Zingg will be missed by Poly students

By Emily Wong
Nose4News

Editor's note: This is Mustang Daily's first news commentary. The column provides a first-person analysis of current Cal Poly issues.

In the past 10 years, some of the biggest decisions made on the Cal Poly campus have been under the influence of Provost and Vice President Paul Zingg. Zingg has worked closely with President Warren Baker to reach decisions on the future of the industrial technology department, the overturn of the proposed pornography resolution and the difficult allocation of state funds during California's budget crisis.

But the decision-making process alone is not what made Zingg an integral part of the campus. In retrospect, most of the conclusions drawn by him and campus officials failed to coincide with the student body's perspective, but Zingg took this opportunity to challenge Cal Poly's young adults. After industrial technology students were denied the opportunity to move to the College of Agriculture, Zingg suggested the formation of a study group to help rebuild their existing relationship with the Orffice College of Business. It was for this type of interaction with Cal Poly students that Zingg will be long remembered.

And now a fearless leader on our campus is gone. Zingg officially left Cal Poly on Jan. 10. He accepted a job as president of California State University, Chico and will assume office there on Feb. 1.

"This is the realization of a dream for me," Zingg said in a previous interview with Mustang Daily. And his new post will be a dream come true for him. Zingg will be starting a salary of $205,800 and receive $5,000 to put toward a home in Chico.

This figure drastically exceeds his previous salary. As a top-level administrator, his salary was $173,868. In his new position, Zingg will see an increase of nearly $33,000. But above and beyond the economics, Zingg said "everything became clear when (he) visited (Chico)."

"At the same time he said he will miss the university and the "dedicated folks who sincerely believe in Cal Poly's distinctive mission."

To the students, Zingg's final words must be structurally stable," Jones said. "Comfort and reliability are also critical." Wesenthal and Bagual will test the reliability of the chairs on the students.

The students must use the chairs in class for the whole quarter," Wesenthal said. They'll have to be built to last.

The competition is sponsored by San Luis Paper Company, which provided the materials. The chairs will be on display in the architecture department's gallery (Room 109) from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is free and the college encourages all to attend. The chairs will be available for the public to sit in during the exhibition, and anyone who sees CHAIRS, page 2
Man offered degrees from Columbia State University

SANTA ANA, Calif. (AP) — A 75-year-old man agreed to plead guilty to mail fraud for running a "diploma mill" offering degrees from nonexistent Columbia State University.

Ronald Pellar, owner and operator of the bogus correspondence school, agreed Monday to enter the pleas to nine counts that could lead to a 49-year prison sentence.

But Assistant U.S. Attorney Donald Goffney said prosecutors agreed to recommend a five-year prison sentence, a $2.2 million fine and $2 million in restitution.

After establishing a "mail drop" for Columbia State University in the early 1990s, Pellar started running the diploma mill in earnest in 1996 when he opened a business office in San Clemente, prosecutors said. CSU falsely represented itself to be a government-approved university in Louisiana, and it falsely claimed to have faculty and accreditation sufficient to confer bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees by correspondence in as little as one month, investigators said.

Pellar took in millions of dollars from students around the country in tuition fees during the scheme, said Thom Mostek of the U.S. Attorney's Office in Los Angeles.

Students around the country were defrauded because CSU gave them the impression that it was a legitimate academic institution, but in reality it was nothing more than a diploma mill, he said.

Pellar has been in custody since 1998 on federal contempt charges related to Federal Trade Commission violations.

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he's definitely going to have the other viewpoint. Whether or not you agree with him, it will be informative."

Cashing, born to American parents, has worked with the Cuban national library and the University of California at Berkeley to catalog Cuban papers.

"Not only is he a graphic designer and knows about the art side, he also knows about the political side of Cuba," Salomon said.

University Art Gallery curator and English lecturer Barbara Morningstar agreed with Salomon.

