University police release crime report

Marlize van Romburgh

The University Police Department released its 2006 Campus Crime Statistics report last week, which noted among other statistics a slight increase in sexual offenses reported and significant decreases in on-campus liquor violation arrests.

The 2006 campus crime report lists four total rapes on the main campus and in the on-campus residence community, compared to two in 2005 and zero in 2004. In those same locations last year, there were a total of two reports of sexual assault with an object, and two of sexual battery.

University Police Department Commander Lori Hashim is quick to realize that sexual offenses such as rape and assault are often underreported by fearful victims. "Unfortunately, there's a lot more than what's reported," she admitted. But she wants victims to realize that "people will continue to do a crime if they get away with it." Hashim further noted that she's not really sure if these increases are a trend to be concerned about, or simply mean better reporting by rape and assault victims.

The Sexual Assault Free Environment Resource (SAFER) program at Cal Poly is the university's assault resource and prevention program. Marianna Lightman, Coordinator of SAFER, and a certified rape crisis counselor, said she also believes that the rise in sexual assault statistics may be a result of more forthcoming victims. "I don't think it's necessarily because there are more incidents," she said. "I think a lot of it has to do with people feeling more comfortable with coming out and seeking help. SAFER has tried to be more visible on campus to encourage that."

Lightman said the slight rise in reported sexual assaults doesn't particularly surprise her. "We know it's happening. We know the statistics also say that one in four college women are going to be sexually assaulted. Forty percent of survivors are too frightened to report what happens to them." She said the statistics may be a result of more forthcoming victims. "We know it's happening. We know the statistics also say that one in four college women are going to be sexually assaulted. Forty percent of survivors are too frightened to report what happens to them."

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Students and community members joined forces Saturday to remove four tons of trash and 350 pounds of recyclables from urban creeks as part of San Luis Obispo County's second annual Creek Day.

The event was hosted by San Luis Obispo County's Land Conservancy. The volunteers left two 30-yard dumpsters overflowing with trash, said Wende Pearson, the membership development manager of the program. This year's number of volunteers more than doubles last year's 100-person turnout.

Of the 227 creek-cleaners, 63 were Cal Poly students from residence halls and on-campus organizations. "It's one of the best turnouts we've ever had," Pearson said.

"It was a really big day," Pearson said. "After signing in at Mission Plaza, volunteers broke into groups and headed off to one of the 25 available cleanup sites. Pearson — who was in charge of the cleanup in San Luis Obispo — added three more cleanup locations to the site list to account for the unprecedented number of volunteers.

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those detainees while militants in Gaza still held an Israeli soldier who was captured in a cross-border raid in June 2006. Peres spokesman Yoram Dori refused to comment on the officials’ report or discuss the delay.

Among those released in the West Bank was 66-year-old Rakad Salim, who served five years of an eight-year sentence for distributing millions of dollars from the late Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to families of Palestinian suicide bombers. Relatives and supporters held up pictures of Saddam and kissed and hugged Salim after he got off the bus.

“I feel that I am a new man, enjoying my freedom,” said a smiling Salim. “This release is not enough, but we hope it is the beginning of emptying all the (Israeli) prisons.”

Man pleads not guilty to stabbing sea lion in Newport Beach, Calif.

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A fisherman accused of stabbing a sea lion that apparently stole his bait pleaded not guilty Monday to a charge of violating the federal Marine Mammal Protection Act.

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Lightman said that the first 30 days of college are when sexual assaults are most likely to occur, and that SAFER made a huge effort this year to raise awareness during Week of Welcome and with presentations to incoming freshmen.

In previous years, SAFER has partnered with other rape-prevention organizations to teach women’s self-defense classes in the residence halls, and to coordinate with Greek and athletic organizations to spread the message.

The University Police Department also hosts various other programs on campus to target specific crimes such as rape and sexual assault primarily through preventative education.

Incoming residence hall students are required to attend a presentation on crime and rape prevention, and various general programs are held throughout the year dealing with the topic.

The police department has even designated officer Frank Herrera to be involved with the off-campus Greek community, where Hashim says Herrera is welcomed and invited by fraternities and sororities to speak about sexual assault issues.

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Also detailed on the Campus Crime Statistics report, 10 total arrests were made last year for liquor law violations on campus, in the residence halls, on public property and on non-campus property, compared to 27 total over the previous year.

Other statistics, including burglary, robbery and arson, were minimal and in comparison with previous years.

Hashim said Cal Poly is a particularly low-crime campus in comparison with the rest of the California State University system.

The police department is required by law to keep annual crime statistics in order to receive federal funding.

The full report is available on their Web site at www.police.calpoly.edu.

Hashim said the police department works to minimize crime on campus and in the related communities through what they call Community Oriented Policing (COP).

This calls for strong involvement in crime reporting and prevention by students, faculty and university staff.

“One of the things we try to do is get people to know us,” she said.

“Officers are directed to get out of their cars, to shake hands with people and talk to them. We want people to feel comfortable with reporting crime to us,” she said.

