Cal Poly loses fight with Bello

By Janelle Foskett
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

A Superior Court judge ruled Tuesday that Bello’s Sporting Goods could continue selling goods depicting the words “Cal Poly” as long as Bello’s attaches a disclaimer showing that the items are not connected with the university.

According to E. Jeffrey Burke’s written ruling, “CSU (California State University) has not proved the term ‘Cal Poly’ is entitled to trademark protection.”

Burke wrote, however, that Bello’s is required to attach the following disclaimer: “This product is not sponsored by or connected with California Polytechnic University.”

Tom Bello, the owner of Bello’s Sporting Goods, said he is pleased with the ruling.

His attorney, Neil Tardiff, said he is happy with the ruling and for the Bello family.

“We feel the decision is well reasoned, well thought out and well written,” Tardiff said “justice clearly prevailed.”

Tardiff said there are three main reasons the 19-year ruling address. First, he said Burke ruled that the name “Cal Poly” is generic and does not connote Cal Poly. Second, Burke ruled that Bello’s has been using the term in commerce for 19 years.

Third, he said Burke ruled that Bello’s was using the term in a “manner which is likely to cause confusion, or to cause mistake, or to deceive.”

Bathrooms fun:

Baseball blowout:

Poly may not be forced to semesters

By Anne Guilford
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

California State University Trustee Debra Farar told the Academic Senate Tuesday that Cal Poly will no longer be forced to change the calendar to a semester system.

“It is your choice,” Farar said. “It will not be forced on anyone.”

Farar was present for a routine visit to the Academic Senate and asked the faculty if they had any concerns. The first comment was about the calendar system. Professors made appeals to the trustee asking that the school should be allowed to keep the quarter system.

“How was that answered?” Farar said.

The money reserved for helping campuses make the change will remain available for those campuses that wish to change, Farar said.

The decision came as a surprise to the members of the Academic Senate. They had been working on a resolution that stated Cal Poly will not change from the quarter system to another calendar schedule without obtaining the advice and consent of its faculty.

The Senate was concerned about refusing to switch calendar systems because there was a possibility that if they objected, the chancellor could still mandate the change. If he mandated the change, he could refuse to provide the funds that would have been available had the school changed voluntarily.

Senate members were also frustrated because they felt that many faculty and students had given up fighting for the quarter system because their efforts would be in vain.

The Academic Senate is likely in the process of making a decision regarding the calendar change.

Protesters try to raise food awareness

By Dena Horton
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

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“In concern with keeping the food supply plentiful and clean,” said Dia McAfee of Nipomo. “GMOs can cross pollinate. I’d like to see major security measures with the production of GMOs.”

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COTTONOU, Benin (AP) - The return of a ferry at the center of a frantic hunt for scores of suspected child slaves raised more questions than answers Tuesday, with puzzled official sought to see whether the child traffickers were still at large — or if there ever was a slave ship.

"We have asked our offices in Malabo and elsewhere in the region to remain vigilant and not to deport them," said Zachary Adams, a UNICEF official in Cotonou. Malabo is the capital of nearby Equatorial Guinea.

The anxious wait for the MV Etireno started Thursday amid reports that a boat crowded with children sold for slave labor was rammed by the Royal Navy in the Gulf of Guinea. The boat was refueled after its entry into Gabon and Cameroon after clandestinely leaving Cotonou at least 10 days before, Benin and U.N. officials said.

Early Tuesday, the 200-foot-long ferry, marked with the name Etireno pulled into Cotonou port shortly after 1 a.m. before a hastily summoned crowd of Cabinet ministers, soldiers, police and U.N. employees.

Reports earlier described the Nigerian-registered Etireno as a "sick and decrepit hulk." But the ship that showed up Tuesday appeared in good condition with a fairly fresh coat of paint with another name, "NORDY," visible underneath. The ship's captain said the name was changed in 1999.

Social Protection Minister Ramatou Baba Moussa produced a copy of the handwritten manifest that listed 139 names, only seven of them children.

