Baker appoints new provost

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Cal Poly President Warren Baker announced earlier this month the appointment of William Harris as the university's new provost and vice president for academic affairs.

"I am probably as excited as the Cal Poly freshmen who arrived this week," Harris said. "Cal Poly is a unique institution and being part of it is very special to me. I look forward to meeting the students and faculty when I visit this year and working closely with them in the years ahead."

Harris is the director general of the Science Foundation in Ireland. He has been responsible for the overall leadership of the new organization for the past four years.

"I have been the person in Ireland responsible for building a partnership with China," Harris said. "The ambitions of China are huge and the government focuses on engineering, mathematics and science education very impressively."

"I will encourage Cal Poly students and faculty to visit and understand other countries so they can appreciate the opportunities and challenges we face as a nation. Another form of 'learn by doing.'"

Harris will begin his duties no later than July, 2006 after he concludes his service to Science Foundation in Ireland. He has been responsible for the overall leadership of the new organization for the past four years.

Proposed Title V revisions spark concern with students

California State University students are concerned that the Title V Student Code of Conduct remains vague and revisions should include specific penalties for offenses.

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California State University students voiced their concerns over proposed revisions to the Title V Student Code of Conduct at the August 26 California State Student Association meeting at Cal Poly.

Elisabeth Walter, a university council member, presented the proposed changes during the Board of Directors meeting.

"The original code was written in a format that the average person cannot understand," Walter said. "The rewrite is not different in substance, just the words are different."

Delegates asked Walter if off-campus protests, parties or misconduct could lead to campus disciplinary action through Title V.

"There must be a campus relationship in order for schools to take action on a student," Walter said. "There has to be an analysis of the situation to see if it impacted the campus sufficiently."

Title V lists behaviors that are unacceptable and provides the president of each university the power to expel, suspend or place on probation students that violate the code.

The code does not provide specific punishments for each type of misconduct. Through the appeal process, students must be provided notice of pending charges and offered a meeting to discuss the situation before charges are filed. If the student is disqualified with the outcome of the meeting they can request a hearing by a neutral third party.

Proposed changes to Title V would remove the ability to appeal penalties.

"The code does not provide specific punishments for each type of misconduct," Walter said. "You can't enforce vague laws and respect the rights of students," said Michael Karbassi, CSU Fresno Student Affairs senator. "There must be specific penalties for each offense."

Penalties that may work for one student may not work for another, Walter said.

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The original code was written in 1992 and rewritten in 2000. During a 2004 Mardi Gras celebration, a riot broke out near Cal Poly that involved almost 5,000 people.

Then in February of this year, Chico student Matthew Carrington died following a hazing incident.

To modernize the code, the council added a section on computer-related conduct and a positive statement on the behavioral expectations of students.

After fine-tuning the code, the university council sent it to the Board of Trustees for approval. Final approval is expected to come in November.

"I think we made our concerns known," said Corey Jackson, CSU student trustee. "We must make sure our students know they're unfairly treated and they come to us for resolution."
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University of California Los Angeles, with rates around 80 percent.

The good news is that Cal Poly rates have been consistently rising. In 1991, freshman rates were at 57 percent and transfer student rates were at 59 percent.

The greatest impediment to students receiving a degree is the level of academic preparedness that they receive before admission, according to "Answers in the Toolbox," a report released by the U.S. Department of Education in 1999.

Other impediments include students not managing their class schedule, not finishing their senior project, not passing the writing requirement, drinking too much, outside activities including work, or physiological problems including depression and personal stress.

Cal Poly has established the Student Success Council, chaired by David Carson, vice president of student affairs. The council's focus is on "facilitating student success" by identifying impediments, reviewing class scheduling and improving registration access.

A "drop-in advising program" will be offered in the Chumash Auditorium during the week of October 24. Freshmen will be sent a newsletter explaining advising recommendations and procedures.

