CFA, CSU reach tentative deal for pay raise
By Burt McNaughton
Mustang Daily

A tentative contract agreement was reached Tuesday between the California Faculty Association and the California State University system containing a 5 percent average faculty salary increase and retroactive pay to Oct. 1, 1998 of the General Salary Increase of 3 percent.

"April 1 is a good target for people to see their money from retroactive pay," said Ken Swisher, spokesman for the CSU's Chancellors Office.

But CFA President Terry Jones still believes there's much to be done to catch up with the salaries of other institutions compared to Cal Poly.

"We still need to do more to raise the salaries of the faculty," Terry Jones, president of the CFA, said.

The CSU negotiations team was satisfied by the agreement they reached Tuesday night.

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Confusion cancels El Corral meeting
By Andy Castagnola
Mustang Daily

Questions regarding El Corral's textbook prices remain up in the air.

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Cal Poly grad meets Clintons
By Whitney Phaneuf
Mustang Daily

Loc Truong didn't go looking for the American dream. He found it when he least expected it.

When he graduated from Cal Poly in 1998, Truong felt pressure from his parents to continue his education using his biochemistry degree. Instead of pursuing medical school, the 23-year-old decided to take a year off and mentor at-risk teens at San Luis Obispo high school through AmeriCorps, a program started by the Clinton administration.

"It was very difficult and I wanted my parents' approval. They wanted a doctor in the family," Truong said.

This choice ultimately led Truong to be recognized for his work by President Clinton at the State of the Union address last Tuesday. "He is the quintessential American success story," said Anita Broughton, associate director of San Luis Obispo County AmeriCorps.

Truong was selected from 40,000 AmeriCorps members by a team in Washington, D.C. to represent the organization, started by President Clinton in 1993.

see CLINTONS, page 8

Cal Poly photos to the Internet
By Lauren Nowenstein
Mustang Daily

Students can now see the Internet to view live images of Cal Poly.

A web camera was installed on top of the clock tower a few weeks ago.

Pete Woodworth, network analyst for Information Technology Services, said the project was inexpensive because Cal Poly already owned the computer and the server needed to upload the pictures to the World Wide Web.

"It was surplus equipment that we had," Woodworth said, adding that with the help of several other ITS staff members, the web-camera's installation took about a day to complete.

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Body piercing remains trendy among students

Safety concerns are growing as popularity rises

By Rachel Robertshaw
Mustang Daily

As the trend of body piercing grows, so do concerns for safety. Body piercing is a semi-surgical procedure that requires contact with blood, body fluid and tissue, and can expose the public to potentially fatal diseases, including hepatitis B, tuberculosis and HIV.

Although body piercers are required to follow a set of regulations, there are no licensing requirements to be a piercer. It is, however, required that the piercer be registered with the state. Tanya Goss, owner of Body Adornments in Paso Robles, said she and others have been trying to change this for years.

She cautions that people interested in piercing a part of their body can’t be too careful. "You can’t be afraid to ask questions to the piercers themselves," Goss said. "You should ask if their hands have been sterilized?"

Ron Rotatori, owner of Primal Urge Franchises (piercing and jewelry salons), advises people considering piercing a part of their body to ensure the surrounding environment is clean.

“Anyone who is piercing correctly will provide you with a clinically clean room,” he said. "The smell is the best sure to tell if a room is clean. It should smell like a doctor’s office.”

According to Goss, everything that piercers use should be individually wrapped, including most jewelry. "It’s really important that you know the needles have been used only once," Goss said. "That’s the most important thing.”

Rotatori said, "You need to make sure that every item that is going to touch your body is coming out of a sterilization bag.”

According to Rotatori, a piercing studio should have hot and cold running water and employees should wash their hands before and after a procedure. There should be an autoclave, which is used to keep items sterile, and the studio should be able to provide sterile results for every month. He warns against studios who use equipment that is purchased pre-sterilized, unless a sterile test result is provided.

Piercings, alcohol and soda may irritate the new piercing, so piercers who recommend these forms of after-care should be questioned, according to Rotatori.

