Bringing up baby

Jennifer Ingan
MUSTANG DAILY

When Cerra Himle of Atascadero was 13 years old, she had appendicitis and needed to get one ovary and fallopian tube removed. Her remaining ovary was damaged, and her doctors told her the chances of her conceiving a child were slim to none.

But in December 2006, a miracle was discovered. Himle, 20, a liberal studies junior at Cal Poly, was shocked to find out that she was pregnant. She cried hysterically, and mixed feelings and thoughts raced through her head. She was in a state of confusion, and happiness but she also couldn't help but question, "How did it happen?" "How far along am I?" and "Am I going to have to drop out of school?"

Immediately after she found out that she was with child, Himle told the unexpected news to her boyfriend of two years. To Himle’s surprise, her boyfriend, Logan Brown, 20, calmly said, "I could deal with that."

Six months later, in June 2007, Himle gave birth to a baby girl, Lilli, in San Luis Obispo.

"I had to balance school, work and staying healthy while limiting stress," Himle said. "I was afraid school would interfere with my pregnancy and vice versa. It's hard to eat healthy as a college student because you're always on the go."

Himle saw a doctor once a month, and because she’s vegetarian, she also consulted a nutritionist and dietician to come up with a healthy meal plan to ensure proper nourishment of her growing baby.

Himle is far from being alone. According to data compiled from the United States Department of Education and the National Center for Education Statistics and Condition of Education Reports, parents are in fact one of the most populous demographic subgroups of students in post-secondary educational programs.

More than 5 million parents are currently enrolled in formal post-secondary degree programs, and 27 percent of all college undergraduates and 34 percent of all graduate students have children. As a group, student parents tend to be older than traditional students — the average age is 29 years old for single parents and 36 years old for married parents. Of the student parent population, 65 percent are female, 66 percent attend school part time while working full time, and about half are single parents.

"We certainly welcome students who are parents," said Elie Axelroth, the interim head of counseling at Cal Poly.

"It's challenging to balance school, work and family. Children need a lot of time and attention. It's also challenging financially — many student parents take out student loans, need to find a place to live and pay child expenses." Axelroth has been the interim head of counseling at Cal Poly.

Kent and her daughter Lilli, shown here the day Lilli came home from the hospital, on July 22.

Elderly man robbed at gunpoint

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An 87-year-old nun was robbed and assaulted in his home last Friday, according to police. The perpetrator is still on the loose.

Retired Cal Poly physics professor Arthur Rosen was home alone at the 400 block of Lemon Street when a lone male walked through Rosen’s unlocked door around 1:45 p.m.

The suspect displayed a handgun and demanded money from Rosen, according to Capt. Daniel Blankel of the San Luis Obispo Police Department. Rosen gave the suspect an undisclosed amount of cash and then the suspect struck Rosen in the head and fled in an unknown direction, according to police.

Rosen was treated at Sierra Vista Regional Medical Center for non-life-threatening facial injuries. The robber is described as a Hispanic male in his early 20s, slender, and wearing light-coloured clothing, according to Lt. Bill Proff of the San Luis Obispo Police Department.

He was also wearing a white baseball cap with some sort of scarf or bandana.

"There are no significant updates on the investigation at this time," Proff said. "We are talking to neighbors, but we have not identified a suspect."

Robberies at gunpoint do not happen often in this county, Proff said.

The last home-invasion robbery was reported shortly before midnight on Aug. 7 in Grover Beach. The suspect got away with some cash and two computers. Anyone with information regarding this robbery is urged to contact the San Luis Obispo Police Department at (805) 781-7317, or Crime Stoppers at (805) 549-STOP.

Full-pad contact practice underway

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"Richard III," "The Taming of the Shrew" at outdoor Shakespeare festival

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Supervisors want more control over speed limits

Laura Kasavan
MUSTANG DAILY

San Luis Obispo County supervisors want increased control over the speed limits of rural county roads.

