**Weekend forecast**

- **Today**
  - High 74°
  - Low 41°

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  - High 73°
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**Remembering Rachel**

Hundreds hold downtown vigil

By Cindy Carcamo

Mustang Daily

Lighted candles and somber faces filled the Mission Plaza Amphitheater on Thursday in memory of Rachel Newhouse and Audrey Crawford, and as a show of concern for still-missing student Kristen Smart.

Sister Mary Pat White of the Cal Poly Newman Center led a Silent Candlelight Walk in remembrance for these women, as well as all other victims of violence in the San Luis Obispo community.

"The light is like taking back the light from the darkness," White said. "By spreading the flame from person to person, we are sharing a sense of community."  

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Packed Chumash says final goodbye

By Rena L. Sripromong

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Chumash, teachers, and friends passed around boxes of ashes as they walked to remember Rachel Newhouse as a memorial service Thursday night at the Mission Plaza Amphitheater on Thursday.

Many students who attended the service did not know Rachel personally, but felt the grief of her death.

"The whole situation is scary, and I think it's not necessary knowing her but the fact that it could happen to anybody. It affects everyone here at school," said K.C. Cooper, biochemistry senior.

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**Moffatt, Johnson will take over ASI leadership**

By Bryce Alderton

Mustang Daily

Agricultural business senior John Moffatt won his uncontested race for Associated Students Inc. president Thursday night in an election with lower voter turnout than last year. Moffatt received 938 votes, calling the campaign "less intense" than in previous years. The campaign elected ASI president, chair of the Board of Directors, and Board of Directors representatives. Voter turnout dropped to 13 percent last year, 11.1 percent voted.

"I expected a lower turnout than usual because of other things that overshadowed the election," Moffatt said.

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Poly, Cuesta ‘health nuts’ blend well

By Sara Henrikson
Mustang Daily

The smell gets you first. Fresh squeezed orange juice, bananas, raspberries and wheatgrass overwhelm your senses.

Then you notice the vibrant colors, the perks employees and the sound of blenders mixing drinks for a long line of anxious customers. Jamba Juice was born when a Cuesta College student was looking for a healthy fast food alternative. He and three Cal Poly students created the company, first named Juice Club, in 1990. It started in its present location on Foothill Boulevard and Chorro Street.

Kirk Perron, a former Cuesta student; Kevin Peters and Joe Vergara, Cal Poly business administration graduates; and Linda Olds, a business graduate with an MBA in marketing, met in different places at different times.

“Linda and Kevin knew each other from working in a local pharmacy,” Vergara said. “Kevin and Kirk met through the SLO nightlife, and I knew Kevin from an American Literature class. I met Kirk when I worked at Blending Blenders and was calling local grocery stores looking for overripe bananas.”

Vergara got eight huge boxes of bananas and took them to the cashier, who turned out to be Perron. He recognized Vergara from Blending Blenders, and approached him with the idea of Juice Club. Perron is a self-proclaimed health nut and a classic entrepreneur, according to Vergara.

The three founders (Olds got involved two years later) opened their first store with a menu of 25 smoothies and 14 additions. Vergara said he took the best of the best smoothies from Blending Blenders and “added more fruits to get up to the five-a-day (guideline),” he said.

He also went down a list of fruits and created smoothies out of those that were underrepresented in their menu.

They now own 235 stores throughout 13 western states. They offer 17 smoothies and six Juice Boos, which are combinations of the original additions. Venture capitalists made the go-ahead possible.

The concept was slow to catch on. In the first year, Vergara said, they often worked that first store alone.

“We thought we needed help if three customers were in the store at once,” he said.

It started with seven employees, and now there are 75 in its “Customer Support Center” in San Francisco, and around 3,500 employees in its stores.

“We take credit for identifying the smoothie as a healthy alternative to food,” he said. “Smoothies have been around for ages, and we took it to the next level, like Starbucks did for coffee. We wanted to have something for everyone. We built the concept around doing things as we would want them done.”

Vergara said the company wanted products they would feel comfortable offering their families, and move to treat customers as they should be treated.

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CELEBRATING SUCCESS: Since its founding in 1990, Jamba Juice has earned a new name and grown to include 235 stores throughout 13 western states and offer 17 smoothies. Above, founder, Kirk Perron, along with Linda Olds, traveled to San Luis Obispo to celebrate the company’s name change.

Those basic concepts paid off. Soon, the original store was jumping. Word of mouth was the best advertising available, and people were talking.

