No more room for transfers

By Krew Charles
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

A large room with a kitchenette, a bathroom, a maid that comes twice a week, pool privileges, and lots of parking: not a bad setup for a dorm room.

Since seniors students who came to Cal Poly at the beginning of the school year found themselves living in luxury — at the Days Inn, San Luis Obispo.

Because of an unusually large amount of incoming freshmen last year, Cal Poly's housing could no longer accommodate transfer students hoping to live on campus, said Preston Allen, director of Housing and Residential Life at Cal Poly. In order to deal with this housing issue, campus officials made an arrangement with the Days Inn.

Unfortunately, next year there will be no university-supported housing for transfer students at all. The Days Inn program will be canceled after this summer, and transfer students will not be allowed to apply for a room in the residence halls on campus, he said.

"It's been great living out here," said Dan Cronquist, a civil engineering transfer student who lives at the Days Inn. "A lot of people, given a chance, would live here again, but uncertainty of whether they would get on-campus housing forced people to look at alternative housing."

Transfers and returning students, or students who opt to live on campus a second year, were once housed in the North Mountain dorms, a complex designed specifically for those groups. Yet, out of the 301 spaces in the halls, only 40 rooms will be available for returning students next year, said June Sorensen, coordinator of Housing Administration at Cal Poly.

A majority of those rooms will be offered at triple occupancy, or three students in each room, creating 120 spaces for returning students. Transfer students will not be able to apply for housing at all, and the rest of the spaces will house incoming freshmen.

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Donation allows student versatility

By Christen Wegner
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Every Monday at 5 p.m., graduate student Wendy Hill walks into her Education 480 class, sits down and places her Palm personal digital assistant (PDA) on the desk. After three short beeps, her PDA is uploaded with the days reading assignment and work.

Hill is one of many aspiring teachers who are benefiting from the recent donation of 30 Palm handheld computers to Cal Poly's University Center for Teaching Education (UCTE). The PDAs have given me an interest in technology that didn't exist before, and an added interest in the class," Hill said.

Each PDA was donated by Palm handheld Electronics for their use in the classroom, as well as the student's daily lives.

"The gift of the PDAs are a terrific opportunity to introduce students to the benefits of technology," said Carol Pandgadas, director of the UCTE. "The PDAs can also help the students in other areas of school."

The main purpose for the PDAs in Sheldon Smith's Education 480, Computer Based Curriculum, class is to learn the importance of technology in the classroom.

Since his class is for aspiring teachers, the PDAs help the students learn how to teach their future students about technology in an advanced manner.

"When teachers step foot into a classroom, we want them to be as prepared as they can, and the PDAs will help ensure that," Smith said.

Each personal digital assistant (PDA) is as powerful as a cell phone, but as versatile as a computer, and will enable students to download their course content, turn in class assignments, e-mail their teachers, family or other students.

The "pocket computer" can also store hundreds of phone numbers, addresses, and contain such things as a clock, calendar, and sketch pad.

"The students can use the word-processing and calendarizing programs in the class and then take that knowledge with them when they head into the public school system to teach," Smith said.

Smith began his business relationship with Palm after working with the company on other projects. After realizing how beneficial PDAs could be in the classroom, he asked Palm to donate enough PDAs for each student in the UCTE program.

"I had the benefit of working with Palm on other projects so they were more than willing to donate the PDA when I asked," Smith said.

Not only did Palm donate the PDAs, but other companies such as Knowledge Adventure, Riverdeep, Sunburst Software, Inspiration Software, Vision Technology in Education and AlphaSmart Inc. donated various products such as portable keyboards and software. The total donation is valued at approximately $3,200, and it will be used by the UCTE for years to come. "Palm only donated 30 PDAs because they were nervous that we wouldn't use them to their full potential," Smith said. "However, once they see how utilized they are, they hope they will donate more for other classes."

Each student was allowed to borrow the PDA for the quarter and will then be required to return it when the class is over.

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'Spider-Man' inspired climbing

By Bridgette Vanherweg
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Ever felt like dangling from a two-story, faux-rock wall, with only colorful band — and footholds and a thin nylon ropes to keep you from hitting the concrete below?