"Even though the title is 'Populando!' I feel like that's an interpretation. It's also a word thatget our attention," Morningstar said. "We can judge it however we want...I personally feel it's a positive thing, both from an art and design standpoint and as an instructor who's asking students to look at the whole world, not just our little corner of it."

The gallery is located in Dexter Building (34), room 171, and is open Tuesday to Saturday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Wednesday evenings, 7 to 9 p.m. The exhibit will run through Feb. 6. Admission is free. For more information call 756-1571.

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Financial for Lutheranis, which commissioned the survey.

Younger and older Americans held decidedly different views. Fifteen-eight percent of adults aged 18 to 34 said giving time was more important. Just 29 percent of those aged 65 and older agreed.

Harri Interactive Inc. conducted the telephone interviews between Nov. 20 and Dec. 4. The overall results had a margin of error of plus or minus 3 percent age points.

Most experts said the findings weren't surprising. "Older people have more money to give, and they are more likely to have a history of giving than young adults," said Mark Hager, senior research associate at the Center on Nonprofits and Philanthropy in Washington. "Older Americans may also have a better understanding of how important money is to charities."

America's young adults aren't stingy, though — just skeptical, other experts suggested.

Younger Americans have grown up at a time when scandals have tarnished institutions from Enron to the Roman Catholic Church, said Kurt Senske, CEO of Autism-based Lutheran Social Services of the South.

"They've been so inundated with these scandals that they're skeptical about whether or not their money would be put to good use," Senske said. "So what we're seeing is we're more likely to get donations if the younger generations volunteers first."

Despite the differences in their views, younger adults and seniors volunteered at about the same level in 2003. Forty-four percent of those 18 to 34 volunteered with a nonprofit, school or church, compared with 39 percent of seniors, according to the survey.

At least one expert was skeptical about the survey's findings.

"Surveys of this type are notorious for eliciting responses that the respondents think are appropriate," said Charles E. Zech, a Villanova University economics professor and author of "Why Catholics Don't Give...and What Can Be Done About It."

for the students, by the students

ASI Student Government - Wish You Were Here

* Student government is hosting State of the Student Forum on Jan. 20 at 6:30 p.m. in the west wing of Chamash Auditorium.

The forum is a chance for all club presidents to voice their opinions about student issues and receive student government updates.

* We are currently working to represent students during budget cuts.

* Have you ever thought about becoming ASI President or Vice President? Keep a look out for an Information session and a chance to shadow the current leaders for a day.

* ASI Student Government meetings are open to the public. Please come and give us your input.

ASI Board of Directors meets Jan. 14 at 5 p.m. in UU 219

Executive Staff meets Jan. 21 at 7 a.m. in UU 220

University Union Advisory Board meets Jan. 27 at 4 p.m. in UU 216

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STUDENT GOVERNMENT
MISSING PERSON

Vern Erno

Description: 82 years old, 5-07, 135 gray hair.
Last seen wearing a green fleece jacket, olive green pants, tan shoes
perpetually missing

Last seen Sunday afternoon
12/28/03 at
Luguna Village Shopping Center

Please Notify SLO Police

$5,000 Reward
for information leading to him being found
Canada eligible in Iraq construction contracts

By Deb Riechmann

MONTERREY, Mexico — President Bush, seeking to mend relations with Latin America's northern neighbor, said Tuesday that Canada will be eligible for a second round of U.S.-financed reconstruction contracts in Iraq that the administration valued at about $3 billion.

Bush's declaration, issued in Monterrey, Mexico, where he was attending a summit, makes federal funding available to supplement state and local recovery efforts in San Luis Obispo and Santa Barbara counties, the White House press office said.

Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger asked for the federal declaration last week.

The action makes federal funding available to affected individuals in San Luis Obispo County, including grants for temporary housing and home repairs, low-cost loans to cover uninsured property losses and other programs to help individuals and business owners recover from the effects of the disaster.

Federal funding also is available to the state and eligible local governments on a cost-sharing basis for repair or replacement of damaged public facilities in San Luis Obispo and Santa Barbara counties.

