Baseball great to speak at graduation

By Graham Womack
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Baseball legend and Cal Poly alumnae Osborne Earl "Ozzie" Smith will be the keynote speaker at next month's commencement ceremonies. Widely considered the best shortstop in Major League Baseball history and he is known for often doing back flips on the field away from play, and running and catching, Brian Thurmond. He had more than 2,400 hits and 500 stolen bases, and he was known for often doing back flips on the field away from play, and running and catching.

The lights and camera will still be in action this summer for students who planned to take a digital film-making class taught by Oscar and Emmy-nominated director Mel Damski despite its cancellation. Damski, who is currently on a hiatus from the television industry, directed episodes of "Ally McBeal," "Everwood," "Thielon's Creek," "The Practice" and "Without a Trace." I found out my class was cancelled after the governor announced the state budget in January," said Damski, who got his start in television in 1972 directing "M.A.S.H." (Hannigan) was a really dark period for me. I took it personally then and I shouldn't have. I was in the process of designing the advanced course for the summer and that was when I received an email from (College of Liberal Arts Dean) Brian Hellenbrand saying that the funds for my class had been cut.

The class existence came about last summer through Hellenbrand's interest in adding more film courses into the CxA. Damski was a professional acquaintance of Assistant Theater and Dance Department Chair Pamela Melody.

"It was a fortunate coincidence," Milliken said. "They demanded payment for the class and Mel was interested in teaching it." The class consists of students working on independent projects, some of which are documentaries and some are dramatic films. Each student is responsible for a script, shot list and all other aspects of their film's production.

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Faculty, students unite for rally

By Laura Newman
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

California State University students and faculty rallied outside of the CSU Bannering in Long Beach last Wednesday to lobby against student fee increases and budget cuts. Members of the California Faculty Association and the California State Student Association arrived by bus to petition for the protection of student instruction, student services and affordable public higher education.

Statewide Vice President of the CFA, Lillian Taei said more than 500 students and faculty attended the rally.

"It was so exciting to hear the students voice their attitudes," Taei said. "Everyone there recognized the severity of the (budget) situation and you could hear student voices ringing indians."

The CFA made recommendations to the trustees about alternative places for the budget cuts to affect the CSU. They called for a suspension on entertainment and executive travel and a freeze on managerial hiring. The CFA also called for a moratorium on the implementation of the highly scrutinized Common Management System (CMS) software. "CMS is an area without any oversight, there is no business plan or on managerial hiring. The CFA also called for a moratorium on the implementation of the highly scrutinized Common Management System (CMS) software.

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**Culture Fest shows unity**

Members from the Filipino Cultural Exchange modern dance group performed at the eighth annual Culture Fest in Mission Plaza. More than 20 clubs and organizations came together to present the event Sunday. The groups performed, sold food and provided information at booths. This year’s theme was “Poly Culture,” which represented the many cultures that united for the event.

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He said he asked the officers what was going on and Pharr replied that it was none of his business. "Both (officers) just seemed very agitated from the beginning," Deinken said.

The officers proceeded to shine their lights into a unit’s window and shortly after Söderström opened the front door. The officers, who had not yet identified themselves, ordered Söderström to come toward them.

Söderström obeyed and began approaching the officers in a pace that Deinken described as being neither fast nor slow. Söderström, with the lights shining in his face, had his arms to the side and asked "What? What?" Deinken said.

He came within about five feet of the officers before Pharr tackled and laid on top of him, yanking his arms to the back to get the handcuffs on, Deinken said.

Deinken said his friend, who wished to remain unidentified, had said Pharr’s actions were uncalled for, but Pharr replied and said something along the lines of “you want some of this too?”

Sulzar told Deinken and his friend to leave the premise, but Deinken went to his apartment and watched from his front doorway about 20 yards from the incident. Sulzar later approached Deinken and told him Söderström had "squared up" on them so they had to take him down, Deinken said.

Söderström has no plans to take civil action against SLOPD if the situation is handled properly, Casciola said. He wants the truth to be revealed and his name cleared of any wrongdoing.

