Halisky appointed College of Liberal Arts dean

As the new dean for the College of Liberal Arts, Linda Halisky aims to increase study abroad and academic programs.

Jandy Jones
MUSTANG DAILY

Cal Poly officially appointed Linda Halisky as the new dean for the College of Liberal Arts Monday. She will fill the vacancy left by Dean Harry Hellenbrand, who took a position as provost at Cal State Northridge. Interim Provost Robert Detweiler said.

Halisky is currently in Thailand visiting the study abroad program. She has served as director of both the London Study Program and the International Education Programs.

"Her vision is to increase the study abroad programs," said CLA Interim Associate Dean Debra Valencia-Laver, noting that the new dean is looking into a Latin American study abroad program.

Overseeing the study abroad program is just one of the many tasks Halisky will have as dean. Other responsibilities include recruiting and retaining faculty members and increasing the fund raising in the College of Liberal Arts, Detweiler said.

"She has the courage of her convictions," Detweiler said. "She is prepared to make difficult decisions."

Halisky will watch over 60 staff and 300 faculty members and will be in charge maintaining the credibility of the undergraduate and graduate programs, according to a news release.

Detweiler said that she plans to continue increasing fund-raising and concentrating on academic programs such as the reaccreditation of the journalism program. Another goal is to maintain undergraduate and graduate programs, he said.

"She really loves the undergraduate program," Detweiler said. "It is more than just a job for her. It is a career."

Halisky started at Cal Poly as an assistant professor in English in 1984 and was appointed to a full-time position in 1993, according to a news release. She served as chair of the English Department from 1994 to 2000 and as the interim dean for the College of Liberal Arts since August 2004, as stated in the news release. She will assume the role of dean when she returns from Thailand.

Detweiler said that Halisky is interested in promoting arts and humanities, and improving the foreign language program. She is trying to advance ethnic and gender diversity at the college, he said.

"She has a lot of good ideas and visions for the college and what it can be achieving," Valencia-Laver said, adding that it is a positive experience working with Halisky and she is willing to listen and guide.

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Students design future for New Orleans

Lauren Zahnner
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The Cal Poly Landscape Architecture Department started a week of events Monday morning devoted to ideas for regenerating the devastated city of New Orleans.

Students from the landscape architecture, architecture and city and regional planning departments broke up into groups that were assigned to seven different areas of the city.

They were encouraged to make an effort and share their ideas because something they come up with this week could be used in New Orleans.

Government agencies do appreciate the students' fresh ideas and some of them may come into use, said Ray Ladd, associate director of advancement for the College of Architecture and Environmental Design. However, because rebuilding has already started, it may be too costly to start new proposals this late.

Design sessions and lectures by guest speakers will be held throughout the week. Lindsay Cortica, landscape architecture senior, joined hundreds of other students sitting on the floor of the Berg Gallery Monday morning to hear a lecture for one of her classes.

"I came to collaborate with landscape architecture students for a redesign and to learn about how to rebuild a community after a disaster," Cortica said.

A group of 11 landscape architecture students went to Louisiana with assistant professor Joseph Ragsdale in late February to start planning for this week. They gathered information in Baton Rouge and took pictures in New Orleans. It was there that they started trying to figure out what needed to be done in New Orleans from the design standpoint.

Lindsay Ringer, a sophomore student, was impacted by the death and destruction in the area when she went on the trip.

"It gave me more of a perspective and more of a passion for the world around me," Ringer said.

One of the objectives of this week is to enrich students' understanding of the implications of a natural disaster like Hurricane Katrina.

"There's a lot of learning going on, not just facts, but through design and speculation. Then they can do something with those facts," Ragsdale said.

One landscape architecture student who went to the Gulf Coast with Ragsdale, Annie Garcia, a junior student, said she hadn't expected what she saw in New Orleans and the whole process has been a learning experience for her.

"You can't beat nature. It's kind of inevitable. No matter how strong you build a wall, it can still fall down. So a city, no matter how strong you make it, there's still the possibility that something will happen to it," Garcia said.

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Weekend hit with alcohol-related accidents

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MUSTANG DAILY

Two drunken-driving accidents in San Luis Obispo caused damage to a total of five cars over the weekend, police said.