Funding is also available on a cost-share basis for local mitigation measures, the White House said.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency said additional designations may be made later if requested by the state and shown to be warranted by damage assessments.
Burton's 'Fish' story twists tall, heart-warming tales

By Lindsay Barnes
THE DAILY MUSTANG (THE MUSTANG COLLEGE)

HANOVER, N.H. — Ever since its initial release (1970) "Let It Be" has been something of a bastard stepchild in the context of the rest of the Beatles catalogue. In spite of being made up of some of the Beatles' best songs, like the title track and "Across the Universe," its broken origins and abandonment by its creators made it illegitimate in the minds of many critics and fans.

Initially conceived as a compilation album and film project called "Get Back," the work was to feature the world's greatest band getting back to its stripped-down rock 'n' roll roots. But, for reasons too immaterial to mention here, the album was put on hold and eventually abandoned altogether. While the Beatles would go on to make "Abbey Road" as their swan song together, the beat takes from "Get Back" sessions were pieced together by Phil Spector, among others.

"Let It Be... Naked." With the release of the Beatles original, imagined, the trio has drastically altered their original 1972 release, with the blessings of surviving Beatles Paul McCartney and John Lennon.

The result is an album that is vastly different from the original. "Let It Be." The track order is wholly different, two songs were removed in favor of one new one and all of Phil Spector's orchestrations are gone.

The great musical moments that existed on the original LP, though, have been preserved. Now, thanks to modern technology, they sound clearer and better than ever, even if they are differently sequenced.

But the beat about both releases is that, despite all the in-fighting of the past, the Beatles at least sound like they were truly a band again, reunited by the rock 'n roll that first inspired them as teenagers in Liverpool, England.

Throughout the album, the listener is afforded glimpses of the Beatles seeming as if they are actually having fun again. On "For You Mother," George Harrison calls out to John Lennon, "Go Johnny, go!" as Lennon plays a spirited, if rudimentary, slide guitar solo. There are only four songs significant altered on "Let It Be... Naked," and in all four cases, the phenomenal songcraft is more evident than the changes in the arrangements.

Of the four, the "Long and Winding Road" is most improved by the absence of an orchestra, with the song now sounding like the quiet reflective song McCartney heard in his mind when he wrote it sitting down at the piano.

The title track is just as good as ever. To hear Lennon and McCartney synthesize like this is to recall what had been missing since "Revolver." Lennon and McCartney singing, playing and collaborating like, well, Lennon and McCartney. The track clearly benefits from modern day technology, with every instrument coming through with stunning clarity.

However, the song is shorter as the "get back home Loretta" coda has been cut and instead goes right into "Dig A Pony," now the second track. "Get Back" is still a wonderful song, but is it better shorter? Should it be the first track? Should it be followed by "Dig A Pony?" All of these questions of revision make the album hard to judge as a work on its own.

There are only four songs significantly altered on "Let It Be... Naked," and in all four cases, the phenomenal songcraft is more evident than the changes in the arrangements. Before, now with Billy Preston's organ more prevalent and the chord vocals mixed further into the background, "Across the Universe" is only slightly different, sounding less psychedelic, with only Lennon's acoustic strumming and Harrison's faint sitar on the track, "I Me Mine." It is more ornate and now more of a straight-ahead rocker like the rest of the album.

So should you move your old copy of "Let It Be" up to the attic with Vanilla Ice and Color Me Bad? Hardly. In the end, "Let It Be... Naked." is neither better nor worse than "Let It Be." Instead it is simply a different, and equally good, collection of great material from rock 'n' roll's greatest band.
Note to readers: This photo essay is a compilation of pictures taken by a Cal Poly student while traveling abroad. Look for more student adventures in future issues.

Three hours of preflight inspection, endless lines and a forest of smug faces staring into the chaos of LAX in December. The chaos faded and the smug faces blurred as the sedatives kicked in. And when I opened my eyes, I was warmly welcomed to the other side of the world.