Casciola said he is pleased how the district attorney is handling the case, being very thorough and complete in their investigation.

It generally takes a few weeks for the district attorney to decide whether or not to file charges against a plaintiff, but it can take up to two or three months depending on the complexity of the case and cooperativeness of those involved, Cogan said.

"This one may take a little bit more time because of the controversy," Cogan said.

The district attorney legally has until March 13 of next year to file charges.

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cut," said Dan Mapley, a former Cal Poly teammate and coach.

Smith has been hired for his work with charity too. Since founding the Ozzie Smith Foundation in 1986, he has won the Branch Rickey Award in 1994 for "service above self," the Roberto Clemente Award in 1995 for community work and the Walter Payton Sweetness Award in 2001, according to the release.

Invitations to speak at commencement come from the president and past speakers have included Presidential Cabinet members and NASA astronauts. Ronald Reagan gave a commencement address back in the 70’s while California’s governor, Thummond said.

Last year’s speakers were Joseph W. Corbett, among the “100 most influential” lawyers nationwide and John Brooks-Slaughter, CEO of the National Action Council for Minorities in Engineering.

President Baker was unavailable for comment.

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National/International News

Monday, May 19, 2003

Experts call for US negotiations with North Korea

WASHINGTON — The United States should abandon its refusal to open direct negotiations with North Korea and instead seek "a verifiable nuclear settlement" with that country, a report sponsored by the Council on Foreign Relations says. The Bush administration, reject­ ing direct talks with North Korea, has pressed for a negotiation with broad international participation, to include China, South Korea, Japan and perhaps others.

A start toward that objective began last month with the United States holding talks with China and North Korea in Beijing. Declaring that the situation in North Korea poses a "janeinie crisis," the panel said it believes that it is increasingly likely that North Korea can and will move to produce additional nuclear weapons material.

"We cannot preclude that it is in and that it seeks to hold off the United States until it is successful," the report says. "The situation has drifted toward one in which the United States may have little choice but to live with a North Korea with more nuclear weapons and to find ways to prevent it from exporting fissile material."

Asserting that the United States must try to prevent that outcome, the panel urged a bilateral negotia­tion for a "verifiable nuclear settle­ment with the North and, in return, demand that America's regional partners adopt a tougher posture should negotiations fail."

It added that this option may not be available if North Korea has already processed spent nuclear weapons fuel, which could put the country within reach of additional nuclear weapons in the coming months.

Los Angeles morticians take hearse to the streets to protest violence

LOS ANGELES — As confounded cokkcrs staked from the sidewalks, dozens of funeral directors, embalmers and morticians drove a long line of hearses through the streets of South Los Angeles in an unusual protest of the high rate of urban homicides.

The stream of white, silver and black hearseS arrived at a cemetery, and the participants stood in silence as speakers talked about the violence in their communities.

Some gave sermons. Others sang hymns. Many talked about the emo­tional toll the violence has taken on them, their professional and personal lives.

"We know that people are going to die," said Edith Simpson, a mor­tuary counselor. "But making money off senseless killing — that is anoth­er thing."

According to preliminary figures from the state attorney general's office, there were 653 homicides last year in Los Angeles, a jump of 11.1 percent from 2002.

The demonstrators said they organized the event because they were tired of seeing young gunshot victims arrive at their doors.

International Briefs

Saudi official: Four arrested in suicide attacks probe linked to al-Qaida

RIYADH, Saudi Arabia — Four suspects with apparent ties to al-Qa­ilda were arrested in connection with the recent suicide attacks on three housing compounds in Riyadh that killed 27 bystanders, including eight Americans, officials said Sunday. It was the strongest sign yet that Osama bin Laden's terrorists — who have carried out deadly strikes from Nairobi to New York — may have shifted its focus to a "major crisis" without quick action to meet its urgent humanitarian needs.

UNICEF warns of 'major crisis' if no swift action taken on Iraq's humanitarian needs

BAGHDAD, Iraq — The U.N. agency that cares for the world's chil­dren warned Sunday that postwar Iraq could slip into a "major crisis" without quick action to meet its urgent humanitarian needs.