Cal poly is implementing PolyProgress, a degree audit program that is available to most students this fall. The program tracks students' progress towards graduation.

A PolyProgress report will be e-mailed to students at the end of each quarter. The audit will list requirements needed for graduation and provide class recommendations.

A team of CSU trustees and CSU personnel have developed a list of mandates to facilitate graduation success. In the next few weeks, the committee will provide dates for the completion of the mandates.

I have every reason to believe these mandates will increase graduation rates throughout the CSU system," said George Gowgani, CSU Trustee.

Campuses are being asked to address the 21 items listed in the mandate, and report to the board on their progress. Items include the examination and possible reduction of unit requirements in programs that require over 120 units, and selective reduction of campus graduation requirements.

The most important mandates are the items that support students in selecting a pathway to graduation, orientations for freshmen with an emphasis on graduation and information on career outcomes with specific degrees, said Cara Potes-Fellow, CSU manager of media relations.

"Students take many classes they think they will enjoy, without having a specific destination," Potes-Fellow said. "The purpose is education and the goal is graduation."

Students will be required to choose a major at "a reasonable, early juncture" and students will be provided with "frequent degree audits."

"One teacher was honest, he said "If we implement these suggestions, I will have to get rid of a few people in my department," Gowgani said.

**Multiple majors, minors advantageous for job hunters**

RACHEL WEVER.

STILLWATER, Okla.

Students at Oklahoma State University who graduate with double majors or with a minor may wonder how their extra work may look to employers. The truth is that it's going to vary upon each employer, but it certainly may help.

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"My philosophy is not to look at it as majors and minors as much as what are you doing when you add another major or another minor to your degree," Ayoubi said.

Ayoubi compares education to investments and stocks.

"If you look at your education as an investment, and you're investing in your education, then why don't you treat it as such," Ayoubi said. "One way to manage the risks for the future is to develop a well-rounded education."

Ayoubi said double majoring or minoring depends on a student and how much they want to handle and on what an employer is looking for.

"Some employers ask for all majors but most employers are very specific in what they're asking for. If the person does not have the major or the minor, they may not be included in that list of students (employers) will look at," Ayoubi said.

Taking the extra time to focus on classes beyond a major can help if there are no jobs available in the applicant's major.

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Credit cards and students meet on college campuses

Tessa French
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN (KANSAS STATE U.)

MANHATTAN, Kan. — Building good credit might be important in today’s world, but for students it can be difficult to achieve.

A good credit score can influence things such as student loans and getting new credit cards. However, Linda King-Lake, Commerce Bank branch manager, said things other than someone’s actual credit rating are equally important.

“With all the identity theft and scamming going on, you need to keep up with this and make sure other people are not using your credit,” she said.

King-Lake also said it is a good idea for students to check their credit report once a year through Web sites like www.experian.com and www.transunion.com.

Another important consideration is choosing a card wisely and learning to use it responsibly.

“If you use a credit card or get loans, do it for a reason,” King-Lake said. “Don’t sign up for a credit card because they offer a free football or shirt.”

Dustin Bloom, sophomore in construction science and management, said he got a credit card in order to begin building his credit.

“I had some problems getting loans because I didn’t have any,” he said, adding that he uses the card responsibly and for emergencies only.

King-Lake also said making credit card payments on time is important. While paying an overdue bill a week later might not seem like much, the consequences are long-term.

“Actually, that all gets recorded,” she said. “You need to be responsible. Students don’t want to be making huge purchases where all they can do is make the minimum payment every month. That just sets
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you up for debt."
Since college students are the
target of credit-card companies,
King-Lake encourages students to
be careful.
"Don't take every credit card
offered to you, but borrow  only
what you need," she said.
Students should also reconsider
having numerous cards, King-Lake
said. More than a few cards show
credit agencies the borrower is
more susceptible to debt.
Although having a credit card is
a primary way to establish credit,
Rob Kalivoda, personal banker at
Intrust Bank, said loans are another
way to build a solid rating.
"A good way to establish your cred­
it is to have a family member sign with
you on a loan," he said. "This will go
on both people's credit record, so it is
important to be responsible with it."