New Zealand is comprised of a group of islands southeast of Australia. Although New Zealand consists of many islands, the north and south islands are populated while the other islands are reserved mostly for tourist expeditions with very few inhabitants. The total area of it is 268,680 square kilometers, which would equate to about the size of Colorado. Almost 4 million people live in New Zealand, according to the last census. Wellington is the southernmost national capital in the world, although half the country lives around Auckland, another major city.

I discovered a land completely contrasted to the concrete jungle I'd left. Harmony is to New Zealand what smog is to Los Angeles. There are hardly any spiders and no snakes, which would explain how a tiny flightless bird, the Kiwi, could prosper for so many years. The harmony found in the natural landscape spills over into the communities and cities of New Zealand, making it the friendliest place of the 11 countries I have visited.

My 16-day adventure around the south island was spent with my entire family in a RV camper van. As awful as that sounds, it was leaving the cluttered RV and exploring massive fjords in the Doubtful Sound, admiring the plentiful sea life of Kaikoura and taking a private sunset cruise on a 42-foot sailboat in Nelson that made the trip an experience I will not forget.
River and Bridge- Between Franz Josef Glacier and Lake Wanaka lies Haast Pass. The slow moving river looks enticing, but the water is just a little above freezing. This is in the southern part of the south island.

Seal- This seal was lying on the path to the Moeraki Boulders.

Cross- On a tombstone in a graveyard in Greymouth on the west side of the south island. Many grave sites have elaborate tombstones.

Whale- A sperm whale — the fourth largest animal species in the world — about to make a deep dive in search of giant squid in Kaikoura. Kaikoura is famous for its deep ocean trench just a couple of miles from shore. The ocean valley brings an abundance of sea life to this area.

Clouds in Landscape- The Banks Peninsula. The first Maori name for New Zealand was “Land of the Long White Cloud.”

If you are interested in publishing your adventures abroad, please contact Brooke Finan @ Mustang Daily, bfinan@calpoly.edu
It’s time to turn off Sesame Street

When you open your window on a sunny Saturday afternoon, what do you hear? Barking? Children laughing? Odds are you’ll hear only the birds. As children spend more time indoors watching television and playing video games, their physical activity level has decreased. During children’s programs, 95 percent of their ads are for fast food, sugary cereals, soda and candy.

Childhood obesity is now an epidemic in the United States. Children should be in five is overweight. With this extreme increase of overweight children visiting doctors’ offices for adult health problems like high cholesterol and type II diabetes, the question is raised: Who is to blame?

While there is no doubt that genetics plays a role, genes alone can’t account for the doubling in number of overweight children since 1980. The culprit are the same as adult obesity; eating too much and moving around too little. Child advocates with organizations like Commercial Alert are targeting children’s television shows including “Sesame Street” asking them not to advertise for unhealthy food items during the program. In a letter written to the president and chief executive of Sesame Workshop, advocates ask, “Is it really the proper role of "Sesame Street” to seduce young children to nag their parents to take them to McDonald’s? From an economical point of view, “Sesame Street” is paying the bills with corporations such as McDonald’s buying advertising time in their programming. Advertising works like supply and demand. If there’s not a demand for a product, they aren’t going to advertise for it.

Before parents start blaming the media for their overweight children, maybe they should turn their fingers around and point at themselves. It’s not as though these elementary-aged children are driving themselves to McDonald’s and paying for it.

If parents aren’t setting an example of a healthy lifestyle, how can their children learn the importance of nutrition? Parents shouldn’t buy the sodas and the sugary cereals for their kids. If the school cafeteria doesn’t offer healthy nutritional food, parents should take the time to pack their child a lunch.

Parents need to teach their children the concept of moderation and that a cheeseburger and French fries every once in a while is okay. It’s okay to treat yourself as long as you aren’t eating at McDonald’s every week.

Sweden and Norway have already banned junk-food advertising to children. Before the United States follows by blaming the advertising industry, did they ever think about limiting a child’s exposure to TV? Yes, there are numerous advertisements bombarding kids today, why not turn the TV off and take a bike ride with them instead?