Israel is holding around 11,000 Palestinian prisoners, whose release is a central Palestinian demand. Monday’s release was the second since July, and part of Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Olmert’s strategy to support moderate Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas in his power struggle with Islamic Hamas militants who control the Gaza Strip in June.

None of the Palestinians freed Monday was convicted of killing or injuring Israelis. Most of the 87 slated for release belong to Abbas’ Fatah movement; none belong to Hamas.

Hamas dismissed Monday’s prisoner release as insignificant.

“We congratulate the prisoners,” said Mohammad al-Mushtaha, a senior aide to Ismail Haniyeh, the leader of the Hamas government in Gaza. “We consider this ... a humiliation for the leadership in Ramallah that considers this humble number a great achievement.”

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Obama reports $19 million donations for 3rd quarter

Jim Kuhnhenn

Barack Obama raised more than $19 million this summer for the presidential primaries, holding his lead in the race for campaign cash through still trailing Democratic rival Hillary Rodham Clinton in national polls.

Fred Thompson, the GOP newcomer, has collected more than $11.5 million since June when he began exploring a run, Republican familiar with his fundraising said Monday.

Obama’s Democratic rival John Edwards reported raising $7 million during the July-September quarter for a total of $30 million for the year. Axed as he would show $12 million cash on hand and was on track to meet his goal of raising $40 million by the time the presidential contest begins in January.

Clinton, whose fundraising has nearly kept pace with Obama’s, had not released her third-quarter figures Monday. The quarter ended Sunday night.

Thompson’s total includes $3.5 million he raised before the third-quarter fundraising period began. Since formally entering the race during the first week of Septem­ber, Thompson’s has raised roughly $20,000 a day.

Obama also released general elec­tion contributions during the quarter, making his overall fundraising for the period more than $20 million. That brings his total for the year to nearly $80 million — nearly $75 million for the primaries and about $4 million for the general election.

New Mexico Gov. Bill Richard­son announced Sunday that he had raised $5.2 million in the quarter, bringing his total for the year to $18.4 million. Sen. Joe Biden of Delaware is expected to show nearly $2 million in new third-quarter contributions, $6.4 million for the year. And Sen. Christo­pher Dodd of Connecticut raised $1.5 million in the quarter and will show $4 million in the bank, his cam­paign said.

Only Edwards and Dodd released cash-on-hand figures. How much the campaigns have in the bank is an im­portant figure at this stage because it shows how well-positioned they are for the intense spending on television advertising and voter outreach that lies ahead.

The third quarter is traditionally a difficult fundraising period, and the candidates raised less in the past three months than they had in each of the first and second quarters. Obama, for instance, raised a high of $33 million in the second quarter and Edwards’ best was $14 million in the first.

Last week, Edwards announced he would accept public financing of his campaign during the primaries, a move that would give him an infu­sion of several million dollars but also would limit his spending to about $50 million during the entire primary sea­son.

**State Briefs**

**MARTINEZ (AP) —** A mother charged in her 9-year-old son’s death after allegedly locking him in his room and beating him repeatedly pleaded not guilty Monday to murder, torture and child abuse charges.

Moses, 24, of Richmond was accused of the crimes after her son Rajoyn Daniels died last October. An autopsy report listed the cause of his death as battered child syn­drome.

**BAKERFIELD (AP) —** A report in the Kern High School District wants to tack up posters bearing the motto “In God We Trust” in all of its district’s class­rooms.

Trustee Chad Vegas, a Chris­tian pastor who founded the Ba­kerfield church Sovereign Grace, said the posters were intended to inspire patriotism, not to incul­cate religious belief among teens. Vegas was scheduled to introduce the measure at the trustees’ meet­ing Monday evening, and it could come before the board for a vote in November.

**FRESNO (AP) —** More than half of the stingrays on temporary display at the Fresno Chaffee Zoo died, but officials still qualified the 2004 first exhibit since 2001 a success.

Membership increased overall since the stingrays’ arrival and atten­dance numbers jumped nearly 30 percent over last year, said Lewis Greene, the zoo’s director.

“People were waiting for some­thing new,” Greene said. “Given the response we have had, we may have a stingray exhibit in the future.”

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Amish flock to private gathering to mark school shooting anniversary

Mark Scutlofo
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Amish families sang hymns, prayed and shared a meal with state troopers and other guests on Monday to mark the first anniversary of a massacre at a one-room schoolhouse.

State Police Commissioner Jeffrey Miller was one of several dozen people to attend the private, noontime gathering at the home of the Ebersol family, whose daughter, Naomi Rose, was one of five girls slain in the shooting.

"It certainly means a lot for us to spend some time with the families," Miller said afterward. "There's no other place we would have rather been this morning."

Also attending were community members, state troopers and officials from Virginia Tech, where a gunman killed 32 students and faculty members in April.

Though grateful for all the help and sympathy it has received, the Amish community is hoping to be left alone as much as possible Tuesday, during the annual anniversary of the shootings.