Study shows increase in college
enrollment, especially for women
Danielle Novy
UNIVERSITY DAILY (TEXAS TECH)
LUBBOCK, Texas — College
enrollment is on the rise, especially
for women, according to a U.S.
Department of Education study
released this month.
The study, "Projections of
Education Statistics to 2014," con­
ducted by the National Center for
Education Statistics, covers a 12-
year span from 2002 to 2014 and
charts the predicted growth in uni­
versities across the nation.
In 2014, 58 percent of all college
students are predicted to be
women, while the total college
enrollment is predicted to rise 17
percent from 2002.
Charlotte Dunham, director of
women's studies at Texas Tech
University, said there has been a
steady increase in the number of
women reaching the college level
of education.
"Women are getting greater
opportunities," she said. "They are
taking a greater interest in their
careers because they often have
families to support."
Dunham said despite national
growth at the undergraduate level,
women are still under-represented
at the highest levels of education.
She said there still were too few
women earning doctorate and mas­
ter's degrees.
"There is still a lot of segregation
in different fields," Dunham said.
"We still have a ways to go."
She said that any progress makes
a positive impact on society.
The national pattern of increased
women's enrollment has not been a
marked pattern in the last several
years at Tech, however.
The climbing pattern of women
in universities across the nation
would mark a stark upward curve
in women's enrollment at Tech.
According to the Texas Tech
University Common Data Set fig­
ures for 2013-14, they estimate
there will be 0.571 degree-seeking
women compared to 1,133
degree-seeking men.

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These numbers actually represent a slight decline for females and an increase for males since 2003.
According to the Tech Common Set 2003-2004, the total amount of degree-seeking men outnumbered the total amount of degree-seeking women 11,399 to 9,663 at Tech.
Dale Gans, associate director in the office of admissions, said Tech has always had more males than females, and that proportions have remained steady in recent years.
"Tech has been about 51 percent male and 49 percent female for the last three to four years," he said.
Gans said the national trend of an increasing percentage of females compared to males has not been prevalent at Tech.
"(Our percentages) haven't really changed much in the last couple of years," he said. "I have not noticed a pattern."
Tech's graduate program enrollment numbers reflect the same trend from 2003 to 2004 as the undergraduate program. According to the Tech Common Data Set for 2004-2005, there were 1,937 full-time, degree-seeking graduate females in 2004, down from 2,163 in October of 2003. Males in this category fell from 1,593 in 2003 to 1,486 in 2004.

