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Clubs go online with new directory
By Christine Janocko
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Finding information about your favorite Cal Poly clubs just got easier. An online club directory has been created, making the search for club information as simple as a mouse click.

With the new directory, located at http://www.asi.calpoly.edu/clubs, students can go online to find details about clubs they belong to or an interested in joining. Students can search for clubs that match their interests, find out when and where club meetings are held, even look up a club advisor’s phone number.

Clubs members provide the directory information themselves, said Lisa Silva, a management information systems major who is creating the website as her senior project.

Members can go to the directory’s website to print out a form to create a logo in name and password for their club. A club member and advisor must then sign the form and turn it into the Associated Students Inc. business office. Within one business day, club members can go back to the site, log in and create their website, Silva said.

The club pages are strictly informational, Silva said.

Club members will fill out an online form giving basic facts about the club, such as the name of the advisor, how to contact the club and the club’s purpose. Club members can choose from eight colors and fonts for their page, and also

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Weekend campers head to North County lakes

By Carrie Hughell
Mustang Daily

Most of the campers were families from as far south as Los Angeles, north to Sacramento, and east to Bakersfield.

The lakes are also popular spots for college students to come over the long weekend. The nights are spent around the camp fire barbecuing and playing games. Consumption of alcohol is also prevalent.

McCadden said that drunk driving and excessive speed have been recurring problems around the lake. Also, quiet time, which starts at 10 p.m. at Lake Nacimiento, is hard to enforce over the weekend.

During the day Lake Nacimiento is the place to be; at an area called "the narrows."

"It is an area at the farthest end of the lake, where the lake meets the mouth of the Lake Nacimiento River. It has a five mph speed limit and you can only get there by boat. It is a party place for college kids where they tie all the boats together and they just party," said Connie Flowers, an administrative assistant for the Lake Nacimiento Resort.

"The narrows was where everyone hung out. It was a huge, floating party. Everyone was walking from boat to boat, partying and having a good time," said Josh Farlow, a business freshman.

The lakes have gained popularity in the past few years as excellent boating and camping areas.

"The camping the night before was great, but the best part was jet skiing and getting a suntan during the day," said Shannon Pedrick, a journalism sophomore.

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WILD WEEKEND: In April, swimmers in the Wildflower triathlon competed for first place at Lake San Antonio, north of Past Robles. The tone at nearby Lake Nacimiento this Memorial Day weekend was different, as water skiers and boaters dominated "the narrow," a popular hangout for water sports turn around," Pedrick said.

Camp sites at Lake Nacimiento sites start at $22. North Shore of San Antonio to $20 and South Shore costs $8.

North Shore is one of the only camp grounds in the state that has shore-line camping, which makes it ever more popular, according to McCadden.

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Bird sparks power outage near campus

Small bird flew into power lines, causing a 40-minute brownout

F. Xavier Lanier II
Mustang Daily

Students studying for finals and enjoying deal week were surprised when the power went out. They couldn't do anything," said Jesse Reyes, a political science and business senior. "I couldn't even kill time by watching television. I was going to call someone, but I couldn't because I have a cordless phone that needs to be plugged in."

After giving up on looking for things to do without electricity, Reyes did what most students won't get a chance to do during finals week. "I just relaxed and took a nap," Reyes said.

Nicole Watte, a liberal studies junior, was doing a project on her computer when the power went out. She had to leave her house on California Boulevard and watch for a computer with internet access on campus.

"It sucked. I was cooking and the damn stove went off. I had to go find a gas stove in the security house," said Val Nellis, a landscape architecture major. "I was hoping the power would have been out at school so I wouldn't have had to go to my lab."

Other students had to cut out plans more important than studying. "We couldn't watch movies," said Veronica Shuppy an agricultural education junior. "I rented the Star Wars trilogy and wanted to watch all of them before we saw the new one."

Reyes said.

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state funding for this program to $6 million. These funds are matched by at least an equal amount of funding from agricultural industry partners.

The last allotment would be $800,000 for the Chancellor's Office to plan the new Channel Islands campus. Gov. Davis did not, however, allot any money for high-cost programs, a big setback for technical schools like Cal Poly.

A lobbying organizer and Board of director Julie Hopper said Davis may have been sympathetic to some extent, which would not allow him to fund the programs.

"It's important to the priorities he made in the May Revise," she said. "I think (his priorities) are understandable, but people didn't really think that (high-cost program funding) wouldn't go through."