The New Hope Amish School, which replaced the one torn down after the attack, was closed Monday and will remain shut Tuesday.

Children played baseball on the school's field on Monday and those gathered at the farmhouse shared a meal of chicken, potatoes and dessert, Miller said. He said he made brief remarks at the gathering "to share with them that they are never far from our hearts."

The families are expected to share some quiet time together Tuesday, Miller said.

A year ago, life here went largely unnoticed by the wider world, and its residents liked it that way. But all that changed Oct. 2, 2006, when the gunman killed five girls at the school and wounded five others.

It was about 10:30 a.m. when Charles Roberts, a milk truck driver from a neighboring village, showed up at the door of the Amish school an hour's drive west of downtown Philadelphi.

Roberts carried firearms, tubes of sexual lubricant and the hardware he thought he might need to lock himself inside West Nickel Mines Amish School and immobilize his victims.

In a horrifying attack that unfolded over the ensuing 40 minutes, the 25-year-old son of a police officer would shoot the girls and then kill himself with a shot to the forehead from his 9 mm handgun.

In a brief cell phone conversation with his wife and in suicide notes, Roberts indicated he was angry with God for the death of his infant daughter in 1997 and riven by the guilt of having molested two girls 20 years earlier.

He seemed to have prepared for a lengthy siege, but if that was the case, his plan was foiled when teacher Emma Mae Zook dashed out the door to summon help. About 20 minutes after the siege began, the first state troopers were on the scene.

Their sudden appearance led a panicked Roberts to insist they back off. There was virtually no time for negotiation before he abruptly shot the girls in rapid succession.

Roberts left behind a puzzling trail of evidence that authorities today find as somber as the day the attack occurred. He had no criminal history, had never been treated for mental illness and there seem to be nothing unusual or substantive in his claims of having molested his two relatives decades earlier.

In Nickel Mines, the evidence that had been marked by the predictable rhythms of the growing season and the church calendar, Roberts' attack made the modern world suddenly incomprehensible.

The usual quiet was shattered by the arrival of hundreds of police and emergency workers and the ominous sound of medical and news helicopters overhead.

Aside the chaos and heartbreak, the Amish instinctively reached out to Roberts' widow, Marie, the three children he left behind and his parents. Even before their own five daughters had been buried, the victims’ families were showing Roberts’ family kindness, confidence and compassion.

At the end of the week, a series of horse-and-buggy carriages carried the dead girls’ coffins from private funeral ceremonies, past the Roberts' home and on to freshly dug graves in the Hart Township Amish cemetery.

Roberts family quietly laid him to rest in an unmarked grave five days after the mur­der, beside the body of his late daughter in Georgetown.

About half the 75 mourners at Roberts' graveside were Amish, including family members of victims, and the Amish later designated a portion of the millions in donations they have received to benefit Roberts' children and widow.

On Oct. 12, the Amish had the schoolhouse doors removed before converting the land where it stood into pasture. It only took a few months to open a new and more secure school nearby.

Four of the five wounded girls returned to class before the end of December, although the fifth and most seriously injured suffered a head wound that left her completely disabilled.

Yuba City is, are each being held on $1 million bond on suspicion of murder, robbings, gang affiliation and parole violation.

** LOS ANGELES (AP) — The city will stop giving palm fronds to Jewish families for the annual harvest holiday of Sukkot.

Officials said the move comes in part as response to an outbreak of fungus, known as finnial wilt, which is attacking many of the city's palm islands.

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — A University of Memphis football player was fatally shot on campus in what police believe was a targeted attack, and classes were canceled Monday as a precaution.

Taylor Bradford, 21, apparently was shot near a university housing complex about 9:45 p.m. Sunday and then crashed a car he was driving into a tree about a half-mile away. He later died.

The FBI and Las Vegas police launched a nationwide manhunt for two men who were described as a dangerous, knife-wielding survivalist who once vowed never to be taken alive and formerly worked as an animal trainer with Siegfried & Roy.

The FBI and Las Vegas police also arrived Monday a year before the school shooting anniversary, as senseless as the day the attack occurred.
Peacemakers surprised by rebel attack

Alfred de Montessousin

The 1,000 Darfur rebels waited until sunrise, the end of the Ramadhan fast, to begin their assault. Some of the outnumbered African peacekeepers, caught by surprise, fought back. Others fled into the scrublands, and at the end of 10 hours they were dead.

The rebels overran the African Union peacekeeping outpost, seized six armed vehicles and fled Sunday morning when the Sudanese army arrived at the base on the outskirts of the town of Habakuta in North Darfur where 187 peacekeepers and support staff were stationed.

An Associated Press reporter who landed at the base hours after the attack heard bursts of gunfire in the distance.

"We were just preparing for dinner when the first rocket hit us," said one peacekeeper, a stocky man in his 20s with a sharp nose.

Another soldier, fighting back, tears, said: "The fighting was terrible. I can't even describe it."

