ASI holds last-chance voter drive

DEMOCRACY WEEK EVENTS:

Monday
Voter registration starts in the UU plaza.
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Tuesday
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Women's center promotes positive body image

Wild end caps Dow's worst week
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**State Briefs**

**SANTA CRUZ (AP) —** Investigators are looking into what caused a sand dune to collapse on three boys at a Santa Cruz beach, killing an 11-year-old. State parks lifeguard supervisor Chlip Bockmann said the dune near an entrance to Natural Bridges State Beach collapsed Saturday afternoon.

Witnesses say one boy was buried for 10 minutes and another partially buried for 5 minutes. The third boy was also under the dune when it came down but fell to the side and was able to help locate the others.

Bockmann said the two boys who survived were 9 and 10 years old but did not describe their conditions.

**LOS ANGELES (AP) —** Coroner's have released the identity of a homeless man who was killed after being doused with gasoline and set on fire.

John Robert McCraham was known only by his first name to residents of the mid-Wilshire neighborhood on the edge of Koreatown where police found his body. The 53-year-old died as he lay on the street.

Police say they found McGraham, who apparently had been drenched with gasoline and set ablaze, around 9:30 p.m. Thursday. He was pronounced dead at the hospital.

Deputy Chief Sergio Diaz says a witness saw a man in his 20s running from the scene.

Locals set up a makeshift memorial for McCraham, who had been in the area for at least 20 years and was often given food, clothes and spare change.

**SANTA CRUZ (AP) —** Santa Cruz County sheriff's deputies are still trying to identify a young man whose body was found after being doused with gasoline and set on fire.

A hiker found the man's head on a trail north of Scott Valley on Sept. 30. His body was found nearby. Investigators say he believes the victim was killed in the area, but have not released the cause of death.

Sheriff's Lt. Phil Wisocky says investigators are reviewing hundreds of missing person reports from Santa Cruz and Santa Clara counties in hopes of finding the victim's identity.

The man is believed to have been between 14 and 22 years old and had been dead at least two months.

**SAN FRANCISCO (AP) —** Police say a man suspected of fatally stabbing his mother last month decided to arrest after trying to leave a Fisherman's Wharf restaurant without paying.

Santa Rosa police had been watching for 41-year-old Christopher Lavis since his mother's stabbing death last month.

Restaurant workers on Friday grabbed Lavis as he tried to flee, and Santa Rosa police responded and learned Lavis was wanted.

Authorities found 63-year-old Lavis' mother's stabbing death last month is under arrest after trying to leave a Fisherman's Wharf restaurant without paying.

**Connecticut 3rd state to allow gay marriage**

By Dave Collins

A sharply divided Connecticut Supreme Court ruled Friday that gay couples have the right to get married, saying legislators did not go far enough when they approved same-sex civil unions that were identical to marriages in virtually every respect except the name.

The 4-3 ruling will make Connecticut the third state, behind Massachusetts and California, to allow same-sex marriages, decisions that in all cases were made by the highest state court.

The decision marks the first time that a court rejected civil unions as an alternative to granting gay couples the right to marry.

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**WORD ON THE STREET**

**"Do you think political parodies such as the ones on 'Saturday Night Live' affect elections?"**

"Probably not because I don't think anyone takes that seriously. It's just for a good laugh."

- Ben Merritt, biomedical engineering freshman

**"Yes, because it calls on the attention of people who probably wouldn't have taken the time to watch the news channels and they just let it bias their opinion."

- Katherine Foster, English freshman

**"Yes, because people don't really bother to get informed. They just watch SNL and don't really check into what they're saying. So in a way they're informed, but crudely informed."

- Jenna Jerman, aerospace engineering freshman

**"I think they do just because of the younger crowd of people that are voting. It's a little more interesting for people who may not enjoy the political side of it but enjoy the humor learning issues. Definitely it makes a more educated voter."