But UNICEF officials said 31 children were taken from the ship and placed in homes, and the Senegalese Men of the Earth charity, which runs one of the homes, put the number at 45. Five other children were being treated for fatigue and malnutrition, officials with the Benin Red Cross said.

It was not immediately clear how many of the children were unaccompanied, and how they ended up on the ship.

Etireno's chief ship's mate, Morris Emouna, said there were 28 children on board, all of them with their families. Emouna, resting in the nearly decrepit hulk, said his crew did not force the children to come on board but that "they would never be involved in child smuggling."

U.N. workers and others had mustered international attention to the plight of the children, and on Monday, Benin appealed for help to the United Nations and Western countries in the search for the suspected slave ship.

But that night, Moussa announced there were no child slaves aboard the Etireno, which she said might have been confused with a possible second ship, whose name and current location remained unknown.

Alfonso Gonzalez Jaggli, regional delegate of Men of the Earth, called for an international inquiry into the discrepancy and an investigation into what might have happened to the 250 "trafficked children." He said Benin government officials told him they were on board the Etireno.

"An international investigation would be the logical way to prove what happened to the others," Jaggli said. "It is not possible to clear up the question of trafficking at this time.

It was believed that the smugglers had planned to sell the children, unpaid domestic or plantation work, on in Gabon. Earlier U.N. officials in Cotonou said many of the children might be thrown overboard."

"I don't know what to think," said Nicolas Peron, a senior official with the U.N.'s children's fund in Benin. "My main concern is that the kids here are safe, and we will hear of that if it is the case." "We were confused, said a ferry left Benin on March 27 and arrived in Gabon's capital, Libreville, on April 2. Authorities there detained the boat and its passengers, who were taken onshore by curious Benin workers, apparently because they did not have proper documents.

The boat left Gabon on April 6 for Douala in Cameroon, where it arrived April 12, they said.

No child slaves were on board, passen­gers said, and the vessel's 40-year-old Nigerian captain, Lawrence Onome, adamantly denied he was involved in child trafficking.

"We never committed any offense that will warrant my arrest," Onome said.

"I am not into child slavery, they can't prove it. It is one thing to say, and one thing to prove."

Police initially said there were arrest warrants out for the Etireno's captain, crew and owners, but on Tuesday refused to confirm that.

Child-trafficking remains a serious problem in West and Central Africa, where the poor sometimes give up their children for as little as $14 to smuggling rings that promise to educate them and find them jobs.

Boys are then typically resold to coffee and cocoa plantations for as much as $345 in countries like the Ivory Coast and Gabon, a relatively prosperous country southeast of Benin. Girls often end up as domestic workers or prostitutes.

Benin, a small country of 6 million people, has a history of slave trading. In the 18th and early 19th centuries, it was known as the Slave Coast for its role as a center of the trans-Atlantic trade.
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our dose in search of the perfect tan. (Lmcer Sixher (ACS) reports over are rising and sun liners are heading damage) is the same thing as drinking cancer for people ages 20 to 30, and at least 90 percent of all skin cancers are found on body parts exposed to the sun, according to the publication. "It's just human nature," said Kevin McCarthy, a physician assistant for Sun Lus Primary Care Medical Group at the Sierra Vista Medical Pavilion. "Everyone likes to look better. Sun (damage) is the same thing as drinking alcohol or smoking cigarettes. People know it's bad for them, but they do it anyway."

Ultraviolet (UV) ray exposure accounts for most skin cancer cases, McCarthy said. Despite the shielding power of the ozone layer, the rays can penetrate and damage pigment cells in the skin, according to a pamphlet distributed by the American Academy of Dermatology (AAD) in 1996. The rays are damaging even on cloudy or hazy days, according to the pamphlet. "It's the proverbial crusty old man." McCarthy said. "It's the proverbial "crusty old man.'"