Cal Poly art sophomore Chris Daniels got the area between his lower lip and chin pierced about seven months ago. Daniels said he didn’t really worry whether or not it was sterile.

"I just trusted the shop to do a good job,” he said.

Rotation thinks that about 99 percent of body piercing studios are not aware of all the regulations and precautions that need to be taken.

Goss said the belief is that most people who pierce out of a shop readily follow the legal safety precautions.

"I wouldn’t trust anyone who doesn’t just out of their home," she said. "I would say definitely go to a shop, unless you’re looking for hepatitis.”

"I decided to get something pierced because I needed a change in my life and I wanted to look different," he said. "I think it’s a great way of self-expression.”

Aunt Chara, a natural resources and forestry sophomore, said he would never pierce anything except his ear.

"I don’t really prefer it; it’s not really for me," he said. "Tongue rings are all right I guess, because you can’t really see them unless you stick out your tongue.”

Cal Poly graphic communication major Shannon McMillar doesn’t mind most types of piercing.

"I don’t bother me. Earrings don’t bother me," she said. "Just when it’s in weird places.”

Body Art: Piercings like this one are becoming more and more popular among college students. Experts warn that such piercings can be the source of medical trouble unless proper precautions are taken.

The future of body piercing is quite uncertain and it remains to be seen whether or not it will continue to grow as a trend.

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...to help draw a blueprint for its future.

The university is exploring what changes, if any, are needed in facilities and enrollment to meet upcoming challenges.

Get Involved!
Attend a Master Plan Update Open Forum to learn about the project and express your views.
Volunteers are also being sought to serve on 10 task forces.

11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Wednesday, January 27
Room 220
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7 to 9 p.m.
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995 Palm Street

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Dinner offers chance to chat with Baker's wife

Business students wine and dine in the name of learning professional etiquette

By Julie O'Shea
Mustang Daily

A few students will get to practice their manners today during a free 3-course business etiquette banquet sponsored by career services.

"Everyone needs etiquette," said Carley Moore, coordinator of cooperative education and career counselor.

"Over the past few years, students have been asking us how they should act around dinner," Moore said. "We thought it'd be a good idea to look into the question of etiquette and how it can be practiced and learned in a more professional way.'"

The idea of hosting a business etiquette dinner to provide answers to many students concerns and questions came from over the internet and from attendance at conferences at other universities that have tried such methods, said Jane Johnson, career counselor.

"There's a national interest in etiquette," Johnson said. "Our hope is to provide a general understanding of how to present oneself in a business setting." According to Johnson, area students need the most help in is soft skills, such as how to work with people and general business introductions and greetings.

Students like business senior Linda Swanson think learning a little etiquette would be a beneficial lesson.

"Some students at Cal Poly do need etiquette lessons ... not to name any names," Swanson said. "I think the idea of (an etiquette dinner) is cool. I think that many people really go to it." Fifty students who responded to an announcement on career services' web page will be dining with Carly Baker, Cal Poly President Warren Baker's wife. She and other guest speakers will be talking about proper dining etiquette, professional business dress, business greetings and introductions as well as the art of meeting and mingling. Two Cal Poly students will be modeling appropriate business attire during parts of the presentation.

"Eight-five students filled out an application," Moore said. "I wanted a diverse group of students, an equal number of men and women and an equal distribution of all the colleges to attend."

Students also had to be willing to share the information they learn with others in order to attend the dinner. Moore said.

The dinner will start at 6:30 p.m. in the University Union gallery. Campus dining will cater the dinner a main dish of corn meal-crusted salmon and lemon garlic linguine with cafe au lait for dessert.

Applied Materials, Granite Construction, and Selectone Corporation also helped sponsor the event. According to Moore, all the local firms' contributions will be put toward the CsF-CA and the CSU are as close as they can be," Moore said. "We still have a lot of work to do." This tentative agreement must now go through the CFA's board of directors. However, according to its contents, the agreement will be put to a membership vote in February.

