**Chancellor addresses future CSU problems**

By Stephen Harvey

**MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER**

On Wednesday, the speakerphone buzzed as reporters from all over the California State University system listened to Chancellor Charles Reed's teleconference. Roll was called and then Reed opened the question-and-answer session.

Reed started the discussion by giving a brief overview of the issues facing the CSU system. The biggest issue on everyone's mind was the budget crisis and how it will affect the quality of education at the individual campuses.

Reed said everyone has been hit with a recession, but California in particular is a crunch because of last year's energy crisis. He said the CSU system is looking at a budget cut next year of 3, 5, 10 or 15 percent, and that a 10 percent cut would be "devastating." Reed added that the CSU system has stopped hiring any non-essential employees and that the president of each campus would determine each essential position.

"It is not a pretty picture (budgetwise)," Reed said. "We are trying to fill all faculty positions by the end of this year. After that we don't know.

He then briefly touched on the continued alcohol and drug abuse at the CSUs and said he continues to work with state agencies to curb the problem.

Reed continued next with Tidal Wave II and the problems it has caused, particularly with overcrowded classes and the unexpected amount of students who ended the year. Tidal Wave II is the influx of students from the children of the baby boomers.

Reed said he knew there were 30 percent more students enrolled for summer quarter 2001 than in past years. He added that despite budget cuts, there wouldn't be see REED, page 2

**Government removes documents from libraries**

By Stephen Curran

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Before Sept. 11, it was a rarely looked at scientific document. After Sept. 11, it became a possible security threat.

The Diablo Canyon Safety Report, a document which provides information on plant construction and security, was removed from the Kennedy Library Documents and Maps Room by a Pacific Gas and Electric Co. official the morning of Dec. 6. It is the first time such a document has been removed from a public library, said PG&E spokesman Jeff Lewis.

Nationwide, the Government Printing Office has begun ordering about 1,300 federal repositories, such as Kennedy, to destroy government records deemed too sensitive, according to the Los Angeles Times. The Diablo Canyon document was removed not because of any specific information within it, but because of the possibility of using seemingly innocuous information for destructive purposes.

"If you think about it, anyone with evil intentions could use such information," Lewis said. "Any information of structure or design could be deemed sensitive for that reason."

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**Cal Poly unable to escape country's economic woes**

By Malia Spencer

**MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER**

Economic slowdown, then economic downturn, and now, finally, recession, are the words that have been used to describe the state of the U.S. economy. Despite the distance between Cal Poly and Wall Street, students feel the effects of a recession are being felt.

The largest impact, so far, can be seen in the area of financial aid. At Cal Poly, a total of 9,721 students received some sort of financial aid for the 2000-01 school year — including scholarships, grants, federal work-study and some sort of financial aid for the 2000-01 school year — including scholarships, grants, federal work-study and loans totaling a little more than $60 million, said John Anderson, Financial Aid director.

"Economically, we are already seeing the impact (of a recession), primarily in the Federal Pell Grant, the largest undergraduate grant on campus," Anderson said.

The Pell Grant was given to 3,661 Cal Poly students last year, and each student can receive up to $3,750. Anderson said. In October, the U.S. House and Senate approved a bill to increase the maximum amount of money students can receive through this grant by $250, for a total of $4,000.

However, when the bill was passed onto the White House Office of Management and Budget (OMB), it was discovered that the money that was to be used for the increase must instead be used to keep up with the unexpected growth of the Pell Grant program at its current amount, Anderson said.

"Federal law requires the university to pass along any increases in federal funding to the students," Anderson said. "Students who are on the Pell Grant program have been increasing each year, so the university must pass along the increase."
Cal Poly student set to speak at vigil to honor and remember her father who was killed by a drunk driver this summer.

**Vigil honors victims of drunk driving**

By Whitney Kobrin

A Christmas wish, a New Year's resolution — don't break hearts by drinking and driving.

This is the theme for the 10th annual candlelight vigil in honor of National Drunk and Drugged Driving Prevention Month.

A candlelight vigil will be held on the courthouse steps in downtown San Luis Obispo Thursday at 7 p.m. to honor the memories of loved ones and friends who have been victims of drunk driving in the local community.