UNICEF's executive director Carol Bellamy, on a four-day visit to Iraq, said her agency was pressing to get more children back to school, deal with a worsening sanitation problem and remove potentially lethal ord­nance left over from the U.S.-led war on Iraq.

She said UNICEF has secured pledges of $70 million for an emer­gency six-month program to help pro­vide Iraqi children with food and clean drinking water and to stave off disease. The funds, she added, were promised in response to an appeal made by the agency for $165 million for Iraq.

Underscoring the magnitude of the problems facing Iraqi children after the war, Bellamy pointed out that, before the conflict, one in every eight Iraqi children died before age 5 and a quarter of Iraqi children were un­nourished and did not attend school. "If action is not taken very fast," she warned, "this country will end up in a major crisis."

Bellamy cited a recent surge in cases of diarrhea among children in Iraq as a source of particular concern.

"The areas of sewage and solid waste management are more danger­ous than the water situation," she said, citing poor sanitary condi­tions as the primary reason behind diar­rhea. Clean water, she added, was more of a problem in rural Iraq than in cities.

She said a lack of security contin­ued to impede UNICEF operations. She discussed the issue Saturday with L. Paul Bremer, the U.S. civilian administrator and top American offi­cial in Iraq.

Briefs compiled from The Associated Press wire service by Mustang Daily news editor Andrea Cothery.

This Week in ASI Events

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A year of bitchin’ in review

A s the pollen infuses upon our nasal system, El Coral prepares to “buy” our books back and more lawn chairs by the pool become occupied, it is apparent the countdown to summer has begun. Super seniors have ordered their graduation announcements, club officers have passed down the batons and the Daily is currently mourning the future loss of its two most notorious columnists. That’s right, like most great things, our column will soon come to an end (go ahead — it’s OK to cry). As we look back, we wanted to take some time to reflect on what we’ve learned by writing this column, as well as thank the little people out there, those who have supported us or hated us along the way. Here are some of our random thoughts as thank you to our special fan who named this column at the top of the page looked better suitably titled “Being white almost always an advantage” (May 7). While my parents don’t “pay for my college” or my “gas money,” I do for students to comment if they are experiencing harassment from an individual party. A study by the Merit Protection Board found that 50 to 85 percent of American women will experience some form of sexual harassment during their academic or working life. So, as a campus I applaud the university for trying to take hold of an issue that affects so many of its students. I just don’t know if the problem is being attacked in the right way. I hope that the Web site ends up being successful, and is not inundated with over-anxious net surfers and students with too much time on their hands, making false claims. My worry is that some things, like serious issues, are not so easy to fit into a standardized box.

Stacee Doming is a Mustang Daily staff writer and journalism senior.

Letter to the editor

White people can work just as hard

Editor,

This letter is in response to Tyler Middelstadt’s letter titled “Being white almost always an advantage” (May 7). Tyler, I am not going to deny that I have been blessed to grow up in a family that can take care of my basic needs, but does my skin color really have that much to do with it? While my parents don’t “pay for my college” or my “gas card,” they have been able to provide me with health insurance “my whole life,” which you make sound like a bad thing. My father, who by the way came from a very poor home, works hard to support my family, so it offends me when you make it sound like white people can just sit back and do nothing while they get rich. I do have respect for those who “pick strawberries for 10 hours a day,” but the fact that they work hard doesn’t negate that fact that my “white” father works just as hard. You used the word “ignorant” a couple times in your letter, and that’s what came to my mind when I read your letter. I was “blessed with a beautiful skin color.” If a white man said the same thing, he’d be a racist. Talk about double standards.

Carcey Comstock is a political science sophomore.

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“Not it’s not a rumor if you start it.”

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Another standardized form doesn’t solve societal problems

S ome boxes on standardized forms are easy to fill out. Name, birthdate, address. All very manageable questions, with obvious answers. Or so you think.

Sometimes, however, I cringe to think that some people do not find these seeming mundane questions as easy to answer as others do. While you may be asking yourself how you could possibly not fill out a form. Take some examples for your consideration.