The AU peacekeepers at the base repelled the first attack after dusk, but the rebels returned and a fresh battle raged into the night.

Peacekeepers said the rebels used several armored vehicles and rocket-propelled grenades — an indication they possess heavier weapons than previously believed.

Peacekeepers armed with AK-47s were strewn in the sandy soil. More shell casings littered the ground near the entrance to the base.

"Once we ran out of ammunition, we all laid down in that ditch," said Abu Bakr, one of the peacekeepers. "It was not clear whether the Sudanese army used force to help us or not."

The rebels looted the camp on their way out, taking six armored personnel carriers, a dozen jeeps, boxes of ammunition, AK-47s and fuel for the vehicles.

On a helicopter route to Habakuta hours after the attack, several clusters of huts were seen smoldering in flames, apparently from a government operation against the rebels in the area over the past two weeks. The scene at the base in the aftermath was chaotic.

Inside the camp, plastic tents where the peacekeepers slept still showed punch marks from Sudanese machine gun fire.

Some of the outgunned African peacekeepers described the invasion as "blackest day that will bring about a peace settlement between the two governments."

Not easily be restarted.

Tom Casey said Monday that the United States generally supports such North-South contacts, and that the nuclear matters would likely be discussed. He added, "I don't think that there's anything particular about their conversations, though, that will change substantively the discussions that just occurred here today." He declined to comment further.

The meeting has political undertones for Roh, who leaves office in February. The conservative South Korean opposition has criticized the summit as an exercise to boost Roh's sagging popularity, along with that of liberals aligned with him, just two months prior to the next presidential election.

The North's Kim is also angling to keep the conservatives from pulling power in Seoul, fearful they will reverse the policy of engagement that has brought his impoverished country aid and income despite its continued development of nuclear weapons.

But Roh isn't there a bad time to improve relations between the North's communist regime.

On Monday, amid the echo of artillery during a ceremony commemorating the South's Armed Forces Day, Roh stressed that peace can only come from a position of strength.

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State Department spokesman

North, South Korea to hold summit on split peninsula

Burt Herman

South Korea's president left Tuesday to Pyongyang for a summit with North Korean leader Kim Jong Il, the second such meeting ever on the divided peninsula, pledged to forge closer ties and build trust between the longtime foes.

Roh Moo-hyun said he would build on the achievements from the first North-South summit in 2000 and "hasten the slow march" in reconciliation between the two countries, which remain technically at war since the 1950-53 Korean War ended in a cease-fire.

"I intend to concentrate on making substantive and concrete progress that will bring about a peace settlement together with economic development," Roh said in front of the presidential Blue House before getting into an armored car for the journey by road across the heavily fortified Demilitarized Zone.

The meeting comes at a time of North Korean negotiations set to respond Tuesday to the latest road map.

Nearly a year ago, the North tested a nuclear bomb, rattling regional stability and leading to a dramatic reassessment in a previously hard-line U.S. policy.

Since then, Pyongyang has shut down sole operating nuclear reactor, which produced material for bombs, and has tentatively agreed to disable its atomic facilities by year-end in a way they can not be restored.

North Korea's U.N. ambassador, Pak Gil Yon, said Monday that his government is looking to the summit to ease tensions and improve relations.

The meeting resulted from "the good intentions" between the two governments.

Accompanied by industry leaders, politicians and cultural figures, Roh will spend hours in dialogue with Kim, tour the country and watch the spectacle of thousands of synchronized performers glorifying the North's communist regime.

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State Department spokesman
Let's do the time warp again

Daniel Seguin

Yes! It's that time again, movie fans.

Brad, Janet, Dr. Frank-N-Furter, Riff-Raff and, of course, Rocky, as well as the rest of the gang are here in the cult classic "The Rocky Horror Picture Show."

The Fremont Theatre is presenting "Rocky Horror" as the first film in their lineup called the Rewind Series, which includes films from the 1950s through the recent decade. In addition to the Rewind Series, the Fremont will also present other special engagements such as the Classic Series, which includes films from Hollywood's golden heyday. Films in each series are screened on an average of one per month.

"Rocky Horror" plays at 7:30 p.m. tonight in the Fremont Theatre, located at 1025 Monterey St. Trivia mania and prize giveaways take place from 7 to 7:30 p.m., immediately followed by the film presentation.

And now ... on to the flick.

Following the opening scenes of the film, which contain the biggest pair of on-screen red lips in movie history, Brad Majors (Barry Bostwick) and Janet Weiss (Susan Sarandon) announce their engagement during the wedding reception of close friends. As the criminologist (Charles Gray) subsequently picks up the story thread, he intermittently narrates and weaves together the overtly sexual adventure that is "Rocky Horror."

Brad and Janet become lost on a dark and stormy night, when the pair end up outside a mysterious and creepy castle. As Brad and Janet arrive at the castle in search of a telephone, the pair discover a cast of bizarre characters, led by the outlandish Dr. Frank-N-Furter (Tim Curry).