- Jordan Baker, agriculture business freshman
Efforts on global warming chilled by economic woes

Dina Cappiello

The economic fireball gripping the nation may bring down one of the main environmental objectives: capping the greenhouse gases that are blamed for global warming.

Democratic leaders in the House and the Senate, and both presidential candidates, continue to rank tackling global warming as a chief goal next year. But the focus on stabilizing the economy probably will make it more difficult to pass a law to reduce carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases. At the very least, it will push back when the reductions would have to start.

As one Republican senator put it, the green bubble has burst.

"Clearly it is somewhere down the totem pole given the economic realities we are facing," said Tom Williams, a spokesman for Duke Energy Corp., an electricity producer that has supported federal mandates on greenhouse gases. Duke is a member of the U.S. Climate Action Partnership, an association of businesses and nonprofit groups that has lobbied Congress to act.

Just months ago, chances for legislation passing in the next Congress and becoming law looked promising. The presidential candidates support mandatory cuts and a Democratic majority is ready to act on the problem after years of the Bush administration's resisting federal controls. But the most popular remedy for slowing global warming, a mechanism known as cap-and-trade, could put further stress on a teetering economy.

In an interview with The Associated Press, Rep. Rick Boucher, D-Va., said that in light of the economic downturn, a bill that would give polluters permits free of charge would be preferable.

"The first way we can control program costs is by not charging industrial emitters," said Boucher, who released a draft of a bill this past week with the chairman of the House Energy and Commerce Committee, Rep. John Dingell, D-Mich. Giving away rights-to-pollute permits was one of the options.

Other Democrats, however, see a cap-and-trade bill — and the government revenues it would generate from selling permits — as an engine for economic growth. Democratic presidential nominee Barack Obama supports auctioning off all permits, using the money to help fund alternative energy. "If you see this as a job creation opportunity for the U.S. to develop the products that are then sold around the world, then you should be optimistic about what the impact of passage would mean for the American economy," said Rep. Edward Markey, D-Mass.
Elizabeth Kerrigan, left, and Joanne Mack bring their twin sons Fernando (second from left) and Carlos to the podium with them at a news conference in Hartford, Conn., Friday.

**Marriage**

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but few other states are likely to recognize the unions.

The ruling was thrilling for the plaintiffs, eight couples who sued in 2004 after they tried to get wedding licenses.

"I can't believe it. We're thrilled; we're absolutely overjoyed. We're finally going to be able, after 33 years, to get married," said plaintiff Janet Peck of Colchester.

Peck said that when the decision was announced, she and her partner, Carole Cohn, started crying and hugging while pigging exacted phone calls from her brother and other relatives and friends.

"We've always dreamed of being married," she said. "Even though we were lesbians and didn't know if that would ever come true, we always dreamed of it."

A year after the suit was filed, Connecticut's General Assembly approved a civil union law that gave same-sex couples the same rights as married couples. At the time, no other state had granted so many rights to gay couples without being ordered to do so by a court, but the plaintiffs declined to drop their lawsuit and said they wanted full marriage rights.

In the majority opinion, Supreme Court Justice Richard N. Palmer wrote that denying marriage to same-sex couples would create separate standards.

"Interpreting our state constitutional provisions in accordance with firmly established equal protection principles leads inevitably to the conclusion that gay persons are entitled to marry the otherwise qualified same-sex partner of their choice," Palmer wrote.

Three justices issued separate dissenting opinions.

Justice Peter Zarella wrote that he believes there is no fundamental right to same-sex marriage, and that the court's majority failed to discuss the purpose of marriage laws, which he said is to "protect and regulate procreative conduct."

Zarella added, "The ancient definition of marriage as the union of one man and one woman has its basis in biology, not bigotry. If the state no longer has an interest in the regulation of procreation, then that is a decision for the legislature or the people of the state, and not this court."

The ruling cannot be appealed to federal courts because it deals with state constitutional issues, Attorney General Richard Blumenthal said.