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NEWS

Cal Poly Associated Students Inc.

UU Hour Question of the Week – How can I affect the year 2000 curriculum?

Please stop by the ASI Booth in the University Union every Thursday to respond.

Board of Directors Meeting Agenda

ASI This Week

CAL POLY ASI STUDENT DIRECTORY NOW AVAILABLE! Pick one up at the USI Information Desk. Cal Poly I.D. required.

CAL POLY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION GRANT The Cal Poly Alumni Association is proud to announce the availability of additional funds for Cal Poly student clubs and organizations for projects that promote alumni relations. The grants will be awarded to those projects that best satisfy the following goals:
• Convey the Cal Poly Alumni Association mission statement and purpose
• Promotes the Cal Poly Alumni Association
• Involves current alumni
• Generates positive impact on the University
• Promotes the development of student leaders

Applications will be available in the ASI Program Board Office (UB203) and at the Alumni House beginning Monday, Jan. 25 and will be accepted in the ASI Executive Office by 5:00 p.m. March 5th. Any questions, please contact Jennifer West, Student Alumni Coordinator at 756-AOUM.

ASl PROGRAM BOARD CLUB GRANT As you may know, the Cal Poly Foundation and the Pepper Bathing Corporation are in a seven-year "Exclusive Beverage Service and Advertising Agreement" covering the campus. To mitigate any income losses for student clubs/organizations that may result from this agreement, ASI proposed that the University provide an annual grant from funds derived from agreement, of which the University agreed. Consequently, Dan Casey, the ASI President has elected to delegate the awarding of these funds to the ASI Program Board Chair. The first round of grants will be submitted to the Program Board for approval. Any club/organization that is interested in participating in the grant program will need to submit a proposal (756-500 per proposal). Proposals must be submitted by the ASI Program Board Chair by January 28th. The ASI Program Board Chair will then make the final decision on which clubs will receive the funds. Any questions, please contact Dan Casey, ASI Program Board Chair.

Club Events

ADVERTISE YOUR CLUB OR CLUB EVENT HERE, COMPLIMENTS OF ASI Pick up forms at ASI Executive Office, 2400/2600

OPEN HOUSE MAINTENANCE Info Session THIS THURSDAY 7/26 at 7:00 p.m.
in BEG. 3: ROOM 213
THIS IS YOUR LAST CHANCE

The Society of Women Engineers presents "My Reality, My World". Sign-up in building 45, room 213.

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April workshops will be in attendance.

1. MALESSENCE: GIVE SOME SOME LOVE
2. reel your HEART
3. DIONE BLOOD TIES: UU/CSU

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College of Agriculture and Natural Resources will hold every Tuesday from 9:00-10:00 a.m. in building 11, Dean's Conference Room.

College of Architecture and Environmental Design will hold every Tuesday from 11:00-12:00 p.m. in building 7, room 372 (Budgets)

College of Business and Economics Meetings are held every other Tuesday, beginning at 1:00 p.m. in building 4, room 207.

College of Engineering Meetings will be held 11/2, 12/9, 3/30, 4/13, 5/11, 6/8 from 9:00-11:00 a.m. in building 10, room 203.

College of Library and Information Science will hold every Tuesday from 9:00-10:00 a.m. in building 24.

College of Science and Math Council meetings are held every Monday from 7:00-8:00 p.m. in UU-219.

Special Events

Cal Poly Associated Students Inc.
And then the rains came … What’s next? Locusts?

W ith my academic career inching toward closure, I believe it neces­
sary to record the events that have left an indelible mark on the university as experienced by myself and others who were there in 1994.

For many of you, these stories may seem more like glorified folklore than accurate ren­
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"Looks like everything down there is on fire,”
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Pope arrives in St. Louis

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Pope John Paul II arrived in the heartland Tuesday for a 36-hour visit and likened the battle over abortion and euthanasia in America to the bitter legal clash over slavery in the eve of the Civil War.

"America faces a similar time of trial," he said.