"We are trying to allow local government to change their own speed limits, but they do not have the ability to do so," said Supervisor Gerry-Lee Lambeth.

Last week, supervisors approved a 40 mph speed limit for South Oakglen Avenue in Nipomo and signs were posted along the road to notify drivers of the new limit.

South Oakglen Avenue is a roughly paved road without sidewalks and has private residences spread out on either side.

However, supervisors said the speed limit should be lowered further, and wanted to post a 25 mph speed limit on the street.

"The road is home to a Christmas tree farm and the pavement turns to dirt at the Dana Adobe. Supervisors said that the street has heavy traffic during the holiday season and when the Dana Adobe holds events."

Dave Flynn, county traffic engineer, said that the state vehicle code allows the county to set speed limits between 25 and 55 mph. Posted speed limits can only be reduced by 5 mph following a thorough engineering and traffic survey.

Speed limits in rural areas can only be reduced once an area is defined as a business or residential district.

In a business or residential district, the speed limit is set at 25 mph but South Oakglen Avenue qualifies as neither because the homes and businesses on the road are too spread out.

Flynn said that the speed limit for South Oakglen Avenue was originally set at 55 mph, and a Caltrans study said the prevailing speed of drivers on the road is 45 mph.

"We established a speed limit at 40 mph based on the criteria that could be applied," Flynn said. "I think the board would say that 30 to 35 mph would be a more desirable speed limit for a residential area, but it’s a judgment call."

"It’s challenging to balance school, work and family. Children need a lot of time and attention. It’s also challenging financially — many student parents take out student loans, need to find a place to live and pay child expenses."
Parents continued from page 1

Poly has a relatively young population, older student parents may feel out of sync, and they don't quite fit in with younger students. It was difficult for Himle to "take it easy" while pregnant. She is a self-proclaimed overachiever. During spring quarter she took 18 units while working 25 hours a week at the Vert's Vista Endoscopy Center. She was also an active member of the California Students Teachers Association.

While pregnant, there were many activities Himle had to stop doing. She loses weight, and has two of them, but her pregnancy prevented her from getting another one. She also stopped playing soccer and drying her hair, and no Jacuzzi time for her. "I missed my sugar and caffeine," Himle said. "I also lost contact with some friends. When my friends wanted to go to parties or go hiking or rock climbing, I couldn't go. I won't have that full college experience."

After finding out she was pregnant, Himle moved out of the apartment she shared with Brown and in with her parents in Atascadero. She said her mother provides "tremendous support." "I waited three months to tell my mom that I was pregnant," Himle said. "She was ecstatic; she thought she couldn't have grandchildren. She also already knew because she heard a message the doctor left on the answering machine, and after I told her, she brought out some baby clothes." Himle feeds her newborn daughter Lilli, who was born in June in San Luis Obispo.

Liberal studies junior and student parent Cerra Himle feeds her newborn daughter Lilli, who was born in June in San Luis Obispo.

While Himle at her parents' house, or they might get their own place, Himle said. Marriage has been discussed between her and Brown, she said, but it won't happen any time soon.

"Himle is lucky to have support from her family and boyfriend; some pregnant students have concerns of feeling isolated, and worry about finances and completing school," Axelroth said. It's important for a pregnant student to talk to family, friends and their partner and gather support.

After college, Himle wants to teach kindergarten or first grade. She is also pursuing a minor in child development, and hopes to have her own daycare.

"Parents are a great challenge. Since the birth of Lilli, it's hard to get sleep at night, Himle said. "I'm in constant worry if I'm doing it right," Himle said. "Everything you do impacts their life. Again, it's the balancing act — being a good role model and parent and learning to have time for yourself."

Criterium rides through SLO

The Downtown Criterium took place on Sunday throughout downtown San Luis Obispo. The day-long event included races, a Community Bike Happening Parade, demonstrations and a free bike safety service, among other things. The event had not been held since 2001; it was discontinued after business owners took their concerns to the Downtown Association.

