The challenges of commuting to campus

Liz Soteros-McNamara
MUSTANG DAILY

A 7:30 a.m., Cal Poly student Crystal Matthew leaves her house and hops on her bicycle for the often cold, and sometimes rainy, commute to campus. She does no special apparel for the outing, just her regular flat tennis shoes and school clothes. And Matthew never wears a helmet. "I know I should," Matthew said. "I have these images of the horrible things that could happen to me, but I try to push them out of my mind."

While many Cal Poly students are still running to campus from the bus or their cars, Matthew, a graphic design junior, is in class, alert and ready to begin her academic filled day. The brisk morning temperatures wakes her and the exercise gets her blood flowing and gives her even more energy. "I always have a much better day when I start the day with exercise."

Joel Demie, a music senior, said he bikes to campus because he lives close enough and that parking is "ridiculous."

"It's a mood elevator."

Matthew rides her bike to school as her preferred method of transportation. During fall quarter, she rode her bike all but two days, because of rain.

With the high cost of fuel and limited parking spaces at Cal Poly, the university has discussed limited commuting options for students for years. Alternative transportation option groups form committees, fill hallways with posters and demand student attention every quarter. Students are encouraged to car pool, take the bus and ride their bikes to get to and from campus.

The future holds no relief as enrollment at Cal Poly is expected to increase by another 400 students next year according to Associated Students Inc. The Academic Senate published information in October 2005 with enrollment projected to expand by 2.5 percent every year until 2009.

Matthew lives approximately four miles from Cal Poly and needs about 30 minutes to ride her bike to campus. When it rains, she sometimes takes the bus, but the scheduling of her classes does not always allow her this option.

With approximately 7,000 parking prices and limited parking on campus.

Web site offers free portfolio space for students

Derek Lenehan
DAILY MUSTANG

KENT, Ohio — A new Web site is offering free Internet space to high school and college students who want to build an online portfolio. The site, http://portfolioonline.com, offers between 10 and 20 megabytes of space, free for a year-long trial. The site offers portfolio space for categories including art, music, modeling, acting, business and education.

The site was launched in September and describes itself as "a venue for employers to post job opportunities and candidates to post portfolios."

Becky Jones, vice president of operations for Portfolio Magazine Online, said about 100 students were using the service. Some members of PMO hail from New York, Pennsylvania, North Carolina, Ohio and Michigan, she said.

"There are other portfolio Web sites, but some have a limited amount of space, or are expensive, or are only for professionals and not for students. Our site is free," she said.

"We're hoping for 500 members by the end of the year," Jones said. She added that the group is looking to begin high school tours to inform students of how to use their service to aid entry to a university.

Nathan Mattraszick, freshman visual communication design major, expressed interest in the service.

"It would be a quick, easy way to get your work out there," he said. "It'd help me get a job. I'd be all set for it."

An architecture student's interest was also piqued by the possibilities of online portfolio space. Junior architecture major SamMarcum said he'd consider using the site.

"It would be useful for a backup storage," he said. "It's really easy and easy to use, I'd use it."

Christine Havig, director of the School of Art, was hesitant to endorse PMO but did advise that students take opportunities like it. "Every tool that a student can build into their arsenal, it's all the better," she said. "There is an advantage to online portfolio, since you don't have to send any physical mail, but digital doesn't always capture everything that's there."

Several Cal Poly wrestlers qualify for NCAA nationals

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Stem cell funding on trial in California

Peach Indravadh
DAILY MUSTANG

LOS ANGELES — Putting stem cell research in California in jeopardy, the Institute for Regenerative Medicine went on trial Monday, as taxpayer groups questioned the constitutionality of Proposition 71 in state law.

Approved in November 2004, the proposition, also known as the Stem Cell and Research Cures Act, created the state-run institute to regulate stem cell research and provide funding through grants and loans for research and research facilities.

The two lawsuits, filed separately but being tried together, are led by the People's Advocate and National Tax Limitation Foundation and the California Family Bioethics Council, respectively. These two groups argue that the institution lacks proper state supervision, therefore violating the use of the taxpayer funds according to the state constitution.

