Poly, Unocal work to restore coast

By Dale Quinn

Brown pelicans soar above shifting sands, unaware that beneath the dunes and wildlife, petroleum contamination threatens the fragile ecosystem.

Leaky oil pipes jeopardized the sensitive habitat at Guadalupe Dunes, and Cal Poly now works with Unocal to restore the coastal environment.

Biological science and environmental engineering students have conducted research in the field and laboratory settings and compiled the information to determine the effects of various remediation processes on the contaminated dunes.

G. Todd Ririe, environmental technical services manager for Unocal, said a private company like Unocal does not have the same research capacity as a university. For this reason, the corporation’s relationship with the university has provided them with valuable research.

“We can understand how to better restore this environment and what it will take for us to speed up that cleaning process,” Ririe said.

According to the Guadalupe Restoration Project Web site, the oil field produced petroleum from 1940 to 1994. In the 1950s, dihluent, a hydrocarbon, was added to the wells to ease the flow of crude oil. Over the years the dihluent began to leak from the pipelines, contaminating areas near and below the surface.

Cal Poly is now one of several groups working to reduce the plumes of dihluent.

The relationship between Unocal and Cal Poly has existed for six years, said biological sciences professor Chris Kitts. In the 1990s, under instruction from the Water Control Board, Unocal took the responsibility of decontaminating the ground water in the Guadalupe dunes. The presence of endangered plant and animal life at the dunes made the process a significant challenge, Kitts said.

The research Cal Poly has conducted determines the extent to which the natural environment has already repaired itself and how technology can be used to contribute to that process.

“Everything we’re doing is giving evidence that the environment is doing something,” Kitts said. “We’re helping with assessing the use of other technologies such as the land treatment, the use of willow trees and phytoremediation.”

Phytoremediation is the use of native plants to slow the flow of groundwater so that the contaminants can break down. Land treatment, including factors such as aeration, can speed up that cleaning process,” Kitts said.

To learn more, see DUNES, page 10.

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The Cal Poly Health Center pharmacies have opted not to go for the qualifications for one reason. “We don’t need to get the qualification because our nurse practitioners are responsible for interviewing and determining patient need,” Davis said.

Both Davis and Perez couldn’t give exact figures of how many prescriptions have been written and filled in the last six years that the Health Center has carried an emergency contraceptive, but they did say it is a frequent request of female women.

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**Weather Watch**

5-Day Forecast

FRIDAY
High: 70° / Low: 51°

SATURDAY
High: 74° / Low: 52°

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High: 75° / Low: 52°

MONDAY
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TUESDAY
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**Today's Sun**
Rises: 5:56 a.m. / Sets: 7:06 p.m.

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Rises: 4:56 a.m. / Sets: 7:06 p.m.

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Low: 4:17 a.m. / -2.4 feet
High: 10:45 a.m. / 3.4 feet
Low: 1:45 p.m. / -0.2 feet
High: 7:08 p.m. / 3.4 feet

**Crime Round-Up**

May 21: Thirty-five dollars in cash and memory chips from a digital camera were stolen from the business building.

May 22: Hubcaps were stolen from a Volkswagon in the R-2 parking lot.

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The public will learn about Polynesia's prehistoric past, he said. "People are not aware of it, but the islands have a very dramatic and fascinating past," Jones said. "The simple fact that people founded these islands 1,500 years ago is a pretty interesting topic."

Social sciences department chairman Patrick McKim said the public can expect to walk away with a lot of interesting information. "Everybody loves Hawaii," McKim said. "But I bet they know next to nothing about what it was like in pre-modern times."

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**What's Going On**

Coming up this week

*Physics Colloquium* - Physics professor Declan Mulhall will speak on quantum chaos and nuclear structure today from 11 a.m. to noon in building 52, room C36.

*Blood Drive* - The Tri-Counties Blood Bank mobile will be available on Mott Lawn today from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

*BMX and Band Blowout* - ASI is hosting this event, which will feature the Ford Focus California Tour. The action sports and music festival will take place Saturday from noon to 4 p.m. in the H16 parking lot (north of Campus Market). Local bands A Long Story Short, Siko, New Tomorrow and national headliner Eek-A-Mouse will perform.