Profits doubled every year for the first three years, and by 1993, there were two more Juice Club locations. One year later, in 1994, they had 11 stores. Vergara credits listening to customers and following the founders’ instincts for the metamorphosis.

“We joke about how naive we were then,” he said, laughing. “We made some mistakes because we had minimal experience, but we went with our gut feelings, and we came out okay.”

Okay is right — Jamba Juice had estimated earnings of more than $50 million in 1998. In 1995, Jamba Juice moved its headquarters to San Francisco and changed its name from Juice Club because the company thought it was getting lost in the crowd.

“We wanted to evolve to the next level so we would be less generic,” Vergara said.

The company hired consultants and naming companies in its search for a new name, but the founders didn’t like any of the thousands they had to choose from. So again, they took matters into their own hands.

“We were frustrated,” Vergara said. “We met in Kennedy library (on the Cal Poly campus) and looked through different dictionaries for words that stuck us. We found ‘jama,’ which means celebration, in an African dictionary, and ‘jamba,’ which means fruit, and combined the two into ‘jamba.’ Linda actually came up with it. It’s a celebration of food and life.”

The company was slow to introduce its new name and concept in its stores for fear that customers wouldn’t understand.

“People thought we were bought out by another company, which wasn’t true,” said Vergara. “We should have communicated better with our customers.”

Jamba Juice has big plans for the future. It recently acquired Zuka juice, a similar company with stores in Texas, Washington, Oregon, Nevada and Utah, which results in its presence all over the West.

The company has plans to expand nationwide. Vergara said over the next three months, new stores will open in Hawaii, Boston and Chicago.

“We hope to evolve to 1,000 stores by 2002, but we definitely feel a connection to our roots in SLO,” Vergara said. “The two stores there are some of the few that still have original products, and original blenders.”

When Jamba Juice introduced new blenders, San Luis Obispo residents were upset, and demanded the old blenders be returned. Vergara said because the company started here, it did what customers wanted, and replaced the blenders.

The four founders still run Jamba Juice today. Perron is the CEO, Vergara is the director of research and development. Peters is the director of partnerships with other companies, and Olds is the director of marketing.

Vergara said what he learned at Cal Poly helped him a lot.

“The business degree program was so varied that it touched base with everything from accounting to marketing to branding,” he said. “It was exactly what I needed to start the business. My senior project was to install and set up an accounting program for a small business, and that’s what I did for Juice Club.”

Vergara offered some advice to students interested in starting their own business. He said the secret is to listen to experts, and then figure out what you want to do.

“Listen to your customers,” he said. “Do everything the way you want to tell people, and balance the advice you get. Do things the way you want them done in terms of customers and products.”

It certainly worked for Jamba Juice.
Feel Good just felt right for life

By Danielle Samaniego
Mustang Daily

Three Cal Poly alumni have made a business selling their "Feel Good" physical therapy products, and they couldn't feel any better about it.

Feel Good for Life Inc., started in 1993, now brings in about $15 million annually.

The company's products offer help to people with various ailments, ranging from arthritis to basic sleeping discomfort.

Jason Zinn graduated from Cal Poly as a physical therapy major in 1992. After working almost two years for a San Diego company that specializes in orthopedic products, Zinn decided he wanted something else. He became dissatisfied working for others and the hassles that came along with his work situation.

After discussing the limited job opportunities in California, Zinn and friend James Matuszewski decided to relocate to Colorado.

"We both quit our jobs and moved to Colorado where the economy was good," Zinn said.

Working out of their basement, Zinn and Matuszewski began Feel Good in 1993, selling physical therapy products through magazine ads.

Zinn looked to fellow Cal Poly graduate Mark Boyle to join the company in 1995, and in 1996, Zinn's brother, Adam, joined the team.

Matuszewski is now the CEO of the company. Jason Zinn is president, Boyle works as the general manager and Adam Zinn is products specialist.

"For two guys starting out of the basement of our house, we've exceeded our expectations," Jason Zinn said.

The Feel Good catalog features more than 300 products today, a huge leap from the two products with which Zinn and Matuszewski started.

Magnetic therapy products are currently among their most popular items. The latest innovations in this area include magnetic golf club, shoes and a leather dress belt for men, a product partially invented by Jason Zinn. Magnetic therapy is supposed to increase blood flow to areas of the body that suffer from inflammation. Increasing the circulation helps the affected area to heal faster.

"We were skeptical of the products at first, but we did our research, and it has worked out well," Adam Zinn said.