Brad and Janet enter the castle just in time to witness the cast performing one of the film's signature numbers, "The Time Warp."

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In a college town like San Luis Obispo, most students are looking for one of two things: a place to down various libations, and a place to sip various types of java or tea.

Luckily, downtown has many options available that carry the caffeinated (or decaf, if you prefer) goodness called coffee.

But with so many choices, how do you pick where you will go study or meet up with friends? Whether you choose your coffee shop based on the taste and quality of the coffee, the coffee environment, or the people-watching opportunities, everyone will find something to love with this selection.

Uptown Espresso, located at 1065 Higuera St., is one of the first coffee shops you pass while driving downtown.

Although many customers enjoy ordering a simple cup of coffee made with beans from Santa Barbara Roasting Company, barista Erica Paolucci said that the caramelo, a sweet and sugary espresso-based drink, is the most popular.

At Uptown, a grande vanilla latte costs $3.95, and a grande coffee of the day costs $1.80.

The shop offers free wireless Internet to customers, and has seating inside and out. A row of chairs facing Higuera Street makes Uptown a great place to people-watch.

Paolucci said that Uptown is different from other coffee shops because of its local feel. "We have a really loyal fan base; all the professionals come in every morning. We make it a point to know everyone's drink and name," Paolucci said.

Just down the street is San Luis Obispo's newest coffee shop, Peet's Coffee & Tea, at 1075 Court St.

There, a medium vanilla latte costs $3.65 and a medium coffee of the day costs $1.75.

At Peet's, coffees are never more than 10 days old, and the espresso offered is ordered to order with more than 40 years of experience. "People can come here to get everything they need," Geisen said.

If you are interested in purchasing coffee or tea in bulk, Peet's has wireless Internet to customers, and has seating inside and out. A row of chairs facing Higuera Street makes Uptown a great place to people-watch.

Laura Kasavan
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Lot, an aromatic floral, single-origin coffee.

"Our coffees are hand-roasted by people who have devoted at least 10 years of their life to the art," Rusing said.

Although Peet's does not have wireless Internet, Rusing called it the "element" of coffee shops and said that it strives to create an environment for interaction with seating space both inside and out.

If you are interested in purchasing coffee or tea brewing equipment, The Koffe Klatch at 778 Higuera St. carries both.

Though it also lacks wireless Internet, as it is mainly a retail store for accessories, coffee beans and loose leaf tea, it also has $1 drink specials.

Regularly, a medium vanilla latte costs $3.85 and a medium coffee of the day costs $1.50.

Owner John Geisen, who has worked at the business since 1981, said that Portofino Sunrise is the most popular coffee available.

Raising said the S-pound bag of 100-percent pure Arabica coffee beans, with origins in Ethiopia, are roasted to order to satisfy customers.

"People can come here to get everything they need," Geisen said.

Whether or two away is Linnea's Café at 1110 Garden St.

Barista Brant Huffich said that the latte, a classic espresso drink, is the most popular for Linnea's customers.

The café accepts cash or check only, and charges $3.15 for a medium vanilla latte and $3.55 for a medium coffee of the day.

Linnea's offers free wireless Internet to customers and serves coffee from Alta Organic Coffee and Tea Company. Alta coffee beans and blends are organic and fair-trade 100-percent high grown Arabica with rich flavors.

Huffich said that Linnea's atmosphere sets it apart from other coffee shops. With a back patio complete with gardens and a fountain, the café is a relaxing spot.

The shop is a frequent venue for live music, and is part of the West Coast Songwriters Showcase.

With all these coffee shop options, you will probably have to be hard-pressed to choose just one that you love.

Don't hate the player, hate the 'Game'
Lindsey Carlson
MUSTANG DAILY
The title of MTV's new hybrid dating show is pretty straightforward. "Gamekillers" is a result of the culmination of the resourceful trends at AXE and MTV and aims to throw unsuspecting, self-proclaimed "players" to the lion cage that is the dating game.

It is yet another stretched attempt by the network to build up an already jam-packed schedule full of "reality" (and I use that term loosely) shows. Gone are the days of music videos, and I regret to report that they are most likely not coming back. Looks like we are stuck with a never-ending lineup of reality programming, including the new addition of "Gamekillers." In any case, executive producer Justin Wilkes clarified the somewhat hairy concept of the show.

Think MTV's "Basing Point," means "Blind Date." Twelve scripted guys and girls act as "gamekillers," playing a specific character everyone has encountered at one time or another out at a club, bar or party. Anthony Catanaro plays the Early One, who "will kill your game and then kill you."

Sound overly cheesy, but this gamekiller is not so farfetched; look no further than the weight section of the gym. Think probes and lots of PowerBars. All of the game-killers auditioned there is a little bit of themselves in each of the characters they play. It pretty much goes without saying that having two X chromosomes automatically enables you to flirt, thus Drama Walker says she fits in the role. However, she explained: "I make it a general rule not to go after a friend's guy, though."

