A few good veins

San Luis Obispo residents responded to blood donations in big way

Emily Schwartz
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Sometimes it takes the worst to bring out the best in communities like San Luis Obispo.

A surprisingly large number of San Luis Obispo residents responded to last month's torrent attacks by donating blood at the Tri-Counties Blood Bank, said Mona Kleman, senior community relations representative. Even those who weren't able to give blood volunteered at the center by handing out refreshments and helping out in any way they could.

"The community was really responsive," Kleman said. "It was emotionally overwhelming to see so many people from this community show such generosity and concern.

For two solid weeks after the Sept. 11 attacks, long lines of willing donors extended out the doors of the facility. In fact, Kleman said the blood bank was supplied to needy patients along the Central Coast, in many cases saving lives, said Susan Grahame, marketing manager for French and Arroyo Grande hospitals.

"It was amazing to see the community (members) respond like they did," she said.

The staff at French Hospital was also very responsive to the tragedies, Grahame said. Many employees saw BLOOD, page 5

Trial project offers access to wireless laptops in Kennedy Library

By Laura Vega
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

A laptop sits across from an industrial engineering senior San Aborne in Kennedy Library's reserve room. He checks his e-mail. He scans the Internet for research on his senior project. No cords or cables splay from the laptop.

"The wireless service is amazing," Aborne said. "It has fast connections and quick downloads. It's pretty sweet."

Aborne is using a wireless laptop available through the Mustang Mobile Computing Pilot program. The trial project provides campus members access to 20 laptop computers, including 12 Dell Latitude C600 notebooks and eight Macintosh G3 Powerbooks. Cal Poly students, faculty and staff can check out the computers with their Cal Poly identification card. A two-hour time limit applies and the equipment must be used within the library. The mobile computing desk is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

"It's starting to become much more popular," said Steve Kang, a political science senior who works at the mobile computing desk in the reserve room. "Students are seeing the sign now."

About 30 students a day currently use the laptops, Kang added.

Aborne has been using the wireless laptops since the first week of fall quarter. Now, he checks out a laptop about three times a week. It allows me to interact with the computer outside of the traditional lab environment," Aborne said.

The wireless laptops also let him work in the reserve room with friends to complete their class assignments. Heather Oist, an industrial engineer, see LAPTOPS, page 4

Drunken driving exhibit shows what's at stake

By Stephanie Perry
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

After leaving a party, you and some friends drive out to a nearby lake. On the way home from the lake, you lose control and crash your Jeep. You manage to escape, but notice that one of your friends is pinned under the wreck. Suddenly, it bursts into flames. You watch, horrified, as your friend dies.

"Drunken driving is an issue that I think affects all of us in varying degrees," said Joe Schneider, creator of the exhibit. He saw accidents are not just a matter of people losing their lives; they also leave a large hole in the community.

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The combination of photographs with edited interviews has the effect of changing peoples minds about drinking and driving, said Joe Schneider, creator of the exhibit. He saw accidents are not just a matter of people losing their lives; they also leave a large hole in the community.

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Rodeo alumni dig in their spurs to raise money

By Lacie Grimshaw
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

The stands were loosely crowded Saturday for Cal Poly's Alumni All-Star Centennial Rodeo. Those few without their cowboy hats had to squint into the late afternoon sun if they wanted to see the show.

"I’ve been doing rodeo since I was 5," said Cody Mora, a Cal Poly supporter. "I was born and raised doing it."

Mora competed in the rodeo’s team-tipping event, and rode as a pick-up man, along with Levi Issen, also a supporter, in the saddle bronc and bareback rides. Mora even made an appearance as a rodeo clown during the final event of bull riding.

Cal Poly alumni wore dark green button-up shirts, while the students wore tan. The rodeo started at 9 a.m., but performance events for the public did not start until 1 p.m.

Upon grand entry, the American flag was brought in on horseback and competitors lined up in the arena. While the "Star Spangled Banner" was sung, anyone not on a horse stood.

Proceeds from the event benefited the Cal Poly rodeo program.

The turnout was a lot more than expected by most of the 176 competitors, who included Cal Poly alumni, students and friends. Two of the alumni who came out to show their support for the rodeo program were Travis and Mark Fowler.

"Rodeo people are very supportive of one another," Travis said.