Bridge safety questioned

Laura Kuritzman

SACRAMENTO — Democrat-

Sen. Barbara Boxer called Wednes-

day on state officials to provide better

information about the true state of

California's bridges, while the grader

of the state Assembly pressed the need

for more thorough inspections.

Boxer, who chairs a U.S. Senate

committee that oversees infrasctruc-

ture, made the remarks after a capital

briefing she convened to gather in-

formation about the state's transporta-

tion repair needs in the wake of the

Aug. 1 collapse of a span in Minnes-

apols. State Director of Transportation

Will Kempton blamed the federal
government's bridge rating system

for confusion about the true state of

the state's bridges. He said the system

forces California to classify bridges as

"structurally deficient," even when

they have superficial problems like

peeling paint.

California has 1,629 state bridges
deeded structurally deficient, the

same designation given to the span

of Interstate 5, which collapsed into

the Mississippi River during the over-

ning commute. Nine people have been confirmed dead and four are

still missing.

Despite being given the same fed-

eral rating as the Minneapolis bridge,

Kempton said 95 percent of Cali-

fornia's structurally deficient bridges

have only minor problems — which is

why he said the rating system should be changed.

But Boxer rejected the idea and
told Kempton to concentrate instead

on proving to the public that the

bridges are really safe.

Flynn said that the most comp-

eiling reason for setting and en-

forcing a lower speed limit is the
density of homes on the road. In the

case of South Oakglen Avenue, neighbors are not satisfied with a current speed limit, he said.

The supervisors took their case for more local control over speed limits to the state assembly.

Lenthall said they contacted Assemblyman Sam Blakeslee, R-

San Luis Obispo, and asked him to seek amendments to the vehi-

cle code.

The issue is a standstill be-

cause the state assembly is cur-

rently in recess, Lenthall said.
California raises tax on sweetened alcoholic drinks

Don Thompson
ASSOCIATED PRESS

SACRAMENTO — California regulators voted Tuesday to raise taxes on flavored malt beverages, responding to arguments that the sweetened drinks contribute to underage drinking.

The state Board of Equalization voted 3-2 to tax such drinks as Mike's Hard Lemonade and Zima as distilled spirits instead of as beer, which has a lower tax rate. That will increase the tax per gallon from $1.39 to $3.97 per gallon starting in July 2010, if the board can get the regulations in place by then.

Tax board Chair Betty Yee said she accepted the appeals from youthgroups and the Marin Institute, an alcohol industry watchdog group which argued that the so-called "alcohops" are flavored, packaged and marketed to appeal to young people.

"I think the overarching policy concern here was this is one element in dealing with underage drinking," Yee said in a telephone interview after the vote. The packaging and marketing are designed to "make it look like you're drinking something fun," she said.

Michael Scipia, advocacy director at the Marin Institute, based in San Rafael, said California is following Maine in classifying the drinks as distilled spirits, and other states are likely to do the same in an effort to fight underage drinking.

He called the flavored beverages "cocktails on training wheels. They bridge the gap between soda pop and alcoholic drinks because they don't taste like alcohol."

Gary Galani, a vice president of Diageo North America, one of the world's largest alcoholic manufacturers and the maker of Smirnoff, said raising the tax on flavored drinks won't deter underage drinking.

"It's access. It's about how kids get alcohol in their hands. This will do nothing to address that issue," Galani said after the vote. "Using an emotional issue to help drive a tax discussion is just wrong."

Tax board member Bill Leonard said he opposed the decision because the flavored drinks have roughly the same alcohol content as beer, and there is no chemical difference between alcohol in distilled and malt beverages.

He said it makes no economic sense for manufacturers and distributors to target teenagers who can't legally buy the drinks. And if higher prices do deter underage drinkers, Leonard argued they will just switch to beer and wine.

Tuesday's vote triggers a monthlong series of public hearings on the proposed regulations by the tax board and the Office of Administrative Law.

Matt Craven, lead attorney for six companies that produce about 75 percent of flavored malt beverages, said it is too soon to know whether the industry will sue to block the tax change.