The first accident reportedly occurred Saturday at 11 p.m. in the Mustang Village parking lot.

According to the police report, the driver, David Lohman, 20, hit two parked cars while attempting to move his truck closer to his apartment in Mustang Village. His Chevy Silverado reportedly caused considerable damage to the other vehicles, a Dodge Ram truck and a Ford Escort.

Police officers arrested Lohman at Mustang Village for driving under the influence, was booked at county jail and was later released, authorities said.

The Mustang Village staff declined to comment on the accident.

The second accident occurred at 3:40 a.m. near the intersection of Osos and Walnut streets. The San Luis Obispo County Sheriff's Department said the driver, Gabriel Tegenkamp, 20, exited Highway 101 and drove north on Osos Street until his Toyota Camry hit a parked Saturn.

Police arrested Tegenkamp for driving under the influence and said he was not injured. Police booked Tegenkamp in county jail and he was later released, they said.

Statewide, drunken and drug-induced driving accidents increased in 2004 for the fourth-straight year, however, Cal Poly has seen slight change in drunk driving statistics. The California Highway Patrol published statistics for 2004 citing a statewide increase in drunken driving deaths. But nationally, the numbers of alcohol-related fatalities and injuries reduced in 2004 from the previous year.

The National Highway Traffic and Safety Administration reported a 9.8 percent reduction over the previous year in alcohol-related accidents causing injuries nationwide in 2004.

The city of San Luis Obispo reported a reduced number of

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In 2004 and 2005, Halisky received the Student Success Recognition Award from the university's Division of Student Affairs, and she also won the Cuesta College Woman in Education award, according to a news release.

"I am thrilled to have been given this opportunity," Halisky said in a news release. "New energies are starting; we have some great things ahead.I very much look forward to leading the college during this time."

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Injury accidents in 2004 compared with 2003 data, in step with a statewide reduction of drunk and drug-induced driving statewide.

Non-injury accidents are increasing annually according to a 2004 report from the SLOPIS. According to department standards, these accidents do not indicate an increase in drunken and drug-induced driving.

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SLO youth dies in S. Higuera crash

Maricar Mendezoa
May 2, 2006

An early evening two-car crash on South Higuera Street, north of the Prado intersection, killed a 15-year-old girl yesterday.

The girl, identified as Rita Marie Goehner of San Luis Obispo, was the driver of a 2005 silver Pontiac that crossed over to the southbound lanes and collided with a green 1996 Chrysler solely occupied by 19-year-old girl yesterday. She was transported and released from French Hospital Medical Center, said a witness. When emergency personnel arrived, Goehner was rushed to Sierra Vista Regional Medical Center. She was pronounced dead at 10:45 p.m.

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that it will fall somehow," Garcia said.

The public is invited to the event Monday through Wednesday and Friday afternoon in the hopes that they will become more aware that a lot still needs to be done.

"Our experience in New Orleans helps us come to grips with what the reality of the situation really is," LaVoie said. "This probably is going to help us appreciate landscape architecture design at a regional scale and help us work through all the scales, to really see the big picture."

Monday's lecture given by Don Ensign, a consultant from the firm Design Workshop, focused on the complexity of planning and on developing a sense of scale. His company participates in two university design weeks each year and he said it is a good place to recruit.

Another lecture by author, activist and ecologist Janisse Ray will be held Wednesday at 7 p.m. in Philips Hall in the Performing Arts Center.

There will also be a public presentation of student proposals on Friday from 12:30-5 p.m. in the berg Gallery.

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SAN BERNARDINO — The gang menace is growing in San Bernardino County, which has about 300 gangs with up to 15,000 members.

Law enforcement officials said gang membership has grown steadily as poverty-stricken, gang-affiliated families move east from Los Angeles in search of cheaper housing and more abundant opportunity.

Last year, District Attorney Michael A. Ramos declared war on gangs and beefed up his San Bernardino gang-prosecution unit from one assistant district attorney to five. Seventy-five percent of the county’s gang activity occurs in the area surrounding San Bernardino.

SACRAMENTO — A 48-year-old inmate took his life at the Sacramento County Jail, renewing pressure on a facility that has seen five suicides since last year.

The inmate, whose name was not released, was found hanging from a door with shredded clothing Friday when his cellmate returned from the visiting room, sheriff’s Sgt. Davis said.