Almost half of children aged 8 to 16 years watch three to five hours of television a day. Parents should limit TV and computer time and enforce outdoor play and more intellectual activities like reading and arts and crafts. Too often society blames the media for problems that they create themselves. Child obesity is a problem, but to solve it we need to stop blaming everyone else and start changing routines in our own homes.

War shouldn’t hinder space program

It was once believed a ship could sail off the end of the Earth and be lost forever in the eternal blackness of space. Now the United Nations is launching spacecraft to other planets across the solar system.

These explorations could possibly happen in the midst of America’s war on terror. And some are questioning whether the Bush administration should dock U.S. spacecrafts because of the cost to continue this battle against those who threaten America.

The space program is expensive. In 1989, the 20th anniversary of the first moon landing, George Bush Sr. aimed his administration to approve a $50 billion budget for space exploration. President George W. Bush’s space dreams are expensive, too.

It was estimated to cost $20 billion a year to engage in a manned flight by the end of Mars in 10 years. He also plans to establish a permanent colony on the moon. While the Congress will spend $75 billion on a space program over the next 10 years, many believe the war on terror and stabilizing Iraq should take precedence over spending any more money for space exploration.

The war in Iraq costs $8 to $10 billion a month. The U.S. Department of Defense estimates post-war humanitarian expenditures for Iraq (some call it nation building) will be $40 billion. This estimate doesn’t include expenses such as maintaining the U.S. armed forces, veterans’ benefits, international military aids and homeland security. The war on terror dwarfs the 2004 NASA budget.

Some people also think money spent on space exploration is a terrible misappropriation of funds while people on this planet are suffering and dying, not from a lack of knowledge but from a lack of action. People are starving to death. Children are going blind from a lack of vitamin A. African citizens are living in terror of AIDS.

Do the same people who think we should fight the war on terror before we spend money on space travel, object to money being spent on these causes?

If not on space exploration, will the money be spent?

If people had always waited until there was no war to engage in scientific research, humans would still be fighting wars in the 19th century. Without clubs and trying to heal wounds, humanity could not even have said that all scientific research, whether space exploration or medical research, is a preventative step against other forms of destruction to humanity? Will not fighting wars on this Earth subside as humanity illuminates the darkness created by ignorance?

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BowLingual is for the dogs

For those who regularly consult their pet Psychic and treat their pets like humans, a new product is on the market for pampering your pooch.

If Fido is aching and standoffish, the BowLingual pet translator is available to help.

The BowLingual is a device that translates barks from more than 80 breeds of dogs into "human speak.” The product, which was designed in Japan, consists of a collar that is equipped with a wireless transmitter and a handheld LCD receiver for translating the barks into words.

According to the product’s Web site, www.bowlingu­al-trans­lator.com, the device works by recog­nizing "voice prints" made by dogs and translating them into an emotion. It then matches the emotion to one of about 200 phrases that explain what the dog was saying. The Web site boasts that Japanese Prime Minister Junichiro Koizumi presented a letter for it.

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Letters to the editor

Get to know your candidates

Editor,

Democratic candidate Wesley Clark is trying to gather liberal votes to his cause. In an interview with the Manchester Union Leader newspaper, Wesley Clark revealed to the world his radical views on abortion, "The moment of the right to life has no right to influence a mother's decision on whether to have an abortion." He is the next president of the United States feel that "Life begins with the mother's decision," as he stated in the interview. It sounds to me like he is trying to one up Bill Clinton, who is also a Democrat. You could make a case for Kreepy Kreme.

Ligeon's packaging said that the doughnut in question contained 6 grams of fat and were "covered in powdered sugar." Right. "Wow, honey, this caroh coating sure tastes like a doughnut diet? It you have, 1 will load a potato gun and let you shoot me with it. As good as it sounds, it just doesn't happen. Dunking doughnuts is an act of the only foods whose consumption can actually cause you to physically resemble the product. I kid you not. Try the doughnut diet and see how it makes you look to look like a doughnut. You could model for Krispy Kreme.