The ruling overturns a decision from New Haven Superior Court. It becomes effective Oct. 28, and weddings are expected to begin within days after the lower court holds a hearing to implement the high court's ruling.

The White House reacted to the ruling by again raising the prospect of a federal constitutional amendment defining marriage as between a man and a woman.

"It's unfortunate that activist judges continue to seek to redefine marriage by court order without regard for the will of the people," Karl Zinsmeister, President Bush's domestic policy advisor, said in a written statement. "Today's decision by the Connecticut Supreme Court illustrates that a federal constitutional amendment may be needed if the people are to decide what marriage means."

**NORTH FORK**

Hurricane Norbert slammed into Mexico's southern Baja Peninsula on Saturday with torrential rains and screaming winds, forcing scores of people to the flooded homes.

Norbert, a Category 2 storm with winds of up to 105 miles (165 kph), hit land near Puerto Chatles on the southeast coast of Baja California, the U.S. National Hurricane Center said. It was expected to sweep over a sparsely populated stretch of the peninsula, cross the Gulf of California and then make a second landfall Saturday night in northwestern Mexico's mainland — likely as a hurricane, the U.S. National Hurricane Center said.

Baja residents fled to shelters as floodwaters rose in their homes. Winds bent palm trees and some streets were in knee-deep water in the town of Puerto San Carlos.

**PARIS (AP)** — France's President Nicolas Sarkozy says countries that use the euro will temporarily guarantee bank refinancing to ease the credit crunch.

Sarkozy, a conservative who took office in May with the goal of reining in government spending, said the move is needed to "insure the freedom of action of the European Central Bank and to protect the European financial system, which is at the origin of the difficulties in the world economy."

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**International**

**DETROIT (AP)** — General Motors Corp. and Chrysler LLC have held preliminary talks about a merger or an acquisition of Chrysler by GM, according to published reports Saturday.

The Wall Street Journal, citing people who are familiar with the discussions, said Cerberus Capital Management, the private equity firm that owns 80.1 percent of Chrysler and 51 percent of GMAC Financial Services, proposed trading Chrysler's auto­motive operations to GM.

**WASHINGTON (AP)** — North Korea says it will resume dismantling its Yongbyon nuclear complex and allow U.S. and IAEA inspections to verify the process.

North Korea's Foreign Ministry says in a statement Saturday that it made the decision after the U.S. said it would remove the commu­nist regime from its list of terrorist-sponsoring countries.

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**WE ARE THE MUSTANGS**

Eric Brusignano—Junior

Eric has been at Cal Poly since fall of 2005. He is a Business Management major and a member of the Men's Soccer team. Eric enjoys spending time with friends and working out. He is a huge fan of the Buckeyes and the Cleveland Indians.

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Poly instructor parleys life experiences into writing career

Jennifer Titcomb

He has come a long way since selling watermelons and poetry in Greece and using his bathroom breaks at Bay Area Corporations to edit his books. Cal Poly instructor Carson Medley has hit the big time and looks forward to continued success.

His controversial first novel "Ain't Whistlin' Dixie No More," speaks of racism and interracial relations in the south (which starts out in Mississippi in 1994).

"(In the book,) Mississippi has still not ratified the 13th Amendment abolishing slavery and in one week they are either going to elect their first African American governor and Republican or a white congressman Democrat who has ties to the KKK," Medley said.

The book was published last October but is particularly relevant to American politics today. "It seems like it is a timely book right now; mainly because of the presidential election and the fact that we are kind of wrestling with this idea of a black person being president of the United States," Cal Poly English professor Glen Starkey said.

"In his book, I think it is kind of drawn broadly; it is a real satire and the characters are kind of stereotyped really large but it deals with those issues about racism and sort of indoctrinated feelings that people have," Starkey said. "They have grown up a certain way and how hard it is to break that.

The book's main character, Spencer Mendez Daniels, experiences discrimination when he is enrolled in an almost all African American school, while he himself is white.