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applicants, including psychology and marketing, and finance and accounting. "A major in finance with a minor in accounting is very valuable because a lot of finance graduates have to know some accounting, more than just the two courses we make all business students take," Robinson said.
Robinson added that "any business major with a minor in MIS, which is computers, is pretty valuable."
Robinson said the way employers look at double majors depends on what the majors are.
"If you got a degree in journalism and a double major in finance/management/education, what are you going to do with the journalism degree?" Robinson said.
"If you got a degree in journalism and a double major in secondary education then you could teach journalism and things like that in a high school, so it depends on the goal."
Employers may be looking for a broad major or for something more specific like a double major or minor.
"It's more impressive if it fits what society needs," Robinson said.
He suggests upperclassmen consider working for an MBA instead of a double major if it's close to graduation.
"An MBA is going to be more valuable in the job market so if you stay here for a little longer, you walk out of here with a master's degree rather than a double major," Robinson said. "It might cost you a little more time but it's worth it."
Robinson said his opinions are all relative because different colleges at OSU will have different suggestions and requirements.
"Everybody has their own philosophy—they're looking for the best person to fill the position," said Missy Wikle, coordinator of Career Services in the College of Arts and Sciences.
Wikle said, as an example, a science double major may not add anything to the job search because they are so closely related and instead to do "something that would advance you."
She stated that with added degree concentrations, students can connect two different subject areas that interest them and find ways to combine those into successful, fulfilling careers.
"It's only going to help your situation—if it shows you're well rounded," Wikle said. "They're really your way to show the employer that you're focused your attention on something else."
Companies will come to campus for job fairs and share what they look for upon hiring. Wikle used Target as an example.
"Target is looking for strong leaders. They're looking for strong, solid, well-rounded people," she said. "They're looking for students with leadership skills and good communication skills."
Wikle said Target, along with other companies, will actively train employees after they are hired and will look broadly at different majors.
Another company, Accenture, which is a global management consulting company, will look at any and all majors, and looks for a broad range of computer science, marketing, advertising, engineering and business backgrounds, Wikle said.
Wikle said students majors aren't the only thing that will help them, but being involved on campus helps as well.
"If someone were to have more than one major or a major and a minor then they are really demonstrating their education in such a way that they have more opportunities in the future," Wikle said.
LEFT BEHIND
HURRICANE KATRINA
Photos by Nick Hoover, Mustang Daily
VANDALISM, DRINKING in groups and boredom often go hand in hand. Would you throw that bottle or spray paint that wall if you were by yourself?

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- A stolen stop sign can lead to a fatal traffic accident.
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- Think about the consequences before you take action!

Vandalism takes life down an ugly path.

Money, clothes and poetry
Mariecar Mendoza
Mustang Daily

Since Hurricane Katrina hit, a flood of clothes and money has been donated from all over the country to help the many Americans struggling to piece their lives back together. But who would have thought that a collection of words could also bring relief to the thousands of victims left homeless.

"Poetry is a way to write how you feel and get your emotions on paper," said Erick Muack, spokesman for The International Library of Poetry.

For Hurricane Katrina victims, however, poetry is now so much more.

The International Library of Poetry, also known as Poetry.com, has been donating $1 to the American Red Cross for every poem submitted to the organization during the month of September.

"Send one original poem to:
The International Library of Poetry, Suite 19923, 1 Poetry Plaza, Owings Mills, MD 21117. Poems must be 24 lines or less. Poet’s name and address should appear on the top of the page. Entries must be postmarked or sent via e-mail by Sept. 30, 2005. Poets may also enter online at www.poetry.com.

Two days after the hurricane hit, one of the editors here mentioned that we should do something with the Red Cross even before other people started talking about donating money," Muack said. He added that this is the first time the organization has teamed up with the Red Cross. "It just seemed the right thing to do."

Muack said Poetry.com has received nearly 7,000 poems from all over the United States and expects thousands more.

"When people learn about our donation, they will suddenly realize that their own poetic works can make a difference," said Poetry.com’s managing editor Howard Ely in a press release. "In fact, we are already receiving thousands of poems expressing personal feelings about this tragic disaster."

Poetry submissions do not have to pertain to the devastation of Hurricane Katrina. Muack see Poetry, page 9
Watching helicopters rescue stranded victims from their rooftops was the only image I had in my mind as I left for my two-week mission with the Red Cross. When I arrived in New Orleans, the truth was very clear: New Orleans was under water. But what made me stand still was the destruction that 150 mph winds can cause. A fellow volunteer described it "like a car hitting you at twice the speed limit" as we looked at boats lying in trees, homes overturned and rubble that littered the streets.

black and white
HURRICANE KATRINA

Here, trees line Interstate 10 on the shore of Lake Pontchartrain, near New Orleans. Just days before, these trees were rich with leaves and life. Now, they're nothing more than a naked forest. The death of people is a horrific image that I will never overcome, but the destruction of most of the Gulf Coast is one I cannot forget.