Travis Fowler graduated from Cal Poly in 1992 with a degree in crop science. Travis participated in the rodeo program while at Cal Poly and is still active in the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association.

"Cal Poly is known for having the best world champions, and we want to keep it that way," Travis said.

The Fowler brothers weren’t the only family members competing.

"In many instances, it's second and third generation Cal Poly rodeo members," Mark Fowler said.

Holly Foster, another Cal Poly alumna competing, supported the Cal Poly rodeo program. Foster graduated in 1991 as an animal science major.

"These people are friends for life. It’s like supporting any football team," Foster said.

The rodeo competition included such events as bull riding, open team roping, calf roping, barrel racing, goat tying, steer wrestling, saddle bronc riding, bareback riding and women’s break-away, according to a Cal Poly press release.

The rodeo, sponsored by Cal Poly’s Rodeo Team and Rodeo Club, was held in order to celebrate Cal Poly’s centennial year.

A silent auction, hosted by Alex Foster, held in order to make sure there were no family members competing.

The action made more than $13,000, said Holly Andrus, an agribusiness junior, hangs on for a wild ride in the rodeo bareback competition.

"This is the first time we've done this, because we have a new coach," Andrus said.

For more information or to view the rodeo, please visit airforce.com.

Colin Hester/Mustang Daily
Air quality increase doesn't slow EPA
WASHINGTON — U.S. air quality is improving steadily, but it is still a problem for 121 people who have respiratory or heart conditions, according to an EPA report this week. The report is based on data that was collected in 2000.

The agency said that between 1991 and 2000, the percentage of people with levels that dropped 50 percent, carbon monoxide dropped 41 percent, sulfur dioxide fell 37 percent and nitrogen dioxide went down 11 percent. The EPA said that this is significant, especially considering that there has been a 15 percent increase in the gross national product and a 141 percent increase in vehicle travel mileage since the EPA was formed in 1970.

The agency also reported that air quality over the East Coast is worse than that in the West Coast. The EPA's next project is to track air pollution caused by power plants.

— Reuters

Postal worker contracts inhalation anthrax
WASHINGTON — A third case of inhalation anthrax was confirmed Sunday. The person diagnosed is a postal worker in Washington D.C. He worked at the Brentwood mail facility that processes most of the mail for the District of Columbia. He is in "serious but stable condition" and is hospitalized at Inova Fairfax Hospital in Virginia.

Officials are hoping that they will be able to determine if the Capitoil can be opened on Monday. It has been closed since Wednesday.

Another letter has tested positive for anthrax in New York. It was found in the newsroom for the New York Post. Tests in New York Gov. George Pataki has returned negative for anthrax.

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— Associated Press

South America
Bogota, Colombia — Fighting conflicts have reported against 900 deaths and 10 people were injured and killed by paramilitary groups in Colombia. On Saturday 10 peasants were shot to death by paramilitary groups.

— Reuters

Asia
Shanghai, China — President George Bush and Russian President Vladimir Putin were unable to reach an agreement regarding the 1972 Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty during the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation forum in Shanghai. Russia remains aligned with the United States over the war against terrorism.

Bush wants to back out of the treaty so that both nations are able to defend themselves against the "new threats of the 21st century."

Bush and Putin plan to have a summit in mid-November with formal negotiations that will include discussions about arms control and missile defense. Bush invited Putin to visit his Texas ranch after the summit.

Bush hopes to be able to pull out of the treaty within the next six months. The United States has already withdrawn from the Anti-Ballistic Missile treaty.

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By Mary Curtiss

LOS ANGELES TIMES

BETHLEHEM, West Bank — This picturesque town of steeped church towers and two ancient shops, revered by Christians as the birthplace of Jesus, is beginning to feel like the strife-torn F3cirit of the 1980s.

The United States and the European Union stepped up efforts Sunday to rein in Israel's widest-scale military operation against the Palestinians in years, and Israeli leaders insisted they are not renege­ng Palestinian claims to areas of the West Bank.

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Israelis have turned even more up images of Beirut

appealed to the two sides for calm, but Israeli said the troops will stay put until Palestinian Authority President Yasser Arafat meets his demands to hand over the men who assassinated a far-right Israeli Cabinet minister last week and hurled a grenade into a Palestinian military camp.