"The congressman is about to lose the election so he pulls his son Spencer out of prep school on the east coast and puts him in Mississippi's most violent school to show the people he cares," Medley said.

Interracial relationships come into play when Spencer falls in love with an African American girl, Kim Wallace, whom he attends school with. "It is Spencer's tale of revenge against the south and injustice and racism and a terrible act that his father did to his mother, which was murder," Medley said.

The idea of the book was partly inspired by Medley's real life. "The seed was planted because there is a girl Katrina who plays Kim Wallace, and I was totally infatuated with her in high school but she was black and if I went out with her being the son of a lawyer in white Jackson, it just wouldn't have happened," Medley said.

Growing up in Jackson, Miss., he too went from a private to public school. "I was the white school prep kid that was at the almost all African American public school," he said.

Other inspiration for the book came from Medley's love for Shakespearean tragedies and Quentin Tarantino films.

"The way he constructed the story is he begins with the ending then you go through the rest of the book building up to where it started; so it is kind of drawn from that post modern kind of fractured chronology," Starkey said.

"Ain't Whistlin' Dixie No More" took just two years to write but four years to edit. "I did nine drafts and when you do nine drafts of 554 pages it is an everyday process," Medley said. "I kind of wanted to create a hip-hop kind of novel because almost all of my dialogue is written in Ebonics or Black English Vernacular, which was awful to edit," he said.

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Cal Poly's Studio Art Club on campus. The club works to expand art appreciation throughout the university.

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It may be small in size, but Cal Poly’s Studio Art Club is big on acquainting its members with the outside art world. The Studio Art Club started out as a fundraiser for the university’s art and design department but has since evolved into a separate entity. The club meets once or twice a month with Cal Poly’s three main studio art professors and talks about contemporary issues in art.

“The club is open to all students who are interested in art, but consists mostly of students from the art and design department. Through the club, students are exposed at a younger age to the profession of the art world with an emphasis on the fact that students can make a living doing what they love,” Wertheimer said.

The club also provides a chance for relationship between professors and students.

“It’s really unique because we’re a lot closer to our professors than most students at this university,” Wertheimer said, citing the fact that students call their professors by their first names and even have dinner with them.

Funds for the club are partially raised by the craft sales held during winter and open house. Parents help support the club and the department when they buy student-made ceramics and glass-blow pieces. Artists also make money from these events and it exposes the rest of the campus to what the art students are doing.

The department periodically hosts guest lecturers, who are usually artists themselves but the Studio Art Club usually meets to analyze their work with their professors. They get their professors’ expert opinions and extra insight.

Wertheimer said the Studio Art Club also travels on field trips to larger cities to explore various art museums together. Last year the club went to Cal Poly professor Daniel Dow’s show opening in Los Angeles. The trips are completely funded by the club and allow the members to get to know each other better.

“It’s nice to go in a group because we can analyze art together,” Wertheimer said.

She said she enjoys when the club gets to meet with specific artists and tour their studios. Many of these artists make a significant amount of money from their creativity.

“It’s really quite an honor to do that because it’s actually going into their working space,” Wertheimer said. “It’s confirming the fact that art should be taken more seriously as a profession that can actually make a sufficient amount of income.”

Wertheimer was asked to be vice president last year because there was no one else to take the job and it was then that she realized how beneficial the club is.

“T’ll was forced into getting involved, but it’s been a wonderful experience,” she said.

The Studio Art Club members are new this year because many of the members graduated last year, but Wertheimer doesn’t view this as a negative for the group. She said she became president not really knowing what she was doing, but this year would be a good learning experience for the club. Only she and one other member are graduating this year so everyone else will have at least one more year to actually get into the club.

“It’s definitely worth it and my main focus (as president) is to try and convince students as freshmen and sophomores to take it seriously right away,” Wertheimer said. “They’ll get so much out of it that I didn’t even realize.”

