Vandalism prompts further investigation by Judicial Affairs

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Vandalism to the Rose Float office in the University Union has prompted an investigation by Judicial Affairs.

Although there was no permanent damage done to the committee's office, Rick Johnson, interim executive director of Associated Students Inc., said furniture had been moved around and taken apart.

Johnson could not give a specific date when the incident occurred, but he guessed it was sometime during the first week of school, possibly on Sept. 21 or 22.

He said students arrived at the Rose Float office in the morning to find the office moved around. ASI responded by locking the Rose Float office following the incident. New locks were put on the doors, Johnson said.

Cynthia Brown, senior Rose Float coordinator, described the incident as "a few violations" against University policy. She wouldn't, however, describe the violations.

"What one person sees as vandalism, another sees as a prank," Johnson said. "He was unable to comment on possible suspects of the crime and whether or not the perpetrator was a staff member.

Johnson attributes the vandalism to "growing pains" within the Rose Float committee, which made the transformation from a club to an ASI program in 1998. This change basically means that the Rose Float committee became a program comparable to Rec Sports. They receive money from both ASI and the University to build their yearly float.

Along with the change came two new staff members who were hired approximately 3 months ago — Brown, and Gary Weisenberger, who was hired as the technical adviser. Previously, Donna Cetti, ASI events coordinator, was the committee's adviser.

The recent change in advisers has led to communication problems between students returning from summer vacation and new Rose Float staff, Johnson said.

"Not everyone was on the same page," Johnson said. The committee is experiencing some "internal issues" and is currently "refining access policy," he said.

The vandalism is now in the hands of Judicial Affairs officials, who were unavailable for comment Monday. Both Johnson and Brown were unable to speak at length about the incident because of the pending investigation.

Horse theft still unresolved

Students, parents and coaches gather at the Cal Poly Rodeo grounds Wednesday morning after being notified that their horses were missing. In total four horses, valued at $60,000, are thought to have been stolen. The investigation continues with no solid leads.

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After the theft of four horses Wednesday, Cal Poly investigators spent the weekend fielding phone calls as well as discussing preventive measures to make sure that this type of theft doesn't happen again.

Sgt. Lori Hashim said the department has received numerous phone calls with possible leads, but no substantial information has come out of them yet.

"I don't even want to guess how many we've received," Hashim said. "Unfortunately none of them have led to anything."

Police have not released any information about possible suspects.

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Pipes and Plaid

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FIVE SENTENCED FOR LAS VEGAS GAMBLING THEFT

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Five people have been sentenced for participation in a slot machine cheating ring that targeted Nevada casinos.

Authorities said the five were part of a group that stole $500,000 to $5 million during a nine-month period in 1998.

In September 1999, a federal grand jury in Las Vegas indicted Bao Ming Liu, Jin Xu Xingli, Feng Ying Liu, 34, and He Biao Liu, 33, on a conspiracy charge.

The authorities defined all four as Las Vegas residents who illegally immigrated from China.

A supervising indictment, returned in December, added Zu Qiang Lin, 34, as a defendant.

Prosecutors claimed the defendants obtained $1 tokens from Nevada casinos and then forged, filled and sold the edges.

"The machine would register a credit for each shaved $1 token," the indictment alleged. "However, when the slot machine paid out, the shaved $1 tokens were not counted, allowing the defendant and others, to obtain legitimate ($1) tokens, along with hairshaved $1 tokens from the slot machine."

Five defendants pleaded guilty to engaging in an illegal gambling business, a felony.

U.S. District Judge Roger Hunt sentenced them in July to 18 months in prison and ordered him to pay about $490,000 in restitution.

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton lashed back Monday at Critics in a flap over his candidacy that the nation is in an education recession, and cited improved performance by minority students as proof of "an education revival."

Clinton said the country has made strides in education during his two terms, and could make even more progress if Congress would approve his plans for school construction, teacher hiring and performance standards.

He inserted during a White House ceremony to announce the number of students defaulting on college loans at a record low.

