight. All people see is the finished play, they don't know the hard work that's put into it. They just see us and say, 'Okay, they're good.' So that makes us the focal point, and that makes us the leaders. We have to be leaders, I'm not very vocal, but I try to lead by example." Warren said, and he tries to lead by example as well.

"I get out there every day and just work as hard as I can," he said. "It's about hard work and dedication, and most of the younger guys follow what we do in practice, so they start working harder."

This season has been somewhat of a disappointment for the two. The team is 1-4 overall, a far cry from last year's outstanding 15-1 record. Young said one factor affecting the team was losing All-American receiver Kamil Wilson.

"We're both to have key positions on the team," Young said. "We don't have any special signals that they use through the holes." Warren added, "Most teams have only one outstanding running back," he said. "I didn't really know it, until I left the field," he said. "I was just happy I scored a touchdown. I didn't hear them announce it, but when I got off the field, I saw my mother holding a football and I knew something happened because I knew she didn't catch that football."

Warren has racked up quite an impressive record at Cal Poly since he came as a freshman in 1994. The 5-foot-10-inch, 195-pound player started 17 games, rushing 552 total yards that year, scoring five touchdowns. In 1995, he rushed for 1,111 yards with seven touchdowns and was chosen as a preseason All-American.

He sustained a terrible injury in the season-opening game against Idaho state that year, breaking his arm in the last play of regulation. Before the injury, he had rushed 132 yards and scored one touchdown. His broken arm healing, he came back right to the forefront of Cal Poly football football after recovering and was named a preseason All-American.

Although they live and breathe the game, the two have plans beyond football. While dreams of the NFL always loom large in their dreams, they have alternate plans.

"I want to open up my own business, like a YMCA or Boys and Girls Club," Warren, a business major, said. "I just want to give back to the community I grew up in, and I want to give kids the attention that they need to keep them out of trouble." Young, a business major with a marketing concentration, said he hopes to own his own marketing business. He plans to capitalize on the global market for American athletes. He said the NFL would serve a financial springboard toward realizing this goal. "We need some way to increase the demands of football with schoolwork, but getting an education is important," he said. "We have practice three hours every day," he said. "And when you get home, you really don't feel like doing anything more than getting something to eat and going to sleep. But you have to make a dedication to yourself that you are going to do your schoolwork and do it to the best of your ability, so you're going to come first."

"You could get hurt tomorrow and never play again, but you've got to prepare for the situation," he said. "You could get hurt tomorrow and never play again, but you've got to prepare for the situation," he said. 

The two have an extremely close friendship they hope to maintain regardless of whether they remain together or not.

"We have the highest of hopes for each other," Young said. "If I have a lot of success, Antonio, Young, said. "If I have a lot of respect. It's a special friendship. A lot of people just wouldn't be able to understand. We both play the same position, we both understand, we both know. We're just trying to work together, not ever to let the other one out. It's an in and out situation, something that you won't find too often." Young said the two have a unique connection out on the field, evident in Warren's last touchdown.

"When I saw him do it, I just got so excited," Young said. "I was so excited. So I had to run out there and jump on him and stuff, whatever we did."

"I'm going to miss stuff like that," Young said. "When we watch videos, we come off the field and we talk about (our sport), and we say the same thing. They're not too tough, we can get 'em. I'm just going to miss that kind of stuff. I'm going to miss being around him at practice, cutting up at practice, stuff like that."

The two declined to share any specific football anecdotes, but Warren sort of casually said something that any sports fan would probably be unprintable.

"All the running backs, we've got our own little salute to each other whenever one of us scores," Young revealed. "It's a secret. You just want to watch for it out." They agree that it will still be strange not to be on the field together next year.

"It's going to be weird," Young said. "When you've been playing with somebody for so long you get used to looking over your shoulder for them before you go out there. It will be kind of weird, but I know it won't be the last time I see Antonio. I'll probably see him on another football field somewhere, hopefully. That's my greatest hope."

Warren said it will be difficult not to share every game with Craig. "Me and Craig, we always celebrate together," Warren said. "But all sentimental things put aside, the show is still all business."

"Now, when that whistle blows at the beginning of the game, we're going to out there and play the game," Warren said.

"Remember," he said. "Watch for the salute."
PeopleSoft is committed to workforce diversity and didn't make it to the first half. The Mustangs' winning goal came with only four minutes left in the game. Jungo's goal kick traveled all the way into OSU's box. Martin Hayes headed the ball past Beaver goalkeeper Bryan Hill.

Brian Lange's penalty kick tied the game in the 60th minute. The Beavers missed the first goal of the game in the first half with a one-time shot over goalkeeper Jungo. Fens said the Mustangs had to overcome a difficult start.

"The first 15 minutes they kinda took it to us," he said.

Mike McGurk was supposed to start the game, according to Fens, but couldn't since he was stuck with Fans at the back of the traffic jam. "He missed the first half ever of his starting career," said Fens, but (during the second half) he went right in and did a fantastic job."