*Playground Promenade* - A 5K and 10K walk/run is planned for Saturday to raise money for the ASI Children's Center's playground. Registration begins at 8:30 and registration fees are $20 for students and $30 for faculty and staff members.

*Soul Invasion* - Three KCPR DJs will host a night of soul, funk and grooves at Z-Pie on Saturday from 10 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.

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National Briefs

Bush hopes to have three-way summit with Palestinian, Israeli leaders

WASHINGTON — President Bush plans to engage in a three-way summit in Jordan next week with Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon and Palestinian Prime Minister Mahmoud Abbas, the White House announced Wednesday.

Despite recent setbacks to the peace process, Bush hopes to "focus on moving forward," White House spokesman Scott McClellan said in announcing the planned meeting.

McClellan said that Bush would also go separately to Egypt next week to meet with Arab leaders, and to Qatar, headquarters of the U.S. Central Command, to meet with U.S. troops.

The meeting with Sharon and Abbas will occur in the Jordanian Red Sea port city of Aqaba, McClellan said.

He said PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat will not be invited.

The president will depart the G-8 summit in Evian, France, early to focus on Middle East peace efforts, the White House said.

After participating in a series of meetings, a luncheon and dinner, Bush will leave for Egypt to talk with Arab leaders before a planned summit meeting in Jordan with the Israeli and Palestinian prime ministers.

Study: Availability of condoms doesn't increase likelihood of teens having sex

WASHINGTON — Teenagers at high schools where condoms were available were no more likely to have sex than other teens, a study published Wednesday finds.

The study checks earlier research on the programs developed in the 1990s to stem the spread of HIV and reduce teen pregnancy. It found that students in high schools with condom programs were more likely to use condoms, though students in other high schools were more likely to use other forms of birth control.

Some conservative groups have staunchly opposed such programs, saying they send the wrong message and in effect encourage and enable teens to have sex before marriage.

Researchers writing in the American Journal of Public Health examined high schools in Massachusetts, where the state Department of Education encouraged schools to develop condom programs.

In most cases, the condoms were available from the school nurse or from other personnel such as a gym teacher.

Suspect in Louisiana killings arrested peacefully outside Atlanta tire store

ATLANTA — A man suspected in the killings of five women was arrested peacefully outside a tire store and agreed Wednesday to be returned to Louisiana, ending a months-long manhunt in a case that terrified women across that state.

Derrick Todd Lee was taken into custody by three police officers Tuesday evening, Atlanta police Department official Richard Pennington said. Authorities had just resumed apprehending Lee at a homeless shelter and then at a motel.

"We have taken a very dangerous person that is a serial murderer subject off the streets," Pennington said.

Lee, 34, appeared in court Wednesday and waived extradition.

Lee told Fulton County Superior Court Judge Richard Hulse in a quiet voice that he understood the charges and would not fight the transfer to Louisiana. Louisiana officers were in the courtroom during the brief hearing.

"I understand they are here and ready to take you back, so we have a good trip," Hulse said. He was handed over to the officers for a flight back to Louisiana Wednesday.

In Baton Rouge, La., officials gathered to praise the task force of local, state and federal officials that worked for months to crack the case.

"I frankly think this group has written the book on how to investigate serial killings," Louisiana Gov. Mike Foster said.

International Briefs

China seizes wildlife from market to halt SARS; Canada puts hundreds under quarantine

BEIJING — Frontier officials in southern China seized pheasants, foxes and other game in raids on wildlife markets to control SARS, while hundreds of people in Canada were kept under quarantine following a renewed outbreak.

A Russian hospitalized on the theory that he was a SARS patient died early Wednesday, Moscow health authorities said.

A Brazilian father of two sons diagnosed with SARS warned his countrymen to avoid contacts with patients and to wash hands frequently.

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We have the responsibility to protect citizens and the public order," said the Interior Ministry.

Bush arrived in Jordan after announcing in Evian, France, that the United States was planning to send an additional 1,000 troops to the region.

The president is scheduled to meet Wednesday with the Israeli prime minister, Shimon Peres, and the Palestinian leader, Yasser Arafat.