"Spider-Man" came out this weekend, and now students can fulfill childhood dreams of scaling vertical walls. Spider-Man-style today through Thursday at Poly Escapes' Climb-a-thon.

The 60-hour event today begins at 10 a.m. and continues non-stop until Thursday. Free food from campus and local venues, free climbing, competitions and games will be available to students and faculty at the Escape Route on the north side of the University Union.

Usually students are charged a $5 orientation fee to climb, but throughout the climb-a-thon, climbing is free day and night.

"There are always people hanging out," said Poly Escapes cashier Ryan Stewart. "We're expecting at least several hundred people in and out over the (next) three days."

Robert Henry, an architectural engineering junior, practices a new route on the climbing wall. A route is a series of climbing holds set up for specific preferences.

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Event recognizes value of teachers

By Sarah E. Thien
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Teachers used to seeing students behind desks will get a new perspec­tive today when student volunteers will be cooking behind pancake grills instead.

The event is in honor of Teacher Appreciation Day — Cal Poly's way of saying thank you to faculty members.

Breakfast is open and free to faculty members this morning from 8 to 11 a.m. in the Dexter patio. Student volunteers will be cooking pancakes provided by Campus Dining and eggs donated by the Cal Poly Poultry Club. There will also be a drawing of gift certificates from local merchants such as Sycamore Mineral Springs, F. McLintock's and

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Weather WATCH

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High: 8:36 p.m. / 3.41 feet

What makes a teacher a good teacher?

- The ones that accept bribes, especially bedroom favors — they're my favorite.

 Josh Molle
engineering senior

- Someone who doesn't think they're high and mighty. Someone who can relate to students on a peer level.

 Nicole Angeloni
journalism freshman

- A teacher that's energetic and passionate about what they're teaching, so it makes it more interesting for students.

 Emi Uenaka
kinesiology freshman

- A good teacher is one that you can't think of as having something negative about them.

 Meghan Reerslev
journalism freshman

- Current experience in the industry they're teaching.

 Dean Schumacher
engineering grad student

- One that's willing to spend time with their students, including answering questions accurately and making sure the student knows what the teacher is talking about.

 Lindsey Hatheway
animal science senior

Correction:
"Freshman precariously jump into housing market" in Monday's issue misspelled the name of a property supervisor with California-West. Her name is Ellie Malykont, not Emmie.

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National Briefs

Convicted congressman to seek re-election
WASHINGTON — Rep. James Traficant, D-Ohio, is planning on running for re-election, despite being convicted of bribery, racketeering and tax evasion charges last month. He is expected to file petitions to run as a 13th term as an independent.

This action may trigger a call for Traficant's immediate expulsion from Congress and could have long-term implications for the Democratic effort to regain control of the House.

Despite the convictions, Traficant, 61, remains popular in his district, even though he was found guilty of "shaking down" constituents for favors and forcing staff members to contribute portions of their salaries. Traficant plans to appeal the conviction.

— USA TODAY

Three more nations added to 'Axis of Evil'
WASHINGTON — Three more nations, Libya, Syria and Cuba, have been added to the "Axis of Evil," which are countries the United States has identified as pursuing weapons of mass destruction, both of which are in short supply in the area.

Single women and girls who are affected by the disease rarely marry, and those who are married are usually shunned by their husbands, a WHO spokeswoman said. Boys and men with severe cases are often ostracized. At least 100,000 of Kabu's 1.8 million people have contracted the disease, but up to 400,000 could be infected.

The infection rate is expected to rise soon as the warmer and sunnier conditions begin to multiply.

— USA TODAY

International Briefs

Middle East
KABUL, Afghanistan — A severe outbreak of leishmaniasis has hit Kabul, Afghanistan, the World Health Organization said. The WHO made an international emergency appeal to doctors for funds to fight the disease. So far, no controls have left the disease.

Leishmaniasis can leave its victims severely scarred and stigmatized for life. Although the disease is not life threatening, it has other devastating effects. If not treated quickly, the disease can spread across the body, leaving large, open sores on the face, hands and other areas that may have been bitten by the sandfly, the insect that spreads the disease.

The treatment is a 28-day series of shots of one of two medicines — both of which are in short supply in the area.