Haynes was moved from his normal forward position until McGurk arrived. Hayes moved up in the second half. Despite unexpected circumstances, Fens said he is proud of the way the Mustangs played.

"The guys battled through and I think that shows character," he said.

Tyson fit to fight

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Mike Tyson's attorney said psychological exams to be released Tuesday will show that the former heavyweight champion is mentally and physically fit to return to the ring.

"He is sound mentally, he is sound physically, and he is sound neurologically," attorney Jim Jimmerson said Monday. Jimserson said a team of psychiatrists concluded in their reports that Tyson occasionally reacts in anger, but can control his feelings through additional counseling.

However, Jimmerson acknowledged that there are certain aspects of the report that Tyson would preclude the public not see.

"It is a hard-hitting report," Jimserson said. "There are going to be things that talk about his innermost thoughts and innermost feelings."

Jimmerson said he reviewed the reports for two hours on Monday and turned them over to the Nevada Athletic Commission at 7:57 p.m. EDT, three minutes before the deadline for next Monday's hearing on whether Tyson will be granted a new boxing license.

The commission plans to release the reports at 11 a.m. EDT today.

Jimmerson said the reports answer "in the affirmative" the five questions the commissioners asked the doctors at Massachusetts General Hospital to answer during their five days of evaluating Tyson.

Earlier Monday, Tyson lost a fight that will keep him from being able to keep the records out of public view.

A divided Nevada Supreme Court refused to issue a lower court's order that allows the documents to be made public once they are given to the athletic Commission.

Though, the court rejected the motion to keep the records secret, two of the five justices questioned why all the details of Tyson's psychological tests had to be revealed.

"Today's majority ruling unfairly and needlessly puts Mr. Tyson in a public view," Justice Charles Springer said in dissent.

But Justice Miriam Shearing, siding with the majority, said that Tyson was seeking a privileged license to box, and that the commission has no authority to edit the reports to keep embarrassing details out of public view.

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End of an era for Mustangs

By Jen Stevenson

Mustang Daily

When senior Antonio Warren leaves the field after the Liberty game in November, it will end a dynasty that has been terrorizing defenses for three years.

His partner in the backfield, junior Craig Young, will play his first season without Warren next year.

By Britt Fekete

Mustang Daily

Craig Young, will play for the first time next year without Warren. He is fourth all-time on the Cal Poly career rushing list.

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Huskies are not better than the Mustangs.

Joe Nolan

FOX can’t handle the Fall Classic

Major League Baseball enjoyed what many people call "the greatest season in baseball history." So why does baseball insist on screwing it up by handing the World Series broadcast over to FOX?

First, Tim McCarver has no frame of reference for announcing baseball. This is evident in his comment: "Antonio Jones is the best centerfielder I’ve seen since 1911." Why?

Apparently, McCarver’s never heard of, oh what's his name, Ken Griffey Jr.

This is a typical McCarver exaggeration, but it is exactly what FOX wants—entertainment and pageantry. In fact, I think that’s his motto. Just watch the guy entering 50 live scores on FOX— Guaranteed World Series excitement and stupid.

Better yet, FOX fails, the blame resides wholly with the owners. If they were smart, they would sign NBC to an 11-year World Series contract with the condition that Bob Costas and Joe Morgan broadcast every game.

Costas defines what a good play-by-play broadcaster should be. He is clever, concise, and understands what placard entertainment and which are just routine. It is an art understood by Costas, but not by McCarver.

For example, with two outs and nobody on, a sharp hit groundball to the shortstop—in the second inning—is announced two different ways.

Costas: “...hadn’t he hit the ball solidly, might have been an error..." Relax, McCarver. There’s seven more innings to go.

Morgan is another key element the World Series will be missing. He has one of the best baseball minds, and his insights as a former player and student of the game adds knowledge to the viewer without being intrusive or obvious. He’s also not afraid to say when a player or umpire screws up, which adds credibility to his comments.

Besides the announcing, there is an important distinction between FOX and NBC, and it is the same distinction that can be found between baseball and football.

Baseball is flashy, simple, in your face. That is perfect for FOX who loves to exaggerate the unimportant and flash tons of catchy, blurring graphics.

Football, thankfully, is more reliably watched, and not without being better served with NBC having the World Series. They allow us to watch the game without giving us constant shots of announcers and stupid.

But, let’s not forget what makes baseball great. That is, the history; the tradition; the varied atmospheres. In addition to having the World Series on the national pastime, and it’s tradition that has brought companionship between this year’s young fans and years past, and it’s too important for the combination of baseball’s popularity to put in the hands of a network as untraditional as FOX.

Men’s soccer splits league openers

By Britt Fekete

Mustang Daily

The Cal Poly men’s soccer team returned home from their first weekend of Mountain Pacific Sports Federation play with one hand-triumph victory and one loss to a top ten team.

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