Bush said the United States was not aware of any information suggesting that Arab leaders would not attend the summit.

The president also is expected to meet with the leaders of Egypt, Jordan, Turkey and the Gulf states to discuss the Middle East peace process.

Bush plans to arrive here Wednesday afternoon in a joint adventure for the heartland.

Bush plans to travel by motorcade, arriving Thursday morning in Evian, France, where the summit will be held.

Bush's travel plans are complicated by the possibility of a strike by striking teachers in the region.

Peru's president declares state of emergency amid growing protests

LIMA, Peru — Faced with growing protests by farmers and government workers, President Alejandro Toledo declared a 30-day state of emergency and authorized the military to clear the highways in the Andes.

Toledo said the move was necessary to ensure the flow of goods and services in the Andes, Peru's most populous region.

The state of emergency gives the police and the military the authority to use force to clear the highways, restore order, detain strikers and enter homes without warrants. It also limits freedom of movement and prohibits public assembly.

Briefs compiled from The Associated Press wire service by Mustang Daily news editor Andrea Cobyer.
Poly not the place for PDAs

It is hot, it's easy to get caught up in pleasures. I, for one, have very little self control. Pro-see isn't so healthy when it becomes an orgy of texting and hot fudge. I watch "I To Mama Timbers" and took a cruise to Mexico. Our salsa dance lesson and I change my whole wardrobe. But, despite my irreverence for moderation, there is one thing I can't stand to see or do too much of: Public Displays of Affection (PDAs). This week I'd like to know: What's the deal with PDAs?

There seems to be a consensus from smoothly coupled pairs at each other between classes. Why does spring have to mean a smörgåsbord of hand roaming, tongue-flapping grossness?

If it sounds like an advertisement for Cal Poly, it is. Cal Poly is everything listed above and more. More engineering buildings and less space for liberal arts. More buildings being added and fewer older buildings being kept up. For a school that boasts the best engineering and architecture students and professors in the country, it's fair to expect a campus both appealing to the eye and capable of comfortably housing all the majors offered. Cal Poly doesn't have buildings which epitomize both beauty and functionality, such as the Orfalea College of Business building, but who in the majors Cal Poly is most known for get all the attention while the rest of the majors are left in the dark.

 Granted, engineering, architecture and agriculture need space and resources history and speech communication, but are there really 1,813 students total, according to Cal Poly Quick Facts.

Don't get me wrong, it is a wonderful thing. Yes it is. But, are there really only 1,813 students total, according to Cal Poly Quick Facts.

After all, there is only one thing I can't stand to see or do too much of: Public Displays of Affection (PDAs). If you're single, the publicly affectionate are more revolting than a swimsuit calendar. But once you find that special someone like two movie stars, swept up in the magic of the moment, then it is acceptable.

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This is where somewhere sobriety is the norm, like Wal-Mart, the bank and especially on campus. If you're likely to bump into a professor, you'd better keep your hands to yourself. I know what you may be thinking: "Shallan, you say little vixen, didn't you just write an article about where to hook up on campus?" Indeed I did, but not one of those places, near the book depository, University Union Hour or the reserve room. Get it on wherever you like, just be sure it's not making everyone else nauseous.

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Include beans and chestnut rock, there is a fine line between the cute and the disgusting. When does subtle affection become ugly? There's a PDA ceiling which, upon being breached, leads to a lot of social uneasiness for the surrounding individuals," noted my brainiac neighbor. Matt. What he says is certainly true — a few kisses are OK, but once the tuxedo hockey starts, it's Awkward Fest 2003 for everyone else.

I think people also use PDAs to make other people jealous or to mark their territory... but I've never done that... I'm so lonesome... much, much, much. Laughed super-villain Shelby. If you're on the receiving end of some public affection, you may not like the idea that her or his kisses are signs of possession. What's next? Peering a circle around you?

Some may argue that two people exploring their love is a wonderful, beautiful, magical thing. Yes it is... behind closed doors! If you are a PDA perpetrator, you probably think that you and your honey look like two movie stars, swept up in the magic of the moment. Well, you don't.