Speaking on television Sunday, Pope John Paul II expressed sorrow for the death of journalist Thalguih, a 19-year-old who may have been hit by a stray bullet as he stood outside a souvenir shop in Manger Square.

"War and death arrived even on the square of the Basilica of the Nativity of Our Lord," the pope said in his noon prayer at the Vatican.

"Violence is for everybody only a path of death," Thalguih said in his own prayer at the Vatican.

Thalguih's funeral was held Sunday in a of the Basilica of the Nativity of Our Lord, built on the same site where Christians believe Mary swaddled the newborn Jesus in a manger. The sweet scent of incense and the sound of quiet weeping filled the dimly lit, medieval church as Greek Orthodox priests led several hundred mourners in prayer.

Outside, clusters of heavily armed gunmen kept up running battles with Israeli troops and tanks in the town's narrow streets in scenes eerily reminiscent of Lebanon's civil war during that country's long civil war and Israel's 1982 invasion.

Here, as there, did they, fatigue clad army ties and ceremonial-tied army ties and ceremony in Lebanon. Both sides seemed to be thinking the war will continue during the Islamic holiday season of Ramadan, which begins Nov. 1.

Pawlenty has also said that the Northern Alliance should not play a significant role in any post-Taliban government.

— CNN

Briefs compiled from various news sources by Mustang Daily contributor Anne Guiford.
Student panel puts diversity in perspective

By Stephanie Perry

When Loan Nguyen came to Cal Poly for Summer Institute, an academic scholars program for newly admitted freshmen, she dreaded it. "You don't know my name because I'm going to be out of here before you know it," she said, in reference to getting to know other students. But once she arrived, she found that Cal Poly was a little more than she expected. After a short time, she began meeting people with similar backgrounds and, eventually, started calling Cal Poly her home.

Nguyen, an architectural engineering senior, was one of seven students who spoke at the "Perspectives on Diversity" student panel last week. This was the second discussion in a three-part series on diversity hosted by the Cultural Awareness Committee. "The goal of the panel was to allow students, faculty and staff to hear student views on the inclusion of diverse people, ideas and experiences on campus," said Deanna Wiman, a member of the Cultural Awareness Committee. "We need to hear what students are actually thinking about diversity issues on this campus," said Bonnie Keppel, a member of the Cultural Awareness Committee. "What do they actually run into day-to-day?" "What's actually happening in their lives here at Cal Poly?"

Jean DeCosta, a member of the diversity committee, facilitated the panel. Students were asked for their viewpoints on issues such as cultural values, social integration and communication throughout the library. "The wireless service is really good," Onai said. "I haven't hit a dead spot yet." Kang checks out the wireless laptops when he is not working at the desk. He uses them for on-line research and assignments. He said the computer permits him to work in any area of the library where he has fewer interruptions. "I can use them upstairs," Kang said. "I'm just not going to be away, (from the reserve room)."

The wireless connection works in designated zones on all floors of the library. The wireless access involves the use of radio signals to transmit data. Since the wireless network is insecure, users are cautioned not to send or receive sensitive or confidential information on the network. While users can access the connection throughout the library, printing directly from the laptops is not available.

"The culture here at Cal Poly is career," said Alison Anderson, an automotive engineering junior. "Cal Poly is very good at preparing you for your career, but I think the problem is that the only cultural values this campus has is for its career." One student described Cal Poly as its own little world inside a bubble. Other students commented on the "norm" at Cal Poly, pointing out that the majority of students are young, middle-class, conservative white students.

Nguyen said she didn't feel like she was part of the campus norm, but participated in different multicultural clubs on campus, she managed to create her own norm. "You have to find where you feel comfortable and go to that and then make that your norm," Nguyen said. That is exactly what other students, like Ruby Moz, are doing. Moz, a political science junior, said that when she first arrived at Cal Poly she felt very alone. "I'd be walking around and see other Latinos, and I just want to smile and say hi," she said.

Joining multicultural clubs was Moz's way of feeling socially integrated. She said her experience was a lot different than that of other students because of her involvement in campus organizations. Clubs provided her with a social support network, something Moz said other students don't have. Even by holding the perspective that the campus lacks diversity, Nguyen said that Cal Poly has helped her see reality that once she enters the workforce, she will be in a male-dominated environment in which the majority of people are alike.