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Europe
PARIS — Jacques Chirac was re-elected Monday as president of France with a crushing majority. Chirac appointed Jean-Pierre Raffarin, a 53-year-old conservative former trade minister, as interim prime minister, replacing Socialist Lionel Jospin, who resigned. Chirac won 52 percent of the vote, leaving conservative candidate Jean-Marie Le Pen, far behind.

Chirac has said that he and Le Pen were personal enemies as well as political enemies and that there will be no members of the National Front — Le Pen's party — in his government.

Raffarin plans to appeal the government until the parliamentary elections in June. Jospin was knocked out of the primary presidential election in April.

Chirac said his main goals are to re-establish a sense of security in France, prevent crime, cut taxes, ensure economic growth, jobs and social peace.

— The New York Times

Central America
BOGOTA, Colombia — Rebels between rebels and paramilitaries in an isolated village caused the deaths of 110 people, including 40 children and infants, while troops moved into the area, the Colombian government. At least 80 people have been reported as missing.

Officials of the United Nations said they warned Colombian officials that the incident would happen before the fighting began.

Authorities said that members of the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia (FARC) fired homemade mortars that hit a church and killed dozens of people who were taking refuge there.

The village of Bojaya, which is reachable by air or water, is a Choco, the poorest and most violent state in Colombia. Officials said that the rebels and paramilitaries are fighting for control of the area because it is strategic for drug trafficking routes. There is no telephone communication in the area, and only limited radio communications with the village, which is 235 miles northwest of Bogota.

The small hospital in the area was overwhelmed with victims. Eighteen seriously injured were air-lifted to another hospital that is expected to be reach capacity soon.

— Associated Press

South East Asia
PHNOM PENH, Cambodia — A Cambodian provincial court freed two men who were accused of eating human body parts were freed Saturday because there was no law against cannibalism, a public prosecutor said.

The men are employees of a cremonary and were arrested last week for eating fingers and toes of a body that they were cremating.

Citizens of the village the men worked in accused the men of often eating parts of their relatives after they had deceased and washing them down with wine. The villagers told military police that they were afraid the men would try to kill their children to eat if they ever ran out of bodies that were to be cremated.

The human body parts was a common practice in Cambodia during the 1975-79 Khmer Rouge rule, when an estimated 1.7 million people died from torture, disease, execution and widespread famine.

— Reuters

Briefs compiled from various news services by Mustang Daily contributor Anne Guilford.

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In an effort to accommodate the shortage of on-campus housing for transfer and returning students, Cal Poly is in the process of constructing an 800-bed apartment complex, called Cerro Vista, near Poly Canyon. Allen said. Yet, the facility will not be finished until next winter at the earliest.

The housing office has been recommending that transfer and returning students look at open rooms in Stenner Glen or Mustang Village. Allen said. If they do not want to live there, then they will have to find other off-campus housing.

However, Stenner Glen’s available housing for fall is expected to be full by this Friday. Mustang Village is expected to be full by the middle of May, said Mike Nowlin, a leasing manager at Mustang Village.

And as for the students living at the Days Inn, Allen is recommending they also start searching for off-campus housing.

“All the students living in the hotel are aware of the new apartment complex,” said Lisa Tuggle, coordinator of student development at Cal Poly. “But, because it’s not opening in fall, they’ll need housing for all year and will most likely already have signed leases and so they won’t be able to move back on campus.”

The Days Inn program was an emergency measure. Tuggle said. It was created at the last minute to accommodate transfers because the large influx of freshmen was unexpected. It was essentially the only university-supported housing for transfer students last year, but will be canceled this summer.

One reason for not offering this kind of housing again is cost, Allen said. Students are paying the same amount to live in the hotel rooms as they would for the dorms, and the university can no longer afford to subsidize the program.

Also, Cal Poly needed to commit to having students in the hotel for a specific time period next year in order to sign another contract with Days Inn. Because the hotel apartments will be finished, the university was unable to make that commitment, Allen said.

“We would like for the Days Inn program to continue, but there is no need for it to continue,” Allen said. “They can get the same thing off campus, and there are spaces available (off campus).”

As soon as Cerro Vista is completed, the apartments will most likely be available to any Cal Poly students, with the exception of first-year students, Allen said. There is a possibility that transfers or students already living on campus will be able to apply first, but it has not been decided.