The state Senate and Assembly looked over the Revise and decided it needed some changes. One of those changes was to fund the CSU system's high-cost programs. The Senate and Assembly wrote revision, the Senate allotting $315 million, and the Assembly $10 million. Hopper said the Senate and Assembly will meet and come to a mutual decision on the amount of programs given. The govenor will then receive the money and may add the money to the budget.

"It's a matter of waiting and finding out whether or not the governor accepts the revisions or not," Hopper said.

Associated Students Inc. Chair of the Board Arna Luker is keeping her fingers crossed the governor will make the revisions, but knows there is a chance he won't.

"There are so many different bills that are trying to get additional tax breaks," she said. "It's still up in the air."

Back on its own soil, ASI is finding lobbying is a top priority these days. ASI members are hoping to get their message to state legislators. Luker said the feedback administration and ASI have received is extremely positive.

"(The legislators) really thought it was excellent that we came out and that there were a large number of students that were interested," she said.

Steve McShane, a Cal Poly graduate and former ASI president, said people in the Capitol couldn't stop talking about what a great job Cal Poly had done. In a letter written to board of director Hopper, McShane said the students had a "high level of professionalism, organization, and energy."

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Tips for finals and some words for the graduates

This being my last column for the Mustang Daily, I wanted to take the opportunity to dedicated this column to the many friends and family who have supported me through this school year. Some were close friends who I planned to graduate with, and some were family members who have always been there for me. I have been incredibly blessed to have such a strong support system, and I am grateful for all of them.

I also want to take this opportunity to thank all of my professors and peers who have contributed to my education and development. Your guidance and support have been invaluable, and I am grateful for all of the lessons I have learned from you.

Finally, I want to thank all of my readers for your support and engagement. Your comments and feedback have helped me grow as a writer, and I am grateful for all of the conversations we have had.

Best of luck to all of the graduates as you embark on the next chapter of your lives. May your future be filled with success and happiness.

Kathryn Dugas

Being anti-gay is different than being homophobic

Editor:

Why is it that anyone who claims to be anti-gay is deemed homophobic at this school? Personally, I can't stand these unfounded generalizations and I am going to try and enlighten us all. Being anti-gay simply means that you think homosexuality is wrong. Being homophobic, on the other hand, means you are afraid of homosexuals. Do you see a correlation? I don't. One definition is based on morality, the other on fear.

Homophobic people are the ones who can't stand living next door to a gay person and cringe if that person comes home with a member of the same sex. Now granted, anti-gay people can also be homophobic, but don't assume all of us are. I live next door to a homosexual and I have no qualms with him whatsoever, though I disagree with what he does. I do, however, agree with what the gay rights did. I think he has just as much right to fly the flags down as the Gays, Lesbians, and Biseuxals United does in putting them up. I also think people have just as much right to be gay as I do to be straight, but please don't force your acceptance on me. And please don't label us homophobic.

If you want to give us a label, please call us "sheltered, ignorant, republican, small-minded, unevolved monomaniacs and daddies who are still preaching that gay people are the product of Satan." (Reader responds to "bitch", May 28.) Oh, and please add backward, overoptimistic, close-minded, conservative, and Christian while you're at it, Mr. Kling. I wouldn't want your list to be incomplete. If you want to be nice though, you can simply call us the moral minority (I think we used to be the majority, but I'm not so sure these days), but I prefer to go by Barnaby.

Barney Hughes is an architecture sophomore.

It's so hard to leave San Luis

Editor:

Reading the article written by the "city girl" who describes her feelings about leaving San Luis Obispo, all I could think was, "My feelings exactly!" Although I "only" spent one year at Cal Poly, I know exactly what she is talking about. But it is not only the green hills or all the other wonderful things about the place. I believe it is the combination of all the little and big things San Luis Obispo offers on the one hand, and, on the other, it is the great atmosphere the city generates through the people who enjoy living there.

Natalie Neu is a former Cal Poly student from Germany.

Alcohol also a harmful drug

Editor:

One could replace the word "crack" with the word alcohol" in April Charleston's, "The war on drugs needs to continue," and the story would not change. We tried to make alcohol illegal, and I think most would agree it was not good for society. We now tax alcohol extremely and try to keep our streets dry and treat alcoholism as a criminal crime. Millions of people drink and millions of people have problems because of their drinking. How can millions be able to drink and have no problems because of the alcohol. Should the people who, for whatever reason, can handle alcohol be denied the right to consume it?