"There are lots and lots of challenges still out there, and what I believe we should be doing is to emphasize further changes in the direction we have been moving," Clinton said.

In unveiling his new focus on education, "fair work," the Republican presidential nominee, said standardized test scores of American students are barely competitive with students in other industrialized nations.

For example, he said, 69 percent of fourth graders in the poorest states have difficulty reading a single child's book. "America is in the midst of an education recession," Bush declared.

Clinton disputed that Monday, saying math and reading scores are on the rise, with some of the greatest gains in cities with the most disadvantaged schools. "He said the number of black and Hispanic students in advanced placement courses are up 500 percent and 40 percent respectively, and college entrance exam scores are up two to "even more students" from more disadvantaged neighborhoods take the tests."

"That is not an education recession, that is an education revival," Clinton said. "On the other hand, no serious person believes that American education is where it ought to be."

White House spokesman Jake Siewert said the president was simply stating facts, not picking a fight with Bush.

"We've seen some success in turning around schools, and it's just the kind of hypothetico and rhetoric you hear on the campaign trail," Siewert said. "It doesn't serve the American people."

He accused Republican congressional leaders of deliberately thwarting his plan to tap into national the reforms that have been proven effective locally in bringing failing schools up to par.

"The majority in Congress is putting a budget that would neither increase investment or accountability," Clinton said. "The least we can do is adequately invest in education."

Clinton spoke as he announced new Education Department figures showing the number of students who default on their college loans dropped to 6.9 percent in fiscal 1998, down from 8.8 percent the year before. Collections on defaulted loans were up, to $4 billion in 1998.

The president noted that the default rates fell to their lowest level ever, although more loans were issued. "This is an amazing, amazing thing," Clinton said.

"This lesson of invest more, have more accountability, will have the programs work based on how the real world, the real lives of these students are unfolding, that's the kind of thing I think we should do in education generally," Clinton said.

The rate has dropped each year since a peak of 22.4 percent in fiscal 1990. Clinton attributed the ongoing decline to an increase in the amount of scholarships, tax credits and other financial assistance available to students; more affordable loans; better flexibility in repayment plans and efforts to better educate borrowers about their responsibilities.

Clinton also said the largest decrease was the 4.6 percent drop from fiscal 1990 to fiscal 1991, during the Bush administration.

Clinton counters attack on education

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Internet choices confuse many students

By Jordan Roberts
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Deciding what type of modem to use to connect to the Internet can be very confusing. It helps to break it down into three categories: dial-up modems, cable modems, and digital subscriber lines (DSL).

Dial-up modems are the most common, and the cheapest. However, the fastest speeds they can go is 56KB.

While traditional dial-up modems provide online access through the public telephone network, cable modems provide users with access through a cable television network. A cable television system typically has 60 or more channels, most of which are used for cable TV programming services, like CNN or ESPN. As it turns out, these channels can also be used to offer high-speed Internet access. Cable modems are more expensive, but they are about 20 times faster than the dial-up service.

Rod Franco, a computer management senior, said he just had a cable modem installed Monday.

"The cable modems are faster than regular modems, but the speed difference is incredible," Franco said. "It makes downloading MP3s so much easier. What used to take over twenty minutes now takes one or two minutes to download a song."

These modems are typically external devices that are placed next to computers. When a cable modem is installed, a splitter is placed on the side of the customer's home, which the modem connects to the cable modem from those sending television services. DSL essentially turns a regular phone line into a "broader band." The broader the bandwidth, the more ability there is to carry larger quantities of a signal, and do so faster.

This technology uses copper pair wiring that exists in almost every home and office. Special hardware attached to both the user and switch ends of the line allows data transmission over the wires at much greater speeds than the standard phone wire.

DSL provides a constant Internet connection. This means there is no need to dial in to an Internet service provider each time to get online.

However, there are several disadvantages to DSL. First of all, it is the most expensive of all three options. Also, in order to get DSL service, one must be within 17,500 feet of a carrier's central office. After that distance, the quality of the signal deteriorates. For this reason, DSL is primarily only offered in large cities.