President Clinton and the first lady joined 300 families in a welcoming National Guard hangar at Lambert Airport to greet the pope on his fifth trip to the U.S. mainland. John Paul flew in from Mexico City after a triumphant five-day visit.

The pope later met privately with the president and was to attend a youth rally to rally 20,000 people strong at the Kiel Center on Tuesday night. On Wednesday, he is scheduled to celebrate Mass before 100,000 people at the Trans World Dome.

"We welcome you back to America," the president told the pontiff. "For 20 years you have challenged us to think of life no longer in terms of life and death, but in terms of life and life." The president added: "First we had McGwire hitting home runs, and now we have the pope. I don't know what we're doing.

Today," the pope went on, "the conflict is between a culture that affirms, cherishes and celebrates the gift of life, and a culture that seeks to dehumanize, to devalue, to deprecate the American people, to drive them to be outside the boundaries of legal protection."
U.S. admits missile hit Iraqi residences

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Pentagon acknowledged for the first time Tuesday that an Air Force missile considered to be among its newest weapons, the AM-130, one of the Air Force's newest weapons, "did miss its target" by "a small number of miles," killing 11 civilians in Armenia, a city of 160,000. The death toll from the worst earthquake in Armenia, a city of 300,000, surpassed 1,000 on Tuesday as rescuers worked desperately looking for survivors amid ruins of the city's buildings as far away as the capital, Yerevan, 140 miles from the epicenter. This was one of a series of attacks. American missiles killed 11 civilians in Armenia alone, estimated at least 1,200 were injured — but warned this was only a partial accounting. Capt. Ciro Antonio Guita, Armenia's deputy fire chief, said rescue workers were so strapped that many couldn't find any, so we're going to have to bury them in plastic," said 34-year-old Diego Ruiz, who lost his grandmother, a sister and three neighbors. Rescue workers scrambled to evacuate the thousands of injured and to locate survivors. At the city's small airport, ambulances arrived every 15 minutes with more victims. There is a danger of epidemics, because we have more than 200 bodies and we have no refrigerated trucks," said Carlos Gilberto Giraldo, a top Colombian Red Cross official. An estimated 182,000 people were left homeless in Armenia alone. Rescue teams had recovered nearly 650 bodies in the country by noon and estimated that at least 2,700 were injured — but warned this was only a partial accounting. The missile landed in the al-Jumhariya neighborhood outside of Yerevan, a port city in southern Iraq, where U.S. planes have been conducting air defenses almost daily in response to increased Iraqi challenges to enforcements of a no-fly zone. Reporters who visited the al-Jumhariya neighborhood Monday said four homes were completely destroyed and six were damaged. Iraq reported an unspecified number of casualties there; it said a total of three American missiles killed 11 civilians in a series of attacks. Air Force said only one U.S. missile went astray. "We created some damage. We realize that and we regret any civilian casualties, but this was done in response to a provocative attack against our planes by Saddam Hussein," he said. "We don't have any independent estimate of casualties or fatalities that can back up what the Iraqis have said about this," Bacon said.
WASHINGTON (AP) — House prosecutors pleaded with the Senate on Tuesday to issue subpoenas for "a painful three" impeachment trial involving Monica Lewinsky and two others — and to request that President Clinton answer questions under oath.

As the Senate went behind closed door to debate the witness issue, the White House said Clinton has no intention of submitting to questioning, even if the Senate votes to request it. "It's time to wrap this up," presidential spokesman Joe Lockhart said of the trial, in its third week.

Clinton's lawyers, joined by Senate Democrats, also warned that the free flow of any subpoenas for witness depositions would raise the possibility of long delays in the proceedings.

Lewinsky, summoned to Washington over the weekend to be interviewed by the House prosecutors, checked out of her hotel and flew home to California. Her lawyer said she would return if ordered to answer further questions.

The prosecutors said they had trimmed their list to pass Senate muster. "A painful three, and I would think you would want to proceed with that minimum testimony," said Rep. Henry Hyde, the lead prosecutor.