The state Legislature also may be required to decide which agency has jurisdiction over the beverages, the tax board or the California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control, which, like the federal government now classifies the flavored drinks as beer.

State Controller and tax board member John Chiang, who voted for the tax change, called on the Alcoholic Beverage Control Department to reconsider the drinks as distilled spirits to help fight alcohol abuse.

The higher tax rate would bring the state an estimated extra $30 million to $40 million a year if consumption remains the same, said tax board spokesman Anita Gons.

But Galani, of the beverage-maker Diageo, said the higher cost will hurt retailers, restaurateurs and legal drinkers and cut consumption to the point there will be likely no net tax gain.

State

OROVILLE, Calif. (AP) — A Sutter County man was charged Tuesday with setting at least one wild fire this year in two Northern California counties.

James Kenneth Haugh, 56, of Live Oak was arraigned in Butte County Superior Court on nine felony arson counts. He was charged with starting eight Butte County fires, each of which burned from 3 acres to 1,000 acres, as well as last week's 167-acre Colby fire in the Lassen National Forest. Butte County District Attorney Mike Ramsey said Haugh did not enter a plea Tuesday, and he was assigned a public defender.

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa and top police brass on Tuesday endorsed a bill that would make California the first state to require gun manufacturers to install a mechanism that would stamp information on bullet casings and help investigators track down weapons.

The bill, passed by the state Assembly in May and slated for a Senate vote later this month, would require all semiautomatic handgun sold in California starting in 2010 to be equipped with the "microstamping" technology.

Briefs

NEW YORK (AP) — Brace yourself. In her upcoming movie, Mary-Kate Olsen locks lips with Ben Kingsley. Yes, the one-time adorable tyke-turned-teenage titan, and Gandhi. Not surprisingly, Olsen is now 21. Kingsley is 63.

Their film, "The Wackness," is slated for release next year.

"It's about how kids get alcohol in their hands. This will do nothing to address that issue," Galani said after the vote. "Using an emotional issue to help drive a tax discussion is just wrong."
As you walk the obscure path toward the stage hosting the Central Coast Shakespeare Festival, you might take a second look to make sure you are in the right place. An unlikely setting unravels as the lavish stage positioned in the middle of a field at Believe Santa Fe Charter School in San Luis Obispo comes into view. The riveting scenes and turns of events take you through the dark side of Richard III, the cast for "The Taming of the Shrew" performs a ritual before going on stage.

"When we first see Lady Anne in the play ... she has lost all of those dear to her and she is beyond repair," Richard III, played by Alan Benson, attempts to woo Lady Anne, played by Corrine Wieben, in a scene from the Central Coast Shakespeare Festival's production of "Richard III." Benson will leave you cringing more of the poisonous Richard III, the cast for "The Taming of the Shrew" performs a ritual before going on stage.

"We have been producing classical theater in rep on the O n ­

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Mirah and The Spectratrone International — Share This Place: Stories and Observations (K Records)

Meet Mirah — she's the Northwest's most sought-after lesbian, singing songs about the lives of insects with a voice you'll fall in love with.

Odd Nosdam — Level Live Wire (Jutson) Bay Area DJ makes a music concrete via hip hop album engaging w/ tracks, lap tops and field recordings...

Bodies of Water — Ears Will Pop and Eyes Will Blink (Thousand Tongues) Christians on crack play eclectic pop. Catch them live Sept. 15 at the SLO Art Center when they open for Karl Blau.

Nina Nastasia & Jim White — You Follow Me (Fat Cat)

Delicately sung and well-written, Nastasia uses White's percussion for punctuation.

Paul Cabezas and Brian Cassidy are music directors at KCPR, San Luis Obispo, 91.3 FM. These are their favorite new albums of the week.