"Which modem will be the best price for Cal Poly students? It depends on each individual's needs, current equipment and what services San Luis Obispo has to offer. For students who occasionally use the Internet and e-mail, a regular dial-up Internet service from their old telephone service would probably be best. For "gamer" or heavy Internet users that rely on downloaded speed, cable modems are probably the best choice. DSL is very expensive, and may not be worth it for amateurs than for individuals. America Online offers DSL connection in San Luis Obispo, but it comes at a high price. The installation fees range from $310 to $312, plus stamp charges ranging from $22 to $275 and monthly fees anything from $95 to $495. For more information, check out www.arrival.com. Charter Communications, the local cable company, provides a cable modem service called "Charter Pipeline." According to the company's Web site, downloading things with their service is a lot faster than with dial-up service. For example, downloading the "Star Wars: Episode One" trailer takes approximately an hour with a 56KB modem and only three and a half minutes with their Pipeline service. With an existing cable TV subscription, the cable modem service would cost $49.95 per month, or $53 per month as part of a one-year contract. Without current cable service, the price is $59.95 per month or $45 per month with a one-year contract. Franco said to beware of other terms involved, such as buying the actual modem.

"I chose to rent the modem, and I didn't want a one-year contract since I am graduating soon, so it is really costing me about $60 per month," Franco said. "I would recommend cable modems to anyone who is willing to sign a one-year contract since that is a much better deal." For more information, check out www.chartercomm.com.

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By Drew Huang
U-WIRE UNIVERSITY PARK,
Pa. — Despite the unprecedented challenges in technical logistics and copyright policies, online education is quickly gaining recognition — and a student body.

Pennsylvania State University's online World Campus has gained popularity since its beginnings in 1997, now boasting 155 courses and almost 3,000 students, said Penn State President Graham Spanier in a recent speech to the International Council for Open and Distance Education in Sao Paulo, Brazil.

The goal now is "to integrate distance education into the main stream of the university to draw on the academic strengths of our faculty and programs," Spanier said in the speech. Spanier said online education and on-campus classes are not so dissimilar.

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Job hunting, interviews are hellish at best

Not everyone has to have a job to support themselves through college. Some of us are fortunate enough to get enough money from loans, financial aid or our parents so that we don’t have to work in order to make ends meet. However, a large number of us depend on part-time labor to help us pay the rent and buy groceries.

Even though a part-time job may be a necessity, there are only a few of us who actually have good jobs, I for one, have never had one. I’ve done all kinds of work all worked almost everywhere within the city limits. I’ve filled and cleaned and asked. I’ve directed moviegoers to the theater and chucked children out of the room two in the morning. I’ve bussed tables for lousy tips.

And the thing I dislike the most about being dependent on these part-time jobs is the ridiculous hardship we must endure in order to get hired. Perhaps you agree with me and have suffered through the lugging process: Sunday best, picking up applications and talking to store managers about how I am a “team player.”

Filling out applications is no picnic either. After having written down my last three employment experiences over and over again on cream colored parchment paper. He’s definitely qualified to write out on my application onto this cream colored sheet of parchment paper. His definitely qualified resume, with my nitty resume, I equate the job interview as one step active process for a successful crime ring. That would be the ultimate solution to the job-hunting problem.

Chris Weber is an architecture junior who is filling out job applications in a van down by the river.

Liebberman’s faith not an issue

When Al Gore chose Sen. Joe Lieberman to be his vice presidential candidate, the media interpreted the choice as Gore trying to distance himself from Clinton’s sex scandals. But, Lieberman being Jewish quickly became the hot topic.

I wondered why Lieberman’s faith was the cause of so much hoopla. Lieberman is the first Jew to be on the presidential ticket, but so what? I thought people had gotten over the shock of religious affiliations during Kennedy’s campaign. Kennedy was Catholic. My first reaction to all the commotion was that religious prejudice is still an issue in this country.