Whether you’re filling out your medical history at a doctor’s office or shopping over the internet for something that you know is new, Beals rocks.

Pixilated fonts are not that cool. Yes, there was a time when the name of this column at the top of the page looked better suitably titled “Being white almost always an advantage” (May 7).

God is awesome. That’s (you or gal — we’re always p.c. in this column) everywhere, even on billboards. We are lucky that (else) is there to watch over us, because the Christian community on campus has been slackin’ a bit lately. We like letters from you. It makes us feel special and we need something to fill up the space designated for letters to the editor.

Finally, did we say we weren’t coming back? We must still be drunk from Wildflower. We have the whole semester to see if we are gonna do this thing. Guess you will have to wait in suspense. You can start biting your nails now.

Steve Hill and Chrissy Roth are journalism juniors and Mustang Daily columnists who aren’t really this bitter in real life. Tell them how much you will miss them this summer by e-mailing Quit yer Bitchin’@calpoly.edu.
Perfect smoothie more than meets the eye

A Mustang Daily reporter is sent to find the best such beverage in SLO

By Devin Kingston
MUSTANG STAFF WRITER

San Luis Obispo has long been seen as the “fruit capital” of California. Jamba Juice got its start here and launched a “fruit revolution” so to speak.

With all the new options trying to cash in on bringing delectable fruit-blended drinks to the masses, we saw it as our calling to venture out into the community to find the best smoothie in SLO.

Blazing Blenders

The first stop on our two-day trek was the hole-in-the-wall smoothie bar, Blazing Blenders. For the journey, I brought along many companions and self-proclaimed “smoothie extraordinaires” Darren Key, a business student.

As we entered the establishment, the soothing tunes of Paul Simon flowed into our ears, meshing wonderfully with the fresh aroma of the place. Blenders, about the size of a red-brick dorm room, features a “self-serve super soup station,” waffleghan, a small, homey ambiance and an odd collection of toy Volkswagen Beetles. There was no line and the sole employee was quick and friendly. As we took the first hits from our blazing blended beverages, we knew we had found one of SLO’s hidden treasures. The “Kiwi Quencher” we ordered was very smooth, not overpowering and easy on the sinking muscles.

Jamba Juice

The smoothie juggernaut Jamba Juice was next on our list of stops and only a short walk from Blazing Blenders. We were feeling the atmosphere — though we often speak to the harsh sounds of The Offspring’s “Original Porknuts,” definitely a mood- spoiler. Luckily, the music was drowned out by sounds, such as those of a buzz saw, coming from the row of blenders.

A Jamba Juice employee pours an orange smoothie into a large cup. Jamba Juice, a company with its origins in San Luis Obispo, offers high-caliber choices complete with free energy boosts. The store’s music choices, however, leave much to be desired.

Lucy’s Juice

Day two started with a post-class refresher from Lucy’s, the campus smoothie provider. Their smoothies were cheaper (all are $3) than the other places we visited, which all had comparable prices (about $3.75). The portion-size is, however, somewhat smaller, but a free boost is included. Besides, whatever you give up in quantity, you gain in gel — because of the high concentrate factor.

At Lucy’s, we opted for “Joey’s Guava Cooler” and were pleased with the results. The smoothie was a bit icy, causing us to chew every bite, but it wasn’t anything we couldn’t handle.

Lucy’s is a great way to spend Plus Dollars if you have anything left over after stocking machetes and porn from Campus Market.

Outspoken: A Beverage Bistro

This oddly named little café located on Monterey Street next to Central Coast Brewing Co. was the next stop. It has an island-like theme that meshes well with the tropical smoothies they serve.

The atmosphere seemed artsy at first, with hand painted tables, until we overheard a conversation by middle-aged soccer moms discussing homeopathic doctors and their own love for strawberry margaritas. Also, the bar is also attached to a Better Bike Shop, we guessed they were hoping for dual-business from the health-conscious.

The smoothie itself, a “Mango Paradise,” was good, if not a little too “tropical” for the center.