Even if all Cal Poly students are able to apply, there shouldn’t be a problem finding a room in the new complex, Allen said. This is mainly because most students already living off-campus normally do not want to move back on campus. Also, most returning students who apply for housing use the option as a back up plan. The majority do not actually return.

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If there is another wave of freshmen requesting spaces in the residence halls, it is uncertain whether or not the new apartments will be used to accommodate them, even though the building was designed for older students, Allen said.

But, even with the new facility being built, some students are upset at the way Cal Poly has dealt with the problem finding a room in the new complex. Allen said. This is mainly because most students already living off-campus normally do not want to move back on campus. Also, most returning students who apply for housing use the option as a back up plan. The majority do not actually return.

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“W e’d like the opportunity to live on campus like freshmen do.”

Cronquist, who will be moving out of the Days Inn, had to find an apartment for next year for himself and his brother, who will transfer from Bakersfield College. He said that it is hard for students who don’t live in San Luis Obispo to find an apartment here, and that off-campus housing is significantly more expensive.

For students currently living on-campus, housing costs $4458, not including a meal plan, Allen said. This averages to about $452 a month to share a dorm room. He added that while an apartment in Stenner Glen is slightly cheaper, a two-bedroom apartment in Mustang Village costs around $935 a month to share one room. Other off-campus housing is typically even more expensive, Allen said.

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The pleasure of the 'P':
Super-spirited student spends his days perfecting Poly landmark

By Steve Hill
Calendar Staff Writer

If you were at this weekend's Wildflower Triathlon, there's no doubt that you saw him, probably riding his bike to lead some of the athletes, or shuttling people to and from the campsites in his black Suburban.

Even if you weren't there, it's highly likely that you've seen him around campus, waving the Cal Poly flag at a football or basketball game. Maybe he has even graced you with his presence in the form of Musty the Mustang. Face it: he's everywhere.

Scott Barton is in his second year of getting Cal Poly students pumped up about campus events, whether they are sports or community service activities. Chalk up seven clubs or committees — including WOW, Alpha Phi Omega and University Christian Community — to his name, and Barton is somewhat of a jack of all trades.

But his real passion is sports. He swam and played waterpolo in high school and brought his energy with him to Running Thunder, Cal Poly's spirit organization.

"I've always been interested in sports and getting students fired up," Barton said.

As publicity coordinator for Running Thunder, the industrial technology sophomore is known to many students as the 'P-Keeper.' a position which allows him to coordinate groups that will often decorate it. With all of the energy Barton puts into school and campus pride, you might think that it would be hard to keep going. But he does all of this for unselfish reasons.

"Getting the students involved is a great way to get a smile out of someone, and it also puts a smile on my face," he said.

And his effect has been felt: Ask around for people who have seen the flag at the games, and they know who you're talking about.

"I completely love and appreciate his energy and enthusiasm, and his positive attitude," said Andrene Kaiwi-Lenting, assistant director for orientation programs who has encountered Barton in his endeavors as a WOW leader.

But what is it that drives this superhuman energy? Special powers gained from a freak accident? An overactive adrenal gland? Red Bull?

"I wish to see more people at sporting events, especially with the new stadium coming," Barton said. "There's always room for improvement. In the last couple of years (attendance and enthusiasm have) gone up, and I hope to see it go up (even more)."

Maybe the real question is, can Barton keep up his energy? With a full load of classes, Barton ends up studying at odd hours. "Sometimes I struggle all the way through, but I get it done," he said. "I study at odd hours." All of his hard work pays off, as his spirit proves to infect and ignite the fans.

"Seeing him on the field and at sporting events, his energy is crazy," Kaiwi-Lenting said. "I love seeing that there are still people that love what they do and do it well."

And even if the fans aren't going to show up or he has too much on his plate, Barton will be there, dressed in green and gold. That is, if he isn't busy up at the P.

"I'm not there to push, but I'm there to make (the fans) have a good time," he said.