Richard III is filled with devious plans, murderous sin and the quality of the acting is definitely the major element in these performances. The detailed costumes also brought the audience’s attention to capturing the essence of the time period. As for the fate of CC>SF, Zaba expects bigger things to come. "We have been producing classical theater in rep on the Central Coast for more than 15 years, and we hope to become a professional repertory company much like the Oregon Shakespeare Festival in Ashland, Oregon," she said. For ticket and more information, visit www.ccshakes.org.

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Fashion by Sarah Jessica Parker? Bite me.

Brooke Robertson
MUSTANG DAILY
ARTS

BITTEN Sarah Jessica Parker, a line of affordable clothing and accessories designed by the actress, launched June 7 to a horde of screaming and crying SJP fans.

The line is sold exclusively at national clothing chain Steve & Barry's, with all BITTEN apparel costing $19.95 or less.

The idea behind the line and the pricing comes from Parker's manifesto on the BITTEN Web site: "It is every woman's invaluable right to have a pulled-together, stylish, confident wardrobe with enough money left over to live.

More than two months after the line's arrival, I visited Steve & Barry's in Santa Maria to check out the line. As a huge fan of "Sex and the City," I drove to Santa Maria with a mission: create an outfit that was oh-so-"Carrie." Although a "Sex and the City" aficionado, I was almost a bigger fan of Bradshaw's fun and unique wardrobe.

Bradshaw was known for her original and eclectic style, which mixed vintage threads with designer pieces, and for a strong shoe addiction, specifically to pricey Manolo Blahnik slippers.

If BITTEN could re-create a fashionable "Carrie" look with its incredible, affordable pricing, I would be ready to buy out the entire store.

Fortunately for my wallet, the BITTEN line had none of the bright colors, wild patterns and prints that defined Bradshaw's enviable wardrobe.

Instead, BITTEN featured basic pieces in neutral colors that could blend in at an Old Navy store.

I disappointingly searched through sparse racks of flowing knit shirts, neutral T-shirts, basic swimwear and ballet flats to find tops that were way too big and shoe sizes that were way too small. The salesperson said the store had been habitually ransacked since the line's opening, accounting for the lack of available sizes and colors.

This contributed to my disappointment with the store, but I could see I wasn't missing anything special. In retrospect, I should have seen it coming.

Steve & Barry's is a national chain mostly selling men's casual clothing and sportswear. The company has made a name for itself by offering T-shirts ($6.98) and a well-fitting pair of jeans ($14.95) at low, low prices.

This line is no different. The store is designed to prompt you to go indoors and tune your radio or television to a local station for emergency information. They will alert you to any local major emergency.

For information about the line, visit www.BITTENsjp.com.

SIREN TEST SATURDAY AUGUST 25th

12:00 NOON AND AGAIN AT 12:30PM

On Saturday, August 25, the San Luis Obispo County Early Warning System sirens will be tested. The sirens will sound twice — at noon and again about thirty minutes later. The sirens will sound for 3 to 5 minutes each time.

This is a test and does not require any action on your part. However, if you hear the sirens at any other time, local radio and television stations will broadcast emergency information. During the tests, local stations will be conducting normal programming. In case of an emergency, local stations and other area Emergency Alert System stations will broadcast important information and instructions.

The sirens are designed to prompt you to go indoors and tune your radio or television to a local station for emergency information. They will alert you to any local major emergency.

Remember - Saturday, August 25; it's only a test.

Megan Priley

MUSTANG DAILY

"When you get into a good college, we will pay your way through." That was a common promise that would escape my parents' lips every so often when I was in high school. Any time when the subject of college would arise, the stress of college tuition and the price of textbooks, parking passes and housing fees were part of the distant future. Oh how fast the future changes.

When college came speeding at me at 1,000 miles per hour, I was hit with the reality that my parents' promises were more like wishful thinking. The truth was, I would be stacked with student loans and pointless credit card debt by the time I was halfway through my college education. So I got thinking: is a lifestyle of grasping responsibility and maintaining a decent-paying job a must during college, or should students (if plausible) be able to take a free ride and make their college education their No. 1 priority?