I can’t foresee Americans electing a person who faithfully practices custom meditation as a religion, and it will be many a blue moon before a professed atheist is elected. Yet, there is something stronger and more dominating going on with how and why a U.S. president is voted into office.

Perhaps some years ago a few couldn’t have been elected, but that isn’t the case anymore. Besides, I’m sure Gore’s campaign people ran polls about the effects of Lieberman being Jewish. What seems to have prevailed is Lieberman’s character, not the fact he is a Jew. This issue is hardly mentioned anymore by the media. A lot is said, though, about how much he is respected. A national radio-show last Monday, Sen. Lieberman had an 87 percent approval rating as the senator of Connecticut. That’s impressive.

It’s good that votes are concerned about the character and virtue of their politicians. But I can’t forget that Clinton was re-elected even after the sexual details of his personal life were made known. Is it a case of America’s forgiving nature? I do think that is a cultural trait, but is something else coming into play here?

A favorite photo opportunity of opinion and campaign artists is one of presidents and their families coming out of the doors of one of the big Protestant churches in Washington, D.C. But ask many of the main line Protestant churches in this country how many Americans now attend church. Not surprisingly, attendance has decreased markedly over the years. Isn’t this like the old saying we’ve all heard while growing up, “Do as I say, not as I do.” But, I think it’s even worse than that. We’re willing to settle for an illusion.

If you don’t agree, take some time to read about how a president is elected. In a recent Christian Science Monitor article, the headline read, “TV image: It’s everything in a presidential election.” The article quotes Jim Lehrer narrating a PBS documentary on presidential debates. Lehrer says that viewers can tell if the candidate is an “empty suit,” but concludes that a handsome man who presents an image of confidence has a leg up with the television voting audience. My question is how many people in America aren’t television voters?

Any story can be told on television. Television is about images and the better the actor, the more we believe the story. Let’s admit it, being handsome is one of the deciding factors in our national elections. I can’t remember the last overweight or unattractive president. I do remember Eisenhower, but Americans were celebrating their hero of WWII, and television’s blue glow was just beginning to shine in America’s living rooms. There is some speculation that the reason Clinton was re-elected is because his last puppy looked to women. Don’t most of us ladies love the little lap puppy and want to bring it home?

What alarms me most is that Americans choose a presidential team based on illusion created by television. It’s one thing for me to be hooked into buying a pair of denim jeans believing they will make me sexy and desirable. (Provided I’m a size six and five feet 10 inches tall.)

It looks like it doesn’t matter that Lieberman is Jewish or a man of edible and virtuous character. I disagree with Lehrer about how people can see through facades built by the image-makers of this country. If they could, then why do people pay $50 for a $10 pair of working men’s jeans, or think 10 cents a minute is cheap for talking on the phone, when that is more than the hourly minimum wage?

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Looking at transportation woes from a new perspective

I am a fifth-year student at Cal Poly who recently moved close to campus after spending a year abroad in Paris. I can honestly say we’re going about this whole transportation issue the wrong way. In Europe, I was exposed to the true meaning of public transportation. Buses ran five minutes and they were dependable. I was amazed to realize that living a 25-minute walking distance from Cal Poly and having 8 a.m. classes, it is to my advantage to take my car to school and park relatively close than take a bus that is sure to arrive late, or too full to accommodate the 20 or 30 people waiting at my stop. If they want to provide alternative means of transportation they should provide good service, and should take into consideration the peak hours when there will be more riders. The 8 a.m. buses are impossible to take if you get up at one of the last stops. It seems like instead of promoting bus use, they are trying to discourage it by creating the paid bus passes. Maybe in doing this they hope that less people will utilize the bus system and pay for the bus. But, that just turns us back to our car.

I know I had to pay for a bus pass, I would never take the bus, especially if it meant being late to all my classes. What the administration is trying to do is get people out of their cars. It seems like instead of promoting bus use, they are trying to discourage it by creating the paid bus passes. We are simply patching over it and will eventually have greater problems to deal with due to increased traffic problems and lack of parking spaces.