Democratic leader Tom Daschle conceded that the Republicans, with a 55-45 majority, were likely to prevail when the roll is called on Wednesday, forcing approval of subpoenas for Ms. Lewinsky, presidential friend Vernon Jordan and White House aide Sidney Blumenthal. "I think it's going to be virtually a party-line vote, and it will be overwhelming," Daschle said.

All witnesses would be questioned under oath at private depositions about the facts concerning allegations of perjury and obstruction of justice by the president in connection with his efforts to conceal a sexual relationship with Ms. Lewinsky.

Guidelines for the questioning remain to be worked out.

"He saw this not as a personal opportunity but as an honor to represent the community of San Luis Obispo," Broughton said.

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Iverson close to $70.9 million contract

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Charles Barkley once called him Allen "Mr. Money and Iverson." His mechanics are called the Question, the Answer and the Answer III.

The Answer III comes in the form of a $70.9 million, six-year contract extension that Iverson was close to signing Tuesday with the Philadelphia 76ers.

If not for the lockout, Iverson's deal might have surpassed the mega-contracts signed by players like Kevin Garnett, Shawn Kemp and Antonio McDyess. Instead, the negotiations were reduced to a formality.

Once the contract is signed, Iverson will get the maximum for a player entering his third season in the league, a team source who asked not to be identified told The Associated Press.

Iverson's agent, David Falk, was en route to Philadelphia for an announcement planned for Tuesday morning pending completion of the deal.

"I didn't want to wait until the end of the year and then decide whether to play for a contender," Iverson said. "I never wanted to take the easy way out. I've been here through the bad times. I want to be on the team that wins this year.

Iverson's contract is the largest ever guaranteed by the 76ers, hurting the 23-year-old enigma past the likes of Julius Erving, Wilt Chamberlain and Barkley. But Iverson's chance to strike it super-rich with a $100 million contract was wiped out by the lockout.

According to the NBA's new collective bargaining agreement, a player with up to six years experience can receive as much as 35 percent of his team's salary cap, beginning at a maximum of $18 million. Iverson will get $9 million next season with annual raises of $1.1 million. He will make $146 million as the final year of the contract.

His 1998-99 salary of $3.5 million is prorated for a 50-game schedule, reducing it to $2.2 million — a loss of more than $1.3 million due to the lockout.

"I just wanted to make enough money to take care of my family," Iverson said. "The money's out there for me right now is enough for me to do. If the 76ers were going to give me $100 million, I would be a fool not to take it. I have a family and I want to know how my future's going to look financially.

Newspaper article incurs O'Neal's wrath

SANTA BARBARA (AP) — Shaquille O'Neal was unhappy Tuesday as the Los Angeles Lakers finished their final session of a six-day precision training camp at UC Santa Barbara.

But the source of his discontent had nothing to do with practice.

Some publications have said the Lakers would finish as low as fourth in the NBA's Western Conference — behind San Antonio, Houston and Utah. O'Neal saw one, and didn't like it.

"I've got to show them who the big men in the West really are," O'Neal said. "I'm going to kill them again." The Lakers swept four games from San Antonio last season.

O'Neal issued a challenge to 76ers' David Robinson and Tim Duncan of the Spurs.

"I don't like David Robinson anymore," the Lakers' center said in a quiet voice. "The Duncan is to light. I'm starting to get like Mike Tyson. I'm coming back. "None of them do nothing with me. They don't like it, they can come to me on the court or off the court."

Derek Harper, whom the Lakers signed last week to add some experience and leadership to the team, took O'Neal's outburst as a good sign.

"It's O'Neal's usual thing," Harper said. "He'll use it to his advantage. He wants respect. The only thing I want to get respect is to beat Utah and advance past the conference final."


Harper said the Lakers' hopes for a championship revolve around O'Neal.

"We're going to go as far as he takes us," Harper said.

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ROME (AP) — The mayor demands a recount.

A new vote to assign the 2004 Summer Games is needed, Rome Mayor Francesco Rutelli said Tuesday, contending the choice of Athens, Greece, is now tainted by the Olympic bribery scandal.