Carol Harris, vice president of Removing Intoxicated Drivers, has organized the candlelight vigil this year with the help of the DUI task force. Law enforcement, medical personnel, offenders and families of victims will be in attendance, and the public is welcome to attend.

Speakers at the vigil will include a CHP officer, an officer from the probation department, Carol Harris, one victim's family member and a chaplain who will end the service with a prayer.

"Awareness is the goal of the vigil," Harris said. "We know we aren't curing the ills of the world, but by putting a real face on the issue of DUI, we communicate with people who don't necessarily want to hear it." Last year was the first time DUI offenders were in attendance at the candlelight vigil, and many of them were deeply moved, Harris said. It means something that someone would suffer from their actions and cease them to want to prevent other people from driving drunk, she said. Harris stressed that it is important for offenders to recognize the way that their actions can affect other people.

For this reason, there will be a Christmas tree next to the speakers on the courthouse steps on the night of the vigil. The Christmas tree is decorated with bells, each of which will signify a victim in the San Luis Obispo area who lost his or her life due to drunk driving between 1989 and the present. From 1989 through 2000, 173 San Luis Obispo county residents were killed in DUI collisions, and an additional 3,506 sustained injuries, Harris said. After the vigil, the tree will be placed within the courthouse steps to the DUI fine payment counter with a sign to explain the significance of the bells, she said.

Deidre Willingham, a math senior at Cal Poly, will speak about the memory of her father, Tom, who was killed this summer by a drunk driver. This is her first year being involved with the candlelight vigil, and she is motivated to produce a higher turnout at the candlelight vigil this year.

"We know we aren't curing the ills of the world, but by putting a real face on the issue of DUI, we communicate with people who don't necessarily want to hear it." Carol Harris vice president of Removing Intoxicated Drivers

Willingham said she wants people to evaluate their lives and change activities that could endanger someone else's life if they need to. She said people choose to drive drunk and it is a selfish act.

"It's just like the golden rule," Willingham said. "Do unto others as you would have done unto you -- and your family."

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higher education.

There is concern, however, that with budget cuts from California State University Chancellor Charles Reed and a slow economy, there may not be as much aid money to go around, Anderson said.

The last time this problem occurred was in the early 1990s, and it takes a couple of years for the financial aid programs to recover. "After the initial high demand and the lack of funding, it's about a three-to-four year recovery process," Anderson said.

Along with grants and loans, a number of students receive federal aid unbudgeted for this fall. With the budget cut looming next year, Reed said he is sorting through all possible solutions to minimize problems next year. One possible solution brought forward was the increase of student fees. Reed said it was a viable option, but stressed it was only on the table, and nothing had been decided yet. He also said that despite increased pressure on universities due to the budget cuts, they will still be required to admit an extra 4 percent next year.

Although students voiced concerns about limited visas issuances to exchange students, Reed said all legislation limiting exchange students has been dropped. He did add that the Immigration Naturalization Service is incorporating a change to all exchange students of $100 per quarter to sustain a database of all exchange students throughout the United States.

The discussion also addressed rumors of material destruction for national security reasons. According to the Los Angeles Times, materials such as CD-ROMs and written documents about dams, bridges and nuclear power plants are being removed from public libraries across the nation. Reed said that he did not know anything about it, but that he had heard of information being removed from the federal Web site. A student from Cal State Northridge said the FBI had taken some documents from his university. Reed said that the FBI had requested information on student records from most CSUs, but no one's rights had been infringed upon.

"All I know is that most of our institutions have been requested to provide information about students," Reed said.

Economic Research declared that the economy had been in a recession since March, according to the CNN Financial Web site. The group, made up of academic economists from schools such as Harvard and Stanford, joined other economists and investors in declaring a recession. This means that the largest expansion in the U.S. economy lasted 10 years, and that now the country is in its 10th recession.
After struggle with anthrax, man looks to new life

By Michael Laris and Jennifer Lenhart

WASHINGTON — After describing his last seven weeks — the uncontrollable shivers, his sweating jowls and muscles and chest, the moment he felt death was near — David Hose doesn't have much use for the word "anxious" or "disease." He has a new reality with a combination of reverence and detachment. "This thing," he called it, or "that stuff."