As of Proposition 71, the University of California-Los Angeles Institute for Stem Cell Biology and Medicine, launched in March 2006, received $3.75 million in grants, the largest amount the state gave to any stem cell research institution.

But in light of the lawsuits against the Institute of Regenerative Medicine, the funding has not yet been allocated and distributed.

The chancellor and deans have earmarked funds for the university's stem cell research department to recruit faculty, providing $20 million last year to start up the institute, said Steven Peckman, the department's associate director for Administration and Planning.

"I think all researchers in the state as well as 60 percent of the people that voted for the proposition are all very much interested in the resolution of the suit and the release of the money," Peckman said.

Stem cell researchers hope to use human embryonic stem cells, found in the beginning stages after conception, to replace tissues harmed by diseases like Alzheimer's and Parkinson's. But due to concern about the ethics of the direction and therefore elimination of human embryos, President Bush has limited funding for stem cell research, calling the funding at approximately $25 million annually and banning all federal funding for research that involves the destruction of embryos.

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ing spaces for 18,500 students, it would be mathematically impossible for all stu-
dents to drive to school. Students who choose to drive, face multiple restrictions on campus and an increased financial
burden.
For Chelsea Hayes, a kinesiology junior who commutes with Shannen Hiller, a recreation junior, the high price of
campus parking permits and gasoline gave them the initiative to start a carpool
for winter and spring quarter.
But sharing a car has not stopped all
their problems associated with arriving
to class.
"We get here at 11:30 for class at
12:10 and are sometimes late to class
at 12:10," Hiller said.
Hillier added, "We'd use other options
if we lived closer." She said they live
approximately five miles from campus
and have never ridden the bus to school.
Commuting problems occur for stu-
dents in off-campus housing as well.
Freshmen forestry major Maddy Duffer
has received three tickets since
September for various parking violations
while living in the dorms.
Duffer received the first ticket for parking
on Slack Street without a resi-
dential permit before the first week of
school. The second ticket charged her
\$20 for using a "walk visitor pass" after the
expiration date near the slaughterhouse.
The third time she parked next to a staff park-
ing spot, but not in an actual parking spot. Each ticket cost her $20.
"At this point, I could have bought a
quarter parking pass for what I've spent
on tickets," Duffer said.
Parking citations during 2005 totaled
30,332. Approximately 70 percent of
citations are collected, according to
Cindy Campbell, associate director of
the university to pay student fares on city
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Few thoughts about last weekend

Thanks to SLO police officers for keeping our city safe. In fact, this weekend was even more quiet than any other normal weekend. I do not want to go out with three or four cops driving around my house. Maybe this is what police want to see, that all college students will be locked in for the night. Actually I have a better idea, why don't they just force every student to take sleeping pills? Of course it is not possible because we still have freedom that is protected by the U.S. Constitution.

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**Bush says Iraqis now have choice between 'chaos or unity.'**

**Amid violence in Iraq, Bush says choice of a free society is in the hands of Iraqi citizens and leaders**

Tom Raum  

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush on Tuesday defended the latest surge in sectarian violence in Iraq and declared that for Iraqis "the choice is chaos or unity." Five attacks rocked Baghdad on Tuesday, killing more than 40 people, continuing a recent surge of violence.

"Please look at the facts," Bush urged Congress, where the deal has drawn substantial bipartisan opposition and skepticism. After his remarks on port security, Bush told the translation not to translate his answer into Italian, unlike his other responses.

Bush sidestepped a question about whether the surge in sectarian violence since last week's bombing of a sacred Shiite mosque would affect his administration's hopes to begin drawing down U.S. troops.

"Obviously there are some who are trying to sow the seeds of sectarian violence," Bush said. "They destroy in order to create chaos. And now, the people of Iraq and their leaders must make a choice. The choice is chaos or unity, the choice is a free society, or a society dictated by evil people who would kill innocents."

Bush noted that he had spoken to seven Iraqi political leaders on Saturday in an effort to define the sectarian violence. "They understood the seriousness of the moment. They have made their choice, which is to work toward a unity government," Bush said.