"I'm very angry," Rutelli said. "A panel of IOC experts and athletes have Rome the No. 1 spot on the list of candidates. Until 24 hours before the vote we were in the lead. And then — who knows what happened?"

Two days after the International Olympic Committee ousted six members following revelations of corruption in the bidding process, Rutelli called for a committee of experts to carry out a new poll.


"The most important thing is to remove every shadow of doubt about the decision," he said. "That would be a move to make clear what now is not clear."

The IOC said Salt Lake City's bid committee spent $800,000 on 14 IOC members, including travel expenses, scholarships for their children and cash payments. In addition to the expulsions, three IOC members quit.

IOC officials have said Salt Lake City will not be stripped of the 2002 Games. Though Athens has not been specifically targeted by the corruption inquiries, the IOC has said it will examine the selection process for the games from 1996 to 2000.

"Athens won, and I hope Athens won by fair play, but if there is an independent commis­ sion, perhaps the decision could be changed and shifted to another city," Rutelli said.

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Desire was a huge loss to the program — but we do have four viable pitchers with different styles we can rotate," Boyer said. She said those pitchers are Carrie Jasper, senior Jessica Lee, freshman Teri Blankenholz and freshman Kristen Murray.

The team will not be able to have to rely so heavily on pitchers this year.

"Our strength is our team as a whole," Royer said; "Robyn Feet has been "Everybody works together. Everyone. The Mustangs have another year.

Kristin Murray.

"We'll be young but we're going to surprise a lot of people," Boyer said. "Traditionally, Cal State Northridge and Long Beach State are the teams to beat and are very, very strong this year," Boyer said. "But the Big West conference is so strong from top to bottom that if we can play consistently all the way through we can win the Big West."

Although the Mustangs are relatively young, with seven freshmen and four sophomores, the players have quickly bonded together.

"We have incredible team chemistry," Feat said. "Other teams have low expectations for us because we are so young, but we are going to surprise some teams."

However, it may take some time for the Mustangs to mature.

"The hardest thing has been losing what people can and can't do," Haley said. "Learning everyone's different playing style.

The team's seniors will have to provide experience, led by shortstop Robin Laramore, outfielder Jason Stockton and senior catcher Kelly Duncan, who was an honorable men­tion to the Big West All-Conference team last season.

Of the younger players, Feet and Haley have the talent to give the Mustangs some much-needed pop in the lineup. Feet has the top returning batting average at .259 and Haley looks to fill the first base hole left by gradate Anna Bauer.

Boyler is beginning her eleventh season as Cal Poly head coach. Last season was her first sub-five-hundred year at Cal Poly, breaking a school streak of 15 consecutive winning seasons.

Boyler has an overall record of 129-19, a .644 winning percentage. As Cal Boyler's staff, the team hasn't completely lost the services of Debbie Kiser, who has joined the team as the pitching coach. The other assistants are ex-Cal Poly player Rochelle Gouveia (1999) and Michelle Kadrans (1997). They should lead the Mustangs to a suc­ cessful season.

"I am so excited about this team as I've ever been about a team," Boyer said. "There's a higher skill level on this team, but we need especially with defense and offense."
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**Briefs**

Clippers expect No. 1 pick to arrive

PALM DESERT (AP) — Michael Olowokandi, the overall No. 1 draft choice who played in Italy during the lockout, is expected to join the Los Angeles Clippers on Thursday.

"He's been delayed by paperwork," Clippers spokesman Joe Schmitz said. "It took him three or four days just to get over here. It's going to take some time to get back here."

The 7-foot-1 center was released from his contract with Kinder Bologna of the Italian League on Monday. He originally was under contract with them through Feb. 15. In six games with Kinder he has averaged about eight points per game and six rebounds per game.

The Clippers, working out at College of the Desert, initially expected Olowokandi to join them on Wednesday.

The team returns to Los Angeles on Wednesday and plans exhibition games against the Los Angeles Lakers on Friday and Saturday nights. It is not known if Olowokandi will play in those games. The Clippers open their season Feb. 5 against Phoenix.