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The Studio Art Club started out as a fundraiser for the university’s art and design department but has since evolved into a separate entity. The club meets once or twice a month with Cal Poly’s three main studio art professors and talks about contemporary issues in art.

“It exists to mainly bring students together to expose them to the contemporary art world outside of the classroom,” said club president Ashley Wertheimer. “I joined my freshman year, but I wasn’t very interested in organized events like this. I just wanted to draw because it was fun.”

The club is open to all students who are interested in art, but consists mostly of students from the art and design department.

Through the club, students are exposed at a younger age to the profession of the art world with an emphasis on the fact that students can make a living doing what they love, Wertheimer said.

The club also provides a chance for relationship between professors and students.

“It’s really unique because we’re a lot closer to our professors than most students at this university,” Wertheimer said, citing the fact that students call their professors by their first names and even have dinner with them.

Funds for the club are partially raised by the craft sales held during winter and open house. Parents help support the club and the department when they buy student-made ceramics and glass-blow pieces. Artists also make money from these events and it exposes the rest of the campus to what the art students are doing.

The department periodically hosts guest lecturers, who are usually artists themselves but the Studio Art Club usually meets to analyze their work with their professors. They get their professors’ expert opinions and extra insight.

Wertheimer said the Studio Art Club also travels on field trips to larger cities to explore various art museums together. Last year the club went to Cal Poly professor Daniel Dow’s show opening in Los Angeles. The trips are completely funded by the club and allow the members to get to know each other better.

“It’s nice to go in a group because we can analyze art together,” Wertheimer said.

She said she enjoys when the club gets to meet with specific artists and tour their studios. Many of these artists make a significant amount of money from their creativity.

“It’s really quite an honor to do that because it’s actually going into their working space,” Wertheimer said. “It’s confirming the fact that art should be taken more seriously as a profession that can actually make a sufficient amount of income.”

Wertheimer was asked to be vice president last year because there was no one else to take the job and it was then that she realized how beneficial the club is.

“I was forced into getting involved, but it’s been a wonderful experience,” she said.

The Studio Art Club members are new this year because many of the members graduated last year, but Wertheimer doesn’t view this as a negative for the group. She said she became president not really knowing what she was doing, but this year would be a good learning experience for the club. Only she and one other member are graduating this year so everyone else will have at least one more year to actually get into the club.

“It’s definitely worth it and my main focus (as president) is to try and convince students as freshmen and sophomores to take it seriously right away,” Wertheimer said. “They’ll get so much out of it that I didn’t even realize.”
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It's not too say that all students are irresponsible when it comes to credit cards.

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There are others, however, that don't have the will power to live within their means and find themselves continuously struggling to get by because of the lack of real assets that are supposedly the driving force behind the country's economic prosperity. We are, in short, a nation of debtors.

College students need to be educated about the potential dangers of credit cards well before they get to college.

On a broad scale, state and local government should look into updating those Leave-It-To-Beavers curriculums high school economics classes and more on modern economic topics such as how credit cards work, what a credit score is and potential dangers of defaulting on loans and credit cards.

On a more local scale, Cal Poly should prohibit all credit card tabling on its campus.

If students really wish to get a card they can go through other channels such as Facebook ads or through bank offers.

Cal Poly should also include a mandatory 1-unit credit management course in the lower-division general education requirements in order to at least familiarize students with the basic concepts.

On an individual level, students need to be conscious of their own spending habits with regards to credit cards. If you have a balance and are making the minimum payments, seriously consider cutting up the card and live according to the real cash you have.

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Freshman forward Wes Feighner opened the scoring in the 57th minute, and sophomore forward David Zamora added the second goal in the 64th. Mustang goalkeeper Eric Bratton made three saves in his fifth shutout of the season and 21st of his career.

With the loss, the Titans (3-10, 0-3) remained winless in Big West Conference play.

Cal Poly (8-3-2, 3-1-1) returns to action at 8 p.m. Oct. 17 in Alex G. Spanos Stadium against UC Santa Barbara in a nationally televised NCAA/Fox Soccer Game of the Week.