Iraqis have suffered through days of reprisal killings and attacks on Sunni mosques since bombings blew apart the gold dome of the revered Shiite Askariya shrine in Samarra last Wednesday.

"The United States strongly condemns the bombing of holy sites," Bush said. "We believe people should be allowed to worship freely."

Bush said that 11 million Iraqis "made their choice... and we want to be free" by going to the polls in December's elections "in defiance of the terrorists and the killers."

Vice President Dick Cheney challenged the administration's critics during a speech at an American Legion convention. "Here in Washington, if any believe Americans should suddenly withdraw from Iraq and stop fighting al-Qaeda in the very place they have gathered, let them say so clearly," Cheney said. "If any believe that Americans should break our word and abandon our Iraqi allies, let them make it known."

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**Spy chief: Iraq could spark broad religious conflict in region**

Katherine Shadrer  

WASHINGTON — A civil war in Iraq could lead to a broader conflagration in the Middle East, putting the region's rival Islamic sects against each other, National Intelligence Director John Negroponte said in an unusually frank assessment Tuesday.

"If chaos were to descend upon Iraq or the forces of democracy were to be defeated in that country... this would have implications for the rest of the Middle East region and, indeed, the world," Negroponte said at a Senate Armed Services Committee hearing on global threats.

Negroponte served as U.S. ambassador to Baghdad before taking over as the nation's top intelligence official last April.

Iraqis have faced a chain of attacks and reprisals since bombs destroyed the gold dome of a revered Shiite shrine in Samarra last week. Hundreds, if not thousands, have died, including more than 65 who were killed Tuesday by suicide bombers, car bombers and insurgents firing mortars.

President Bush condemned the surge in violence and said Iraq must make a choice between "a free society or a society dictated... by evil people who will kill innocents." Later, in an interview with ABC's "World News Tonight," he did not believe the escalation of civil unrest would lead to a general civil war.

Negroponte tried to focus on progress in Iraq, but he acknowledged "a period of time back" to the global war on terror.

"The consequences for the people of Iraq would be catastrophic," he said. "Clearly, it would seriously jeopardize the democratic political process in Iraq, which they are presently embarked. And one can only begin to imagine what the political outcomes would be."
ASI brings the fun back to campus

Nick Coury

The Associated Students Inc. (ASI) Recreational Sports plans to change all that. ASI will be hosting the first annual "Dusk til Dawn" event in the Rec Center from 8 p.m. on Thursday evening until 2 a.m. early Friday morning.

"We want to be getting back to some serious fun before finals," said Jennie Floyd, student manager of Marketing, Outreach and Public Relations with ASI.

The free event will feature live music provided by Resination and 106.1 FM's DJ Mel to inflatable boxing, jousting and a 26-foot slide. There will also be Halo and poker tournaments, as well as a mechanical bull sponsored by The Graduate.

"We have the resources in place to give back to the students," Floyd said. According to a press release by ASI, the night "will help students cure the winter blues and have some serious fun before finals."

This is the first event in years of this magnitude to help unite the campus, Floyd said. There are not enough events for students to get away from their normal routines," said Jennie Floyd, student manager of Marketing, Outreach and Public Relations with ASI.

FOX's 'Free ride' may be too good to last

Abel Horwitz

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — The mystery that is the FOX TV development studio is something that has baffled television fans for many years.

This is the department that has cancelled such beloved shows as "Firefly," "Undeclared," "Arrested Development" and "Futurama" despite desperate pleas made by both fans and critics that if they only gave these shows a chance they'd find their audience. FOX seems to have an extraordinary talent for developing funny, offbeat and interesting shows and then abandoning them if their ratings aren't stellar in their first few weeks.

This is why I can do nothing but begrudgingly nod my head at FOX's new comedy, "Free Ride" — a show that's funny, quirky and interesting enough that FOX should have no problem canceling it within a few weeks.