The man, who had been in jail since Wednesday on federal robbery charges, gave no indication he was suicidal, Davis said.

Sheriff’s officials reviewed policies and stepped up training to spot signs of suicidal behavior after seven inmates committed suicide in 2002, Davis said.

The agency also issued a flood alert, which formally increases the agency’s level of vigilance and extends operating hours for the Flood Operations Center.

And the skies show no signs of clearing anytime soon.

“We’re going to have the same thing on and on and on,” said Caroline Walbran of the National Weather Service in Monterey. “It doesn’t look like there’s much of a break at all.”

The San Francisco Bay area has suffered through record-breaking weather; the past month San Francisco had 25 days of rain in March, breaking the previous record of 23 days set in 1904.

Oakland, San Rafael and Santa Rosa also broke rainy records in March.

Late Sunday, the California Highway Patrol closed a section of Highway 1 between Pacifica and Montara after a portion dipped about a foot lower in the northbound lane, just south of Pacifica.

A second section of the highway, Devil’s Slide, also saw rain-related problems when sensors embedded in the road were set off by cracking asphalt. The crack, which was about one inch wide Friday, grew to about four inches by Monday, according to Caltrans spokeswoman Lauren Wonder.

Crews were working to determine how to best repair the road, which had closed indefinitely, Wonder said.

“We just need to make sure it’s safe for passage,” she said.

The Devil’s Slide area of Highway 1 is prone to rockslides. The last major road closure was in 1995, when a slide closed the highway for 150 days and prompted officials to install the road sensors.

In Scotts Valley, a tree that fell about 9:45 a.m. Monday blocked northbound lanes of Highway 17 at Granite Creek Road for several hours, the California Highway Patrol reported.

Also closed by sliding rocks and mud was one of the roads leading to Muir Woods National Monument in Mill Valley, just south of San Francisco.

“It’s rainy out there. Many people are visiting,” spokeswoman Mia Monse said, adding that the number of visitors is about normal for this time of year.

New picking season brings ergonomics to the field

Cara Anna

COOPERSTOWN, N.Y. — Michael Rowland knows what he’ll be seeing as a new farm season begins: Bag-toting orchard workers with sore backs.

Rowland, an occupational medicine specialist with the Maine Migrant Health Program, has watched as pickers lift a 42-pound bag of fruit and then place that tipsy weight on a 16-foot ladder.

“We give them pain medication, and hope they get through the season,” he said.

Now some researchers like Rowland are chasing a better option. In efforts that reach from California’s central valleys to New York’s apple orchards, they’re applying a practice better known to office dwellers: Ergonomics.

Why not farm work? It’s repetitious and physical. When pay is by the piece, the temptation increases to work faster and under larger loads.

And hard work is usually compressed into a few weeks or months, as maturing fruit in a multi-billion-dollar industry waits for no one.

These workers typically use bags weighing up to 42 pounds, or about a bushel, when full, with the weight swinging from just a shoulder strap or two. Earle-Richardson’s redesigned bag helps anchor the weight near workers’ waists.

Rowland hopes to test some of the bags in Maine this season. They might also work for citrus picking in places such as Florida, where bag loads can reach close to 80 pounds.

In any ergonomics project, the challenge is finding solutions cheap enough to interest farmers, and non-threatening enough to tell workers the tools aren’t taking their jobs.

It doesn’t always work. One notable flop was a cart for low-lying crops that had workers lying and picking on their stomachs, as if they were swimming over the plants.

It erased the iconic image of farmworkers bending in the fields. But it was quickly rejected. Not a proper position for females, workers said.

Victor Duraj with UC Davis chimed in at the meeting. “I think we’ve already taken it apart for parts,” he said.
Moussaoui eligible for death penalty, jury says

Matthew Barakat
ASSOCIATED PRESS

ALEXANDRIA, Va. — A federal jury found al-Qaida conspirator Zacarias Moussaoui eligible Monday to be executed, deciding that his lies in a chat and prayed silently as the verdict was read. He was asked to stand but refused.

"You'll never get my blood, God curse you all," he said afterward.

The nine men and three women of the jury will hear testimony on whether the 37-year-old Frenchman, who was in jail at the time of the attack, deserves to be executed for his role.