The place is decorated with odd framed posters of frozen yogurt and various stuffed frogs that could possibly be “nanny cams.” Fredgie’s definitely concentrates more on the sweet thing tunes of Paul Simon and the ice-blended coffee drinks in the machine, a major smoothie faux pas. Not even a mountain of coke could make their smoothie taste better.

With our guts bursting, our bellies unbacked and about a year’s worth of smoothies in our systems, our quest had finally come to a close. We came, we saw and we sucked — a lot of smoothie, that is.

Blazing Blenders and Jamba Juice ranked highest, with the rest teetering in after.

We found the ultimate smoothie bar needs to be the fresh and clean and their smoothies need to be natural, vibrant, flavorful filling and, most of all, smooth.
Bill entangles Peterson case in debate

By David Crary
AP National Writer

Adding fuel to the already fierce debate over abortion, Republicans in Congress are vowing to prod the Supreme Court into considering the final Unborn Victims of Violence Act.

The pending Unborn Victims of Violence Act is not an anti-abortion measure. It explicitly exempts abortion while making murder or injury of an unborn child a separate offense during the commission of certain existing federal crimes.

Abortion-rights groups nonetheless are alarmed that Congress might, for the first time, recognize a fetus as a legal person independent of the expectant mother.

"This is one of their strategies — to defund legal rights to the fetus separate from the woman," said Kate Michelman, a co-founder of EMW Women's Medical Center.

"They want to contribute to the ultimate goal of overturning Roe v. Wade and taking away a woman's right to control her reproductive life."

Tense since 1999, the Unborn Victims Act cleared the U.S. House of Representatives on Wednesday to reach the Senate in the face of opposition from abortion-rights forces.

The latest version of the bill has been endorsed by Laci Peterson's parents and siblings. In a letter to sponsors this month, they said the measure "is very close to our hearts."

Critics of the bill are upset that its enactment would make the link to Roe v. Wade an issue, including the linking of Roe to the 1973 landmark as part of a broad strategy to undermine the Supreme Court's 1973 decision.

"With Roe v. Wade, the high-profile murder case.

Establish the bill for Laci and Conner is diametric exploitation of a horrific tragedy," Michelman said. "It sickens me."

Abortion-rights supporters say violence against pregnant women can be combined without recognizing a fetus as a separate person. Rep. Zoe Lofgren, D-Calif., is proposing an alternative bill that would provide a possible life sentence for any assailant who terminates a pregnancy.

"We can protect women from violence without opening the Pandora's box of the abortion debate," Lofgren wrote to her House colleagues.

"This bill would not permit prosecution for any abortion to which a woman consented, or for any act by an expectant mother — even an illegal act such as drug abuse — that harmed her unborn child."

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Distinguished Lecturer and Educator Award Nominations

CFA Congratulations the following individuals who have been nominated to receive the 3rd Annual CFA Distinguished Lecturer Award and the 2nd Annual CFA Distinguished Educator Award.

"Distinguished Lecturer" refers to faculty members holding a temporary contract. "Distinguished Educator" refers to tenure-track (but not yet tenured) faculty, librarians, and counselors.

Winners of the "Distinguished Lecturer Award" and "Distinguished Educator Award" will receive $500 and a plaque at the CFA annual barbecue at Cuesta Park on June 10, 2003, 4:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Distinguished Lecturer Award Nominations:
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- Broussard, Cynthia - Psych & Child Dev
- Cochran, Kerry - Agribusiness
- Gier, Dennis - Construction Mgmt
- Grose, Bob - Management
- Hall, Dave - Aerospace Engineering
- Huckbridge, Mark - Journalism
- Judge, Jed - Animal Science
- Keese, James - Social Science
- Lewis, Robin - Psych & Child Dev
- Long, Erk - Political Science
- Macdonald, Kent - Architecture
- Mortoff, Dennis - Management
- Mueller, Alice - Architecture
- Newell, George - Horticulture & Crop Sci
- Orsio, John - History
- Rellick, Lorraine - Computer Science
- Robertson, Mike - Mathematics
- Rodriguez, Aaron - Ethnic Studies
- Royal, Claudia - English
- Schmidt, Richard - Architecture
- Stuhr, Jean - Recreation Administration
- Van Lingen, Rime - Mathematics
- Weber, Daniel - Management
- Weber, Paul - Construction Mgmt