"Free Ride" is about young, awkward and just out of college Nate Stahling, played by Josh Ilean. Nate doesn't really have much of a plan for his future and decides to move back in with his parents for a little while. You know, just until he figures out what he wants to do with his life. His parents aren't too happy with this. They've already turned his bedroom into a gym, and they've got their own problems — they're in marriage counseling and argue constantly.

These conflicts are what make up the core of the show's humor. One of the perks of marriage counseling, according to Nate's dad Bob, played by Allan Havey, is that every Wednesday is sex night. "So tonight," Bob says to his son proudly, "I'm having sex with your mom." This forces Nate to get out of the house quickly, where he reconnects with people he knew back in high school. He develops a crush on Amber Danwood, played by Erin Cahill, a local school burnout who decides to take Nate under his wing, causing additional mayhem and madness in Nate's crazy life.

The most entertaining character, by far, is Mark Dove. Sheridan has had film-stealing performances in movies like "Ghost World," where he played Doug, the shirtless guy with the nunchucks, and "Scary Movie" where he played Officer Doofy. In "Free Ride" his muddled, monster-truck-driving assistant manager of the auto section of the local Kash Kutters is hilarious to watch.

"Free Ride" is a funny show. The dialogue is partially improvised, allowing the actors to stumble into situations that are awkward for the characters and funny for the audience.

Not only that, but the show deals with something that is identifiable to the younger generation. Nate is a college graduate with no idea about what to do for the rest of his life. Because of this, I am curious to see how the show will progress.

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RV: Yeah, I've heard that it's a lot of fun. A lot of people getting really drunk. (laughs)
AB: This seems like a college-focused tour — at least, this leg of it. Is that different from general tours?
RV: You know, since I'm just supporting Minus the Bear, their agent didn't do anything with it. I think that's awesome if it's more college-focused, because I really dig playing colleges. I do it whenever I can. There's always really good energy and it's really a fun experience.
AB: So let's talk about your new album. What does the title, "Makers," represent?
RV: Well, it's kind of a dual meaning title. I think it really fits the tone of the record. The obvious answer is the American brand of whiskey.
AB: Back to the getting-drunk idea.
RV: Right. (laughs) That song took a line of it where my buddy and I were sitting around, having way too much of that stuff. But there's also an existential overtone to it, or an existential preoccupation, that I think runs through the songs.
AB: Do you want to elaborate on that existential bent a little? It sounds interesting.
RV: Well, not that I necessarily do all the time personal­ly, but I think the songs have a lot of issues. A lot of death — talking about it, thinking about it, sort of a nihilist view on what the point of existing is. That's definitely a fabric that runs through the record. So there's a maker in "your maker," whatever created the existence that you have.
AB: Would you say that's a leap from your past records, that whole preoccupation?
RV: Yeah, it's more prevalent in this record. I don't know exactly why. (laughs) But I think there's always been darkness, a lot of dark­ness, in everything I've written.
AB: So about the song "Prison is Private Property" on "Suicide Medicine"? It seems to be very anti-capitalist. Is that a fair interpretation?
RV: I don't know if anti-capitalism so much as anti­-lying, anti-dishon­esty with the public. It kind of was inspired by the whole Enron scandal — when that shit came out and I saw people who'd been working there whole lives lose their retire­ment, that — it — infuriated me. White-collar crime in this country is not punished. ... Look at the Bush administration. Politics just freak me out. I'm sad, really sad, about the state of the nation.
AB: So that answers my next question. Go on.
RV: (laughs) I just think there could not be a worse group of human beings on the planet. Cheney? Come on. The guy is pure evil. Bush is an idiot, an absolute idiot, and everyone knows this shit. He's basically con­trolled by Rumsfeld and the rest of those guys and I think they're all on the wrong side of every issue I care about. I feel powerless about a lot of it — I think a lot of people do. (Bush) gets away with lying, and cheating, and stealing, and breaking laws — he should be put in prison, but he's the free leader of our country. They're just slimy, small, dishonest, cheating, stealing people. I really have nothing but negative feelings about them.
AB: What about Hillary Clinton — think she's going to run? RV: (groans) Au, who cares? She's an idiot, too. She's the same as them. There is no separation. I hate the Democrats almost even more than I hate the Republicans because they suck up to the Republicans and try to act like they're right-wing so they can fool everyone into thinking they're hard on abortion and the rest of that shit. They try to look like Republicans so they can say, "Oh, the once we get into office we'll start doing our liberal things." None of them have any balls. (pause) We should change the subject?
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RV: It did, and it's done a lot for me, too. Now, it's crazy — I am definitely selling more records than I anticipated. This record is going to pass "Suicide Medicine" soon and it's only been out a month. ... My mom recorded (the song) and I saw the 30 seconds or so it was on, but it was so out of context because I've never seen the show before. My brother, Cody, who's in The Blood Brothers, loves it.
AB: Cool family. What kind of music do you find yourself drawn to? Is it cheerful, sad, or some theme that keeps pulling you in?
RV: Hmm, I don't know. I've always enjoyed darker art — literature, music, visual art, whatever. I like a lot of country music these days.
AB: It sounded like there was a lot of that influence on "Makers." So, in country and outside of that, who are your musical influences?
RV: A lot of them came from my parents early on, from growing up down in Texas. All the staples — Johnny Cash, Steve Earle, Willy Nelson, The Band, early Dylan stuff.
AB: Pretty diverse. Any parting wisdom for some college kids? RV: Finish school! I got my English Literature degree from the University of Washington and it's done a lot of me in the long run getting jobs and things like that. I've had to get a lot of odd jobs because I have a family to support, a wife and two kids. ... I work with a company now that manufactures robots, so I like to tell people that I sell tape robots. There's going to be a robot for everything, eventually.
AB: Even for the president.
RV: Yep!