California in respect to latitude, but sun damage is still a threat, McCarthy said. "I see many older patients who haven't been to the beach or pool in years, and it's not uncommon to see signs of sun damage risk, according to the pamphlet. Basal cell carcinoma, squamous cell carcinoma and melanoma are the most common types of skin cancer, according to the pamphlet. Melanoma is the most dangerous form, according to another AAD pamphlet about melanoma. It begins when UV rays alter the skin's structure so that pigment-producing cells called melanocytes continue producing pigment after sun exposure stops. The dark spot area that appears on the skin may become asymmetrical, enlarge, develop blurry edges or change color, according to the pamphlet. The Skin Cancer Foundation often these tips on its online publication:

- Try to avoid the sun from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., the time of day when sun damage is most likely.
- Apply a sunscreen of at least SPF 15 before sun exposure and reapply at least every two hours while in the sun, especially after perspiring or swimming.
- Don't use artificial tanning devices.
MBA students receive top honors in contest

By Raul Vasquez

A team of Cal Poly graduate business students put their skills into action even before earning their degree.

Cal Poly's MBA team received the second-place trophy in the Graduate Division of the 12th annual International Collegiate Business Strategy Competition, recently held in San Diego.

The competition attracted over 40 different schools from all over the world including Belarus, Canada and Mexico.

In the competition, students teams operated virtual firms for an excising period (a total of 10 weeks) and managed their business under tough conditions.

David Peach, Cal Poly management professor and team advisor, said the team selected students participating were comprised of Buck Lucas, who served as chief executive officer; Raul Vasquez, "We were working on the strategy, and the plan was to work with the news media and research the competition.

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According to the press release, Cal Poly's team received the highest score from the plan's financial and informal presentations as well as the annual report, business plan and management reports that were submitted as part of the competition.

Israel retreats from Gaza Strip

By Buck Lucas

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Business leaders argue against SAT

By Roshni Jain

Nine years from now, the SAT will be gone, and few will mourn its passing," he said in an interview.

The test has also been under attack for being a barrier to African-American and Hispanic students, as many critics say the test has cultural bias.

"It definitely has its certain bases, depending on where you go to school and how affluent it is," the College Board said.

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President Bush must recognize all hate crimes

Currently, it is a federal hate crime to physically attack someone because of their race, religion, or national origin. And although 72 percent of Americans believe physical attacks based upon sexual orientation deserve hate crime status, he has signed a bill that would deny hate crime status to such crimes.

This issue is moving to the forefront, as the Local Law Enforcement Act has recently been introduced into Congress. Bernier knows that the Hate Crimes Prevention Act, it would extend the federal hate crimes statute to include real or perceived gender, sexual orientation and disability. With 51 co-sponsors in the Senate and 180 in the House, it has excellent chances of passing. This would put President Bush into the awkward situation of setting the will of the people, or signing a bill into law that defies the conservative extremists who got him elected.

Hate crimes protections are important because they send the broader message that hate, in any form, is simply unacceptable in our country. It is undeniable that intolerance toward gay and lesbian rights rampant in our society today, most frighteningly in our schools. The statistics are staggering: gay and lesbian students are seven times more likely to be threatened with a weapon in their schools, and five times more likely to skip school because they feel unsafe.

One of the phrases President Bush constantly echoes on this matter is the idea that "All crimes are hate crimes." By definition, however, hate crimes are only those that are motivated by a bias against an individual's characteristics rather than their actions. Attacking someone because they stole your car is fundamentally different than attacking someone because they happen to be Jewish, gay or a person of color.

Often, when people talk about hate crimes, they are talking about hate crimes against someone they don't like. This is not what President Bush envisions. Consistency demands that we recognize not just that hate crimes against homosexuals are bad, but that hate crimes against any racial, ethnic or cultural group are bad.

Forget the library or the University Union — the best place to study or read for a class has got to be the bathroom. Yes, that's right. The bathroom is where Americans spend about an hour a day, according to a recent article from Reuters news service. An hour a day adds up to two weeks out of a year that people spend humming out in their lavatory doing everything from trummping to reading. It's plain old sitting and thinking.