Hose, 59, is one of 11 Americans from Florida to Connecticut, who contracted the inhaled form of anthrax after a series of terrifying mailings to politicians and media outlets. Five people died. Theirs were treated and survived. Investigators believe that Hose, now recuperating at home, may have inhaled anthrax spores from a letter addressed to Sen. Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., that was eventually routed to the State Department diplomatic mail facility in Sterling, Va., where Hose had worked for 11 years. Hose remains mystified that he was the only one to get sick after dozens of colleagues spent the same long hours he did in the company of the whirring sorting machinery.

"All I can say is, I took a breath at one time and that's it. I didn't die. It was a breath that tested Hose's physicians, his family and his faith. It was a pinpoint — a formidable illness that is still puzzling the nation's physicians, his family and his faith. It was a breath that tested Hose's physicians, his family and his faith. It doesn't have to be that way," Hose said. "I'm just a guy who got sick not by the normal biological process," said Sunil Sharma, the emergency physician who saw Hose first. "It was some-
Cinema

‘Novocaine’ is ‘feel-good’ winner

By Lacie Grimshaw
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

‘Behind Enemy Lines’ is typical of your blow ‘em up, shoot ‘em up war movie. Without an intriguing plot or impressive cast the movie falls behind the line of enjoyment and lands closer to the ranks of frustrat ing and annoying.

Nothing else could have gone bad for Owen Wilson, who plays a pilot whose world is turned upside-down by Carter. The only time Wilson had anything going for him was during his brief stay on a ship, but that didn’t last long enough to make the movie worth watching. The fast camera movements and unique camera angles, when used correctly, gave the movie enough cinematic impact to make it stand out. The film tries desperately to document the hardships of war, including its politics, fatalities and innocence, but those lost altitude fast. Loud music and an off-key subplot to carry it into the next scene, but I often found myself feeling nauseous when the camera zoomed, spun and skipped around the plot.

The film is enjoyable enough to make me forget where I was. It was nice to see Martin step out of his usual funny family man role. Best known for his roles in ‘Father of the Bride,’ ‘Parenthood’ and ‘A Simple Twist of Fate,’ Martin pushes the boundaries of his acting in ‘Novocaine.’

Suprisingly, Martin is convincing as a run-of-the-mill dentist experiencing a mid-life crisis. He charmingly balances comedy and drama, leaving behind his typical role, and creates a new character that is both believable and enjoyable for the audience.

‘Novocaine’ has the same dark, intellectual humor that usually infuses it into movies with sex, murder and betrayal. Although not as intellectually stimulating as ‘Fight Club,’ ‘Novocaine’ has the same mood. Ultimately, the film keeps the audience guessing and makes it easy to become caught up in the lives of the characters, which is the key to any successful picture.

Leave this film ‘behind’

By Lacie Grimshaw
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

The audience was truly believe Wilson is a soldier and not a bounty hunter. I suggest he doesn’t worry so much about his actor’s on-camera appearances. It isn’t until Wilson hits enemy lines that his look becomes more realistic and believable.

‘Behind Enemy Lines’ packed more of a laugh than a punch. It was humorous to watch the determination with which the actors tried to meet the demands of the disappointing script. For example, after being trapped on enemy ground with little chance for survival in the harsh winter terrain, the only word that Wilson used to describe his situation was, “S— t.” Maybe he was just upset that he didn’t get to wear as much stage makeup as in the beginning of the movie.

The audience will enjoy the cinematic aspect of the film, although the script may not have been written by the average viewer. The character situations were so outlandish that they ultimately took away from the dramatic impact of the film. ‘Behind Enemy Lines’ is realistic.

Of course, there were those few moments when there was enough action to make me grab onto the person next to me, but hardly enough to give the film any credibility. The film tries desperately to document the hardships of war, including its politics, fatalities and innocence, but those lost altitude fast. Loud music and an off-key subplot to carry it into the next scene, but I often found myself feeling nauseous when the camera zoomed, spun and skipped around the plot.

There were a few flight scenes in the film that had to match the dramatic action of ‘Top Gun,’ but those lost altitude fast. Loud music and an "OK air show also weren’t enough to keep the audience engaged.

‘Behind Enemy Lines’ was enjoyable enough for the not to check my watch every 10 minutes, but not exciting enough to make me forget where I was. This is a movie I would want to see on video. Then once I did, I’d realize there were handfuls of other films I’d rather spend my $3 on.