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BERLIN (AP) — The deadly strain of bird flu has been found in a cat in Germany, officials said Tuesday, the first time the virus has been identified in an animal other than a bird in central Europe. Health officials urged cat owners to keep pets indoors after the dead cat was discovered over the weekend on the Baltic Sea island of Usedom, where most of the more than 100 wild birds infected by the H5N1 strain have been found.

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Prosecutors at Saddam Hussein's trial presented a document Tuesday they said was signed by the former leader approving the assassination attempt in the 1980s. Shiites in southern Iraq after an assassination attempt in the 1980s.

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International

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Fighting resumes at Afghan prison; one inmate killed

Amir Shah

KABUL, Afghanistan — A spasm of violence broke a fragile truce at Kabul's main prison Tuesday as rioting inmates tried to push down a gate and police fired on them, killing one and wounding three, officials said.

The prisoners have made a range of demands, including a general amnesty for an unspecified number of inmates and new trials for others, according to Suhghanulla Mujaddadi, the chief government negotiator.

The earlier truce allowed 17 of the most seriously wounded prisoners to be rushed to a hospital, along with the dead bodies, said Gen. Zainarai, the army commander in charge of security at the jail.

She said the international community has an obligation to improve conditions at the prison. Policharki Prison was built in the 1970s and is notorious for harsh and crowded conditions.

The guards did not react. "Please tell me how he is," said Zubaida Gu].

A woman said she was afraid for her brother, Abdul Halik, a police commander in the prison.

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Judge James Herman ordered County deputy district attorney Kevin Dufty, Santa Barbara, with a motive for the crime, to testify by Friday.

WASHINGTON — Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger pressed lawmakers and the White House Tuesday for emergency help for Sacramento's river and delta levees. Sen. Diane Feinstein and Barbara Boxer pledged to try to get money for the levees in an upcoming spending bill for Iraq and Hurricane Katrina.

California's senators want $32.5 million to complete high-priority flood-control projects identified by the Army Corps of Engineers. They sent a letter to the chairman and top Democrat on the Senate Appropriations Committee asking that the money be added to a multibillion-dollar spending package for Iraq, Afghanistan and hurricane relief that Congress will take up in coming weeks.

Feinstein also said she would try to get levee money in the 2007 state budget. President Bush's 2007 budget proposal included $65 million for flood control projects in Sacramento, but left $6 million the state wanted for delta levee projects.