WOMEN’S VOLLEYBALL

Long Beach State, No. 22 Cal Poly 0

The 49ers edged the visiting Mustangs 23-25, 23-25, 22-25, 25-23, 15-23 on Friday night at Walter Pyramid.

Cal Poly, the two-time defending Big West women’s volleyball champion, suffered just its third conference loss over its past 35 Big West matches, and 16-2 on the season.

The Mustangs (9-7, 4-1) became a four-match home stand by hosting UC Santa Barbara in Mott Gym at 7 p.m. Thursday.

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late a live broadcast production into a classroom setting due to budget constraints, personal needs and a consistent student assistant.

“There is a big waiting list for lots of situations for classes that aren’t being offered because we don’t have the money to pay for the faculty,” Loving said. “The priority is the university happens to be teaching so that students can graduate. It would be difficult to up and go because we would like the money could be used on lectures for this technology.”

Department fundraising could be an effective way to address financial issues.

“I could go out and get the Bushes for money and if they don’t have any money I might try the Cheney’s,” Loving joked. “If anyone gives us money, I will write them a note. Rather, give us $100 I will give them a Cal Poly hat.”

Cal Poly hopes to pursue the technology that would facilitate more student involvement with live broadcasting such as a new video scoreboard, Thoroughgood said.

“Eventually, I would like to see opportunities for students to do live sports coverage, but that will have to wait until we can have consensus among all a plan that the department can support,” Loving said.

“Loving said. “We will need three things: money, money, and more money. That’s pretty much it.”

Although a focus of sports broadcasting could be integrated into the current broadcasting structure, more expansive effort may be needed to teach broadcast production.

“Department has built-in content to form a class around it,” Soares said. “But then you need the sustenance effort from the athletic and journalism departments to say, ‘We have to continually do this every quarter; it won’t be a one-shot thing.’ The other thing is management. You need to have people in place to sustain this.”

Cal Poly was one of the first California universities to launch a radio sports talk show. The Mustang Mini” is heard on KCRR.

DODGERS

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of the game, Manny looked a little more stemmed than I was.”

More than Schuett’s Carter was the first inning of Game 2 on Friday, and Martin was brushed back as well. Not only did Martin lose to Martin with the pitch in the first inning Sunday night, and reliever Cla Dondry knocked down the Dodgers’ pitcher in the second.

Martin was hit by another pitch in the seventh, a breaking ball from Chad Durbin, drawing boos from the crowd and prompting Ramirez to go to the top step of the dugout. But Martin took first base without any trouble.

Crew chief Mike Reilly said the warning was issued to protect the players.

“Have the toughest thing for an umpire to read—an intentional,” Reilly said. “But we absolutely had a situation, we had a batter hit and then the retaliation, pitch up high. And we figured that at that point that we should put a warning in to stop any further retaliation from the other side coming back out again.”

The Phillies and Dodgers have plied 11 times this year, including eight in the regular season, with the home team winning every game. And the Dodgers’ 2-3 record at home after the All-Star break was the best in the majors.

Kuroda, a 33-year-old rookie making just the second postseason start of his career that includes 11 years in Japan’s Nippon Professional Baseball, gave up one hit and two runs. The Dodgers won two straight in KC and the National League championship series, ending a four-game series with one walk and three strikeouts before being relieved by Cory Wade.

Torre thought the warning from umpire was proper.

“Well the position that goes on in the proprio, you reach out all year to get here, and I think the umpires just happened to try the do the right thing,” he said. “And I can’t fault them in that.

“Nobody wants to get hit in the head, but, at the same time, certainly frightening. I’ve been hit a couple of times. I’m not sure that was the intention, even though the pitch was there. Again, you try to throw a ball hard and sometimes it gets away. But certainly there was no intent to hurt somebody in that area.”

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A trio of Cal Poly women's tennis players swept in singles play Sunday at the 11-team Cal State Fullerton Intercollegiate Women's Tennis Tournament.