**ABOVE:** Linary slides in to second. **BELOW:** The Mustangs will have several new faces this year.

**Softball prepares for life after Desarie**

By Adam Russo

Mustang Daily

The Cal Poly softball team heads into the season with many questions. The most important being who will replace two-time Big West Conference Pitcher of the Year Desarie Knipfer?

"We're a young team compared to the past," senior catcher Kelly Duncan said. "We're going to be the underdogs all year, because we lost two of our best pitchers."

The Mustangs are coming off a disappointing season in which they finished with a 22-22 record. They were in the running for the team batting average of .229, although their pitching did its job, holding opponents to a .210 average.

"The girls who graduated (pitchers Knipfer and Kelly Smith) in particular left us some big shoes to fill," sophomore Melissa Hays said.

Together, Knipfer and Smith started 48 of the Mustang's 50 games last season, pitching all but 4.2 of the total innings. Head coach Lisa Buyer said they will rely on four pitchers this year and probably won't have an ace.

"Our pitching won't be dominant — losing

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**The NBA's 'free' agents are anything but 'free'**

Whoever came up with the term "free" agent had no idea of the large amounts of cash swapping hands in this NBA off-season. There were some clear winners and losers, however, in the frenzy of signings.

Houston Rockets: Nothing makes your team better than adding a seven-time all-star with six championship rings like Scottie Pippen. Pippen will allow the Rockets to take on the higher-caliber teams in the Western Conference, like the Seattle and Lakers.

Picking up Antoine Carr from the Jazz should help off the bench, which is one of the places the Rockets still need help.

Minnesota Timberwolves: Granted, they did lose Tom Gugliotta. But they picked up Joe Smith, a player ready to producet into the right system, which Minnesota seems to desire. What it comes down to is money: Smith is a bargain (by today's standards) at $1 million a year, while Gugliotta is too rich for the Timberwolves blood at around $3 million a year. Remember, the Wolves still have Kevin Garnett's ridiculons contract.

New York Knicks: Latrell Sprewell had his troubles here, but I'm willing to give him a second chance. He's going to make the players around him a lot better, like Allan Houston and Larry Johnson.

But who did they trade away their bench to get him? Marcus Camby, who led the league in blocked shots as a good addition, but having Patrick Ewing in the post is the reason that this team will never rise to the level of title contenders.

Chicago Bulls: First, they lose Jordan. Then Pippen leaves. Longley and Kerr are out as well. Can it get any worse? Yes, because Phil Jackson has left and new coach Tim Floyd is stuck with Brent Barry to be his marquee player. I'm supposed to believe that Barry is going to make up for Jordan? I don't think so.

Phoenix Suns Fans will see that they picked up Tom Gugliotta and Doug Longley. Experts know they begged for Antonio McDyess to stay in Phoenix, only to have him choose to go back to Denver, a team that won only 11 games all season. Now they have almost turned around their deal and considered staying in Minnesota. Add to that the loss of veteran point guard Larry Johnson, and you're not looking at much of a different team than the one that lost in the first round of the playoffs last year.

Despite all the changes, the teams that will win understand the concept of playing together, like the Pacers and the Jazz, and are not a bunch of players just thrown together, expecting to win a championship.

"It may sound crazy," Broncos linebacker John Mobley said, "but we feel like we're the underdog here. I think with that, everybody is going to come out and play like the underdog, where we have to fight, scratch and claw to get on top and get where we want to be."

That, of course, is right when Denver has been since beating the Packers a year ago atop the NFL. It's not a place the Falcons have been close to until now.

"How better to define an underdog than that?"

"When you look at where this team came from," Pachman said, adjusting his collar so it shined directly into a television camera, "it was with so much fire and hard work that we were here and won this game.

"A lot of people put a lot of different handles in front of this team, but we just went ahead and jumped over every one of them. I feel this team is the most underdog that may be placed in front of us, if only everybody believes."