The testimony will include families of Sept. 11 victims who will describe the human impact of the al-Qaida mission that flew four jetliners into the World Trade Center, the Pentagon and a Pennsylvania field.

Court-appointed defense lawyers, whom Moussaoui has tried to reject, will summon experts to suggest he is schizophrenic after an impoverished childhood during which he faced racism in France over his Moroccan ancestry.

"By this verdict, the jury has found that death is a possible sentence in this case," court spokesman Ed Adams said.

On the key question before the jurors, they answered yes on whether at least one victim died Sept. 11 as a direct result of Moussaoui's actions. Had the jury voted against his eligibility for the death penalty, Moussaoui would have been sentenced to life in prison.

The jury began weighing Moussaoui's fate last Wednesday. During its deliberations, jurors asked only one question, seeking a definition of "weapon of mass destruction."

$1 for a bag of airline pretzels? And for a blanket?

Leslie Miller
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Ask for a pillow and blanket to help get through a long flight and you'll be out of luck. Or you may be able to buy a "comfort package" from Air Canada for $2.

Like to check your luggage curbside? That could cost up to $3 a bag.

Airlines are starting to charge for many services that once were free — such as assigned seating, paper tickets and blankets.

Air travelers who don't fly often may be in for some unpleasant surprises when they reach the airport this summer.

"They're going to be confused and they're going to be somewhat upset," said Kevin Mitchell, president of the Business Travelers Coalition.

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— The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — A divided Supreme Court turned back a challenge to the Bush administration's wartime detention powers, rejecting an appeal from U.S. citizens rejected by Chief Justice John Roberts and two others signaled concern about the government's handling of Padilla and said they would ask the government to grant him the protections "guaranteed to all federal criminal defendants."

— The Associated Press

MARSHALL, Texas

Texas has no fuel but cut its C-5s "fus 50, hundreds of millions of dollars, but a Texas jury is being asked to decide whether the planes are due to poor business skills or something more sinister.

The Alviso, Calif.-based company accuses EchoStar of violating a "confidentiality agreement" in this case, court spokesman Leslie Miller said.

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DOVER, Del. — A huge military cargo plane fated after takeoff and belly-landed short of the Dover Air Force Base runway Monday, breaking apart and drenching some of the 17 people aboard with scorching hot water coming no fire or life-threatening injuries.

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Back Dormitory Boys podcasting their way to global success

Hidemi Chen

LOS ANGELES — Have you ever heard of the Back Dormitory Boys and the Back Dormitory Boys? They’re a duo of college boys who like to sing along to pop songs in their dorm room, often by the boy band from which they took their name. They’re Chinese. One is tall, one is short. They have a roommate who likes to play computer games. So what? You ask. Perhaps you like to sing along to pop songs in your room, too. What makes them special, other than the fact that they’ve given themselves a name? Why would anyone know about two random guys all the way in China? The answer is podcasting. Had they not posted videos of their lip-synching antics last fall, no one would have known of them as the Back Dormitory Boys. Their talent for creating humorous music videos complete with matching uniforms and dance moves, would have stayed within their dorm room walls in China unknown to the world.

But they did post their videos, more than six videos in total, and gradually people all over the world discovered them. Those who saw the videos sent the link to friends or told others about it, and word spread. The Internet is quick to translate Web sites and messages into multiple languages, so it’s possible to communicate with people who don’t speak your language.

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**Songs We Sing** more genuine than the rest

Amy Dierendorf

Matt Costa's first full-length album, "Songs We Sing," is sure to surprise any listener who is expecting just another whiny, guitar-playing pop-rocker.

Costa's voice sounds real and untouched; as if with added instruments and guitar tricks, owed by his skateboarding success.

The incredibly authentic album, completely written and recorded by Costa, was independently released in 2005 in limited numbers, and has since been re-mastered and re-released.

Costa's first single, "Cold December," is reminiscent of label-mate Jack Johnson's bubbly guitar strumming, but is distinctively richer with added instruments and guitar tracks.

Costa's voice sounds real and untouched, as if he's sitting right next to you singing about lost love, not recording in a studio.