There are some negatives and positives to both sides. We'll start with my very own experience. I work six to seven days a week and attend an average of 14 units of class, all while trying to maintain a social life and a healthy lifestyle, which seems to the latter is almost nonexistent. I find myself feeling so stressed that I swear I could possibly have aged 20 years by now. I often find myself wondering if there is a gray hair hiding somewhere.

However, despite how much more pressure I feel taking on my own responsibilities, I believe it is what has better prepared me for the shock of life to come. Sure, if I were able to be worry-free and hand over my bills to my parents, I would have more time to go out, relax and spend my time making sure every bit of my homework is done just right. But would I learn the proper responsibility needed for the moment I get thrust into this "real world" everyone warns me about?

College provides the essential education we need for surviving against all odds; taking on your own responsibilities such as paying bills, learning to cook for yourself and filling up your own gas tank teaches us lessons entirely unlike anything else can.

Even with something as minor as a cell phone payment, we can take away valuable lessons. When we wake up to find our cell phone no longer turns on because it has been shut off due to a late payment and perhaps a nonexistent one, we will learn how to fix the issue on our own without the help of our parents. They cannot hold our hands through life forever, right?

There are lessons that only growing through life can teach us. I say take them on when you feel ready. For me, college was a good place to start.

Now I am not saying jump right in and drown yourself in all the anxiety due to responsibility, but I do advise taking baby steps.

Start with a part-time, easy-going job, make time for a social life, and take fun, interesting classes. With proper planning and organization, a balanced life is possible.

The best education we can be given is the one we teach ourselves.
Baseball

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couldn't get out of the first inning Tuesday, allowing four runs in two-thirds of an inning with two strikes. Brian Lee, who was the top reliever, allowed two runs, two hits and one walk. Catcher Thomas, who had three hits, one triple and nine RBIs while stealing three bases, was chosen to represent the Falcons (along with three other Falcon players) on the all-star team of the WCCB All-Star Game, which was played July 17 at Fillmore, Wash. The Eats beat the West 6-1.

Two Mustangs played for the Bend Eats (23-26), also of the West Coast Collegiate Baseball League. J.T. Gent hit .262 with nine doubles, a home run and 18 RBIs with 18 stolen bases in nine attempts. Meanwhile, outfielder Adam Mikel finished with a .293 average, two doubles, one triple, a pair of home runs and 22 RBIs.

Southpaw Derrick Sato, who had no record and an ERA of 6.75 with 14 strikeouts in 12 innings. The Foresters were 45-3 and attempted to defend their 2006 NBC Semi-Pro World Series championship but settled for a fourth-place finish in 2007. Besides Theophilus, three other Mustangs played for the Blues, which won 21 of 24 games after an 8-9 start and hosted the WASCALIY Semi-Pro World Series tournament instead of competing in the NBC Semi-Pro World Series this year. Game 1 at the NBC Semi-Pro World Series.
Cal Poly's first day of double practice sessions drew mixed reviews from seventh-year Mustang head coach Rich Ellerson.

"This morning we spent a lot of time on special teams and got a lot installed," said Ellerson, 41-27 in his previous six seasons at the helm. "But it was a lot of talking and standing. You don't get a lot done.

"But it was good to get out in full pads and get into action," Ellerson added. "Because of that the practice environment changes. Everything is in and now we get to see ourselves growing from practice to practice. We've got to keep improving day-to-day."

The first two practice sessions last Wednesday and Thursday were helicopter, jersey and shorts only. For the practice sessions on Friday and Saturday, helmet, shoulder pads, jersey and shorts were allowed. The first full-pad contact practice was held Sunday. The Mustangs had Monday off before the first double-practice day Tuesday.

Double-practice sessions also are scheduled for Aug. 16, 18, 20 and 22 at 9:30 a.m. and 2 p.m. Single-practice sessions on the remaining days of preseason camp will be held at 2 p.m. Preseason camp ends Aug. 23 with a 2 p.m. scrimmage at Alex G. Spanos Stadium.