The company is now 55 employees strong, and business is handled through its catalog, web site and Denver-based stores.

Most employees come from a physical therapy, biology or physical education background.

"Each employee is trained through a two-to-three-week program that discusses the products and how to handle questions from our customers," Anne Lambert, customer service manager, said.

Consul-tatives representatives handle calls from customers nationally and internationally.

"We have quite a variety of people calling, between 12 to 80 years old, but the majority are baby boomers," Adam Zinn said.

Jason Zinn credited his Cal Poly education for allowing him to develop necessary "people" skills. "Working with people, on campus and through clubs, Zinn had to deal with different kinds of people on different levels. He also pointed to his major courses as sources of knowledge.

"Every day I'm referring to specific situations directly from my biology classes," Zinn said.

Current students see Boyle and the Zinn brothers as inspirations in the same field.

"I think it's good to hear about their company, and I'm hoping to do the same thing myself and get a nice business going," said Doug Garrett, a physical therapy freshman.

Jason Zinn offered some advice to students interested in starting their own businesses.

"Ask a lot of questions from people who've done it before, and don't be afraid to explore. Being your own boss is a great thing."

To obtain more information on the Feel Good company or the catalog, check out www.feelgoodcatalog.com or call toll-free at 1-800-997-6789.

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the girls seriously," Walters said. "The election became a low priority, but this shouldn't be used as a scapegoat."

Moffatt's goals for next year include making ASI money more accessible to clubs and focusing on student safety.

Students elected Damien Johnson chair of the Board of Directors with 665 votes (55 percent). His competitor, Rachel Raymond, received 563 votes (45 percent).

Johnson, an ag business senior, is excited about working with Moffatt. They both have experience with ASI. Moffatt is currently the ASI executive vice president, and Johnson serves as ASI's director of the board.

"John and I have done a lot together. We held a barbecue together on campus this week to interact with the students," Johnson said. "We both know the system well, which is important. One of the keys to leadership is continuity."

Johnson's campaign depicted his casual personality. His parents attended a picnic wearing shirts in support of their son.

"I wanted to do things where people feel comfortable. It's important for people to know a person for who they are and not get caught up in politics," Johnson said.

Johnson echoed Moffatt's sentiments about working with students.

"This week has been out of control in the best way I have been involved with student government since the fifth grade and I could always see myself doing this," Johnson said.

Students in the College of Agriculture stood by both Moffatt and Johnson, casting 287 votes for Moffatt and 242 votes for Johnson. In both races, the next most votes for the candidates came from the College of Engineering. Moffatt had 211 votes and Johnson had 181.

Board of Director positions for colleges were still being tallied Thursday night.

IN MEMORY: A mother clutches her daughter as they sit on steps in the Mission Plaza.
Mean meter maids and our parking problem

Meter maids on your way. Such was the slogan on one brazen young man's sign as he stood up and down Grand Ave. Tuesday night. He and the other 11 protestors were opposing the "event parking fee" conspiracy. But let us not be blind to the real issue at stake here: parking sucks at Cal Poly. I have a friend who drove around looking for parking for the entire duration of Smashing Pumpkins' "Mellon Collie and the Infinite Sadness" — and keep in mind this is a double-CD album. I can't help but think she had it good, for there could have been no better soundtrack for parking than "Infinite Sadness." Put 1, and perhaps dozens of others, under the crowded lots in silence, without radios, without purpose.

And what of the meter maids? While it is true they look and smell like the rest of us, we cannot be too careful. Last fall's Cal Poly Pollies depicted them as heartless, soulless Nazi extremists. C'mon, this is just a bit ridiculous. I mean, really, the Nazis were a well-organized, well-disciplined, militantly loyal group — albeit sick and twisted. It seems these days, everybody who is considered a 'bad is a Nazi or a Nazi-like Nazi who is marching up and down Grand Ave. A friend confided in me once that he knew for a tact that meter maids don't have this loyalty. A friend confided in me that he knew for a tact that meter maids don't have this loyalty. A friend confided in me that he knew for a tact that meter maids don't have this loyalty.

Nate Pontious

Neighbors only wanted fame

Editor:

I'm afraid I have had a hard time generating any sympathy for the "distractured neighbors of Rex Allan Krebs," as referred to in the Mustang Daily article "Neighbors lash out against parking meters," April 28. They're concerned that now they have to drive by Krebs' property and think about what happened there. Rachel Newhouse and Audrina Crawford not only had to think about what happened there between their suspected abduction and death at the hands of Krebs, they had to experience it. Whatever the residents of Davis Canyon are going through, it pales when compared to the final hours of the lives of Newhouse and Crawford.