Costa, 23, began his career as a pro skateboarder before fracturing his leg three years ago in a skateboarding accident. During his 18-month recovery, he focused his attention on the guitar that was given to him as a gift when he was 12 years old, which was long overshadowed by his skateboarding success.

Costa began writing and recording songs on a mini tape recorder while rehabilitating his leg. The homemade demos began circulating among friends in his hometown of Huntington Beach before falling into the hands of No Doubt guitarist, Tony Dumont.

Five of those first recordings became Costa's self-titled debut EP distributed with the help of Dumont in 2003. The first track from the EP, "Astair," is reworked and included as track No. 2 on "Songs We Sing."

"Astair" lacks the purity of love, but experiments with a more organic, bluegrass sound. Costa sings the untruth, but heartfelt lines, "Astair, you're there and I'm still here/singing in my sweet rose/As the two of us change/I want you to know that nothing stays the same/But you and I, we will remain./My rose, remember my rose." Costa's style is simple but enticing, with his guitar-playing skills and creativity really shining above any other aspect of his music. He has diverse tastes that make it impossible to categorize him, which is quite an achievement for a young artist just starting out.

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Costa is also featured on Jack Johnson's newly released soundtrack from the film "Curious George."

**Musician Matt Costa, a Southern California native who has toured with such artists as Jack Johnson, debuted his first full-length album 'Songs We Sing' last week.**

The title track to "Songs We Sing" brings a refreshing break to the laid-back, pop-rock harmonies of the first half of the album with galloping, harmonica-filled interludes that seem right at home in a country western flick. However, Costa's voice lacks the necessary twang to make it sound like a true country song.

Track No. 6, "Ballad of Miss Kate," carries a distinctive rock sound that is reminiscent of Lynyrd Skynyrd classics. Track No. 7, "Sweet Rose," follows suit, sounding like something Johnny Cash would play, as Costa sings the charming lyrics, "My sweet rose/As the two of us change/I want you to know that nothing stays the same/But you and I, we will remain./My rose, remember my rose."

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**Buy it or download it, either way it's a must-have.**

**Should become a new favorite.**

**Worth a trip to the music store.**

**Go download a couple songs.**

**Don't waste the space on your iPod.**

Crude 'Instinct' fails to revive Stone's

David R. Eick

ANN ARBOR, Mich. — In 1992 a coming-of-age movie entitled "Basic Instinct" emerged from the seared fabric of Hollywood and forced half the nation to re-examine its collective crotch. The scintillating film featured a female novelist whose stories of sex and murder had a funny way of coming true. The leading role was played by none other than the dopingly seductive Sharon Stone, a perfect choice for the role of an erotic ice-pick-wielding writer/trespasser.

Now, in the spring of 2006, we have the sequel.

It's titled "Basic Instinct 2," and is about a female novelist, whose stories of sex and murder have a funny way of coming true featuring Sharon Stone.

As any conscious fourth-grader could tell you, 2006 minus 14. Fourteen years. That's enough time for anyone, especially, a woman, to become auoless. As she does, so people close to Stone keep dying.

But despite the deaths, he can't quite keep the reins on his lorn and falls into an affair with the ever-damned gorgeous woman, who now resembles infamous Dalmatian-murderer Cruella De Vil.

Stone tries to play the same character she did in the original, employing braided articulations and a poise for cry-sadlooking glasses. Unfortunately, she comes off as a horridly bad face for any one of her characters.

In other words, her book, her grains bigger, but they're also, um lower.

As for the rest of the cast, they don't really matter. Along with everyone else, Dr. Glas' character suffers from a gratuitous fear of breast one-dimensionality.

But maybe something good could come of this after all. Somebody go ring Sean Comer's doorbell. We need a new Bond. If Stone can draw a character this, it's why can't she?
International briefs

BEIJING — China suggested Monday that it was open to a visit with the Dalai Lama and to establishing ties with the Tibetan government-in-exile. The Dalai Lama, exiled spiritual leader of Tibetan Buddhists, announced on Friday that he hoped to travel to China on a pilgrimage. He said envoy had conveyed his message in officials in Beijing.

JERUSALEM — Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon will under­go surgery Tuesday to restore a major blood vessel to his brain.

International

Associated Press

BAHRAIN, Iraq — Nine more Iraqis wounded in an car bomb attack in Baghdad on Monday, the U.S. military reported Monday, five of them in a vehicle accident in a remote, rain-soaked western desert. Their deaths brought the number of service members killed so this far in March to 13 — half the number who died in all of March.