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Owen Wilson stars in ‘Behind Enemy Lines.’

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From top to bottom, Steve Martin and Helena Bonham Carter star in the dark comedy ‘Novocaine.’ Martin plays a sensible dentist whose world is turned upside-down by Carter.

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Cal Poly Student Health Center Advice:
What Should You Do If You Have a Cold or Cold-Like Flu?

Your time is precious. Under most circumstances, there are no medical treatments for a common cold or the flu. Waits can be long at the Health Center or your doctor’s office during the cold and flu season.

What should I do if I get a cold or upper respiratory flu? Get plenty of rest and drink lots of fluids. Over-the-counter remedies can alleviate the symptoms—pseudoephedrine for runny nose and congestion, acetaminophen or ibuprofen for aches and pains. Gargling with salt water (1 tsp of salt per glass of warm water) can help with a sore throat. Cough preparations with "DM" help a dry cough and those with an expectorant help with a cough that produces mucus. Be sure to read the labels of these products to see if they are safe for you.

Go to the Student Health Center or your family doctor if you’re not starting to feel better after 7 days or if you have any of the following symptoms:

- A fever of 101 or more for more than 2 days
- Painful breathing, wheezing, or shortness of breath
- Large tender neck glands or stiff neck
- Pain around the eyes or in the upper teeth
- Swollen red tonsils with white patches
- Unusual fatigue lasting more than a week.

Want to avoid long waits? Make an appointment or come in early. The waits are longer later in the day. The Health Center opens at 8 AM each weekday, except Wednesday (it opens at 9).

Students can make an appointment by calling the Health Center at 756-1211.

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All-star ‘11’ cast revives Rat Pack flick

By Peter Joseph

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Just because you never saw the 1960s girl in the end. Hollywood's classic criminal could pull off a spectacular heist without bumping off a soul, make a few jokes and still get the girl, and still get the girl. Make a few jokes and still get the girl.

Soderbergh never fully commits to the film-style lexicon. "Ocean's Eleven" obviously draws from "Ocean's Eleven." The title of least likable character requires. He draws from Pitt's unassuming charm once the two join together, and by the end of the film his acting catches up with his character's intended persona.

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"Snatch" — that look back on the characters, which include such comic clowns as "Get Smart." Still, make a few jokes and still get the girl, and still get the girl. Make a few jokes and still get the girl.

"Ocean's Eleven" has a feeling of fear on the set. There is a feeling of fear on Soderbergh's part — a fear of hurting his own image as a director with an unrepentant homage to the crime genre.

The wonderfully idiosyncratic cast and clever plot could have been better handled by a director more willing to adhere entirely to a cliched style, such as "Snatch." But "Ocean's Eleven" is a way of a career resurrection — the fallen angel of the neo-criminal film, "Ocean's Eleven."
Yasser Arafat does not play nice with the others

(U-WIRE) KENT, Ohio — Say you're having an argument with your neighbor. He thinks your fence extends a couple feet onto his property. You agree in principle to talk about moving the fence. But you insist that before you both sit down to hash things out, he's got to stop kneeling you in the groin. Oh, he doesn't have to stop permanently. He just needs to stop kneelyou in the groin for seven days. You just want to know that he's serious enough about this fence thing that he's willing to suspend the groin-kneeling for a week.

Now, doesn't that sound reasonable?

That, in effect, was Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon's so-called "hard line position." Until, that is, last weekend.

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when Palestinian terrorists kneed him so hard, killing at least 23 Israeli civilians in three separate suicide bomber attacks, that he essentially said, "Enough." Sharon had promised the United States and the "international community," that he would suspend negotiations with Yasser Arafat and the Palestinian Authority — if Arafat's government could stop terrorist attacks and other violence launched from Palestinian territory for seven days.

Several days ago, imagine the public reaction if President Bush told the Taliban, "If you can just keep al-Qaida from attacking us for one week, we'll have a nice talk with the others.

We don't belong in Middle East

The Middle East, where Eastern and Western lifestyles and religions meet, has long been a war ground. This continues today with the Israelis-Palestinian conflict.