So you know your candidates?

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Disagreement isn't hypocritical

Editor,

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outdo 2003

The entertainment world certainly gave the rest of the world plenty to talk about in 2003. Reality television seemed stronger than ever. The film industry gave us the conclusion of two of the most highly regarded trilogies since "Star Wars." And, of course, California lost a good number of its most beloved stars. Our candidates areرعاية 2003.

2003: Ashton Kutcher gains in popularity seemingly by the moment. He cuddles up to Jennifer Aniston at the 2004 MTV Video Music Awards. Everywhere you look like stand-ins for the Pillsbury Doughboy. Kutcher starts dating Demi Moore and concludes the MTV series "Punk'd" after two successful seasons. The sky seems to be the limit for this Iowa native.

2004: The sky comes crashing down on Kutcher when Hollywood reveals his heart. He is now a bad boy. Kutcher starts dating Britney Spears, and he marries her in 2004. Kutcher is now known as the next big thing in Hollywood, and people want to know what he has done to make him so popular.

2003: While their music careers don't exactly take off during the year, Jessica Simpson and Nick Lachey find fame with their MTV reality series "Newlyweds." Simpson reaffirms the theory that it is OK to be a ditz as long as you look good in a bikini by pondering such things as whether Chicken of the Sea tuna is actually chicken or fish.

Commentary

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do well on standardized tests: Their scores will affect her pay raise. New reason for ensuring her students' student evaluation is done in a way that no proven education model exists. "Lawyers do it, engineers do it, business people do it," he said. "All professional people ultimately come up with methodology to judge the difference between great performance and mediocre performance. Just because it's hard doesn't mean we can't do it."

WASHINGTON — In her 24th year of teaching, Brenda Parrish has a new reason for ensuring her students' scores will affect her pay raise. Her new reason for ensuring her students' scores will affect her pay raise has its way, all teachers will find a significant portion of their raises tied to student test scores.

Some school districts are experimenting with pay-for-performance, and the idea of incorporating student test scores into some way seems to be coming of age as states refine their tests and standards, said Michael Allen of the American Federation of Teachers, the union representing many urban teachers. But no district in the nation bases a significant portion of a teacher's pay on student scores, said Tom Feldman, director of the America's Education Corporation. "It a new admission of government that students make in a year, and that you can fairly tie it to the teacher's methodology to judge the difference between great performance and mediocre performance. Just because it's hard doesn't mean we can't do it."

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The pay-for-performance idea is part of a compensation overhaul recommended by the commission, whose members include former IBM Chairman Louis Gerstner Jr., President Clinton's Education Secretary Richard Riley and former first lady Barbara Bush.

The group also recommends an increase in base salary for all teachers to make the professor's pay more competitive, new paths for teachers to boost their pay and responsibilities without leaving the field, and financial incentives for teachers to serve in hard-to-staff schools or take on high-demand subjects. 

It's hard to think that I'd be paid based on student progress. That system "does nothing to reward excellence because all teachers, nationwide, salaries and raises are typically based on a teacher's experience regardless of effort or performance, get the same automatic pay increases," he said. "You have to be convinced that you can, in fact, make this progress that students make in a year, and that you can fairly tie it to the teacher's methodology to judge the difference between great performance and mediocre performance. Just because it's hard doesn't mean we can't do it."

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Girl dies in school bus accident

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Maddux, Pudge are best remaining

(AP) - Now that most of the top stars have signed, Greg Maddux and Ivan Rodriguez are the biggest names left on the free-agent market.

Maddux, a four-time Cy Young Award winner, has been talking with the Chicago Cubs, his original big league team. Following seven seasons with the Cubs, Maddux spent the last 11 years with the Atlanta Braves.

"We're continuing to negotiate with about four, five teams," Maddux's agent, Scott Boras, said Tuesday. "There's a possibility some thing can happen this week, but a lot of Greg's considerations involve meeting owners of clubs personally and he's talking a very methodical approach to this."