Three more Americans — two Marines and a sailor — were wounded in the Sunday accident in which a truck overturned near Ana air base, a U.S. official said. All three at sea were Marines, the statement added. It gave no reason for the accident except that it was not a result of hostile fire. Heavy rains fell over the area during the weekend.

Also, three soldiers and a sailor were killed in a single attack Feb. 22, when enemies of the 101st Airborne Division died in a bombing in northern Iraq.

Sharon suffered his stroke Jan. 4 after a heart attack in Decem­ber.

The Associated Press

BALTIMORE — The gov­ernment set tighter gun control rules Wednesday for pickups and sport utility vehicles, including bulky SUVs, like the Hummer H2 and Chevrolet Suburban, respond­ing to rising concerns about the supply and cost of energy from abroad.

The new fuel economy rules, covering 2008 through 2011, would require manufacturers to burn up to 5% more fuel over the lifetime of the vehicles sold during that period and take a more aggressive stance than an administration proposal issued last summer, officials said.

The Associated Press

TIHAN, Iran — Iran success­fully launched a second rocket in as many days Monday, the latest weapon to be unveiled during a week in which the military said are aimed at preparing the country’s defenses against a U.S. attack.

A spokesman for the elite Revolutionary Guards suggested the second rocket was more powerful and capable of going deeper than others in its arsenal.

Gen. Mohammad Ebrahimi Dehghani told state television the ship-launched weapon can target submarines at any depth and is powerful enough to “break a heavy warship to pieces.”

The Associated Press

FREETOWN, Sierra Leone — Taylor’s armed forces on Monday beamed and blew kites after pleading not guilty to war crimes charges but confirming for­mer friend and combatant, Taylor said Monday, they would not pose no threat if set free.

Zai Ul Shah, a Pakistani- accused of being a member of the Taliban, said he hated his American captors at first but his feelings softened after he learned about the 9/11 terrorist attacks.

“The beginning I did not like Americans at all,” Shah said. “I had never seen Americans. In the begin­ning when I came here the interro­gators showed us some pictures of dead Americans. I started hating them more, but then... someone showed me pictures from 9/11. Then I realized they have a right to be angry. My hate towards Americans was gone.”

Some 715 prisoners have passed through the cells of the U.S. military base since it began receiving men captured in the U.S. war on terror more than four years ago. Pentargon spokesman Bryan Whitman said 400 of them are now held at the base, which is the last remaining overseas base.

Whitman told reporters at the Pentagon that authorities have gained a wealth of knowledge by ignoring the complaints.

Some 5,000 pages of transcripts were held to be considered fairly:

Information lawsuit filed by the AP, the military determined how dangerous a combatant," they fall under a classifi­cation under a classifi­cation for the Combatant’s Review Tribunals. If a detainee is deter­mined eligible for release, they can be considered for early release.

The Associated Press

Pentagon releases new Guantanamo Bay transcripts

Andrew Selsky

Associated Press

GUANTANAMO BAY NAVAL BASE, Cuba — In 2,733 pages of declassified documents released Monday to The Associated Press, men accused of helping terrorist groups or Afghanistan’s former Taliban regime pleaded for freedom while U.S. military officers often painstakingly tried to find holes in their stories.

The previously classified transcripts were the second batch of Guantanamo Bay detainee hearings released by the Pentagon in response to a lawsuit by the AP. They identified more than 60 detainees who have been secretly held without charges for up to four years while the U.S. military determined how dangerous they may be.

Most of the men said they were innocent and claimed they were “politicized,” that no one is above the law.

The former Liberian presi­dent has been charged with con­spiring to supply arms and soldiers to the Sierra Leone’s civil war, because he did not recognize the court. Taylor was serving a 50-year sentence in Luanda, Angola, for his role in West Africa through killings, sexual slavery and sending children into combat.

The Associated Press

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Mustang Daily

Tuesday, April 4, 2006

U.S. reports nine more troops dead in Iraq

Vanessa Arrington

Associated Press

In the days after the Al-Jaafari faction split from Muntazer al-Qaisy’s faction, one senior member of the Al-Jaafari’s said he wanted to travel to China on a pilgrimage. He said envoy had conveyed his message to officials in Beijing.