All practices are open to the public.

Ellerson's biggest concern to date is finding players to fill gaps in case of injury.

"We have to develop people who have the most chance to be in the starting lineup," Ellerson said. "We have to be able to overcome nicks and bangs. There is a lot of drop-off between the starters and reserves right now.

"It's really a mixed blessing," Ellerson added. "We have some really good players at their positions, so a drop-off at some positions may be a blessing at other positions."

Ellerson likes what he sees coming into the incoming players.

"I am impressed with the freshmen and newcomers," Ellerson said. "With the exception of maybe one or two players, I don't expect to have to play any of them this year, but I feel real good about them and that's a huge upside."

"I'm also impressed with the way the juniors and seniors came back ready to play," Ellerson said. "We have to be able to overplay them and that's a huge upside!"

The women's soccer team started practice for the second round of the NCAA tournament.

The team started practice for the season on July 8 and will open its season against Kansas State at the Shockler Volleyball Classic in Wichita on Aug. 24.

Mustangs, Gauchos take No. 2 spot in poll

The Cal Poly women's soccer team was picked in a tie at No. 2 with rival UC Santa Barbara in a Big West Conference preseason coaches poll.

Long Beach State topped the poll with 27 points.

Cal Poly and Santa Barbara received 21 points each.

The women's soccer team will compete in a scrimmage on Saturday and it will kick off the regular season at home against Dayton on Aug. 31.

Former Mustangs see NFL preseason action

Former Cal Poly linebackers Kyle Shoerwell, a free-agent signee of the Oakland Raiders, picked up a tackle in Oakland's 27-23 win over Arizona on Saturday.

Former Mustangs, former UC Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo blueberries

Linebacker Chris Glogan started in the Philadelphia Eagles' first preseason game against the Baltimore Ravens Monday. The Eagles lost the game 29-3 but Glogan made one tackle.

Fellow linebacker Jordan Beck, who was drafted by Atlanta in the 2005 draft, picked up two tackles in the team's 31-16 loss last Friday to the Jets. Beck holds the all-time career tackles record at Cal Poly (449).

Men's soccer voted 5th in preseason poll

The Cal Poly men's soccer team was ranked No. 5 in the Big West coaches preseason poll, which was released Aug. 8.

Defending national champions UC Santa Barbara topped the list in the poll.

The summer collegiate baseball leagues have finished their 2007 seasons and Cal Poly center fielder Logan Schafer ended his summer with a bang.

At the WASABI Tournament held in San Luis Obispo Stadium and hosted by the San Luis Obispo Blues, Schafer went 14-for-28 with three doubles, two triples and four stolen bases, leading the Anchorage Bucs to the championship.

Anchorage fell to the Blues 5-1 in the first game of the championship doubleheader last weekend, but bounced back for a 9-6 victory on the final day.

Schafer was 8-for-10 in the twinbill with a double, a run scored and a stolen base.

He hit .290 for the Bucs (26-23) in the regular season with five doubles, two triples, a pair of home runs and 15 RBIs. He was 4-for-7 in stolen bases.

Two other Mustangs played in the Alaskan Baseball League.

Outfielder-designated hitter Luke Voder had four doubles, a home run and eight RBIs for the Anchorage Glacier Pilots (17-27). He was 9-for-10 in stolen bases.

Pitching for the first-place Mat-Su Miners (24-11) was Jared Eskew, a transfer to Cal Poly from Point Loma Nazarene. Eskew had a 2-1 record and a 1.57 ERA with 28 strikeouts in 34.1 innings.

Four Mustangs competed in the National Baseball Congress Semi-Pro World Series at Wichita, Kansas.

The Maxx Yankees (28-12) won their first three games of the tournament before falling to the El Dorado (Kansas) Broncos 5-1 and Junction City (Kansas) 8-4 last Tuesday and Wednesday, respectively.

Steven Fischbach, who pitched seven innings for a win against the Vienna (Virginia) Senators, see Baseball, page 7