As I drove through the streets of New Orleans, seeing the flooding and evacuees first hand, I thought to myself that there had to be an end to this disaster, that there would be a city here again. Mother Nature rebuilds on its own clock, and on its own dime. The beauty of Louisiana was stripped by those 150 mph winds, and vanishing along with it the culture of the Deep South that many may never get to experience.

This is the first of a weekly photo column that I'll be writing, and it's titled "blackandwhite" for a reason. I aim to contrast the differences between elements as the eye sees them and how they really are in a different light.

There's more to Hurricane Katrina than a flooded city. The rest of the Gulf Coast is either permanently under water, or simply eradicated by the hellacious winds the storm carried with it. While the world mourns the death and destruction in New Orleans, some of us will mourn having the life of the Gulf Coast taken away. As citizens return to the region to check on what's left of their lives, another storm slowly heads in their direction. Mother Nature can give, and Mother Nature can take — sometimes twice.

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emphasized. "We'll take any poem."
After submitting the poem, the author's work will be published on Poetry.com and will automatically be entered in the International Open Amateur Poetry Contest.
In the past, Poetry.com has worked with several different charities, Mueck said. "We have a Poetry for Peace program that we've been doing for years," he said, explaining that the program donates 10 cents to Unicef for each submitted poem. "We've always been a charitable company." Poetry for Peace has even received submissions by President Bill Clinton and the Dalai Lama, which it displays at conventions, Mueck said.

After the 9-11 attacks, Poetry.com organized a similar program and has since continued to collect and post poetry relating to 9-11 on their Web site. Poetry.com may consider doing the same for Hurricane Katrina victims. Until then, the organization simply wants to give poets of all levels a different way to help the victims of Hurricane Katrina.

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Grant Reichert
KANSAS STATE COLLEGE (KANSAS STATE U.)

MANHATTAN, Kan. — Having reached the 40th trimester last month (that's 21 years, for you anti-choice fanatics), the government deemed my chances of contracting a lethal Alcohol Syndrome minimal and lifted the prohibition on fun. Still, being a shy introverted Republican, I don't drink alcohol directly through my semi-permeable skin.

But that doesn't mean you shouldn't drink. Some alcohol gets a bad rap, with newspapers weekly heaving hysterical headlines like "Binge Drinking Kills: Family of 5, Still alive."

Take responsibility. This poverty has roots in generations of domestic policies and his style of governing. The recognition of inequality is the first step to putting poverty on the map of important societal problems in America.

And addressing racial tensions that so many citizens have tried so hard to simplify.

Katrina magnified this issue for me in the "thinker" phase. It seems that every time you wake up next to some stranger, accidentally creating little neurons in the process.

Many also say drunk people drive badly, but I refuse to believe such invidious stereotypes. There was once a time when bigots said the same thing about women. Before long, they're going to say that drunk people aren't strong enough to join the military or smart enough to vote. Have we really sunk that low?

Drunk drivers just need to take caution. Drinking lowers your reflexes, so if you drive, be sure to take some speed or something to balance it out. Oh, and your organ donor card? Fill that baby out, too. I've always been a huge fan of "It incites idiotic stunts, lowers lips and throws inhibitions to the wind. But it also gets some negative effects."

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For the first time in a long time, Bush truly spoke the words of an American president.

"This poverty has roots in generations of discrimination and segregation that closed many doors of opportunity." Did he sincerely mean that? Could this mean real change, or simply political appeasement to his declining poll numbers?

When people scavenging for food and shelter, Did he sincerely mean that? Could this mean real change, or simply political appeasement to his declining poll numbers?

...anyone should call, I shall be on the floor, "twist lamp and chat, soiling myself."

"Good Sir! The party has been quite abstruse, but I think I shall retire till the morrow. I found some more room over here."

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Six small words
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PITTSBURGH — In his address to the nation late last month, President George W. Bush announced his intention to "clear away the legacy of inequality." These six words meant more to the nation than any of his specific plans. These six words should be said more frequently by the man in charge of running our country. This is exactly what the man in the White House should be doing. These six words meant more to me than any other promise from politicians — or, at the very least, promises from George W. Bush.