Personally, I can't smoke pot and function well at school or work. I know people who smoke marijuana frequently, and use other drugs occasionally, yet maintain an "A" average while working as well. Should a productive member of society be incarcerated because, for whatever reason, he can function and "John" can't? The billions of dollars spent on the "War on Drugs" could quickly turn into billions of dollars of tax revenue which can be spent to prevent and treat drug addiction. I respectfully submit the letter is better for you, me, and "John".

Michael Bowman is a graduating business senior.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR
Don't take risks while driving

I used to be proud to say I could drive from San Luis Obispo to Los Angeles in less than three hours. I felt like the female version of James Bond, driving my little Honda at 90 mph while weaving around slower cars. I realized driving this way is stupid, reckless and fatal. The rush to get from point A to point B seems selfish to me now.

I say this because I knew of one person who did not make it home from travelling fast Saturday night.

I only saw the aftermath of what happened: a crashed car in which the driver's side was completely mangled, splattered blood on the cracked windshield, shards of glass shining on the pavement.

I don't know exactly how it happened: The driver could have fallen asleep. He or she could have looked away for one moment and lost control of the wheel.

To me, it served as a wakeup call. It knocked some sense into me. It was a powerful reminder of how fragile life is and how it can be taken away in an instant. But as the ambulance lights shining on the pavement, I remember everything seemed to move in slow motion as the flock of cars crawled by the accident scene.

I don't know exactly how it happened: The driver changes lanes that you are able to breathe again. I also cannot stand it when a car swerves in and out of lanes just to be the first one in line. It is a dangerous game of leapfrog. Often, the driver moves in your lane so fast, you react by slamming on the brakes. This produces a chain effect in which everyone has to slow down because someone wanted to be first in line.

There are many people who practice these reckless driving techniques. You might be one of them. What you have to remember is tailgating and speeding can put people's lives at risk. You do not own the road; you share it with the millions of other motorists who just want to get home.

I'll even use the words that my parent drilled into my head when I turned 16: "Driving is a privilege, not a right. It should be taken away if someone puts another life at risk." Please be a smart driver, not a stupid one.

Joellen Smith is a journalism senior and Mustang Daily reporter.
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3.2 percent average salary increase for the 1998-99 fiscal year. It also gives a 3 percent general salary increase, effective Sept. 1, 1998.

As long as the CSU system receives its requested budget, compensation for the 1999-20 fiscal year will include a 6 percent average salary increase. In addition, a 0.95 percent general salary increase and a 2.63 percent service-based salary increase were both settled in the agreement.

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“1 spend a lot of time at Poly,” Estrada said, “a lot of time.”

Ushering for YVAC is a lot of fun, Estrada said. On event days, she wakes up early and heads to campus to get herself a parking space, then goes out to help others park. In volunteering at the PAC, she gets to enjoy the shows for free.

“It’s hectic, but it’s lively,” Estrada said of her volunteer work. “It’s what I call my social life.”

Dusting the shows at the PAC has exposed Estrada to all sorts of new things. She’s recently discovered a passion for opera, something she had never really been interested in before. Thomas Quasthoff is among her favorite baritones, but the allure of his singing she finds hard to explain.

“It’s like this romantic thing you see on TV and can’t touch,” she said.

Like the intangible appeal of opera, Estrada finds her work on campus to be something more than what it seems. It’s not just cleaning up, Estrada said. “It’s making a difference.”

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add a link to any existing club pages.

The information can be changed easily and quickly, Silva said, “so the directory will be as current as the clubs keep it.”

The directory information is available to students now, but only a handful of the more than 400 campus clubs and organizations have taken advantage of the web site.

“We need club members to input their club information to make the directory complete,” Silva said.

Clubs will benefit from the directory because of the increased exposure to students, which means a potential for more members, Silva said.

The directory will also solve a common club problem of inconsistent web addresses. Silva said. Many clubs would create a web site on an individual member’s account. The account hosting the site often changed yearly, usually due to members leaving the club or because the web pages from the year before were deleted from the member’s account. Students looking for club sites were often unable to find the correct address.

This confusion will end with the new directory, Silva said.

“This system will provide a single place for students to find up-to-date club information and links to club sites,” Silva said.