It's unclear what teams Rodriguez is talking to. After earning $10 million last year with Florida and leading the Marlins to the World Series title, the team let him go after he asked for a four-year deal.

"We're talking to a couple of clubs," said Boras, who also represents the 10-time All-Star catcher. "We're taking some headway."

Several players agreed to contracts Tuesday.

Center fielder Jay Payton, cut loose by the Colorado Rockies last month, agreed to a $5.5 million, two-year deal with the San Diego Padres. "I've always been a big fan of Payton," said Padres general manager Kevin Towers said. "I turned him in higher than Nomar Garciaparra when they were at Georgia Tech. He was a better hitter than Nomar." Payton hit .302 last year, hitting 15 of his 28 homers and half of his 32 doubles with the Cubs.

First baseman Paul O'Neill agreed to a minor league contract with Minnesota, and reliever Mike Williams agreed to a minor league deal with Tampa Bay.

Infielder Matt Franco agreed to a $750,000, one-year contract with the Lotte Marines of Japan's Pacific League, who will be managed this season by Bobby Valentine.

Franco, 34, played for Valentine on the Carolina Mudcats, New York Mets from 1996 to 2000. Franco has a career average of .267 with 22 home runs and 117 RBIs in 661 games over eight Major League seasons. He shared first base with Julio Franco and Robert Fick with the Braves last season, hitting .266 with three homers and 15 RBIs.

Kendall deal with Padres falls through

The long-discussed deal to send Jason Kendall from the Pirates to San Diego fell apart Tuesday — apparently because the Padres' ownership balked at picking up the remaining $42 million of the catcher's contract. Under a trade the two sides have talked about since last week, the Padres would have gotten Kendall for newly acquired third baseman Jeff Keppinger and catcher Ramon Hernandez.
Sports

Busy weekend ahead for wrestling

The Mustangs will look to defeat two of their biggest rivals after a tough road trip to Oklahoma this past weekend.

- Wrestling will travel to UC Davis and Cal State Bakersfield this weekend

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF REPORT

The Cal Poly wrestling team, ranked No. 27 in the nation, returns to action Jan. 17, as they travel to UC Davis for the Aggies Open and a Pac-10 Conference dual meet at Cal State Bakersfield at 5 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 18. The Mustangs are now 4-4 overall, 2-0 in the Pac-10. The Mustangs have four wrestlers ranked in the NCAA Division I Top-20 Individual Wrestling poll released by InterMat Wrestling this week, the Mustangs have four wrestlers in the top 20. Vic Moreno, ranked No. 4 in the Pac-10, is currently on a seven-match winning streak after beating two wrestlers this weekend. They first met in the finals at 2003 Reno Tournament of Champions where Rosholt defeated Vasquez.

This victory was short-lived as Vasquez would return to the mat the next day to defeat Oklahoma's Mimi Miller by a 4-3 decision in two overtime periods.

After a 5-0 first period, Vasquez jumped out to a 3-0 lead in the second period scoring an escape and a takedown. In the third period, Miller would fight back, scoring an escape with 1:24 remaining and then a match-tying takedown with 0:01 remaining. With no scoring in the first overtime, Vasquez scored an escape in double overtime to take the match. He is now 18-4 overall, ranked No. 1 in the Pac-10. The Mustangs will take to the road next weekend as they travel to Stanford on Jan. 23 and 24 to compete at the California Collegiate Tournament.

Manning is the man for successful Colts

By Barry Wilner

Before nearly every play, Peyton Manning barks instructions to his teammates. He waves and points. Pat a butt on his hand, and he could be an orchestra conductor.

Sometimes it's just for effect, hoping to fool a linebacker or safety into thinking Manning is switching plays. Often, however, he is making a key adjustment that leads to a long gain or a score.

It might look like chaos, but all of Manning's movements and words help the Indianapolis Colts' offense run perfectly.

"Phenomenal," is how Colts coach Tony Dungy puts it. "He's putting us in the right situations on every play."