The bathroom has "become a haven where many find comfort and relief from life's stresses," according to a survey conducted by the National Association for Continence (NAFC), a group that studies the bathroom habits of Americans. Of the 1,001 people that responded to the survey, about half said they "read or listened to music, listened to the radio, or watched television." A third of the respondents said they "drew, sang in the shower or talked on the phone."

The NAFC isn't that far off when it comes to studying the bathroom habits of Americans. There actually is an entire week devoted to the national pastime of pensively reading or the reading the ingredients on the back of a shampoo bottle while on the toilet. The first week in June has been dubbed (and this is no joke) "National Bathroom Reading Week." Jack Kreitzer, author of books such as "Bathroom Almanacs" and "Bathroom Briefs," decided to honor the habit of reading in the bathroom by giving it its own special week, according to The Wolf Files from ABCNEWS.com last December.

It seems this guy Kreitzer had a weird fetish for bathrooms, or he just wanted to sell more of his bathroom humor-filled books. Maybe Kreitzer is on to something, though.

There really isn't anything like the cool, smooth tiles of the bathroom floor or the incessant drip of a leaky sink to make me want to do my taxes in the bathroom. And, oh, the comfort of sitting on the porcelain throne — those that are lucky get to lounge on the plush, dog carpet-like toilet seat covers. Talk about a cool place to hang out.

If it is true that Americans spend enough time in the bathroom to add up to something like two and half years altogether over a lifetime, imagine what else people could be doing during that time. Obviously, nature calls, and some time must be spent taking care of business, but what about all those minutes and hours of picking, squeezing, plucking and grooming?"


Opinion

When do you call home?

► I call home three times a week. I have a shoulder injury, and I call home when I'm hurting, and when I want to hear how they're doing.

Ryan Anderson
history
junior

► To get cream for my nipple rash. It's true.

Brad Shumway
kinesiology
junior

► When I'm homesick, I guess.

Lisa Arias
computer science
junior

► Money.

Ryan Gleim
computer engineering
junior

► I call home when I need advice.

Heidi Mize
psychology
sophomore

► For holidays.

Liz Hagen
agricultural business
senior

Letter to the editor

Rodeos keep animals happy and healthy

Editor,

A few days ago, I overheard a group of students talking about animal rights. These students were bashing the rodeo and the College of Agriculture. They were even talking about petitioning the upcoming Cal Poly rodeo.

Rodeos don't promote violence toward animals, and they are not unethical. People who are involved in rodeo care for the animals and want them to be happy and healthy.

If the animals weren't treated well, they would not be able to perform rodeo sports. Even bullracing is humane because the bulls are cared for. They only buck because they have a strap around their midsection. We don't beat them or use electric prods to make them mad.

Using animals for work, food and rodeo sports is perfectly ethical because it is their place on Earth. Without animal labor, how would we have improved our agricultural practices? Without animal meat, how would we get proper nutrients?

We can use animals for our own needs without feeling guilty. After all, the good Lord put animals on this Earth for us to put to good use!

Dominica Jorgenson is an animal science sophomore.

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Every U.S. citizen is guaranteed basic rights. One of these is the right to be judged by a jury of his or her peers, another is the right to the pursuit of happiness. Of course, these things must be done within the parameters of applicable laws.

When assigned to a case, each peer jury becomes a representative of the people. With that power and responsibility, the jury inevitably becomes separate and different from the person being judged. This is not always a good thing, especially when the jurors are college students judging each other.

Some people choose to pursue their happiness through higher education, and all of us have a place to pursue happiness in college. As a public institution, Cal Poly is obviously subject to all state and federal laws. In addition, though, Cal Poly has its own Judicial Affairs, Admissions Public Safety Police Departments to deal with issues specific to university and campus policy. Students who live in the residence halls at Cal Poly, both on- and off-campus, are assisted by tel­e­phone or in person by Resident Advisers. RAs act as the representatives of Cal Poly's "laws." They are responsible for several aspects of dorm life, including making sure their resi­dents follow housing policies. RAs are also involved in planning activities to help students adjust to college life and meet new peo­ple.