The directory is a result of more than a quarter’s worth of work by Silva, ASI’s webmaster who will graduate next week. The idea to create a club directory was that of ASI president Dan Gen, but when Silva heard about it, she thought it would make a great senior project.

“I really like doing web stuff,” Silva said, and since she’s working for ASI’s computer support team anyway, she figured she’d do the project to make sense.” It’s really exciting to see it all put into place and to see the clubs use it,” Silva said.

ASI is funding the development and maintenance of the directory, which isn’t very costly, Silva said, because the site is hosted on ASI’s webserver.

“It’s just kind of a part of our existing services,” Silva said.

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W W W . e l c o r r a l b a o k s t o r e . c o m
'Notting Hill' tickles funny bone, heart

By Kimberly Kaney

It you weren't one of the 400 people who got to see 'Notting Hill' at the free screening last Thursday, you missed out.

Beyond the Cinderella storyline there is an intricately woven view of friends who support one another through relationships. The friends function as a support network for William Thacker (Hugh Grant). It's this group of friends who steal the show, from his outrageous roommate Spike (Rhys Ifans) to his best friend and former true love, Bella (Gina McKee).

Julia Roberts plays Anna Scott, "the world's most famous movie star," who falls in love with Thacker, "an ordinary guy."

The movie portrays the day-to-day details of a love affair. Scott meets Thacker when she wander into his bookstore while in London promoting her latest sci-fi thriller. A magical attraction sparks when Thacker turns a corner and spills orange juice on Scott's shirt. Scott seems to fall for Thacker because he is not confused in her world, but mesmerized by her character.

Thacker never grasps the whole meaning of standards and stays calm as Scott takes everything seriously. We watch as a star takes criticism to heart and deals with her names and relationships being dragged through the ruthless British tabloids.

The movie rolls along from laugh to laugh. Thacker's sister Honey (Emma Chambers) lights up the screen when she declares she will be Scott's new best friend.

Director Roger Michell balances this corny mixture with a backdrop of old-world uniqueness set in the actual Notting Hill neighborhood in London, England.

Dominated by Notting Hill's Portobello Road, one of London's most famous streets and a unique tourist attraction. Essentially a Victorian street, Portobello Road grew penciled between the big estates of Notting Hill and Paddington.

Michell makes the best use of the scenery as he illustrates the passage of the seasons on Portobello Road. Thacker walks in the background of the street market, putting on his jacket as the rain comes, then the snow and then takes it off again as the sun begins to shine.

The most disappointing aspect of the movie was the soundtrack. Tunes like "Ain't No Sunshine When She's Gone" were corny at best and didn't add much to the movie overall. Don't go out and buy the soundtrack, and try and tune it out while you watch the movie.

Spike takes British humor to the limit and balances the movie for men at the same time. He epitomizes the kind male we all love but who refuses to do laundry and will eat just about anything.

In the end, the movie is wrapped up with a big pink box, but I wouldn't expect any less. "Notting Hill" will delight men and women with a mixture of romance and laughter.

Just make sure you are armed with popcorn and candy for the long flick.

ROMANCE AND LAUGHTER: Anna Scott (Julia Roberts), the world's most famous movie star, begins an amusing and unusual courtship with Notting Hill bookstore owner William Thacker (Hugh Grant).
Student poets shine at contest

Mustang Daily

Cal Poly’s English Department announced the winners of the 1999 Cal Poly Poetry contest Tuesday.

Carolin Steele, an English senior, won first prize and $300 from the Academy.

Sarah Hickman, an English graduate student and the 1998 poetry winner in the campus creative writing contest, earned honorable mention.

Hannah Stein judged the poems. Stein is the author of Earlight, a book of poems forthcoming from La Questa Press, and is the editor of Americas Review, a journal of political literature.

“Steele has an original voice,” Stein said.

“The complexity of her poetic ideas and her electric language offer a reader not only excitement but the welcome sense that she has read and loved the English poets — I’d guess Marvell in particular,” Stein said.

“Steele went on to praise Steele’s wit and innovation as well as her “intellectual and passionate adventure.”

Stein was also impressed by Hickman’s poems, pointing out that she “is an accomplished poet, whose handling of form and idiom are mature.”

According to Stein, Hickman’s poetry has a “richness of imagery that makes it a pleasure to read. Her handling of sometimes disturbing subject matter demonstrates a high level of artistry.”