WASHINGTON — The Air Force is sending a team of investigators to hostile fire in China’s Xinjiang region, where a U.S. military report found that airmen were killed by “friendly fire.”

The Associated Press
The Gamekillers OBITUARIES April 2006

Andre Massis
Fernando Nieves
Zack Danielson

Game Killed

was recast in the role of "the
villain" in front of a crowd of
horrible onlookers. No one
hooks up with an insensitive
pig. Rest in peace Fernando,
but you sleep alone.

DANIELSON Zack, Atlanta, GA
It was easy in the evening
yesterday when Zack's game
left us, and while it didn't
without a fight, Zack did
have his arm ceremoniously
handed to him. Upon returning
from the bathroom, Zack
found the girl he was seeing
had been surrounded by a
beady messmorph, Early Man,
who tried to use his abundant
muscle to stirragram him out
of the picture. Zack did not
keep his cool and accosted
his young lady friend of finding
the first guy who came
along. His girl, no doubt
disguised by Zack's overthe-
top bravado, lied the scene
when his far from attractive
jealousy escalated into Zack
throwing a punch, which was
caught in mid-air by something
that looked like a hand, but felt
like a 20lb vice. By the time
Zack regained consciousness,
he was home alone and
unable to console himself with
his dominant hand.

NEVES Fernando, New York, NY
His game was alive and
well on its way to a ten
digit exchange with a hotte
known as Bitney, but was
suddenly bushwhacked by a
classic Gamekiller, The Drama
Queen. She ran into the scene,
tears streaming, and sobbed
a story of having seen her ex
fiancé four years ago. "I, I, just
can't be alone tonight,.Bit." 
Still a retrievable situation had
Fernando kept his cool. But
he didn't. "Four years seems
like a long time ago," he said
in all innocence. By the time
The Drama Queen was done
flipping the script, Fernando

Game Killed

tradition of lighting one's own
farts. Sure, there's little more
terrible than the ignition of one's
own combustible human
gases, but much like riding an
electric scooter, you don't look
that cool doing it. When the
laughter subsided, Hanwey
was left with nothing but a
good laugh and the faint smell
of old eggs, while his lady
was snared by a new suitor.
Man, talk about blowing it.

SMITH Eric, Washington, DC
His game came to its
denouement in the most unlikely
of circumstances. While
engaging in two of his most
pleasurable pastimes, talking
about boats, with his other
passion, a beautiful girl who
seemed genuinely interested.
They were even planning to go
out in his 15-foot dinghy, only
to hit unseen rocks in the form
of The One Upper, the classic

HARVEY Shah
BHARAT Kumar

Game Killed

Gamekiller who lives by the
motto "Anything you can do
I can do better." Sure enough,
The One Upper claimed to not
only know boats, but he also
boasted of capturing his own
40-foot vessel. Eric tried to
navigate to the calmer waters
cart talk but was run over
again by The One Upper's
supposed vintage German
roadster. The tension quickly
mounted, and soon the two
were engaged in a ruthless
game of one-upmanship. On
and on they went, seeing what
the other guy just said and
raising him. When the smoke
cleared, Eric had won the
game, but the girl was nowhere
to be found. No one likes a
braggart. Eric's game was last
seen drifting away towards the
vast sea of loneliness in
an underized boat.

FOX Jon, London, UK
Jon's game, beloved to many a
cheerleader and facilitator of the
menage of 2003, was fairing
badly at a Gold Coast club with
a delightful pair of sisters. That
is until the playboy predator
and full time Gamekiller simply
known as Kash Munni entered
the picture. A well-endowed
socialite famous for trashing
out ever increasing portions
of intellectual emasculation.
Chad reacted as anyone with
a 20 point IQ deficit facing
"IQ" would: the wrong way.
No, the answer to "When
do you feel Picasso peaked?"
ain't to shove the questioner
in the chest. Rita was left to
apologize emphatically for
Chad's actions and asked
if she could make up for it
in some way. Chad tried to
recover, but it was too late.
He had lost his cool, and in
game would retire home,
where it would begin its own
blue period.