Still to come this season are The Consolipinger (spoke the language of love), The Sensito (the guy best friend), The Swarm (the opposing gaggle of the girl's inappropriate best friends), The Jokester (the funniest guy in the room), The Ward (Mr. Magic with slick hands), Kahl Mami (sound that one out) and The Drama Queens (self-explanatory).

"Gamekillers," as executive producer Wilkes said, is directed toward the college-age audience.

"It's for any guy or girl who's ever been on a date before you know they'll be able to relate to me. In that situation, and the One Upper is someone I see all the time when I'm hanging out with my friends at the bar."

"I feel it is completely original. You can be 12 years old and watch it or 70 years old and watch and laugh at it. Most of the humor and dating situations are written for late teens, early 20s though."

Even for MTV, it is definitely a stretch for entertainment; yet it'll give them (and AXE) credit for originality. This show will give guys who think they are full of game a dose of, Ironically enough, reality.
Need sex advice? Check out mtV's 'Sex Cred'

Cassandra J. Carlson

ARTS

Ever wonder if there are any hygienic benefits to shaving pubic hair? Questions like this one are posed by college students and then explored on a new show on mtV called "Sex Cred with Dr. Ruth".

Renaowed "sexpert" Ruth Westheimer, along with the nation's leading student sex columnists, are pinning down subjects about sex within the college atmosphere in this new series. "Our programming director bumped into Dr. Ruth at an event," said Jason Kzepka, head of communications at mtV. "She was excited about the idea of having a dialogue with 7.5 million college students.

Dr. Ruth talks sex with her wit and charisma. As an adjunct professor at Yale, Princeton and NYU, she provides an immediate connection with students about serious sex issues through engaging and educating conversation.

If you don't know what mtV is, it is a station broadcast to more than 750 colleges across the country, including the Avenue at Cal Poly. "Sex Cred with Dr. Ruth" will likely perk up many ears throughout Yale, Princeton and NYU, she provides an educational but also entertaining answers.

"What do people really want?" Dederer said. "They want their music where they want it. We've taken just how the project started six and a half months ago." Now mtV is already becoming popular. On the Web site www.mtv.com, users can see the playlists of other users who have started accessing the program. By operating in a shuffle mode like a Web radio station, the program offers people a chance to listen to and share favorite music while the artist still get paid. Instead of banning music sharing altogether, mtV works through the problem of piracy by offering users an alternative program that still gives musical artists the credit they deserve.

"Every time we play these songs that are in your playlist, by your request or from your friends requesting, we're going to pay the artists a very small royalty payment," Dederer said. "So not only is it legal, and all artists get paid as they should, they're getting paid for the stuff they weren't getting paid for before."

Although users can't necessarily directly pick the songs that they hear, they can skip forward as many times as they like to find songs that they want to listen to. More convenient than an iPod shuffle, mtV solves the problem of legally shared music in a most convenient way.

"Whether we're streaming to you on a PC, Web-connected PC, or on a phone, what we're taking is your mtV iTunes playlist and matching it up against the songs we have on our server and streaming to you from there," Dederer said. It's true that Dave Dederer is no stranger to the music scene. As a founding member of the Grammy-nominated group Presidents of the United States, he has been involved in many aspects of music, from its making to its management.

"In the President's, I was always the in-house business manager... so from the band's very earliest days, I was always the person keeping an eye on our financial concerns," Dederer said. "In the course of doing that, I've gotten more and more interested, as any person who was paying attention at all would, to the digital music delivery." From the stage to the office, Dederer is confident in his transition into the world of digital music sharing and has big plans for mtV in the future. He believes mtV will expand into something that everyone will see from their PCs, phones and wireless networks.

"We see as a line with a bigger music service like Amazon.com or someone, as a tool that their users can employ to discover, to find and to purchase new music," Dederer said.

Although still fairly new, mtV is a promising look at the world of digital music sharing and portable playing. By signing up for mtV, users can share music with their friends and find new music sharing and portable playing. By signing up for mtV, users can share music with their friends and find new music.
**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

**Dear ENGL 102 students in building 21 (and other crybabies)**

I am writing in response to the numerous, amazingly similar letters sent to the editor on Friday, Sept. 28, 2007. If you read one, you have basically read them all.

My first suggestion is to stop whining about sitting in a remedial English class, for at most, an hour a day. You were placed in that building with that time slot because you are at the bottom of the academic hierarchy. I'm sure most of you had good "inflated" grades in high school (or had a mail order diploma with a great GPA to get into Cal Poly), but when it came to standardized placement tests you got shafted.