Cal Poly English Professor Kevin Clark, who instructed both students in creative writing classes, agreed with Stein.

“(Steele’s) remarkably original expression and (Hickman’s) lyric courage suggest that we’ll be hearing from both of these young poets for years,” he said.

A sponsor of numerous campus poetry competitions each year, the New York-based Academy of American Poets is a national organization dedicated to promoting serious verse.

‘King of Masks’ reveals another young child star

The Associated Press

Many foreign language films have enjoyed worldwide success in recent years due largely to their focus on children who shine. Among them: Italy’s “Life Is Beautiful,” Brazil’s “Central Station” and Iran’s “Children of Heaven.”

Chinese director Wu Tianming’s “The King of Masks,” draws its charm from the same source. It tells the moving story of the relationship between an aging magician and a street-smart child in a poor town in China during the 1930s.

The film is sweet and uplifting, contemplative and philosophical. What could have been a sappy story instead is an endearing tearjerker, largely through the honest performance of its young co-star.

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Wang’s father, a nobleman, was forced into exile in the United States, and it is his dream to return home one day. Wang, now a master of his craft, wants to pass along his skill before he dies.

Wang meets a young girl, Nini, who becomes his apprentice and helps him with his performances. Nini is a talented young performer in her own right and Wang teaches her the art of mask-changing.

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One of the film’s most touching scenes is when Wang and Nini bond and form a close relationship. Their bond is strengthened through their shared love for mask-changing, and they become inseparable.

The film’s themes of friendship, mentorship, and the passing on of knowledge resonate with audiences, making it a heartwarming and visually stunning film. "The King of Masks" is a must-watch for anyone who appreciates emotional and visually stunning films.
Study: Muscle drug 'Andro' does nothing for strength, and may harm

CHICAGO (AP) — The dietary supplement marketed as Andro was found to do nothing to boost men's strength and may promote breast enlargement, heart disease and cancer, a study suggested.

The supplement, a steroid called androstenedione (pronounced an-drot-SEN-doe-nen), was compared with a dummy pill in 22 men ages 19 to 29 during an eight-week weightlifting program, researchers reported in Wednesday's Journal of the American Medical Association.

"There was no effect of androstenedione on testosterone levels, but what did increase was the level of the female sex hormone," said lead author Douglas S. King, an exercise biochemist at Iowa State University in Ames.

No difference in strength, measured directly by muscle tests, could be found between the two groups of men at the study's end.

But the men who took the supplement — 300 milligrams daily — showed significant declines in levels of HDL, the so-called "good" cholesterol, the researchers said. Lower levels of "good" cholesterol are associated with heart disease, they noted.

And in men higher levels of estradiol, a female hormone, are known to increase breast enlargement, although the study did not measure breast size.

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Mark McGwire: "And either of his kids will make history by hitting a ball that's reviewed on instant replay and changed by the umpires."

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Philadelphia Phillies closer Wayne Gomes celebrates his 26th birthday on Tuesday. The San Francisco Giants don't like to watch.

"I didn't take offense to it," Giants second baseman Jeff Kent said Tuesday. "I just think it shows a lack of class."

Gomes got the attention of the slumping Giants on Monday night with a demonstrative celebration on the mound after striking out Rich Aurilia and Brent Mayne in the eighth inning of the Phillie's 4-1 comeback victory.

The right-hander spun around on the mound and pumped both arms several times while running to the dugout. Gomes then pitched a 1-2-3 ninth for his fourth save, sending the Giants to their fifth straight loss during the study.

McGwire, who hit a record 70 home runs last year, had no comment on the new findings. A firesider of controvers­y since last year when he acknowledged he had used androstenedione.

Major League Baseball spokesman Pat Courtney said the league has "some of the leading people in the field, along with the players' association, looking at the issue."

"You just can't hurry," he said. "I'm sure they will take everything into con­sideration in their findings. We're wait­ing to hear the results."

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**Making the grade**

On average, women athletes in NCAA Division I programs had higher GPAs in high school than their male counterparts.

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per-year book allotment. Cone added that the full scholarship is a full amount that the NCAA allows. A partial scholarship ranges from $100 a quarter to almost a full scholarship, Cone said. Some athletes benefit through meals and housing.

Head basketball coach Jeff Schneider said the NCAA only allows 13 full rides for Division I basketball, and this year there are only three scholarships divided among the basketball team.