"If I don't get used to it now, I may never get used to it," Nguyen said. The third part of the "Perspectives on Diversity" series will be Nov. 9, from noon to 1 p.m., in building 10, room 241. The discussion, "What Did We Hear from Our Students?" will reflect on the issues and ideas generated in the student perspectives panel.

Enterprise Rent-A-Car donates $25M for scholarship fund

By Bill Bulman

(U-WIRE) ST. LOUIS, Mo. Thursday morning, Enterprise Rent-A-Car and Washington University-St. Louis announced that the St. Louis-based rental company had pledged $25 million to WU in support of a permanent scholarship fund for African-American and financially disadvantaged students.


"We were very happy to provide a boost in that area and hopefully we will attract others to support the capital campaign," Taylor said.

The capital campaign, which is also geared to attract corporate donors, is the largest capital campaign WU has ever had, according to WU Chancellor Mark Wrighton.

The goal of the campaign is to raise $1.3 billion for donation of scholarship funds," Wrighton said. "We are excited to have our students, alumni, friends and benefactors help us to reach our goal of $1.3 billion by the end of fall quarter, according to the Web site.ITS will assess and evaluate the pilot program to help determine the feasibility for campus rollout." Users can also register their own laptops to access the mobile computing service. Information on this service is available at the ITS help desk in building 14, room 114 or at mobilecomputing.calpoly.edu. Several ITS staff members were contacted, but would not comment on the project. Inquiries were referred to Jerry Hatley, vice provost and chief information officer of ITS who was out of town. Almost half of college students who were victims of campus crimes said they were drinking or using drugs when they were attacked. Getting totally drunk at a party isn't just stupid — it puts you in danger.

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- Space drinks and try alternating food and drink.
- Limit your drinks to a sensible amount. Know your limit and respect it - don't be bullied into drinking more than you should.
- Consider not drinking at all. Ask for a soda and don't apologize or feel guilty for not drinking.
- Be safe. Drink smart or don't drink at all.

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Bruce McPherson
State Senator

McPherson talked candidly about the issues that are important to him.
He focused mainly on budget problems and said that there will probably be a $6 to 10 billion short-

age in the state budget next year.

McPherson knew of any cuts. Gov. Gray Davis was plan-

ning, McPherson said that he thought those would be cuts from recently increased funding areas. He

said that he would probably see some minor cuts because schools account for more than 50 percent of the general bud-

get. He wasn't able to say how schools would make up any short falls.

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of their shared bloody past in Beirut
and his fighters, just as he did when
the Israelis surrounded him in
Beirut, Arafat appealed for interna-
tional intervention Sunday, phon­
ing U.N. secretary-general Kofi Annan and seeking a Security
Council meeting.

In Israel, resolute Labor Party
members of Prime Minister Ariel
Sharon's government vowed they
would not be party to a new Israel
war of choice, as the invasion of
Lebanon was called.

"We are very close to a brink," said
Cabinet, Science and Sports
Minister Matan Vilnis, a retired
general. "It is the brink of a
Lebanese-style operation.”

In another echo of the Lebanon
invasion, Foreign Minister Shimon
Peres reportedly told close aides that
he felt he had been lied to about the
scope of the Israeli army's incursion
into Palestinian-controlled terri-
tory. The Cabinet unanimously
approved the action last week after
a militant Palestinian faction killed
an Israeli soldier.

McPherson said.

Then, the Labor Party supported
the Likud Party government's decision
to invade. But later, Labor leaders
and Cabinet ministers said Sharon
had misled them, telling them that
the army would thrust just "40 kilo-
meters" into Lebanese territory.

Instead, invading forces drove all
the way to Beirut, and Israel
remained bogged down in the coun-
try for years.

"Violence is for everybody only a path of death and
destruction which dishonors the holiness of God
and the dignity of man."

Pope John Paul II

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immediately volunteered to go to
New York to help the hospitals with
the victims of the World Trade
Center. But unfortunately, their
assistance was never needed.

"It gives you a perspective on how
genuine people are and how much
they love what they do," Grahame
said. "That is especially important
in this field. In health care, you’re kind
of expected to be there no matter what
happens.

The hospital received more than
100 calls and had about 25 people
stop in on Sept. 11, all wanting to
donate blood or help in some way.
But Grahame said French Hospital,
like all other hospitals in the area, is
not able to take blood donations.