Our mentality needs to change. What about allowing rollerblades on campus? We need to look at things differently. Green A’s are weeds that even have a color and should focus on how we can make it better. We are not dealing with the problems we face. We are simply patching over it and will eventually have greater problems to deal with due to increased traffic problems and lack of parking spaces.

Incidentally, I also know a lot of people who know people from Cal Poly More of us (myself included) for whom parking or time-management problems, just discovered that Cal Poly (or college in general) wasn’t what they were looking for. No big deal. I don’t look down on them anymore. I’ve changed my opinion since I started here three years ago and I understand that what Cal Poly offers may not be for everyone.

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Napster burden placed on recording industry

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Three federal appeals judges put the onus on rials also covers Napster's service.

Napster's service was specifically created to aid users with queries, trying to stop Napster from allowing its users to swap pirated music. "Napster really was designed to be the grocer of the whole system," Frankman said, adding that the illegal trade of MP3 files could only happen with the aid of Napster's service. "No one can get that material without Napster," Napster, started in a Northeastern University dorm room last year, proved the concept known as peer-to-peer computing, in which people download files from their own computers rather than a central server. In Napster's case, users can download music from each other in the format known as an MP3 file. Napster CEO Hank Barry said the company has been in business agreements that could lead to a settlement in the case, but no deals have been reached.

One solution might be a month's fee of $4.95 to use Napster's service. Barry said that is just one of several proposals he has put on the bargaining table. "Whether 34.95 a month or $1.99, the whole structure of this thing is trying to compensate artists," Barry said. "We're willing to pay very substantial amount to the music industry," Police Chief Thomas Frank said. "We are very fortunate to have him in the building," said court administrator Terry Nutin, who estimated 150 radio, print and photo journalists were on hand.

Dozens of traditional and Internet television, news outlets taped or carried the hearing, which was held before a three-judge panel. The recent proliferation of Internet Web sites that allow users to view or technology thrust the case into the media spotlight.

The reason we were there was that the case has the potential to really shape online copyright law," said news.com reporter John Fulkard, "It is one of the most popular stories on our site.

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The appeals panel, through its questions, suggested that U.S. District Court Judge Marilyn Hall Patel's injunction shutting down Napster prohibited legal uses of the music-sharing software, such as the trading of non-copyrighted music.

Pate's injunction against Napster in July said the small Redwood City-based company was encouraging "wholesale infringement" of music industry copyrights. But hours before Napster's computer servers were to be power down, the appeals court stayed the injunction, keeping the company's service alive.

Napster also claimed the promotion of artists who permit their songs to be shared would be hurt by removing the injunction, adding that the 1984 Supreme Court decision allowing Sony to continue manufacturing VCRs which can duplicate copyrighted materials also covers Napster's service.

But Frankman argued that Napster was specifically created to aid users engaging in copyright infringement. Frankman said the music industry is "not trying to stop the Internet," but wants to stop Napster from allowing its users to swap pirated music. "Napster really was designed to be the grocer of the whole system," Frankman said, adding that the illegal trade of MP3 files could only happen with the aid of Napster's service. "No one can get that material without Napster," Napster, started in a Northeastern University dorm room last year, proved the concept known as peer-to-peer computing, in which people download files from their own computers rather than a central server. In Napster's case, users can download music from each other in the format known as an MP3 file. Napster CEO Hank Barry said the company has been in business agreements that could lead to a settlement in the case, but no deals have been reached.

One solution might be a month's fee of $4.95 to use Napster's service. Barry said that is just one of several proposals he has put on the bargaining table. "Whether 34.95 a month or $1.99, the whole structure of this thing is trying to compensate artists," Barry said. "We're willing to pay very substantial amount to the music industry," Police Chief Thomas Frank said. "We are very fortunate to have him in the building," said court administrator Terry Nutin, who estimated 150 radio, print and photo journalists were on hand.