In the event that residents break the rules, Resident Advisers serve as judge and jury, the first step in the disciplinary process, and that is where the role of an RA might get tricky. Both of these things would undermine their abil­ity to work effectively and for that reason, the students. The RAs are the auth‑or­ities who residents interact with every day on a highly person­al level. The simple fact that RAs share their living space with their residents blurs the lines of professional con­tact. It's hard for a res­ident to see an authority figure as a fellow resident. Both relationships should be possible, in theory, but they don't always work practically.

To be most effective as authorities, RAs must remain acces­sible to students and impartial in dealing with residents in all areas. Overall, it is too difficult to remain impartial toward people you live with and work with every day in such close quarters. People naturally form opinions and views about each other, positive and negative, when they interact as much as residents and RAs do. These views cannot help but color decisions made regarding disci­plinary actions. Of course, this is not to say that RAs cannot be friends with their residents, but it must be extremely difficult to remain impartial when dealing with friends — or enemies.

In light of this, the authority posi­tion of RAs would be more effec­tive if it were filled by someone significantly older than the stu­dents. Sometimes being judged by your peers is not such a good idea.

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Support population control

If you take out your atlas and look at the Mediterranean Sea, you will see a body of water directly in the middle of the Aral Sea. The Aral Sea is actually a large freshwater lake. Well, all nature life in this lake is dead. The Aral Sea was once the fourth largest freshwater lake in the world. In 18 years, we consumed more than 50 percent of the sea (by mass). We have flooded it with salt, destroying its ecology and even its prac­tical usefulness. In less than 10 years, it will have shrunk so far as to have become three separate smaller lakes. And so, after only a few decades of using it for irriga­tion, we have destroyed one of the great geographic features of the world.

It sounds unthinkable, doesn't it? But the reality is that generally don't concern itself too much with the environment, but this reality haunts us. We aren't talking funny forecast statistics and climate changes that may or may not be natural; we're talking clearly visible, ram­pant destruction of our soil, water, minerals and fossil fuels. Dead seas filled with dead species. Sooner or later one of those species is going to be us.

Now I'm not going to whine at you, but you are personally responsible for the not gradual, but faster than many people think. Do you think world hunger is a prob­lem now? By 2050, the world is going to have roughly half of the usable cropland per person that it does now. Our fossil fuels are being consumed. Our air is filling with poisons.

We are rapidly approaching the limit beyond which Earth can no longer sustain us as a population. The development of new, more energy-efficient technologies can help to slow the pace at which we consume Earth's dwindling resources. But it cannot slow it enough to overcome the effects of rampant population growth and unchecked consumption of soil, energy and water.

Most people find the thought of taking measures to slow population growth repugnant. Many consider China's regulation of children per family a violation of human rights. I don't. I feel that very few things should supersede individual will, but ensuring the continued sur­vival of our species is definitely one of them.

Suppose we only cut down on the consumption of energy per individual but leave population alone. We could simply reduce the human standard of living in order to stop using most resources. Take fewer showers, hand wash dishes in a basin, throw out televisions and computers, disassemble our cars and bike or walk — we could do any number of things.

Which is more integral to the process of survival — improving the quality of human life, or increasing the number of people simultaneously alive at the expense of living well? I say the former.

If we do not drastically slow the growth of the human population, then no amount of population and energy-efficient technology (short of resur­cycling as a way of life) will help us. According to the U.S. Census Bureau, the world's population was about 6,000 in 1000 B.C., 57,751 in this year, with an increase of more than 76 million people since last year's figure. That's accounting for deaths.

And we are just going to get exponentially bigger.

What can we do about the popula­tion problem? Forget immigra­tion laws — that only keeps people out of the U.S., not off of the Earth. What we need are contra­ceptives and sex education. We need more couples willing to adopt in lieu of childbirth. And yes, we need greater availability of abor­tion.