As far as I'm concerned, the people of Davis Canyon who held a press conference to let us know how upset they are with the administration are making up the public eye to fight for respectful treatment of not only themselves, but all of us! Doesn't Hershman have homework to do and midterm to study for? Don't these student protestors have bills to pay or their own personal business to deal with?

It is a shame that in order to raise money, the administration is willing to pun students above its very own students, many of whom have paid a fortune for a parking permit. It is not about the inconvenience or the money, but about the respect the student body deserves. Thus, it irritates me whenever I have to drive by Krebs' property and think about what happened there. I have learned to be content with inequalities, unfairness and many other "irritating" things, from big to small, like registration and Campus Dining. Why should I care? At least the student protestors have bills to pay or their own personal business to deal with! But resentment is just in: resentment. Like many people, I have to work and to go to school at the same time. To get through my days, I have learned to get myself used to inequalities, unfairness and many other "irritating" things, from big to small, like registration and Campus Dining. Why should I spend my own much-needed time to fight for parking, or anything else of that matter, for 17,000 others?

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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On earth one can possibly compel a person to stick his own neck out, pioneering for a cause that involves 17,000 others? What could have compelled Heather Hershman and a handful of students to voluntarily take their own time and risk the trouble of being exposed in the public eye to fight for respectful treatment of not only themselves, but all of us! Doesn't Hershman have homework to do and midterm to study for? Don't these student protestors have bills to pay or their own personal business to deal with?

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I remember one time there was a call for students to fill up the PAC parking past the evening hours in protest of this same parking fee — I heard almost nobody showed up. I would have been too busy to show up. I am going to be here just a few more quarters — why should I care?

So why should Hershman care? And why should Associated Students Inc. Chairman of the Board candidate Rachel Raymond care?

I guess in life there are people who will just go a long way to stick their necks out for the sake of duty, a duty to stand up for what they believe is right. Forty-four years ago, in a crowded Alabama bus, a little woman named Rosa Park did just that, and this country was never the same.

Vinh Pham is a computer science senior.

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Cooper was one of more than 750 people who attended Newhouse's vigil. Student Mary Pat White of the Newman Catholic Center and the Rev. David Smiley of the University Christian Community arranged the service.

"The service helped people to deal with their sadness and anger and allowed me to sit in the midst of the whole auditorium, White said. "It was the beginning of a healing process in remembering Newhouse.

"This memorial came from the heart. It was an expression of love," Gonzalez said.

"Newhouse had aspirations for a career in medicinal science. Joseph Jan, dean of the College of Agriculture spoke of Newhouse's achievements.

"She was on the dean's list four out of six quarters with a GPA over 3.5. Rachel would have graduated with high honors," Jan said.

A scholarship fund was created at the College of Agriculture is planning to create an endowment in memory of Newhouse to being safety awareness events. The environmental horticulture department provided the flowers for the service.

Many of Newhouse's friends paid tribute to her memory by reading poetry and lightening candles with her name on it. They sang "Slow Dance." Its words, "You better slow down, don't dance too fast, time is short, the music won't last" rang through the ears of those at the service.

"It was nice to focus on the celebration of her life, not the terrible thing that happened here. We miss her," said Adam Gunmes, one of Newhouse's roommates and best friends.

Throughout her friends said Newhouse's friendship and enthusiasm were unmatchable. Megan Carter knew Newhouse for five years when they attended Irvine High School.

"She was always calm and she had this laugh, whenever you heard it you wanted to laugh too," Carter said.

Along with the white candle lit for Newhouse, thirteen bouquets were placed in front of Newhouse's family. The candles were placed beside Newhouse's flowers, the volunteers said with great respect. Remember, we remember Kristin Smart. Remember, we remember Andrea Crawford.

The memorial service was accompanied with Newhouse's favorite song playing in the background. Her friends chose "Brown Eyed Girl" by Van Morrison as a song that described Newhouse.

"In memory of Rachel Newhouse. "You are pulled from the wreckage of your silent memory, you are home," Turberville said.

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Festivities will begin at 1 p.m. at the Samuelson Center with a prayer and exchange of peace. "Peace behind us, peace under our feet. Peace within us, peace over our lot, let all around us be peace."

"Neither death nor separation can keep us from their presence," Harpin said. Her friends sang the tune of "Angel" by Sarah McLachlan, helped them to grieve for Newhouse. "You are pulled from the wreckage of your silent memory, you are home," Turberville said.