Secondly, the money you are spending at this fine learning institution is distributed to everything you are thankful for your careful reading. You are definitely not alone. It's hard for everyone to find the time to eat well, especially while both on a budget and lacking extra energy. As college students, we lead extremely busy lives and sometimes our nutrition pays the price. Many people think that cooking healthily has to cost a ton and take forever to prepare. Not necessarily. Try planning ahead for your day by packing healthy snacks for class so you don't turn into starvation central by dinner time. Try an apple with some almonds or a banana and yogurt. Who knows, it might help you from falling asleep in your statistics class too -- wait, you're not taking statistics right? Help! Is there any hope for this busy college student? -- Busy and starving student

Dear busy and starving student,

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**Check your PULSE**

by Sarah Bailey

I propose a few solutions to your dilemma. You can:

a) Hold it for an hour.

b) Do what I do just shut your pants, then blame it on the girl sitting in front of you.

c) Get a colonoscopy bag.

Yes, it sucks that you have to learn in these conditions, but your class is the only one that seems to care, and frankly, your class doesn't count.

Michael Macedo
Manufacturing engineering senior

College students and their terrible parking

There is an ageless stereotype that says college students are terrible drivers, and I would like to extend this to parking as well. Last week I attempted to park on campus at 9:20 a.m. in the last empty spot in G1. When I came to the designated parking lot, I got shafted.

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Dear PULSE,

I am always on the run with school, work and an arduous social life and I feel like I never have time or the energy to eat well. By the time I get home from a full day of classes, I'm starving and exhausted. Even 30 minutes of cooking seems way too long for me, so I end up snacking my way through a good part of my day. Help! Is there any hope for this busy college student?

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3. Cumin crushed garlic
4. Chopped red onion
5. Olive oil
6. Small bunch of cilantro
7. Guacamole
8. Lettuce
9. Small bunch of lime
10. Mexican cheese

**Preparation:**

1. Place the olive oil and the red onion in a warm pan and allow the onion to soften for 2 minutes. Add the garlic and red kidney beans and stir together. Allow to cook for 1 minute.

2. Add the tomatoes, sweet corn and Tabasco and continue stirring. Allow to cook for another 3 minutes.

3. While the bean mixture cooks, take the tortillas and place them under a hot, dry or a minute to warm. When ready, spread some cheese cream on each of the tortillas.

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No. 5 slot as the team's sole freshman, after being hailed from New Zealand as one of the country's top junior tennis players there. Young, originally from South Africa, earned Big West First Team honors as a sophomore. No. 2 singles player and No. 1 in the team's week's All-American tourney.

"We've been working pretty close on our offense," Young said. "We've been playing a lot of individual matches and just getting out on the court and practicing. But I do think it'll take a little time to get back to where we finished off last spring.'

The rest of the roster rounds out with six new players. McGraw admits that he currently has no idea what the player positioning will look like come spring. "There are no clear-cut No. 1 players. This season gives everyone a chance to play it out."

Two juniors added to the team are Andre Grest from Redon-Beach, and Robert Zacks from Oxnard.

"We're all excited to get out there and play," Gerst said. "During the summer a lot of us were playing singles tournaments to keep in the game and stay in shape."

The other four players are all freshmen: Drew Jacobs from Moorpark, Nikita Shcherpin from Walnut Creek, Blake Wardman from San Clemente and, imported from Sweden, Alexander Soneson.

For Soneson, it's not only the newness of the team that he has to come to grips with this fall, but the differences in the way collegiate sports are played. "This is all new to me," Soneson admitted. "The way college sports work here in America is a little strange and I still have to figure out a lot of it out." Culture shock aside, Soneson is not at all confused about how he expects to perform on the court. "I'm really psyched for the whole season. We have a good team, and it's fall now, so I think with continued good play we can qualify for the Big West tournament in the spring."

Coach McGraw agrees, saying, "The guys are very hung-ry to get better. We'll be able to compete for the Big West and have a shot at the NCAA."
“With hard work on the groundstrokes, she can be a future All-American.”

Rounding out the Mustang women’s tennis roster is Brooke Petrich, a promising freshman from Laguna Niguel.

The team left this weekend for the 2007 ITA All-America Championships Tournament in Pacific Palisades, Calif. The tournament began yesterday and will proceed until Oct. 7 and places the Mustangs up against strong competition including Stanford, UCLA, USC and Georgia Tech.

“The All-American Tournament is a highly selective event with only the top 150 players nationally competing,” said Bream. “It is a premier showcase event that we feel fortunate to have free players participating in. We hope the opportunity for breakthrough performances as well as the opportunity to learn from competing with the best nationally.”

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“Deuce. We’re gonna come and when it comes it’s just gonna come pouring in,” he added.

Crozier said in his 35-plus years of coaching, he has never experienced a season like this. He commented on the toughness of the previous seasons and how that contributed to his team.

“We’re due. It’s gonna come and when it comes it’s just gonna come pouring in,” he added.

Crozier is looking forward to starting conference play at home Oct. 5 against UC Riverside at 7 p.m.

“We really don’t want the season this year to end, it’s how you finish the season,” he said.

Stevenson spoke in detail about his team’s recent loss to Pacific on Sept. 27. This was the team’s first conference loss.