Now I am not a big fan of abor­tions. I'd infinitely prefer the proper use of contraceptives to the abortion of a fetus. But if it comes down to the wire and someone is pregnant, it's absolutely inev­itable to try to force her to have a child that she cannot afford to feed. cloth and provide for. So she adds to the consump­tion of even more of our dwindling resources. It makes no sense to force the birth of babies we can't handle. I understand that this is hard for many of you to consider. These are very grim prospects we face. No one wants to seriously consider what overpopulation is doing to us.

People accept traffic jams, smog and epidemic diseases because no one wants to think of what it would mean to fix it. Just find new vaccines, raise emissions standards — we can fit a few hundred million more babies into the world. But we are simply running out of options. We are faced with the very real possibility of slowly dying out as a species. We resources we use to sur­vive on this planet vanish. The longer we har­bour against veterinarians (and compared to the survival of the human race, anything is trivial). We have no choice but to turn to the RAs because ultimately we will be left to fix it.

This is why population control is essential. If the population keeps rising at this rate, disaster is inevitable. We must act upon this issue before the necessary measures grow too extreme to bear.

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Atlanta to play host for 2003 NBA All-Star game

ATLANTA (AP) — Add another major sports event to Atlanta's already lengthy resume: the NBA All-Star game.

The Atlanta Hawks said Tuesday they will play host to the 2003 game at Philips Arena, giving the city another chance to brag about its record of hosting big-time events if not the current state of its NBA franchise.

The All-Star game will be played Sunday, Feb. 9, the final event in three days of festivities that also include a rookie game, slam dunk contest and 3x3 ball competition.

Next year's All-Star game will be held at the First Union Center in Philadelphia.

The Hawks, who finished the season Tuesday night, have the league's fifth-worst record and will miss the playoffs for the second straight year.

"We put our fans through a lot of challenges," team president Stan Kasten said during a news conference on the court at Philips Arena. "For all those fans who stuck with us, we're happy to be able to give them an all-star game."

Since 1993, the city has played host to the Summer Olympics, two Super Bowls, baseball's All-Star game and the women's basketball Final Four.

In August, the NCAA Championship will be held at Atlanta Athletic Club. Next year, the men's Final Four comes to the Georgia Dome, followed by the women's Final Four at Philips Arena in 2003.

"Arguably, no city in the history of America has had the same run of hosting so many sport events," Mayor Bill Campbell said.

On the other hand, Atlanta fans traditionally have turned out in droves to cheer the Hawks, who didn't get the expected boost that comes from moving into a new arena and rank near the bottom of the NBA in attendance.

This will be the second time Atlanta has staged the NBA's All-Star game. In 1978, just a year after Ted Turner purchased the Hawks, a crowd of 15,491 turned out at the Omni to watch the East beat the West 133-125.

The Hawks would hold the rest of the game.

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Haley was optimistic about the way this challenging Stanford doubleheader went and its implications for the rest of the season.

"They're the No. 3 team in the country, but we definitely played at the top of our game," she said. "It gives us confidence for the week ahead."

The Mustangs are now 17-25 overall and 3-9 in the Big West Conference. Next for the team is a home doubleheader against San Jose State on Thursday.

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Yzerman to miss another game

EL SEGUNDO (AP) -- The Detroit Red Wings will be without injured center Steve Yzerman again when they visit the Los Angeles Kings resume their Wednesday night.

Yzerman may be out for only another two or three games because he was hurt in the first period of the Kings' 5-1 win over the Red Wings on Saturday. Yzerman said he will have an MRI exam before he returns to Detroit.

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**Mustangs blast Bulldogs at Baggett**

By Ryan Ballard

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

After chipping away at Fresno State pitching in the early innings, the Cal Poly baseball team finally managed to bust open the dam, allowing a flood of runs to cross the plate and open the bottom of the eighth, leading to a 9-4 victory Tuesday night at Baggett Stadium.

The Mustangs scored four runs in the eighth, including right fielder Phil Thompson’s three-run home plate in the bottom of the eighth, delighting head coach Ritch Price.

"I thought that was one of our best performances of the year," Price said. "I’m really pleased with the way we swung the bats; we rose up big time today."