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Arafat was created by the United Nations in 1948 as a homeland for the Jewish people. After the events of World

tens of thousands of previous years of persecution and enslavement, the Jews would finally have somewhere to call home. Unfortunately for the Jews, many other ethnic groups had occupied the area over thousands of years and laid claim to the land. The Palestinians, one of these groups, became the people that the Jews would clash with on a nearly daily basis. Even today Israel is often referred to as the Jewish homeland in Palestine.

Just over a year ago, then-Prime Minister Ehud Barak offered Yasser Arafat virtually every single thing the PLO ever asked for, including territorial concessions that stunned Israeli hawks when offered and flabbergasted Israeli doves when Arafat rejected them.

So now, in the wake of even more killings Arafat not only could have stopped, but promised to stop, Sharon has said, "Enough." The Israelis are systematically destroying the dreams of Arab Israelis who have voted in Israeli elections, built their homes, raised their families, in Jerusalem. They have come to a war for our jobs, and save our effort for a time when the conflict has been resolved."

Save our troops for our wars, and other way the United States will be held responsible. If the Israelis win, it will be thanks to the American weapons. If the Palestinians win, the United States will be accused of not fighting the worldwide war on terrorism. Save our troops for our wars, and save our effort for a time when the conflict has been resolved. The United States should can stop baby-sitting the Middle East.

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They called Hose in just as he was getting ready to dial 911. He had another 10 minutes to live.
Over the following two weeks, as a war raged in Hose's body, his room in Winchester's 100-bed regional hospita1 was filled with infectious-disease specialists, family members and a pastor, the latter two of hose's daughter's church.
His doctor, infectious-disease specialist Mark Gallrath, consulted almost daily with physicians at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta.
"We were info-gathering. We were trying to learn as much as we could about this disease as quickly as possible," said CDC epidemiologist John Jernigan, who headed the clinical investigation of the 11 inhalation anthrax victims.
Hose was delirious, his skin so lifeless and gray his family wouldn't give him a mirror. He contracted pneumonia, and doctors drained a pint and a half of fluid from around his lungs. He contracted pneumococcal meningitis and developed in the hospital, Galbrath said.
"Hose was 27 years, Connie, said the family felt helpless. "He never scored he wouldn't make it. We really weren't sure," she said.
Eventually, David Hose emerged. "I guess you live through it if God wants you to live through it — or you don't," he said.
"The treatment regimen also eventually did its job. He finally could walk. His fever dipped. His vital signs stabilized. And he felt well enough to take a phone call from Secretary of State Colin Powell.
Gallrath said, "I had to wake him up and say: 'You're going to get a phone call from the secretary of state.'"
"This isn't a prank. Don't blow him off," he said.
When they rolled him out the hospital door after 16 hellish days, Hose said, he remained "weak as a kitten. The pain is gone now, but he is still exhausted, still has some alarming bouts of sweating.
Hose has begun physical therapy to rebuild atrophied muscles. He is still taking heart medicine, though doctors are getting off the drugs. Now, top national specialists are studying Hose's case to prepare for the unfor­"

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ience — you get teamwork experience and participate in diverse jobs all in one project," Villalobos said.
Other Central Coast Covers members, Clint Strohmeyer, Matt D'Ambru and Nate Sulver, agreed with Villalobos. They said they were able to incorporate everything they have learned in other classes into their project and gained valuable team-building skills. They also added that the class takes a lot of time and commitment, and they compared it to a part-time job.
Another group at the trade show was Great Racks Inc. Their project was a single bottle wine rack. Group members Casey Spencer and Trevor Clifton said the group came up with the idea for a wine rack because group members had a genuine interest in wine and these products had sold well in the past.
Spencer and Clifton said they were happy with the outcome of their product and have already had a num­ber of pre-sales from their Web site.
They said that one of the hardest parts of the project was coordinating a group of 11 people, but they added that everyone was able to learn a lot about group dynamics.
A third group, called Q-Tens, created sets of forks, spatulas and tongs for barbecuing. Group member Jake Garvey said that coming into the class, most people had precon­ceived ideas as to what type of product they wanted to make and most of his group had already decided on barbeque utensils.
On the first day of production, Garvey said his group spent seven hours in the lab, but he enjoyed every minute.
"There was never a time along the way that I didn't want to be here (in the lab)," Garvey said.
IT 407 is a required class for IT majors and is well known throughout the department.
"This is one of the classes that really got me interested in Cal Poly," Garvey said. "People should take it as soon as they can."