“Our girls didn’t back off. They didn’t quit. They played very hard,” he said of the loss.

Stevenson mentioned that the Mustangs stayed very close with UOP in the games they lost and in some cases, he ran out of words. He did say that it is remarkable that he has 15 subs to work with.

Stevenson said his team has had ups and downs throughout the season, yet they have never thrown the white flag and surrendered. “Teams have to play very hard to beat us,” he said.

In terms of goals for the season or what Stevenson hopes to accomplish with his team, he said he wants his team to become less unpredictable and more stable from game to game. He also said his squad is a team in evolution and they want to be fully evolved by December.

“We need to have better all-around production,” he said in terms of offense.

He mentioned the fact that outside hitter Ashley Berntt, Ali Waller and Gaby Rivera are competing for two spots which should increase production in all of them.

Overall, he wants more outside production, more outside offense and more stability of play from game to game.

He spoke of the tremendous win his team had in the first game against UOP and how they failed to carry the confidence and energy over to the next games of the match.

To amend this problem, he said he wants his team to become less unpredictable and more stable from game to game.

“Each and every match is gonna be a dog fight,” Stevenson said of conference play.

The team continues conference play this Friday against Cal Poly at 7 p.m. in Mott Gym.
Men's and women's tennis underway

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Mustang Sports calendar

WEDNESDAY

Men's Golf
Al-Herman Golf Course Invitational Fort Worth, Texas

FRIDAY

Women's Soccer
Cal Poly vs. UC Riverside
Alex G. Spanos Stadium
7 p.m.

Women's Volleyball
Cal Poly at Cal State Fullerton Mott Gym
7 p.m.

Women's Tennis
Cal Poly vs. Cal Poly Fullerton Invitational All Day

SATURDAY

Women's Tennis
Cal Poly at Cal Poly Fullerton Invitational All Day

Men's Tennis
Cal Poly at Fresno State Invitational Watters Tennis Center, Fresno All Day

SUNDAY

Women's Soccer
Cal Poly vs. Cal State Fullerton Titan Stadium, Pismo Beach 7 p.m.

Men's Tennis
Cal Poly at UC Riverside Titan Stadium, Pismo Beach 7 p.m.

Marlize van Romburgh

WOMEN

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"We were the most improved team in the conference last season and will need to be again to win it. Athletically and depth-wise, we are way ahead of last year," Bream continued.

Sophomore Brittany Blalock, who won the title of Big West Conference Freshman of the Year and finished at No. 3 doubles and No. 6 singles last year, will prove to be a strong contender on the court along with the other returning starters.

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Cal Poly sophomore Brittany Blalock (above), along with Steffi Wong and Darryn Young (below) are among the top returning players.

Ellerson thankful for bye

Rachel Gellman

Head football coach Rich Ellerson, head women's soccer coach Alex Craft and head volleyball coach Jon Stephens spoke at Cal Poly's weekly athletics department press conference Monday afternoon.

Ellerson said that his team's bye week "couldn't come at a better time for us," because of the team's numerous injuries. He said that the injuries on the team cumulatively affect play and some will not go away in the next 11 days.

"If we had to play this week we'd be in trouble," Ellerson said. "Where we are physically right now, I'll take two byes to get as many of these things behind us so we don't follow us into the Davis game."

Ellerson was also asked to comment on former Poly star Kyle Shonfel's move to the Green Bay Packers from the Oakland Raiders. "As long as someone is giving him a chance to play, it's hard to walk away," Ellerson said. He also said that Schuller's experience with the Raiders put some things into perspective for him.

Craft spoke about his team's loss to Santa Clara last Friday as well as the upcoming conference play.

Blalock, Wong upset GT's top duo

Cal Poly sophomore Brittany Blalock and Steffi Wong upset top-seeded Kristen Flower and Maya Johnson of Georgia Tech 8-6 in the second round Monday at the ITA All-American Championships at the Riviera Country Club in Pacific Palisades, Calif.

Flower is ranked No. 23 in the nation individually and she and Johnson are ranked No. 56 nationally in doubles play.


"Anytime you play the best team in the country, you're gonna find out what you need to work on," he said about playing No. 1 Santa Clara.

"We did a lot of good things against a very good team," he added.

Craft said his team was in control of the game on see Conference, page 11

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Blalock and Wong followed up with an 8-0 third-round win over Yale's Lindsey Clark and Lauren Ritz.

The duo will take on Florida's Whitney Benik and Anastasia Revzina in the qualifying doubles draw at 9 a.m. today.

Dally named Great West Player of the Week

Cal Poly junior quarterback Jonathon Dally was named the Great West Conference Player of the Week for the second time in the past three weeks.

Dally posted four rushing scores of 2, 14, 1 and 7 yards and passed for two touchdowns.

Dally has passed for 1,008 yards and 13 touchdowns so far this season.

He is averaging 201.6 yards per game and has an efficiency rating of 198.2.

Dally said following the game against Northern Colorado that he gives most of the credit to the line.