Scott Barton is publicity coordinator for the Cal Poly spirit club Running Thunder. Under this title, he is known to many students as the 'P-Keeper,' a position which allows him to coordinate groups that will decorate the P as well as clean it up. He has hiked up to the landmark more than 50 times this year alone.
Dear Editor,

I believe the Bible provides truthful insights into important issues like ethics and faith in objective truth. This issue appears to have sparked some debate regarding Christian truth. If the Bible is direct communication from God, it is infallible, affording entities irrefutable authenticity. The statement being made is that there is strong evidence that raises considerable doubt in the complete truthfulness of the Bible, specifically in its healthcare warnings and drug prescriptions.

Sonia Stutzki
editor in chief

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**Letters to the Editor**

Word ‘faith’ was misused

Mr. Mr. Michael Kelly, it’s an honor to be able to hear from someone who has actually seen God, as well as a dead corpse come back to life.

In his recent letter ("We all have faith, just in different places," May 1), Mr. Kelly stated, "I am someone who has been rigorously trained to reason to the conclusion that God is real. Ask me the core. I'm a 'believer' when I say 'it's kind of a gay."

Then Mr. Kelly said that the Bible was the ultimate source for truth. Since Mr. Kelly subscribes to the Christian belief and claims to be a 'believer when I say 'it's kind of a gay, we can only conclude that he has actually seen a reanimated section, something being created from nothing, the pitting of a sea, and most importantly, God. Furthermore, Mr. Kelly is lying about the type of person he is.

Aside from Mr. Kelly claiming to see God, he also makes claims that would not be possible without faith. In addition to generalizing, Mr. Kelly has misled the word "faith." Many people misuse the word, believing that it means to say "in confidence based upon past experience." Faith is believing in something without any evidence. I shall steal an example from Dr. Gordon Stein's "What is an Atheist?"

When we come to a red stoplight, we stop and wait for it to turn green. We don't have faith that it will turn green but instead we have confidence based upon past experience with red lights. We know that more than 99 times out of 100, a red light will eventually turn green. If we have never seen a red light before, we wouldn't know what to do when we first came upon one. If it stopped and waited for it to turn green without ever having seen a red light before, then we would be acting on faith.

Lastly, Mr. Kelly tried to make the analogy that parents are to children as God is to humans. Unless you're like Mr. Kelly, you can't experience the complete truthfulness of the Bible, specifically in its healthcare warnings and drug prescriptions. For example, if you're asking your doctor today, are for 6 cases sexual side effects may occur," and "com­
occur, we will know to stop taking the drug.

This information is not new to many researchers, such as the Food and Drug Administration's Office of Women's Health, which researches such things, but the results are not reaching a majority of the public. The problem, which was brought to the fore in a study by The Journal of Gender Specific Medicines, is due to lack of attention and proper research by the FDA, the organi­zation that regulates drug safety and labeling.

It isn't lack of research from the organization that is keeping these side effects from getting through to the public.

These officials have to realize that men and women have differences beyond anatomy and physiology requiring separate studying of foods and medication. Women are not the same as men; we have more bodily cycles and different hormones that could affect the way a drug will affect us at different times during the month.

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For example, the antihistamine Seldane can cause irregular heartbeats and some other drug reactions, which we can just run over to the phone and casually talk to the doctor about.

Instead, women need to ask more questions about the medication when the doctor pre­scribes it and ask the pharmacist about poten­tial side effects when picking it up. By doing this, women can find out what tests have shown about the drug and what complaints other women have had about it. At that point, if the woman decides to take the medication and a reaction occurs, a call to the doctor could eas­ily identify the problem.

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Delays running out for wireless firms to meet mandates

By Jube Shiver Jr.
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(WIRE) WASHINGTON — After years of delay, federal regulators are tugging at their heels and pushing initiatives that will require the wireless industry to spend billions of dollars to expand capacity and offer new services.

The government mandates which include a controversial airwave sale and a $1 billion telephone number conservation plan are likely to start没有什么 monthly bills and the first service for the nation’s $15 million cellular subscribers. They also are likely to add red ink to the already ailing wireless carriers’ bottom line.

Nevertheless, the check writing will start next month when the Federal Communications Commission, over the objections of the big wireless carriers, plans to begin auctioning $2.6 billion of wireless airwaves. The sale has been delayed five times.