This same principle applies to making a homemade porno, possibly the worst idea ever. As much as I love porn, I prefer it in the hands of professionals, where it belongs. Unless your partner is a professional lighting director, you'd better take a sedative before watching the tape. The camera will add 10 pounds of weight and 40 pounds of ugliness.

No matter what your stance on the PDA debate, one thing is true: If you're single, the publicly affectionate are more revolting than a Jordan Rivers swimmer calendar. But once you find that special someone, your mind may drift to what you could be doing with your sweetheart.

Take a cold shower, eat a bowl of midnight skinny dip. I guarantee the mercury won't be the only thing on the rise!

Shallan Lester is a speech communication senior who freances her with her own money. For questions, comments or the sudden need to take a cold shower, e-mail her at shallonester@hotmail.com.
Is killing an unborn child murder?

The Laci Peterson murder case emotionally forced the government and public to bring fetalis homicide laws to the forefront of debate in America. Both the Senate and House have introduced legislation to protect the lives of the fetalis. The next step would give an unborn child rights independent of its mother. Exempting abortion, the law would make the murder of a fetus a crime committed against the pregnant woman, affecting her pregnancy.

According to the Natural Right to Life Committee, 26 states currently have fetal homicide laws that distinguish fetuses as victims of federally stipulated crimes committed against the pregnant woman. Fourteen states perceive the fetus as a victim during all stages of development, and 12 states declare the fetus is a victim only after specific developmental stages. California is among the 12 states with fetal homicide laws, recognizing the fetus as a citizen of the United States and a victim of a crime committed against the pregnant woman.

Exempting abortion, the law would make the murder of a fetus a crime committed by the person who directly caused the preg­ nant woman, affecting her pregnancy. The House of Represen­tatives previously approved acts similar to the Unborn Victims of Violence Act in 1999 and 2001, but they were not acted on in the Senate. With a con­ servative majority presently in Congress, the bill has a good chance of passing. The Bush administration has expressed its support of such a bill and would sign it into law if it reached his desk. President Bush sent a letter to Congressional leaders encouraging the lawmakers to pass such a bill and name it "Laci and Conor's Law."

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Letters to the editor

Editor, Mustang Daily

President still not trustworthy

Editor,

Jodi Bigelow said, "(He) believes the Bush administration has earned our trust" (Bush administration has earned America's trust, May 21). What is required for a leader to earn trust? Should they start wars with the will of the majority of the world? Should they deny "war for oil" policies only to have them proven true after the fact? Should they do what they feel is right while ignoring any opposing opinion? Should they attempt to create a world empire outlined by the Unborn Victims of Violence Act in 1999 and 2001, but they were not acted on in the Senate. With a conservative majority presently in Congress, the bill has a good chance of passing. The Bush administration has expressed its support of such a bill and would sign it into law if it reached his desk. President Bush sent a letter to Congressional leaders encouraging the lawmakers to pass such a bill and name it "Laci and Conor's Law."

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Allison Terry is a journalism sophomore and Mustang Daily staff writer.

Short and to the point

Editor,

I am the smartest man in the world.

Shawn Keating is a business junior who, in addition to being the most intelligent human being, is also the most humble.

Campaign didn't go over $500

Editor,

I would like to take this opportunity to comment on a recent letter sent into the Mustang Daily regarding campaign spending here on campus. Mark Beckerman, you claim that Alison Anderson and Olga Berdial spent more than the $500 they stated. What you and many other students don't know (or even bothered to ask about) is that every single student who wrote a "Alison-Olga" T-shirt pur­ chased them themselves. That's right, this means that they were not given the shirts. Every one of those 250 students chose to spend their money supporting candidates in which they believe. They never asked whether or not we want to protect us, or exploit our taxes to further their own interests. Furthermore, don't hestate in researching Halliburton and subsidiaries, Bechtel, Enron and the Carlyle Group.

Tylor Middletstadt is an architectural engineering sophomore who thinks America needs a refresher on the definition of Fascism.

Capps protects Central Coast from pollution

Editor,

I am extremely pleased at the recent actions of Rep. Lois Capps, D-Santa Barbara, to protect Central Coast residents from long-term effects of military pollution. Recently she has...