The football team receives 45 full-ride scholarships for four years and divides the money among them in order to provide for many players. "We give out 45 scholarships to help 75 players get through school," head football coach Larry Welsh said. Although scholarships are prevalent throughout the different sports on Cal Poly’s campus, swimming does not receive any scholarships.

"It makes it very difficult to recruit top-quality athletes to Cal Poly," Firman said. "It makes it very difficult for athletes who are considering playing for us to come here because we don’t have any money to give them."

Outside of injuries, some student-athletes lose their scholarships because they don’t want to comply with the scholarship guidelines. During outfielder Jason Barringer’s freshman year, he had a partial scholarship for meals and housing. Even though Barringer suffered a graduated arm injury at the end of the 1998 season, Price said he could keep his scholarship if he stayed a year longer. Barringer didn’t want to stay in the dorms, and this year he does not have a scholarship.

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Those athletes are students. "We have a small amount of athletes that are drafted or turn professional from Cal Poly," Sullivan said. "What it good to see is the number of athletes here who continue their education and pursue their degree after their eligibility is complete is finished."
SPORTS

49er coach back on the job

SANTA CLARA, (AP) — The clothes are different, but Bob McKittrick insists his fight against cancer hasn't changed his coaching style.

The longtime 49ers offensive line coach watches practice from a golf cart and has had to give up his favored attire of shorts and T-shirt. He now wears heavier clothes and a floppy hat to protect him from the sun.

"We've had the whole thing, the 7-year-old and the younger, after he was cut by the Jets, [and] the bile duct in January," said McKittrick, whose summer home is in or near the San Fernando or Conejo Valley.

In a while, that'll be gone and I'll feel good right now," said McKittrick, who was back to coaching after doctors forced to cancel a three-week minicamp.

"In the off-season, the Falcons signed Danny Kanell, 19 years younger, after he was cut by the New York Giants. So coach Dan Reeves reassigned DeBerg to the coaching job he held for two seasons under Reeves with the Giants. DeBerg, who was born in 1955, was known during his career for precluding the idea of Joe Montana (in San Francisco) John Elway (in Denver) and Vinny Testaorne (in Tampa Bay). He played on six different teams and finished his 17-year career ranked 13th on the all-time passing yardage list with 34,241 yards.

"He won't allow you to get chocked up," Marucci said. "All he talks about is the other people in the hospital that are worse off than him. He's not required to be here. He's required to take care of himself, rest up and get healthy. But he wants to do this. He wants to be around the players and the coaches and he's been nothing but an inspiration to all of us. We're all pulling for him and praying for him. He's champ."
Education remains athlete's focus

By Alexis Garberff
M Mustang Daily

All Cal Poly athletes deal with practices, classes, traveling to matches, and for some, trying to fulfill a goal of teaching the professional leagues. What makes athletes similar are the directions from school: Do they want an education, or do they see Cal Poly as a doorway that will take them to the next level in their sport?

This year, one Cal Poly athlete has already been afforded a chance to wrestle overseas, while another is a Major League Baseball prospect. While these athletes may become professionals, most Cal Poly athletes do not.

"Our prime focus for athletes is to graduate," Cal Poly Athletic Director John McCutcheon said, "Out of 550 student athletes, 85 percent get their degree and have not chosen to go on with their sport."

The NCAA Fact Sheet validates McCutcheon's beliefs regarding student athletes. The fact sheet, published in the 1999 NCAA Division I Graduation Rates Report, track the graduation rates of student athletes within a six-year period.

For Division I student-athletes entering college in 1995, 57 percent graduated, in comparison to the 56 percent of the general student body who graduated.

Cal Poly's Sports Information Director Jason Sullivan said graduation is the draft's athlete's individual choice.

"It bothers me to see player-leave school early. They are not guaranteed to play, and an education will last forever," Sullivan said. "As the same time, they may need to provide for their family. Once they sign a contract, they may be limited to their major, and they may finish their degree later." see ATHLETES, page 10

A scholarship isn't just easy money

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Although Cal Poly student-athletes may not be signing million-dollar contracts during college, they do receive benefits for the four years they spend at Cal Poly.

The two types of scholarships that student-athletes can benefit from are full scholarships and partial scholarships.

Alisson Cone, Cal Poly's senior associate athletics director, said that scholarship covers regular tuition fees, the cost of campus housing, campus meal and a 3405.

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Sports editor calls the final inning of a memorable sports year

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