At a joint press conference, Feinstein and Schwarzenegger said it wouldn't be easy to free up more federal money but said they had to try. Sacramento has less than 100-year flood protection — the lowest of any large urban area in the nation — largely because of weaknesses in the 1,600 miles of federal-state levees that protect the Sacramento-San Joaquin delta and the rivers that flow in and out of it.

An earthquake or catastrophic flood in the area could jeopardize the water supply for 22 million Californians.

"We're losing a third of Sacramento, you'd lose two-thirds of the water supply for California, the economy would stop," Feinstein said. "The question is do you want it to happen or do you do something about it now. And there's only one answer — you do something about it now.

Schwarzenegger said: "We're asking the federal government to go and spend a little bit of money in order to save a lot of money."

Law enforcement officers salute as the hearse passes carrying California Highway Patrol officer Earl Scott in Modesto on Thursday, Feb. 23.

CHP calls for safety review after death of latest officer

Tom Verdin

SACRAMENTO — Shaken by the deaths of six pedestrians since last fall, the California Highway Patrol required its field commanders to review safety procedures with their officers.

The statewide "stand-down" will be in effect for two days for the CHP's 108 field offices but will not affect deployments or service, CHP Commissioner Mike Brown said during a news conference Monday.

Brown said the early use of a law enforcement officers also will give officers the chance to vent their feelings. He said there was a "lot of anger" within the department over the rash of deaths, the latest of which came over the weekend.

"We have been struggling with this internally," Brown said.

The stand-down applies to the department's 7,287 uniformed officers and its 3,112 non-uniformed personnel. Over the 48-hour period, field commanders will set aside several hours to discuss the events with their officers, reviewing the department's safety procedures and identifying any potential problems in policies or training.

Brown said internal reviews of the earlier deaths did not indicate the officers did anything wrong or that their deaths revealed gaps in department procedures. Nevertheless, any suggestions officers might give to improve procedures will be sent to the commissioner's office, CHP spokesman Fran Caid said.

Two of the officers were shot to death, two were struck during traffic stops, another died when his patrol car overturned during a chase and another was thrown from his motorcycle when it was struck from behind at a red light.

As fault, Brown said, were people who drive under the influence, motorists who speed and criminals "who want to kill a cop with a gun."

Brown called the high number of deaths in such a short time a coincidence.

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— Joseph Addison (1672 - 1719)

In order that people may be happy in their work, these three things are needed: They must be fit for it. They must not do too much of it. And they must have a sense of success in it.
— John Ruskin (1819 - 1900)

Wordly Wise

Scion: A descendant; an heir.

Maelstrom: A large, powerful whirlpool; also, a violent, disordered, or turbulent state of affairs.

Name: Dan Cronin • Year: senior
Hometown: Mountain View • Major: political science

Favorites
Bar: Downtown Brew
Alcohol: Jameson Irish Whiskey
Movie: “40 Year Old Virgin”
Musical artist: Audioslave
Class you have taken at Poly: Psy 360: Applied Social Psychology
Quote: Shut up and finish your beer.
Song to sing in the shower: “Freaks of the Industry” by Digital Underground

If You Could...

— be anywhere right now, where would you be?
In Amsterdam at “The Noon,” a coffee shop across the street from the Heineken brewery.

— fight anyone, dead or alive, who would it be?
Dick Cheney, as long as he is unarmed.

— inherit $1 million dollars, what would you buy first?
I would open a tab for anyone who goes downtown to “The Brew” tonight.
Frankly, continual from page 12

their verbal abuse of opposing players will be their offense en route to the greatest upset in NCAA tournament history. Whichever No. 1 seed faces the Mustangs in round one will surely succumb to the verbal assault of these bandits.

Oh, by the way, it would be the first time a No. 16 seed won a game in men's tournament history. No small task, but perfectly realistic.

After beating up on whichever No. 1 seed is unfortunate enough to draw Cal Poly, the Mustangs will run the table and claim the national championship and finish with a 26-16 record.