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TURBERVILLE: Head safety officer

Turberville was hired in January 1995. Six months later he was promoted to CSO manager. He credits his customer service skills for being promoted.

"I try to treat people the way I would like to be treated," Turberville said. "I like to deal with people on their level and be understanding. I try to realize their positions and where they are coming from."

Federal Work Study Program Manager Launn McDonald said Turberville has been a positive influence on the campus.

"He is truly amazing," McDonald said. "He has actually been selected as one of the top three students for the past three years now. I wish that we could pick everyone."

Police Officer and former CSO supervisor Jennifer Esselstyn said she loved working with Turberville.

"He is dedicated to the system," Danberg said. "He takes pride in what he does and realizes that his work reflects directly on the system.

Turberville said he has gained respect from his CSO position, and those interested should give it a try.

I have gotten great experience learning about law enforcement," Turberville said. "Whether it's fingerprinting or the escort service, I have learned a great deal. Being a CSO can definitely teach you a lot about law enforcement." Turberville said he is looking toward a public safety organization in the future.

"The idea I like is to do it as a firefighter," Turberville said. "If that isn't, I want to be a police officer, or at least a reserve police officer."

MEChA fights Cinco de Mayo’s beer and party image with cultural event

By Cindy Carcamo

Cinco de Mayo has a deeper meaning than drinking beer, according to Enrique Romero, a member of a Chicano cultural group at Cal Poly.

In reaction to the commercialization of this day the Movimiento Estudiantil Chicano de Aztlan (MEChA) will present an alcohol-free Cinco de Mayo on Sunday.

"This is not just another excuse to have a party and to drink Cerveza and bucheadas," said coordinator Enrique Romero. "We want the community to enjoy itself by experiencing traditional food, music, and games."

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MEChA is a political, social, and cultural organization formed to combat the negative stereotypes associated with Cinco de Mayo.

Cinco de Mayo is a date of great importance for many Mexican-Americans and Chicano's. May 5, 1862 marks the victory of the 5,000 ill-equipped, oppressed indigenous people who defeated the French army in what is now known as the "Batalla de Puebla." The battle is known as the "Batalla de Puebla." The battle of Puebla.

There is a common misconception that Cinco de Mayo is Mexican Independence Day. The actual date of Mexican Independence Day is September 16. Cinco de Mayo committee member and social science senior Carla Arredondo, said Cinco de Mayo has strayed away from its true meaning.

"It's become an excuse for people to drink and party, yet they don't know what they are celebrating," Arredondo said. "I feel it degrades the whole meaning of it."

Enrique Romero urges the community to attend this event and experience a different Cinco de Mayo, not the commercialized celebration. He also hopes this event will help people better understand the Mexican-American and Chicano community.

Festivities will begin at 1 p.m. at Santa Rosa park.

State drops subpoena for journalist’s PMC records

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) - The state dropped its subpoena for journalist’s PMC records Thursday for records of everything a veteran journalist had written or said about access to state prisons, resolving a dispute that had angered reporters’ groups, the journalist’s lawyer said.

David Durand, attorney for freelance writer Peter Susman, credited the intervention of Attorney General Bill Lockyer with breaking the impasse.

"The Los Angeles Times" has written and edited articles and has been involved in a federal court suit by inmate Robert John Woodward. Woodward was fired as a result of the suit and has been involved in a federal court suit by inmate Robert John Woodward.
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slightly in the air out of the gate in the Santa Anita Derby and needs to make a few adjustments to best those rivals.

"He's got to settle," Mandella said. "He has to run like a professional. It's asking a lot. He's got a big obstacle to overcome. — the big field, the big crowd — he's got to get through all that."

While Buffett's Excellent Morning is the filly getting all the hype, another filly, Trust Ring (12-1) will be the one to catch. In a race full of stakes and closers, Ring may not have to work hard to get the lead. Ring has the best speed and would be a threat had stall 3 not been an outside post.

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ond place horses, in the exact order. For insurance, it is best to box your exacta, which means playing both combinations of first and second place horses. As an example, if you bet Menifee first and Prime Timber under cards.

The Form is a daily newspaper that provides stats and lineups for races from Hollywood Park to the Aqueduct in Florida. Sands Liquor and Deli is the only local place to find The Form in San Luis Obispo.

"I'd say we sell about 10 a day," Sands' owner Bill Fairbanks said. "Although it's not to college students at all. We've never sold one to a college student."