Distinguished Educator Award Nominations:
- Beckett, Jon - Animal Science
- Cotter, Cynthia - Industrial Technology
- Davol, Andrew - Mechanical Engineering
- Deturris, Diane - Aerospace Engineering
- Frey, Thomas - Chemistry & Bio Chem
- Hall, Garrett J. - Civil & Env Engineering
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"Basically, it was just everyone pulling together and understanding what it took to win."

Whitacre said his season high-light, though, came in the fourth win of the season against Cal. The Golden Bears had jumped out to a 6-2 halftime lead, with Whitacre returning from a pull in his right ham-string. Whitacre stayed in the game though and Cal didn't score in the second half to Cal Poly won 11-6.

"That was probably the turning point in my season because I sucked it up. The team needed me to face off," Whitacre said. "It gave me a lot of confidence to know that I could play with injury."

The win was ended with a 10-8 loss against Chico State April 11, but Cal Poly heated back up for the divisional playoffs, exacting revenge on Chico with a 9-8 overtime win April 19. Still, Cal Poly could not pull off a last game against Santa Barbara, falling to the team 16-5 in the WCCL Final Four April 27.

Cal Poly traveled to St. Louis for the USLIA National Championships. The Mustangs lost their opener against Sonoma State, 10-7, but then beat Colorado and Florida to finish the season, with a ninth ranking.

Consolo attributed much of the team's success to the core group of seniors.

"The leadership of Sean Whittaker, Grant Middleton, Andy Past, Vincent Consolo and several of the other seniors set a good example for the rest of the team," Myers said. "Their leadership helped us play better in the second half of the season."

The season brought Coach Law's career win-loss record to 63-38. More than 100 teams play in the USLIA.

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ing when we went head-to-head," Attack MVP Lauren Chase said. "Even though we lost the title to the Bruins, we stepped it up when the stakes really mattered, making the national championship win taste that much sweeter."

The Mustangs also took home four of the Women's Division Intercollegiate Associates Awards. Bridget Mulhern was named player of the year, while Ashley Kleon was named attack player of the year. Other notable achievements went to Lindsay Kanewischer for first team all-league defense and Jill Marshall for second team all-league defense. All four players were recognized as all-Americans.

Coach Brandon Badgely was named co-coach of the year as well, with all of the selections being made by a committee comprised of coaches and league representatives from all over the nation.

The Mustangs' victory was particularly emotional for the team's graduating seniors.

"I can not imagine a better feeling than winning a third National Title in front of family and friends while playing with girls I love, and for coaches I respect," Chase said. "I wish I could have found a way to bottle up the unbelievable emotions that came over me as the final seconds ticked away and we knew the win was once again ours."

The Mustangs beat the University of Pittsburgh and the University of Michigan before advancing to the finals.

The Mustangs walked away from St. Louis proud, knowing that team unity was at the root of their victory.

"We had a huge team effort, with players stepping up when they had to," Mulhern said. "As a team we just click and together have stellar performances."
Good things come in 3's

Mustangs capture third consecutive national title with win over No. 1 UCLA

Cal Poly Women's Lacrosse

By Stacee Doming

Once you've luck, twice is a coincidence, but three times is undeniable.

Cal Poly women's lacrosse proved their talent last weekend when they took home a national title for the third year in a row with an 11-9 win against UCLA.

"When I was standing in the middle of the field, watching the clock count down the final seconds of the game, I knew that all the time, money, missed classes and undone homework were all worth it," defensive junior Lindsay Kanewischer said.

The No. 2 seeded Mustangs finished the season 17-2, dominating the Western Women's Lacrosse League and beating their rivals UCLA to finalize the championship.