Cal Poly starting pitcher Greg Bochy was cruising along in the first five innings before running into trouble in the sixth. He walked the first two batters of the inning, and a fielding error by third baseman Chris Martinez loaded the bases. First baseman Holly Ballard stretched to record a putout.

"Both our pitchers threw well, and as a team, we played well," said Cal Poly head coach Lisa Boyer. "I was disappointed we let the leads go, but I was very pleased to see the intensity for both games.

In the first game of the doubleheader, Cal Poly scored in the bottom of the first inning on a RBI single by junior second baseman Kevin Pion that scored junior right-fielder Christine Wells. Senior pitcher Terra Blankeneker had good control and allowed no earned runs and nine hits in seven innings.

Stanford scored two unearned runs in the top of the fourth inning due to three Mustang errors, two by freshman shortstop Ross Spanier and one by sophomore center fielder Gemma Delvo.

**Softball comes up short against Stanford**

By Matt Szabo

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

The Cal Poly softball team played two gritty games Monday night at Bob Janssen Field in their non-conference doubleheader against Stanford. The problem was that Stanford was just a little better. The Cardinal won two close games by scores of 2-1 and 5-3.

Stanford came into the games ranked No. 5 in the country with a record of 38-5, but the Mustangs were not intimidated. In fact, the Mustangs were ahead in both games, which made the losses even more frustrating.

“Both our pitchers threw well, and as a team, we played well,” said Mustang head coach Lisa Boyer.

Cal Poly turned to its pitching staff, which allowed one earned run over 11 innings in the two games.

**Mustang fencers grab league title**

Eighteen Cal Poly fencers traveled to Berkeley last weekend for the 2000-2001 Northern California Intercollegiate Fencing League championships and came home with a championship.

In the epee competition, senior Heather Nelson, junior Kevin Craig and freshman captain Eric Shillinger defeated UC Davis 45-42 to finish with a 7-0 record in league competition.

For the foil, Cal Poly took home the bronze medal with junior Mary Phillips and Jamie Marx and junior captain Matt Magee beating UC Berkeley 45-36.

**Salary cap and revenue sharing essential for baseball survival**

The Major League Baseball season has begun with a few big surprises. The Oakland A’s have the worst record in baseball, and the Minnesota Twins are in first place.

Hideo Nomo resurrected his career with a brilliant no-hitter.

Unfortunately, this is where the drama ends in baseball, because lately the World Series champion has been no surprise at all. It has been the Yankees for the past three years, and the Twins for the past five. And it would be difficult to make a case for any team bearing them in the Fall Classic this year.

The success of the Pinstripes has been no accident. The Yankees opened this season with the league’s highest payroll for the third consecutive season at nearly $110 million.

Each year they successfully bid for the top free agent talent on the market and bolster their team for yet another title run. This season’s bounty is All-Star pitcher Mike Mussina, who will make $12 million for the Yankees this year.

By comparison, the Twins payroll this year is $24 million, lowest in the league. With such a low figure, the team is incapable of staying with $350 million teams like the Yankees and Red Sox over the course of a grueling 162-game season.

The Twins payroll is so anemic that it is less than the individual annual salary of Texas Rangers star Alex Rodriguez, who signed the highest contract in the history of professional sports this summer for $252 million over 10 years.

Five of the eight teams in the playoffs last season were in the top 11 in payroll, and the three who weren’t were quickly bounced in the divisional round. The Mets took advantage of having the league’s third highest payroll to get back to the World Series. The message is simple — in this game, you can’t win without money.

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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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  - 7 p.m.
- Softball vs. San Jose State
  - at Bob Janssen Field
  - noon / 2 p.m.

**Friday**
- Baseball vs. University of Pacific
  - at Pacific
  - noon
- Track and field at Long Beach, Mt. Sac Relays
  - at both locations
  - all day

**Saturday**
- Softball vs. Utah State
  - at Bob Janssen Field
  - noon / 2 p.m.
- Women’s tennis vs. UCSB
  - at UCSB
  - 1 p.m.