When the pilot program ends in November, the Mid-State Fairgrounds will discuss the possibility of full- or part-time availability of horse-race wagering. Opening the horse-race events for horse racing to the public will likely be considered.

BATH TIME: Favorite General Challenge gets washed after a workout Sunday.

Mustang Daily
Wide open field in Kentucky Derby

By Joe Nolan
Mustang Daily

Every year, the Kentucky Derby features one of the most competitive races of the year. This year, 125th "Run for the Roses" will not disappoint with several intriguing subplots and more than 20 horses entered.

Even in a race up for grabs, you have to start with the favorites. If 1997 and 1998 Kentucky Derby winning trainer Bob Baffert is going to become the first trainer to three-peat on the first Saturday of May, he’s got to love his chances. Next to the last two Derby winners, Real Quiet and Silver Charm, Baffert has three of the top choices in his Churchill Downs barns.

At 3-1 odds, General Challenge looms the instantaneous favorite. Literally, Challenge is the biggest horse in the race (an impressive 17 hands high) and stalks foes with his strong closing style down the stretch. Ridden by Hall of Fame jockey Gary Stevens, Challenge won the Santa Anita Derby (a major Derby prep race), pulling away from stablemate Prime Timber by 6 lengths.

"The key at Churchill is how they handle the tight turns." — Bob Baffert, Derby-winning trainer

Memenite defeated Viceroy by 3 lengths in the Grade II Blue Grass and has edged rival Cat Thief (15-1) on two occasions. Despite being likely to race, Memente (who has five wins and one place in five lifetime starts) has rapidly earned the horses’ respect.

"Memente is really a class horse," said Richard Mandella, trainer of Destin Hero. "(Memente) probably the class of the race."

Trainer Elliot Walden hopes to take the same approach with Memente that he did with last year’s Derby runner-up, Victory Gallop.

"Memente is looking pretty similar to Victory Gallop," Walden said. "We’re basically a horse in the same pond."

Viceroy could be the horse-for-the-course, with a pair of race outings over the Churchill Strip. The darkly-colored colt has also moved out Cat Thief race and re-rallied impressively in the Blue Grass after losing the lead down the stretch to hold on for third. Training Viceroy brings Carl Nafzger back to the Derby for the first time since 1990, when he won with Unbridled.

"Viceroy is still maturing," Nafzger said. "He’s coming along and he’s on schedule. This horse is ready.

One horse who may be looking to steal some redemption and a victory is Dwayne Lukas’ Cat Thief (8-1). While Thief may not snag the main prize, he should be a factor in the exotics.

The best horse nobody knows about is probably Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid’s Worldly Manner (12-1). Mandella was Baffert’s leading 2-year-old until the Sheikh purchased him for $5 million.

LEGENDARY: The twin spires and large grandstand are just a part of what makes the Kentucky Derby the biggest race in horse racing. The 125th "Run for the Roses" features a wide open field.

Price plays

By Joe Nolan
Mustang Daily

For those looking to stretch the most out of your two bucks, there are some very capable longshots.

Santa Anita Derby show finisher Desert Hero (15-1) could be a nice price play. Hero finished third to Baffert’s General Challenge and Prime Timber in the Derby prep.

"He’s a very good horse but he was third to Baffert’s horses (in the Santa Anita Derby)," trainer Richard Mandella said. "He went through a change of moving from one barn to another (he was previously trained by another Southern California trainer) and the Wallach (Doubles), and I think he was a bit confused. But he’s coming back and looks very good going into the race.

Hero won the Grade II San Rafael Stakes, over coming being sidelined on the rail. Hero broke see LONGSHOTS, page 7

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Students have a place to bet

By Adam Russo
Mustang Daily

Horse racing fans need not follow in Mustang Daily sports editor Joe Nolan’s footsteps. A trip all the way to Louisville is not necessarily bet on tomorrow’s Kentucky Derby.

Pass Robles is as far as one needs to travel to get in on the action of the "Run for the Roses" at the California Mid-State Fairgrounds.

"The Oak Tree" for Saturday’s "Run For The Roses.

By Matt King
Mustang Daily

Place your bets — the Kentucky Derby is fast approaching. Here’s a quick gambling guide for Saturday’s "Run for the Roses."

Win, Place, and Show — A win bet means you pick the horse that will win the race. If your horse finishes second, you receive the second place money, which is obviously less than first place, while a show bet earns the third place money. Exacta — An exacta bet means that you pick the first and second

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