So who were his people, too?

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Many also say drunk people drive badly, but I refuse to believe such invidious stereotypes. There was once a time when bigots said the same thing about women. Before long, they're going to say that drunk people aren't strong enough to join the military or smart enough to vote. Have we really sunk that low?

Drunk drivers just need to take caution. Drinking lowers your reflexes, so if you drive, be sure to take some speed or something to balance it out. Oh, and your organ donor card? Fill that baby out, too. I've always been a huge fan of "It incites idiotic stunts, lowers lips and throws inhibitions to the wind. But it also gets some negative effects."

When people scavenging for food and shelter, Did he sincerely mean that? Could this mean real change, or simply political appeasement to his declining poll numbers?

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NCAA Division I-AA Football rankings

ESPN/USA Today Division I-AA Top 25 Poll

The ESPN/USA Today Division I-AA Top 25 college football coaches poll, with number of first-place votes, record in parentheses, total points and BCS's ranking (records through September 17, 2005):

TEAM PTS PV
1. WESTERN KENTUCKY (21) (2-0) 1,282 2
2. SOUTHERN ILLINOIS (14) (2-1) 1,261 1
3. NEW HAMPSHIRE (12) (2-0) 1,164 4
4. MONTANA (2-1) 1,149 5
5. EASTERN WASHINGTON (5) (1-1) 1,128 3
6. DELAWARE (12) 1,083 6
7. JAMES MADISON (2-1) 941 8
8. NORTH DAKOTA STATE (1) (3-0) 918 13
9. PUISN (2) 855 10
10. HAMPTON (3-0) 814 12
11. NORTHERN IOWA (2-1) 787 9
12. CAL POLY (2-1) 728 17
13. LEHIGH (1-1) 498 17
14. TEXAS STATE (2-0) 488 20
15. HAVID (2) 442 19
16. WILLIAM & MARY (2-3) 391 7
17. HOUSTON STATE (2-2) 368 24
18. MONTANA STATE (1-2) 333 11
19. SOUTH CAROLINA STATE (3-0) 327 25
20. WOFFORD (2-1) 299 NR
21. WESTERN CAROLINA (2-1) 284 21
22. APPALACHIAN STATE (2-1) 278 NR
23. RHODE ISLAND (3-0) 261 NR
24. NORTHWESTERN STATE (1-2) 245 16
25. MASSACHUSETTS (2-1) 242 NR

Dropped Out: No. 14 GEORGIA SOUTHERN, No. 15 COASTAL CAROLINA, No. 22 MCNEESE STATE, No. 23 SAM HOUSTON STATE

Others Receiving Votes: MCNEESE ST 195, GEORGIA SOUTHERN 159, YOUNGSTOWN POLY 144, PORTLAND STATE 101
Poly football climbs to No. 12 in nation

Frank Stranzl  
MUSTANG DAILY

Cal Poly opens Great West Conference play Saturday night at South Dakota State, the Mustangs first ever trip to Brookings, S.D.

The Mustangs (2-1) moved to No. 12 in the Division I-AA rankings after pummeling No. 19 Montana State 38-10. The Mustangs climbed six spots from No. 18 before Saturday's victory. Montana State was ranked No. 11 prior to the loss.

Cal Poly's only loss this season came at the hands of Troy, an Div. 1-A team from Alabama, 27-20.

A week later, the Mustangs defeated Sacramento State 37-13 in their home opener. South Dakota (2-1) has home wins over Wisconsin-LaCrosse 42-13 and Valparaiso 69-6. South Dakota's only loss was at No. 4 Montana last Saturday.

South Dakota State has 14 returning starters and 26 lettermen from a 2004 squad that finished 6-5. It was the team's first season at the Div. I-AA level.