Carriers desperately need the spectrum. But they say the auction should be postponed until the airwaves’ current users — several dozen TV stations — relocate at their own expense. Many station owners — such as Paxson Communications Corp. of West Palm Beach, Fla. — are demanding hundreds of millions of dollars in compensation from wireless providers to finance their move.

Another big bill may come due by July 24. That is when the FCC must determine whether it will grant the industry an exemption from a 1996 FCC rule that requires wireless telephone companies to conserve the allocation of new phone numbers, in part by allowing existing customers to keep their numbers if they switch carriers.

FCC officials are divided over whether to slightly extend the deadline to implement the technology, which is estimated to cost $900 million. But the industry is unlikely to receive a significant delay, since the FCC already has extended the so-called number portability deadline for nearly three years.

“The industry has known for years that that requirement is there,” FCC Commissioner Michael J. Copps said. “I think it is doable and it’s time to get it done.”

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days. If you’re at all interested in climbing or learning to climb, everyone here is willing to help out anyone who hasn’t climbed before.”

Today’s events include free food throughout the day, a slide show on Baffin Big Wall at 8 p.m., climbing throughout the night and a lead climbing competition at 5:30 p.m. Lead climbing entails placing protection anchors every few feet as the climber ascends the wall or rock. The event will kick off Wednesday with a Basic Aid Clinic at 5:30 p.m. and a Bouldering competition at 7 p.m.

Aldridge said the event ties up Thursday with a free speed competition at 11 a.m. and an Aid Rock Climbing competition at 7 p.m. Raffles and free food will be available at various times throughout Thursday.

“The event is staffed entirely by volunteers,” said Daren Conner, Associated Students Inc. program coordinator. “We’re doing this because it’s fun and it’s raising money for the Access Fund.”

The Access Fund is a nonprofit organization dedicated to keeping climbing areas open and conserving the climbing environment nationally and locally, he said. Membership information on the Access Fund will be available for anyone interested in joining.

Climbing equipment will be raffled several times during the event. Prizes given away on Thursday include a new rope, cedlettes, which fasten climbers to the rock, chalk bags, a harness, a climbing helmet, posters, videos and DVDs about various climbing expeditions and climbing destinations. Raffle tickets cost $1 each, and all proceeds will be donated to the Access Fund.

The Lead Competition today and the Bouldering Competition on Wednesday are the only priced events, costing $3 each. The funds will be contributed to the Access Fund as well.

Students started climbing-a-thon in 1990, the year the original climbing wall was built. “It was all based on the simple concept that students wanted to climb all night long,” Conner said.

The event’s proceeds have been donated to the Access Fund since 1993,when access to climbing sites became an issue, he said. Students and professional climbers designed the current climbing wall, built in 2001 by Enterprises Incorporated. The 45-foot-square foot wall faces the UC first floor entrance and is staffed entirely by trained volunteers.

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With the playoffs looming just around the corner for the Cal Poly men's baseball team, 7-8 (.571), the Mustangs knew they had a stretch against Long Beach, 26-24 (1.117), to cement their place in the Big West. Kevin Correia won his 10th game of the season, improving to 10-3 on the year as the Mustangs defeated 8 of 13 in both games.

Cal Poly
takes series
from nationally ranked Long Beach

In Saturday's game, "I don't think we capitalized on our scoring opportunities," said senior designated hitter Bryan Grant. "We left a lot of people on base." Despite a two-run lead in the third inning, the Mustangs could not hold onto their lead. In the fourth inning, Long Beach scored six runs, taking the game out of reach. Cal Poly scored two runs in the fifth inning, but it was not enough to make up for the deficit. The final score was 8-2.

"We had great pitching and great defense," said Saul. "Everything just came together..." Bill Saul sophomore left fielder

The Mustangs' starting pitcher, Kevin Correia, allowed only five hits in the game, striking out three batters. He also held the Mustangs to a shutout, allowing only two runs in five innings. The Mustangs' defense was solid, committing only one error in the game.

Next year's team looks promising as individual energy is unquestioned coming into next season. "There are a lot of new people, and they're all into it," Tarrant said. "We think we're going to have a really good team." Wildflower presented a tough course with a competitive field, but personal and team goals seemed to be met with success. "My goal for the team is as well as each individual is to achieve and perform as best as they can," Ellison said. "Without a doubt, it was a very successful day."