Actually, the Tri-Counties Blood
Bank, located on the corner of Santa
Rosa Street and Murray Avenue, as
the only facility between Salinas and
Santa Maria that takes blood dona-
tions. The Blood bank also has one
mobile station in San Luis Obispo,
which stops at various places in town
during the week.

Hospitals do not take the blood
donations at because they aren’t set
up for the required screening process
each donation goes through. All hos-
pitals in the area must purchase the
blood from the blood bank.

Each donation is one pint of
blood. After the blood is drawn, it is
processed in a lab. There, the plasma
and red blood cells are separated.
This allows one donation to poten-
tially serve two patients, depending
on their need.

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experiences with the issue.

"For anybody out there who says I’ve
missed it, we've played it on the
street, haven’t heard it like this,”

"One for the Road” has been
displayed throughout the country. It
was recently at the University of
Miami and after its visit to Cal
Poly, it will move to Springfield,
Mass. But no matter where it goes,
it carries with it the same message.
"Ultimately, it comes down to individual
responsibilities,” Schneider
said.

"One for the Road” will be open
daily from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and 7
to 9 p.m. Admission is free.

During the screening process, the
blood is tested for diseases such as
hepatitis, syphilis, HIV and any
other related conditions. Finally, the
blood is labeled and kept refrigerated
for a maximum of 42 days, ready to
be shipped to hospitals as needed. If
any diseases or abnormalities are
detected, the blood is discarded and
the donor is notified and screened.

The Tri-Counties Blood Bank is
affiliated with three other centers
located in Salinas, Santa Maria and
Santa Barbara. Together, the centers
attempt to meet their goal of 150
pints of blood per day. This means
that among the four centers, they
need 150 donors every day in order
to reach their goal and supply neigh-
boring hospitals sufficiently.

"People gave as much as they
have been since the September 11
attacks, we'd be in great shape."
Be prepared to show ID when paying a visit

It was late Saturday morning. I couldn't remember the last time I'd slept in. I was excited because it was the first time in a long time I'd had the place to myself. I was making good use of the fact: no one was home—lounging around in my pajamas, eating junk food, watching talk shows. I was finally about to jump in the shower when the doorknob began to knock. Knock, knock.

Isn't that always how it is? You're just about to do something when you get a knock on the door from the Jehovah's Witnesses, a charity group, a salesperson or some other group. What's even more annoying is that you have no idea who it is they're calling you to a conversation you didn't want to have in the first place.

According to The Washington Post, a case is now being brought before the Supreme Court to decide if it is constitutional for door-to-door solicitors to be made to identify themselves. The case came about because of a clash between the city of Stratton, Ohio, and the Jehovah's Witnesses.

The Washington Post reported that three years ago Stratton made it a misdemeanor to go door-to-door without a permit. Stratton claimed that the ordinance was created as a means to protect the small town from dangerous and annoying salespeople or charity groups.

I couldn't agree more with Stratton, Ohio. The town has a right to want to protect its citizens. Furthermore, the ordinance applied only to people not just Jehovah's Witnesses. This explains why the ordinance hasn't been ruled illegal by the lower courts. According to The Washington Post, Stratton enforces the ordinance equally among all religious and secular canvassers, whereas there was no interest in passing the ordinance.

I hate having to open the door when I don't know who it is. Call me immature, but I still abide by the saying, "don't talk to strangers." If I don't know who it is, I'm not going to open the door. I don't know who could be out there. I mean, really, do you expect a girl of 12 to open the door to a complete stranger? I hope if I see solicitors are worried about their constitutional rights, I'm sorry, but I have a right to know who's at the door.

The Washington Post reported that in the past few months, the court has ruled that the Constitution protects political activists' right to publish their opinions anonymously. The issue of whether this doctrine applies to the same case, which doesn't involve pamphleteers, is what it is about.

I don't understand what there is to question. The two situations involve completely different circumstances. One is about publishing opinions; the other involves going door-to-door, meeting people face-to-face and speaking with them.

If they're not doing anything wrong, why does the city have to have concerns about their name with an on! I'm not saying that people have to stop soliciting; I just want to know which knock on my door.

Letter to the editor

Students should become informed on faculty issues

Editor,

I was pleased to see an article in the Mustang Daily on Oct. 17 that finally brings to light one of the most distressing problems this university faces: recruiting and retaining quality faculty. Although the emphasis is on housing, there are other factors at work here.