The U.S. Lacrosse Intercollegiate Association National Championship brought together the nation's top eight teams to compete in St. Louis. The Mustangs earned the number two seed after losing to UCLA in the league finals. By turning around and having to play them in the national tournament, the team knew they had their work cut out for them.

Senior defensive wing Shannon Keane-Miller (7) helped lead the Mustangs past No. 1 UCLA.

"We were out to kill," senior goalie Shannon Rudd said. "After a slow start everyone played their top game." Journalism senior Lauren Chase was named MVP of tournament, totaling 11 goals over the weekend.

"She was on fire," Rudd said. "Her shooting percentage was amazing."

The Sears handed the Mustangs their only losses this year, creating an evenly matched rivalry. Kanewischer said the two teams are so competitive with each other, they know the ins and outs of each other's plays and strategies.

"For the duration of the season, UCLA and Cal Poly sea-sawed back and forth between winning and losing," Kanewischer said.

Cal Poly Men's Lacrosse

Mustangs rebound, then falter

Team settles for No. 9 national rank after losing to defending champions

By Graham Womack

Cal Poly made the most of a poor start to the season and rebounded to finish among the top 10 lacrosse teams in the nation.

The club lost its first three games to open the season and was 1-4 as of Feb. 28, but then went on a tear over the final two and a half months of play, winning seven straight along the way to post an ultimate 11-8 mark.

The team capped the season at the U.S. Lacrosse National Championships May 7 through 10, losing 10-7 to defending national champ Sonoma State before beating the Colorado Buffaloes and Florida Gators. Cal Poly finished ranked ninth nationally by USLIA.

"We definitely pulled together as a team during the championships and made the team proud," defender and graduating senior Vinny Consolo said.

Cal Poly began the season ranked No. 12 in the December preseason poll, but staggered into play dropping successive matches to UC Santa Barbara, ranked third last year, and Sonoma State.

"The first two competitions we had were against really good teams. We weren't prepared for it," Consolo said.

Redshirt junior Chris Wilkinson and the rest of the Mustangs rebounded from a slow start to their season to finish ninth in the nation. Cal Poly lost to defending champion Sonoma State 10-7.

"We came into the season jacked up," Wilkinson said. By February 21, the team had fallen to 0-3 and 19th in the rankings, amid anarchy and fighting within the team.

"We needed some better leadership," Wilkinson said. "We needed some better leadership."

The Mustangs were 1-3 and 10-7 in the rankings by February 21, with a three-game series at UC Santa Barbara, ranked third last year, and Sonoma State.

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Baseball

Five camps to be held this summer

Cal Poly Sports Information Report

SAN LUIS OBISPO — Four Larry Lee Baseball Camps and an all-star camp will be held this summer in San Luis Obispo County.

The four Larry Lee Baseball Camps are for youngsters 7 to 18 years old, will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and the cost of each camp is $160.

The first session runs from June 23 through 26 at SLO Stadium (Sinsheimer Park), with the second session set for July 7 through 10 at Paso Robles High School's Bearcat Park. The third session is scheduled for July 14 through 17 at the Soto Sport Complex in Arroyo Grande while the final session is slated for July 21 through 24 at SLO Stadium (Sinsheimer Park).

The instructional staff includes Cal Poly head baseball coach Larry Lee and his coaching staff — Jerry Weinstein and Chal Fleming.

The all-star camp will be held July 30 through August 3 and are geared primarily for high school-aged junior and seniors. The camp will be divided into two groups - 13 to 15-year-olds and 16 to 18-year-olds — and the cost is $499 for non-commuters and $299 for commuters.

For more info or for a registration form, call 756-1201.

Baseball

Mustangs to finish season at Stanford

The Cal Poly baseball team completed the Big West Conference portion of its season last weekend with a three-game series at UC Santa Barbara.

The Mustangs, who have little chance of advancing to postseason play, will conclude the regular season with a three-game series at Stanford starting this Friday.

The Cardinal have been ranked as high as No. 1 in the nation.

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Who is the only college football player in history to win two Heisman trophy awards?

Who is the longest-tenured coach in the four major North American professional sports? 

Who is the shooting guard of the Utah Jazz?

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