Junior Suzie Matzenauer (in Flight A), senior Maria Malec (Flight B) and freshman Jocelyn Davis (Flight C) all won championships in their respective flights.

"I felt we competed really well over the entire weekend," Mustangs head coach Hugh Bream said in a news release. "We have a lot of tangs head coach Hugh Bream said Davis (Flight C) all won championships in their respective flights.

A last-minute goal gave the Cal Poly women's soccer team a 2-0 victory over UC Irvine, establishing a 22-shot advantage over the Titans in the fourth overtime period.

"I was on the ground but I heard everyone cheering," Hemenez said. "We did a lot of things well — we just didn't finish,"Crozier said. "The goalkeeper made some good saves. We just kept playing, keeping plugging away and finally got the goal. I think we did a good job of not trying to force it."

Sophomore midfielder Morgan Miller, who was named Big West Player of the Week after posting four goals over two games last week, was placed at forward and had six shots, a team-high.

"I felt like we should have had a couple goals in the first half but we kept powering through," said Hemenez, who took the corner as the ball fell off the post and we got one — that's all that matters. It took a while, though.

With the win came a record for Crozier, who is in his 17th year of coaching the Mustangs. He's the fifth Cal Poly coach to have 200 wins in any sport, the first in the women's soccer program's annals and just the 33rd in NCAA Division I women's soccer history to reach the plateau.

"I'm more happy about being 3-0 in conference," he said. "That's been on the forefront of my mind; it's a tight race this year. At the end of the season I'll probably look back and think about more than the 200 wins."

The Mustangs will host UC Santa Barbara at 5 p.m. Sunday.

Once-obsolete KCPR relationship with Cal Poly athletics could be revived

Until recently, there has been a limited relationship between Cal Poly athletics and student broadcasting since the mid-1980s, the school's athletic media relations director Brian Thurmond said.

"KCPR and Cal Poly have a long history going back to the early '70s," Thurmond said. "They would do a lot of sports live and do tape-delay broadcasts, but in the mid-80s that drifted apart. With the help of Loy, we were able to make that happen again and help out 1280 with their North County coverage."

"We will start with football, but we will talk more after the season," said Mike Chellens, 1280's general manager. "I think it's a win-win relationship, and we look forward to working together more in the future part of a journalism class," Thurmond said.

Yet there are some tangible obstacles: the department faces to transform for students to produce video, announce and broadcast games as part of "a journalism class," Thurmond said.

Architecture senior Jason Immromaj DJ's in KCPR 91.3 FM's studio in the Graphic Arts building on Sunday afternoon.

Architectural 1280's General Manager Mike Chellens, 1280's General Manager.

But there were no punches or ejections, and the Eagles played with pride all night. "We needed to get the momentum back," catcher Russell Martin said. "I think we did that."

Kameko pitched effectively into the seventh for Los Angeles, which will try to even the series Monday night. Game 1 loser Derek Lowe, working on three days' rest, will face Philadelphia's Joe Blanton.

Kameko bounced Victoria in an apparent attempt to retaliate for Brett Myers throwing behind Ramirez in Game 2. Plate umpire Mike Everitt immediately warned both teams, and Victorino shouted at Kameko while pointing at his own head and upper body as if to say: "It's OK to throw at my body, but not my head."

Victoria grounded out to first baseman Nomar Garciaparra and then exchanged words with Kameko near the bag. Both dugouts cleared and the bullpens followed.

"Someone was bound to get hurt," the situation called for just don't throw at me," head coach Martin explained after the game.

Dodgers third base coach Larry Boss and Phillies first base coach Dwayne Lopes appeared to be two of the angriest participants in the near-scuffle, yelling at each other before the teams cleared the field. Ramirez also came in from left field and had to be restrained by teammates, manager Joe Torre and an umpire.

"It wasn't at his head," it was, Martin said. "We're just trying to make a statement. It's part