The New York Times Crossword

ACROSS
1 In years past
5 Throws on
9 Took steps
14 Of faith
15 Minor-conscious
16 Hall
17 Harvard section
18 "What...?"
19 Film reviewers'
22 Former Pirates
24 Words said while holding hands
25 It may be brought out during a blackout

DOWN
1 American legislature
28 Nitrogen
30 April of "Oklahoma"
31 A sad thing to be in
32 Pipeline, Ill.
33 Big name in California wines
35 Former Pirates
37 Chest material
38 Nitrogen
39 Sound like one has a cold, said
40 Lush

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Cal Poly wrestling finished second at the Pac-10 championships for the second time in three years as defending champion Arizona State successfully defended its title, despite the Mustangs’ Chad Mendes winning the Pac-10 championship at 125 pounds. The Mustangs led the tournament into the final session, but the Sun Devils overtook Cal Poly late in the championship round.

Cal Poly will send seven wrestlers to the national championships held in Oklahoma City from March 16-18.

Mendes (125) won his first Pac-10 championship knocking off No. 3 seed, Tanner Gardiner, 7-4. Mendes won two of five matches in the opening period and never relinquished the lead. Mendes has had Gardiner’s number this season, defeating him for the third time this season; he also defeated the Cardinal in the Fullerton Open for first place and the Las Vegas Invitational for third place.

For the Mustangs it is the second year in a row the conference champion at 125 weighs in San Luis Obispo as, last year’s champion was Vic. Monteiro. Monteiro goes into the national championships carrying a 17-2 overall record.

Matt Monteiro (197) rolled through his first three matches in the tournament without much resistance, but in the championship round he faced Ryan Bider, who controlled the low-scoring match, defeating Monteiro’s match. Bider has beaten Monteiro’s six times dating back to Monteiro’s days at Cal State Bakersfield and has accounted for two of Monteiro’s losses on his 19-4 record.

David Roberts’ (141) bid at a Pac-10 championship came up short at he ran into a nationally ranked Derek Moore of UC Davis. Roberts showed no sign of quitting as he was the aggressor for much of the match. However, Moore was able to answer every offensive effort Roberts had with one of his own, winning 8-4. The second-place finish marks the second year in a row a Mustang has finished second at 141 pounds, as Steve Esparza was runner-up in 2005. Roberts heads into the national championships with a 16-5 overall record.

Darrell Vasquez (133) was able to salvage an automatic bid to the NCAA championships by capturing third place at 133 pounds for the Mustangs. Vasquez rebounded from a narrow 3-3 loss to two-time conference defending champion and eventual 2006 conference champion, Scott Jorgenson, on Sunday defeated Bobby Plenning of Oregon State, 8-3 and No. 6 seed Omar Gattan of UC Davis, 8-3, on his way to third place. Vasquez will go into nationals with an overall record of 20-3.

At 149, Jeff C’fwens righted a wrong from 2005 when he did not receive an at-large bid to the NCAA championships by capturing third place in 2006. Owens defeated No. 4 seed Pat Payne of Arizona State for the opportunity to wrestle for third place. Owens scored a takedown, moved through the second period to take a lead he would not relinquish. Owens cemented his victory by hitting Payne with a reversal, to give the senior a hard-fought, 4-2 victory.

The Nipomo native then defeated No. 3 seed Morgan Atkinson of Cal State Fullerton, 5-4, ensuring he would be heading to the state of Oklahoma to compete in the national championships. Owens heads into the NCAs with a 22-7 overall record.

Ryan Williams (157) shook off an early loss to No. 4 seed Scott Loecher of Stanford to win by pin-fall in the fifth-place match over Daniel Arndor of Cal State Bakersfield. With the fifth-place finish, Williams finishes the season with a 13-16 overall record.

Robb Maxwell (165) began the tournament by embarrassing the No. 1 seed at 165 pounds, winning by major decision, 19-7. Maxwell could not capitalize off the biggest win of his 2006 season however, as he went on to lose the next three matches in a row, including a loss to Johnny Numer of Boise State, 6-4. No. 1 seed Joey Bracamonte, 6-3, to finish in sixth place. Maxwell finishes the season at 23-11-1.

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