Opposed the war in Iraq, knowing the long-term detri­ mental impact that weapons testing has had on our water, soil, agricultural crops, coastal wildlife and health of our children and babies here on the Central Coast.

The Protection Perchlorate Pollution Act would accelerate and Republican Party's attempts to weaken the Clean Air Act, the Endangered Species Act and Marine Mammal Protection Act and superfund. If it passes, Capps' bill would be the first federal law to recognize a fetus at any stage of development, from conception to full-term, as a victim of a crime.

Capps' bill would be cheaper. That is like having a $10,000 dollar fine for a first offense. A brand new skateboard costs less than $122! Why doesn't the...
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Biting the Big One

A Mustang Daily reporter's harrowing tale of consuming a legendary hamburger

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It takes training, strict diet to perform at peak level of gluttony

By Graham Womack
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Special sauce sneaks my face in a devil a gigantic hamburger still too big to pick up.

My roommate Russell Prentice, a mechanical engineering sophomore, sits across from me in our booth, taking a minute-by-minute account of my quest for digestive immortality.

"3:15," Russ writes, looking at me bunched down over my burger. "Looking like a tool: a tool with a too big to pick up.

I've wanted to eat the "Big One" since moving to Los Osos, the home of Sylvester's Hamburgers. Weighting in at 2 1/2 pounds, the burger has time tomato slices, 13 pickle slices and enough lettuce to make a skirt.

It is also the only burger I've heard of that requires a $20 deposit in advance, but eating it is a badge of honor. Anyone who attempts to eat the monstrosity gets his or her own meals long since finished. Russ begs me to stop being a pansy and just put the last bite in my mouth.

"Most skinny guys can eat it. Big guys have problems," cook Gary Daluy said. "Skinny guys chew it down.

Ten minutes in and with already more than a third of the burger finished, I'm certainly not on any record pace. The all-time record holder at Sylvester's finished in an ungainly 5 minutes and 10 seconds. A former Morro Bay High School wrestler, he beat a dog to reclaim his title.

I'm feeling dogged myself, though, as I pass the halfway point eating my burger, about 15 minutes into my quest. Russ takes note of my plight.

"Feels like an Indian on the plains of Missouri eating the last buffalo," Russ writes.

My other roommate, aerospace engineering sophomore Carl Claussen, and his girlfriend Meghan Beerslev, journalism sophomore, are also on hand, sitting in the booth across from me, eating normal 1/3 pound hamburgers. It's getting harder to live up to their cheers of both becoming the first to finish the burger and eating the last burger in my hand.

"I don't know if it's getting smoky in here, or I'm just woozy," I tell my friends as my eyelids get heavy. Russ takes note as I ask to be buried in the backyard with a 21-gun salute.

More than a half-hour has passed since I first started eating, and I've got what should be only two or three bites left of my burger. But

"I'm feeling like a fermenting bag of walrus guts," Russ writes.

I go home with orders to use the upstairs bathroom.

Carl and Meghan look at me with blank stares, their own meals long since finished. Russ begs me to stop being a pansy and just put the last bite in my mouth. I finally oblige and polish off the burger in 47:30. I wonder if I can walk out to my car and how the drive home will affect me.

"3:59: Stomach about to rupture. Russ writes.

The Look of a Champion: Reporter Graham Womack (above) basks in the afterglow of finishing The Big One (left), a 2 1/2 pound hamburger, at Sylvester's in Los Osos. It took our fearless hero a mere 47 minutes and 30 seconds to polish it off. There was no reported time on how long the burger stayed in his system.

I'm crawling toward the finish line, taking small nibbles.

Carl and Meghan look at me with blank stares, their own meals long since finished. Russ begs me to stop being a pansy and just put the last bite in my mouth.

I finally oblige and polish off the burger in 47:30. I wonder if I can walk out to my car and how the drive home will affect me.

"3:59: Stomach about to rupture. Russ writes.

I'll be another day before I want anymore food and several hours before I can even think normally. I'm by no means as formidable as the bikers who once came in, ate double patty Buffalo burgers, corn dogs, milkshakes and a basket of fries, BEFORE eating the burger. Still, I finished.