Keep in mind that the average faculty recruit has a typical profile. His or her age is usually early to mid 30s. They have spent five to eight years in graduate school completing their Ph.D. Many have spent three to six more years at postdoctoral research positions or jobs in industry. Many have families with several children, along with lingering graduate school debts. Remember this when you look at the numbers below. Ask yourself: how would you feel if offered a CSU position with so little going for it? What if you were headed for Cal State San Francisco, where the costs are even higher than in San Luis Obispo? Would you expect a physician to start work at $45,000 per year, with little or no support budget or equipment? How about a beginning attorney?

Listed next are some other factors (by no means all) besides housing that, in my opinion, are already resulting in a drop in faculty quality. It is crucial that the CSU address and solve these problems now.

1) Salaries: In the 1960s, CSU assistant professor salaries were less than $10,000. Today they are in the low $40,000 range, an increase of about four to five times. In the 1960s a median house in San Luis Obispo was about $25,000; now it is over $200,000, an increase of about 12 times. General inflation has increased prices by this same factor of 10. Gasoline was 20 cents per gallon, a loaf of bread was 25 cents, a decent car was $3,000, private college cost went from $3,000 to over $30,000 per year. You get the idea—most items have increased in price at an average inflation rate of about 5 percent per year over the last 40 to 50 years.

2) Professional support: To be retained, faculty are expected to not only teach well, but of course, to be professionally active. In a lot of cases this means "research." There is simply not enough space for this important activity. In some cases, faculty and senior projects compete for space, or space is carved out of old storage closets.

3) Travel support: If faculty are to remain abreast of their field, travel to meetings is vital. There is virtually no money for this. Many faculty trips are paid for "out of pocket." What are the solutions?

1) Salaries: I suggest, rather than subsidizing and building faculty/staff housing, the university abandon this socialized approach. Many of my colleagues agree with me on this point. One reason is that it solves only one item (if it actually does). What about others? Food! College for children! Cal Poly should be working with the CSU administration to immediately double faculty salaries in order to make them competitive and to ensure that we will attract and retain the best faculty we can.

2) More research and project space must be built, and built soon, especially if the number of faculty increase with the student population.

3) There must be items in the budget specifically earmarked for faculty professional development. I have a colleague who teaches at a junior college in California and is paid $20,000 a year to attend a conference. I suggest cutting the workload to 75 percent of the current load, thus allowing faculty to engage in professional development and stay current in their fields. More faculty will be needed to do this, but if the state seriously wants to keep the CSU as a quality system, it must eventually pay for it.

The good news is that these factors are all fixable if the CSU administration (Long Beach), the State of California legislature and governor, and the general population supported higher education. However, the bad news (and I have been observing it more or less unabated for more than 30 years) is that it is clear that the populace could care less (unless they happen to have a child in the system). It is also clear that the faculty face administration in Long Beach that is hell bent on turning the university into a corporation. We have been subjected to name-calling, ignored arbitration decisions, demeaning public remarks, ad nauseam. This kind of activity is increasing during the current budget negotiations (our contract ran out in June), as the administration seeks to discredit our union negotiations instead of working with them to solve problems.

One way of getting involved from the student viewpoint is to become more informed as to what is happening to your university. Will it be here for your children? If so, will it be affordable and will the quality be good? I strongly suggest readers attend the "Teach-In and Rally" to be held Thursday on Desert Lawn between 10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. (with the main activities during UU hour). The event will feature speakers from various organizations including CPA, CSEA, the Central Labor Council and the Progressive Student Alliance. The theme is "Standing Up for the CSU." The reason for this activism is that many faculty, staff and students want to express their concerns about both recent and ongoing developments that threaten the quality of education in the CSU including: large class sizes, difficulties in recruitment and retention of new faculty, failure to hire enough tenure-track faculty and poor working conditions for lecturers and staff.

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Legal citizens deserve lower tuition before illegals

When I graduated from high school, all I want­ed to do was get out of California. I wanted to go somewhere new and exciting like Boston or New York. That does not mean that I did not pay for my tuition and that I was not grateful for the state financial aid benefits that would put me in debt for the rest of my life. I could get the same education here for a third of the price. So I stayed. If I cannot even go to an out-of-state university as a citizen of the United States, imagine what illegal immigrants should not be given the luxury of paying in-state tuition rates.