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Jorge than Sunday's Blowout.
"This is even more devastating because he was beginning to play like his old self," Gartner said. "He was injured on a foul attack by a player of New Mexico's. It was totally unnessary, totally stupid."

With eight games remaining in the regular season the team is 3-6-1 and fighting for a post-season spot in the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation, where they have split the first two matches.

So far this year, Cal Poly's offense has been erratic. Sophomore forwards Cory Pasek leads the team with six goals and junior forward Johnny Cummins has added five goals.

"We have got to get consistent and bring out our best game every time," Gartner said. "One day we play like world champions, the next like we've never seen the field before."

Fens is looking towards Sunday's game with Portland as a good test of the rest of the Mustangs' season with­out Jorge.

"We have seven days off (between games), I think we will be ready," Fens said. "This will be a good character test." Gartner is concerned about the change in the lineup.

"I think the team can compensate, but of course we will never be the same," he said.

Last year Cal Poly beat Portland 2-1 in double overtime. Portland has won their last two games and is coached by Clive Charles, who has just returned from the Olympics where he coached the men's soccer team. Portland's major weapon is sophomore Connor Casey, who played under Charles in the Olympics.

Cal Poly's next home game is on Oct. 13 versus San Diego State at 7 p.m.

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ent than many clubs that have had success for a while now," Giants general manager Brian Sabean said. "To keep good players or attract good players, you obviously have to be willing to spend or spend wisely. I think it's a test­imony to decision-making as well as a player development and scouting."

Last year, the eight postseason teams were all among the top 10 spenders. In 1998, the playoff teams came from among the top 12.

"Of the questions that come to mind is were the larger-income clubs able to weather the strike better, which is what you expected," players' union head Donald Fehr said. "What you had were the industry coming back, and it takes time to rebuild teams."

Big-money busts this year included Los Angeles (third at $94.2 million), Boston (fourth at $93.9 million), Arizona (eighth at $88.5 million) and Cleveland (seventh at $78.7 million).

"It is an aberration," commissioner Bud Selig said. "Jerry Reinsdorf and the White Sox, the Oakland people, they said to me, 'See us next year."

How are we going to perpetuate this? We don't have a chance."

The nine biggest spenders all had winning records.

The five teams with lower payrolls than the As—Pittsburgh ($31.9 mil­lion), Montreal ($29.3 million), Florida ($25.9 million), Kansas City ($24.5 million) and Minnesota ($15.9 mil­lion) all had losing records, going a combined 41-448.

The top five spenders combined to go 44-362.

"The Mets are in the playoffs, the Yankees are in the playoffs, Atlanta is in the playoffs, and on and on and on," said Selig, who argues the game's economic system needs changes.

For the first time in modern base­ball, no team won 60 percent or more of its games and no team lost 60 per­cent or more.

The 198 difference between the best winning percentage (San Francisco at .599) and the lowest (the Chicago Cubs and Philadelphia at .471) was the smallest in major league history, according to the Elias Sports Bureau, baseball's statistician.

The previous mark was .201 in 1994.

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Goalkeeper lost for season

Brenton Junge breaks leg for second consecutive season

By Matt Smart
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

After promising start to league play, it appears that the men's soccer team will once again need to rebuild their team after the loss of goalkeeper Brenton Junge.

On Friday, the Cal Poly men's soccer team received a devastating loss to their lineup by losing Junge for the season in a league match against New Mexico. On Sunday, the Mustangs received an eight-point honor loss at the hands of the University of Denver.

"It was the same leg, same spot - it is safe to assume that it did not heal as good as it should have," head coach Wolfgang Gartner said. Junge's injury comes almost one year to the date from last year's injury which also ended his season.

Following Junge's injury last year the Mustangs went 1-4-1 and gave up 20 goals during that six game stretch. Despite Junge's injury, he is tied for the most matches started in goal in the Mustangs NCAA Division I history, which dates back to 1994.

The loss of Junge had an evident effect against Denver. Gartner replaced Junge with freshman Kurt Mehl, who played the entire game and allowed eight goals and made three saves.