I go home with orders to use the upstairs bathroom.

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San Luis Obispo's own version of Audioslave — sort of

By Josh Petray

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New Tomorrow is also scheduled to play at Club SLO Brew, a benefit show June 7, and will replace former lead singer/guitarist Adam Kratchvil for New Tomorrow's plans for the future. The fact that three days after Two Hand Touch broke up New Tomorrow announced it would be losing its lead singer and guitarist because they graduated from Cal Poly was a blessing in disguise.

"I'm just happy to be playing and performing music again because it's what I love most," Wood said.

The range of sound and theme in their songs varies, judging from the 10 tracks they have compiled.

"The sound of New Tomorrow is taking a step away from the pop generation," Scherz said.

Wood noted that the lyrics he wrote for the band's 10-track compilation so far, along with the band's overall presence — marked by all five band members dressed in black — is all about the band becoming a bit darker.

"I think everybody has a darker side. I don't hide anything," he said. "When we get on stage, our message is that this is who we are, and we're not fake."

Upcoming concert dates for the band include Saturday May 31 at the BMX and Band Blowout, Tuesday June 3 at Club SLO Brew, a benefit show June 7 in Paso Robles and San Luis Obispo High School's graduation night.

"Everybody collaborates in our music," Wood said. "It's even-handed."

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"It's a big step for us," he said.

For Scherz, his love for music comes from an appreciation of his fans, along with a love for music and years of dedication.

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Cal Poly's Maggie Vessey

‘My job is to win’

By Katie Schiller

Cal Poly track and field athlete Maggie Vessey doesn't count on pre-race superstitions to help her win; she relies on good old-fashioned practice.

In March, with this attitude, she won sixth place in the 800 meter at the National Collegiate Athletic Association Indoor Championships. For the past three years, she has dominated the track with her running ability and dedication.

“I got a taste of success and I just wanted more of it,” she said. “When you have a Cal Poly uniform on, you're not messing around. I have a job, and my job is to win.”

This attitude has helped her become a major force in Cal Poly track and field over the past three years. Besides the 800, Vessey runs the 4 x 400 relay and the 400.

“She's a super athlete,” Crawford said. “She has been a big factor in the things our women's team has accomplished over this last year.”

Originally from Santa Cruz, Vessey started running in sixth grade. Track came easily to her, she said.

“Unlike track in high school, every meet in college is important,” she said. “I have much better competition now.”

Although she has been running for a long time, she still gets very nervous before races, she said. Instead of checking out the competition, she usually just focuses on herself.

“At the beginning of a race, I don’t look around me,” Vessey said. “When I run, everyone else is the enemy.”

Vessey has set many goals for her running career. With practice every day and meets almost every weekend, she has devoted all of her time to the sport. Even so, she still strives to make her win,” Vessey said. “It's how much I've been practicing.”

Going into the NCAA Indoor Championships, Vessey was ranked 15th. After winning sixth place, she said she was glad to have been the underdog.

“She had a great breakthrough this year to become one of the top 800-meter women in college during the indoor season,” head coach Terry Crawford said. “With her potential, she is a candidate to make the NCAA Outdoor Championships.”

When Vessey started to experience winning as a college athlete, she was motivated to do more, she said.

Mountain Biking

Pedaling straight to the top

By Emily Fryndel

Although Cal Poly is a year-round home to a large community of athletes from countless families of sports, spring quarter especially inspires groups of athletes like the Cal Poly Wheelmen to happily roll out of the woods. It's at this time that members are able to take advantage of the top rides in San Luis Obispo Country and search for new participants.

“The Cal Poly Wheelmen are a group of students who come together to share their love for anything with two wheels,” president Danny Rouelle said.

And according to John Denson, the team's mountain bike race coordinator, Cal Poly students have been coming together to form the Wheelmen since the early 1980s. In recent years, they've been making quite a name for themselves.

As part of a conference consisting of 13 normally competing schools in California and Nevada, Rouelle said Cal Poly is "known for putting the largest number of competitors in all race categories and holding the best competition."