Assembly Bill 540, which will allow undocumented high school graduates in California to pay in-state tuition at California State University and community colleges and be eligible for state financial aid benefits, was passed by the full Assembly and Senate committees and is now awaiting the governor's signature. As CSU residents, we pay $2,169 while non-residents pay $7,380, according to a recent article in the Desert Sun. In community colleges it is $1 per unit for residents and $31 per unit for non-residents.

AB 540 supporters think that these students are as American as any other American. Without the bill, the gates will be shut to hundreds of California's highest achieving students, according to the proposal's author, Change LA Web site. But critics argue that there is no justification for subsidizing the college education of illegal residents, especially at a time when the government is struggling to provide the space and financial aid for its own citizens. AB 540 will result in more cuts to the state budget and to the state university system and to community colleges, while citizens and students here legally may be turned away. It will also encourage further illegal immigration into this state, said a member of CAPS, California for Population Stabilization, in a letter to the editors. Gary Davis, who is another thing that taxpayers are being asked to pay for when it comes to illegal immigrants in our country. People already have a better life here than in Mexico, so why continue to fund everything to them on a silver platter?

Immigrants have access to in-state benefits, they will also have the opportunity to get financial aid. Not only will they be paying much less for tuition, it can be subsidized to the point where it is almost free. So, I will be paying off student loans for several years to come, since I did not "qualify" for, as well as taxes so people who are not even citizens of the United States can get a higher education for almost nothing. We are constantly bending the rules and giving people of lower income families so many opportunities that others, who are just as deserving, are getting frustrated. If we want to give illegal citizens more opportunities, then why not just do away with all of our state universities and everyone?

It is unfortunate that INS cannot seem to process immigration cases within the applicants' lifetime, but until then everyone needs to play by the rules. Instead of making all these ridiculous amendments and bills, the government should look to the source of the problem and figure out a better way to deal with citizenship issues.

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Cal Poly wins big after loss to 49ers

By Christen Wegner
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Junior Worthy Lien spikes the ball in Friday night's game. Lien had 11 kills in Cal Poly's four-game loss to Long Beach State, then had 11 more on Saturday night against UC Irvine.

By Jacob Jackson
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

The Mustangs forced five turnovers. Each of Lien's 11 kills came during the impressive display of firepower from the Anteaters.

By David Mintz
MUSTANG DAILY SPORTS EDITOR

The Aggies scored three unanswered touchdowns but ran out of time as the Mustangs escaped with a 31-28 victory.

By Seth Burford
SPORTS WRITER

Seth Burford is ranked fifth all-time in Cal Poly history in passing yards. Who is ranked first?

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SCHEDULE

- **UCLA** vs. UC Davis, 1:00 PM Saturday
- **USC** vs. Cal Poly, 4:00 PM Saturday
- **Washington State** vs. Idaho, 8:00 PM Saturday
- **Oregon State** vs. CSU Fullerton, 1:00 PM Sunday
- **Utah State** vs. Long Beach State, 4:00 PM Sunday
- **Cal Poly** vs. UC Irvine, 8:00 PM Sunday

BRIEFS

Mustang football spoils Davis' Homecoming

11-28 victory

By By Christen Wegner

When the Mustangs were ahead 11-7 over UC Davis in the first half, Saturday, the game should have been over.

Despite its game-tour win, the Mustangs rebounded on Sunday against UC Irvine.

By David Mintz

The Aggies scored three unanswered touchdowns but ran out of time as the Mustangs escaped with a 31-28 victory.

Cal Poly forced two turnovers in the final two minutes to improve to 4-2 on the season.

With a 7-0 lead in the first quarter, senior quarterback Seth Burford connected with wide receiver Daniel Jones for an 85-yard touchdown. For Jones, it was his longest reception of the season.

Burford threw for 199 yards for the Mustangs, moving him into third place on the all-time list.

The Mustangs forced five turnovers.

Cal Poly averaged their 63-28 drubbing to the Aggies in last season Homecoming game.

This Saturday at noon, the Mustangs visit Alcorn State.

TRIVIA

Darik Fisher of the Los Angeles Lakers played basketball at what college?

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**Mike Fisher, 1995**

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