The Mustangs were unable to score against the Pioneers, but fired off five shots on goal. Denver had 11 shots and scored on eight.

Assistant coach Glenn Fens had little to say about Sunday's loss.

"We were tired physically and mentally - we did not show up," he said.

Gartner is more concerned about the loss of Junge's partner than the loss of Junge himself.

Junior goalkeeper Brenton Junge had 35 saves and two shutouts this season before Friday's injury. The Mustangs were 3-5-1 this season when Junge started as goalkeeper.

Walk-ons face a unique challenge

By Jon Hughes
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

The path to basketball stardom is not always clear cut. Not all players are handed athletic scholarships and immediately placed on the roster. Some players have to walk-on.

Mike Titchenal, a Cal Poly freshman, is such a player. After a stellar prep career at Cardinal Newman High School in Santa Rosa, Titchenal had several options for a career and he is definitely going to be important for us," Schneider said. "Even if they don't end up seeing any game time, they help the team out a great deal in practice, which is very important."

Jeff Schneider men's basketball head coach

very good player for us."

Schneider said that Titchenal, a 6'4" guard, is not especially likely to get much game time this season, and may in fact redshirt.

Mike will eventually contribute at a college player, but this year our perimeter play should already be great," he said. "It will be the best we've ever had."

Titchenal is not the first walk-on Schneider has accepted at Cal Poly. Two recent players have achieved success as walk-ons. Ross Ketchum started for the Mustangs in 1998-1999 and David Sternlight is currently playing professionally in Israel.

"We've had many walk-ons at Cal Poly," Schneider said. "Even if they don't end up seeing any game time, they help the team out a great deal in practice, which is very important."

Big salaries don't predict playoff success

NEW YORK — Hey, big spender.

The playoff long shot who spent big money

After five postseasons dominated by the high rollers, three teams from the bottom half of the payroll chart made the final eight this year, including the Oakland Athletics, just 25th in spending among the 30 major league teams.

"If nothing, the A's have proven that it can be done," Oakland infielder Randy Velarde said Monday. "When you look around this room, half of these guys came up through the system. That's the key. That's how this team got it done."

The New York Yankees, Velarde's former team, entered the playoffs with a record payroll of $134.4 million, according to figures compiled by the commissioner's office and based on Aug. 31 rosters.

Among the other playoff teams, Atlanta is second ($95.4 million), the New York Mets, fifth ($89.8 million), St. Louis eighth ($72.4 million) and the A's $53.7 million.

"The game is played on the field and not on paper," White Sox first baseman Paul Konerko said. "You can't measure some things. You can't measure how hard they will fall for one another. Some things, you can't scout, and money has nothing to do with all that."

While the Yankees limped into the playoffs by losing 15 of 19, the A's limped in by winning their final 14. "We did it by building within," Oakland co-owner Steve Schott said. "We got a core of players that are outstanding, especially Jason (Giambi). It's a real thrill to see their performance."

In the first five seasons after the 1994-95 strike, only one team not among the top half by payroll made the playoffs. The 1997 Houston Astros, who were 18th, were swept in the first round.

"At our level of spending, it's different."

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Sports Trivia

Yesterday's Answer:

Hank Aaron was the first major leaguer to get more than 3,000 hits and 500 home runs.

Congrats Steve Corona!

Today's Question:

Who was the first player in modern baseball history to play all nine defensive positions in the same game?

Please submit sports trivia answers to sports@mustangdaily.calpoly.edu. Please include your name. The first correct answer received via e-mail will be printed in the next issue of the paper.

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Bryant stays single through offseason

EL SEGUNDO, Calif. (AP) — Kobe's still single.

When the Los Angeles Lakers won the NBA championship, Bryant said he intended to marry Vanessa Laine in the summer it didn't happen, but Bryant said Monday the marriage will take place during the upcoming season.

"We definitely have plans in the works, we have a date set," Bryant said a day before the Lakers begin practice for the upcoming season. "We have a date set, it's during the season."