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While he declined to deline into specific information, Lewis said that the report contained information regarding the plant's construction and design, information that could be used to spy on目录。 However, Lewis said that even before Sept. 11 precautions were taken to keep security-sensitive information out of public reports. But, following the tragedies, public information was viewed in a differ­ent light.
"We've always tried to be forth­right and provide the most informa­tion to the public," he said. "But when Sept. 11 happened, everyone started looking at information differ­ently."
Kennedy is the only library in the county with such information. It is not the first time similar information has been removed from the maps and documents room, said Library Assistant Cathy Matthews. In her 22 years in the department, Matthews can only remember a few instances where potentially sensitive information has been removed.
"There have been things that have been classified that the gov­ernment has asked to be removed," Matthews said, "but there haven't been any that I think are really public." In approximately 20 years ago, Matthews said, a document containing information on how to create a bomb was removed from the library. Since Sept. 11, Matthews does not remember any suspicious instances regarding the document. Overall, she said the document did not draw much interest.
"We don't get that many ques­tions pertaining to it," she said, "but I think they understood why they wanted it pulled."
PG&E was in contact with library officials for several days prior to pulling the document, Matthews said. Officials from the company also promised to return the docu­ment when it was no longer deemed sensitive, but could not say exactly when.
Leigh did not deny the possibility it may be returned to the col­lection.
However, he said, there was some question regarding ownership of the document, but the library agreed to hand it over.
"There was some question as to who owned the documents and I think it took a while to straighten (that out)," said Lewis. "We worked with them to have them removed."
Since Sept. 11, agencies throughout the country have been decreas­ing the amount of information available to the public. Directly following the attacks, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission shut down its Web site to curtail the amount of information included in the site.
At federal reading rooms such as the Internal Revenue Service, mem­bers of the public must make an appointment and be escorted by an employee to ensure the information is not misused, according to a Los Angeles Times report.
Closer to home, Diablo Canyon has done away with public tours indefinitely. Lewis said there are no immediate plans to reimagine the tours. Barber, who has been teaching this class for the past 12 years, said he remains removed from the creative process and allows the students to control the project.
The groups are guided by both Barber and IT lecturer Rod Hoadley. Hoadley said he provides tools, equipment and guidance to the stu­dents, but tries not to influence their thinking.
Over the course of the quarter, the groups give Hoadley a weekly progress report in preparation for actual production.
Senior guard Kristy Baker whips a pass to a teammate last season against Idaho State. This season, Baker is averaging 5.0 points per game and leads the team in assists with 15. Her assist total ranks among the top 15 in the Big West Conference. Baker and the Mustangs play Santa Clara this Sunday at 2:00 p.m.

By Stephen Curran

For most Cal Poly students, the move to college means a drive a few hours away from their families, for others, a short plane trip. For a small minority, however, coming to Cal Poly means moving thousands of miles away from familiar environments.

Psychology senior Kristy Baker is one such student. The native-born Australian was drawn to Cal Poly, not strictly for its academics, but for its women's basketball program. The 6-foot-1-inch Baker was originally recruited not to Cal Poly, but to a college in Evansville, Ind. However, when that college's head coach, Faith Mimnaugh, transferred to Cal Poly, Baker quickly followed suit and packed her bags for San Luis Obispo, an environment very different from her native Australia.

"It was really different, really hard to adjust," she said. But Baker is no stranger to new environments. Starting as a freshman, she said, "She's a cornerstone on the team. She leads us in so many ways." It is because of her leadership abilities that the coach has spoken to Baker about a possible position on the coaching staff, one that would suit Baker well. However, whatever she decides to do, Mimnaugh said, she will be successful.

"I'm really excited about her bright future," she said. For Baker, coaching is in her blood. Her father, a veteran coach, taught her to play the game at a very young age, so young, she said, that she can't even remember at what age she started. Therefore, she said, a coaching position would represent a dream come true, an opportunity that few people have to do something they love professionally.

"My passion is basketball and I'd love to do that," Baker said. "It'd just make getting out of bed so much easier."