That could be an understatement. Manning is playing so well he's drawing comparisons to Super Bowl-winning quarterbacks like John Elway, Brett Favre and Steve Young. After entering these playoffs with a 5-3 career postseason record, Manning has engineered two victories with stellar stats. He's 44-of-56 for 681 yards and eight touchdown passes.

His passer rating is an almost-perfect 156.9, and he guided Indianapolis to touchdowns on 10 of 17 possessions. He also guided the Colts into the AFC championship game at New England on Sunday.

Against Kansas City in the second round, the Colts just could not stop the Chiefs' offense. Every time Manning was on the field, he knew Indianapolis had to score.

So he produced five touchdowns and a field goal. Simple as that.

"I knew we were going to be that type of game," Manning said. "Kansas City has a lot of big-play players. But our offense has been in rhythm the last couple of weeks." Well, yeah. And so much of that is Manning's doing.

The Colts often use a hurry-up offense. They don't huddle between plays, instead bustling to the line of scrimmage. This keeps opponents from substituting players to fit the situation.

Then Manning surveys who is on the field and in what formation, and he calls the appropriate play. So far, he's been correct on nearly every call, winding up with receivers in one-on-one coverage or a defensive lineup filled with defensive backs trying to stop Edgerrin James' runs.

"We're calling a lot of stuff," Manning said. "I call it being busy at the line of scrimmage."'

"Adds James: "That's why I call him 'P-Money.' He does an awful lot of studying and he's not make-believe studying. He's really studying.""

When told he would share the NFL MVP award with Terrell Davis and Steve McNair and was voted to the All-Pro team, Manning called it a tribute to his hard work.

"1 put a lot of time and effort into this season," he said. "It's something I take pride in."

Manning's cerebral approach to the game also has an impact on opponents. At times, Manning will appear to be calling audible at the line of scrimmage, in fact he is not changing anything. But he gets the defense questioning itself, and that can just be as effective as a strong block.

Other times, he's changing everything he called because something he saw on film tipped him off to what the defense is planning.

"He studies the defenses really well," Patriots linebacker Willie McGinest said after New England held on to beat Indianapolis 38-34 in the regular season. "He just lines everybody up, and he looks and he reads. He calls the plays off of what he reads."

CLASH ON THE COAST

UCSB game sold out

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF REPORT

Tickets for Saturday's men's basketball game versus UC Santa Barbara are sold out.

Mott Gym will be filled to its capacity of 1,080 fans, with a sellout crowd in last season's Mott matchup. That game was televised by Fox Sports Net, and Colby Polyt UC Santa Barbara in the regular season game versus Oregon State and Mustangs square off at 7 p.m.

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By John Nadel

Kobe Bryant joined Shaquille O'Neal and Karl Malone on the sidelines Tuesday, leaving Gary Payton as the only healthy Los Angeles Lakers supernum.

Bryant is expected to miss a minimum of two to three weeks with an injured right shoulder, the result of a collision with Cleveland's Redick Brown on Monday night.

An MRI exam taken Tuesday confirmed Bryant sprained his surgically repaired shoulder.

Lakers coach Phil Jackson said Bryant won't need surgery, but will probably be placed on the injured list, meaning he'd have to sit out at least five games.

"I don't think there's any long-term effects to something like this," Jackson said.

It's also possible that Bryant could miss a game in February and two in March because of hearings regarding the sexual assault charge he faces in Colorado.

Bryant, the NBA's seventh-leading scorer with a 22.5-point average, was injured with 5.7 seconds left in the first quarter of an 89-79 victory over the Cavaliers when he faked Brown into the air outside the three-point line and Brown landed on Bryant's shoulder.

In obvious pain, Bryant made three free throws, but left after the second ended and went to the locker room for X-rays, which were negative.

Bryant is expected to miss a minimum of two to three weeks, but will return to the team within five minutes in the second quarter, but was clearly not himself, running with his right arm hanging at his side. His only shot was a left-handed jumper from outside the foul line that didn't come close.