GAMEKILLER Gamekiller
who tries to prove otherwise.

eqox.com

Keep Your Cool. Axe Dry.

Alcohol
Abuse: Find
Help at gamekillers.com

Game Killed

Game Killer

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young thing and into a heated
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EDITORIAL/ STAFF

Monday, April 3, 2006

The topic of illegal immigration is one of the most controversial issues I have ever tried to tackle in this column. Frankly, I'm just not sure. Like most Americans, I value our system of laws, flawed as it may be. And like many Americans, I am a descendent of an immigrant to these shores. So when the House of Representatives proposed legislation last December to criminalize illegal immigration, I found myself scratching my head as to whether or not I agreed.

But let's be clear on something: When most people talk about "illegal immigration," at least in the current debate, they are not talking about illegal immigrants from ALL other countries — they are talking about Hispanic and Irish immigrants. So let's just pretend to be politically correct about this. I'm one-fourth Mexican, one-fourth Puerto Rican, one-fourth Irish, one-fourth French if you want to get technical about it, and I'm not afraid, nor will I pretend that I'm talking about anything else but the problem Americans have with alien criminals and illegal immigration.

I doubt that many would argue the importance that immigrants have played in the development of American culture and society. I remember my elementary school teachers stressing the importance of encouraging diversity, and those lessons I will not soon forget. Yet, with all the talk lately about immigration "reform," I think that many Americans, myself included, are confused about whether or not we have a dedication to law and order, criminalizing illegal immigration. Should we allow more immigrants to enter the United States and increase the number of guest immigrants who are here legally to remain and provide an opportunity to become legal citizens?

If we allow illegal immigrants to remain, and then reward them for their actions by granting them "guest worker" status, what message does that send to the countless others who desire to become American citizens through established legal processes for immigration? Is it a slap in the face to our system of laws? Not surprisingly, President Bush supported such a plan, a plan that even his employers who are essentially "outsourcing" labor overseas by employing illegal immigrants and marginalizing them as a separate class of workers while providing employers with a different set of rules or laws.

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afficionados. And for the record, I'm not a huge fan of the Bruins. I am, however, a firm believer of the "East Coast Bias" conspiracy theory and found myself rooting for the Pacific Conference representative by its geographical association. With halftime nearing, I glanced at the clock and gasped, "A' s game!"

No sooner had I changed the channel to the game I gasped again. "Figure skating?" I yelled, and on went ESPN2. As much as I love college basketball and as important as the national championship game was, I'm a die-hard A' s fan and get great satisfaction from watching the first inning. Former A' s Johnny Damon and Joon Giambi, a solo shot in the eyes of many Oakland followers, both struck out.

Back to the national championship, UCLA still trailing and halftime closing in. Darren Collison, UCLA's freshman star point guard in the making, took a shot that epitomized the Bruins' half. He took the ball at the top of the key, tried to shake his defender with a series of cross-over dribbles and fancy ball handling, then pulled up for a three-point shot with the defender in his shorts. The ball arced towards the rim and drew iron. There was plenty of time remaining on the shot clock to drive or dish the ball, but he settled for a tough long range shot.

Fittingly, the Gators led 36-25 at halftime.

Back to the A' s game and a scoreless tie in the second inning. It wouldn't be scoreless for long. The next time I looked, the typical A' s-Yankees score showed New York ahead 7-1 with Kirk Saarloos in to relieve Barry Zito. I heard the tears back and decided to focus on the national championship telecast. The second half didn't start well for the Bruins. But that didn't stop the laughter at Alfred Aboya dunked over Noah on an out-of-bounds play midway through the second half. Aboya cut into the key and soared over the nearly seven-foot Frenchman. I instantly thought back to Vince Carter's incredible fast break slam over the French national team's 7-foo 2-inch center, Frederic Weiss. What's up with the land of wine and cheese getting dunked on for highlight red extravaganzas?

Neath, of course, had the last laugh as the Gators reigned victorious 73-51.

It wasn't the best display of UCLA basketball, shot clanking every which way but hardly ever in the Swiss cheese defense, filled with holes. As the final buzzer sounded, I again rushed to my car and sped to campus to finish up at the office, hoping the train wouldn't halt my journey this time through.
FLORIDA WINS, 73-57

Jandy Jones  
MUSTANG DAILY

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