Cal Poly, which moved up six spots in The Sports Network poll this week, returns 51 lettermen, including 12 starters and the punter. Last year's team broke numerous school records and produced Buck Buchanan Award winner Jordan Beck, a third-round draft choice of the Atlanta Falcons. Chris Goongan is a favorite to win the award this season.

Cal Poly 38, Montana State 10

The currently under-renovation Spanos Stadium was filled to capacity Saturday night as the Mustangs defeated the No. 11 team in the nation.

The stadium admitted 8,643 fans, surpassing its 7,500 capacity. Several dozen student lined the fences outside the far side of the field where construction is underway at Spanos Stadium.

The game didn't see its first points until the waning seconds of the first quarter after Cal Poly's Courtney Brown intercepted Montana's pass at the Mustang 34 and returned it for a touchdown.

Cal Poly went ahead 14-0 after Anthony Garrett found the end zone on a 1-yard quarterback sneak. Montana State responded with a lengthy, 80-yard drive and scored on a Travis Lulay to Michael Bass 21-yard touchdown pass. Lulay finished the night a 12-for-25 passing with an interception and one touchdown pass. He was sacked five times and mishandled four snaps.

It was Wes Pryor's sack on Lulay that proved to be a turning point. Timed on the Montana State 1-yard line, Pryor sacked Lulay and Lulay fumbled into the end zone. All-American Chris Goongan dove onto the loose ball to give the Mustangs a 21-7 lead.

The Mustangs never looked back. Garrett finished the game 7 of 12 passing for 180 yards. He carried the ball 13 times for 51 yards and two touchdowns.

Running back James Noble had 18 carries for 164 yards and one touchdown.

Redshirt freshman running back James Noble, with ball, has two consecutive 100-plus yard rushing games under his belt. Right, Anthony Garrett, with 25 passing for 299 yards and four touchdowns this season.

Goongan earned Great West Defensive Player of the Week honors for his performance. He had 10 tackles, one fumble recovery and three sacks. Kyle Shotwell led the Mustangs with 12 tackles.

A tough road ahead

Montana State was a big win for the Mustangs, but there are plenty of tough games remaining.

Cal Poly plays No. 8 North Dakota State (3-0) at Spanos Stadium on Oct. 8. Two weeks later the Mustangs travel to No. 4 Montana followed by a trip to UC Davis, which upset Stanford 20-17 over the weekend. Davis was one of two teams to beat the Mustangs last season.

Cal Poly also plays No. 5 Eastern Washington at home on Nov. 6. Cal Poly won its first seven games last season and was ranked as high as No. 5, but was left out of the play-offs.

Scurich and Bertoni lead men's golf at College Classic

SHEILA SORCHI MUSTANG DAILY

CORVALLIS, Ore. — Sophomore J.J. Scurich carded rounds of 71 and 73 to lead Cal Poly to 11th place after the first two rounds of play Monday in the Northwest Collegiate Classic men's golf tournament hosted by Oregon State University at the Trysting Tree Golf Club.

Scurich is in a tie for 22nd place with his even-par 144 total. Senior Casey Strohback shot 71 and 75 for a 146 total and a tie for 32nd place while sophomore Colton Peck notched a 73 and a 75 for a 148 total and a tie for 49th place.

Munster senior Travis Bertoni, the two-time Big West Conference golfer of the year who has won eight tournaments in his collegiate career is in a tie for 55th place entering Tuesday's final round after recording rounds of 75 and 74 Monday for a 149 total.

Junior Peter Morse completed Cal Poly's scoring with a par of 75 for a 150 total and a tie for 62nd place.

Cal Poly has a four-person 587 total on the par-72, 6,260-yard course. Host Oregon State, with its 560 total, has a one-stroke lead over Washington State and Long Beach State with 18 holes to play. Texas Arlington is one stroke behind in fourth place. There are 15 teams in the tournament.