New provost, new ideas

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Not long ago, Robert D. Koob, who replaced Bill Durgin in early October as Cal Poly provost, was enjoying his retirement so much that it took some time and a lot of thought for him to accept the position.

"I was retired and I hoped to stay retired," Koob said. "But when I was offered the job, I thought about it for a while and accepted."

Koob served as Cal Poly's senior vice president and vice president for academic affairs from 1990 to 1995, and was recently appointed provost and vice president for academic affairs on a two-year term at Cal Poly, which took effect Oct. 6.

His position, which is second in command to Cal Poly President Warren Baker, entails meeting with college deans, overseeing admissions, registration, financial aid, record keeping and other enrollment programs.

"The transition has been really busy, but the people have been really welcoming," he said about his first weeks as provost. "The first impression is a positive one."

He added that he was impressed with the young, high-quality faculty the university has hired.

One objective he hopes to accomplish during his self-imposed two-year term is to raise graduation rates. He seeks to accomplish that by instituting a degree audit program that allows students to clearly track classes needed for graduation.

"My goal is to make sure the students are the priority in everything we do and that they have the tools needed to graduate," he said.

Dave Christy, Orfalea College of Business dean, said his first... see Forum, page 2

Panel speakers at Friday's economic forum discussed the current economic crisis and what it means for the future. Topics included the job market and loan prospects for first-time lenders.

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Though the forum was sponsored by the college of business and addressed issues such as the job market and loan prospects for first-time borrowers, less than half of the audience appeared to be students.

Finance professor Satish Thosar opened the discussion by outlining events that lead to the current crisis, including artificially low interest rates, the dot-com crash of 2000, the domino-effect of problems caused by failing investment banks, the consequences of de-privatizing mortgage giants Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac and the failure of the government regulatory system to keep up with the new sub-prime lending "innovation."

Economics professor Eric Fisher spoke next about the long-term prospects for the American economy and the effects of the $700 billion bailout — a move he says the Federal Reserve mismanaged.

A self-named proponent of free market... see Forum, page 2

Forum talks economic concerns

Cutbacks affect campus newspaper program

Alex Kacik
MUSTAND DAILY

In between classes, Cal Poly students and faculty often peruse a free copy of the New York Times for in-depth political commentary or global issues. But in lieu of recent budget cuts, the New York Times Readership Program may be the first thing to go.

The program supplies copies of the paper to campuses nationwide for 50 cents each. ASI President Angela Kramer said. It is funded by ASI student fees, the University Union, the President's Office, the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs, the Office of the Provost, Kennedy Library and all of the academic colleges. Some colleges however recently ended their financial support.

"We gave (the program) $5,000 last year," said Linda Halisky, College of Liberal Arts dean. "But this year our budget is not allowing it at all."

Funding dictates the amount of papers distributed on campus and there has been a significant decrease to that number this year, Kramer said. The program costs approximately $40,000 each year.

"It's a beast to manage because it is a lot of papers and a lot of money," Kramer said. "It's not cheap; some colleges are not contributing this year which makes it very difficult. We had to cut a lot of papers."

Maintaining the Times distribution on campus gives way to academic needs such as keeping staff.

"Budget cuts affected the program this year and I guarantee it will next year," Kramer said. "If it comes down to academics and providing classes and lecturers or putting out papers, academics is priority."

The popularity of the newspaper is evident through the empty newstands throughout campus.

"I have never seen any leftovers in the stands," Kramer said. "Students and faculty will tell me 'I wish there were more papers.' So do I, but at fifty cents a paper it adds up."

The world-renowned paper bridges the gap between Cal Poly students and the rest of the world, she added... see Newspapers, page 2
A page from the Mustang Daily newspaper contains an article titled "He's a wonderful guy. He had a very good experience here at Cal Poly and he knows the challenges that face the university." The article continues with testimonials from students and faculty about their experiences at Cal Poly. The article mentions the importance of building new structures, the role of the president, and the challenges faced by the university.

"We need to stop this talk about four or five years," Koob said. "We are getting ready to graduate on time. They're our custo-

Turning to his two-year term limit, Koob said there is pressure to get things done now, but other fac-

tors are also demanding quick response.

"We're going into a recession like the one in 1981," he said, "so we need to get credit unfreezes, people will start trading again."

Koob also served many high ranking positions for the university. Prior to resigning to serve as vice president at North Dakota State University in 1990, before resigning to serve as vice president for academic affairs at Cal Poly.

"He's a wonderful guy," said Koob. "He had a very good experience here at Cal Poly, and he knows the challenges that face the university."

He added that Koob will pave the road for the up-

coming provost during his two years here.

Koob wants to go back to being retired eventually. "I'm doing this because I want to die a good death," he said. "I don't want to die a pro-
vost."
Candidates spar with 9 days to go

Liz Sidoti

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Republican John McCain declared "I'm going to win it," dueling poll showing him behind with little more than a week to go in the presidential race. A confident Democrat Barack Obama drew a jaw-dropping crowd of 100,000 people at a single rally and rolled out a new TV ad asserting his rival is "running out of time."

Heading into the final nine days of the 2008 contest, the White House battlegrounds that President Bush won four years ago are the state-by-state Electoral College map tilts strongly in Obama's favor. Democrats and Republi cans alike say it will be extraordinarily difficult for McCain to change the trajectory of the campaign before the final week.

"Unfortunately, I think John Mc­ Cain might be added to that long list of Alaskans who said they'll vote but were never elected," McCain's fellow senator from Arizona, Republi can Jon Kyl, told the Arizona Daily Star editorial board in an interview published Sunday.

The candidates sparred from a dis­tance, each criticizing the other anew in hopes of swaying the roughly one­fourth of voters who are undecided or could still change their minds. The campaign trail images and rhetoric— said perhaps more about the state of the race than any poll could.

In Colorado, Obama won his largest U.S. crowd to date, with local police estimating that "well over" 100,000 people packed Denver's Civic Center Park and stretched even to the distant steps of the state Capitol. The enthusiastic crowd greeted a "goodness gracious" from Obama as he took the stage. Another enorm­ous crowd — an estimated 45,000 — greeted him in Fort Collins later that day.

McCain campaigned in key battlegrounds like Ohio and Florida, which decided the last two presidential elections and could do so again.

Pennsylvania is the only state that McCain lost four years ago that both candidates are expect­ed to visit before Election Day. With 21 electoral votes, it hasn't voted for a Republican president since 1988, but McCain is aggressively courting white, working-class voters who over­whelmingly chose Democrat Hil­lary Rodham Clinton in the primary over Obama, who would become the country's first black president.

Obama's campaign was exuding optimism though leaving nothing to chance.

The Democrat hit McCain with the fresh ad, to air on national cable stations, that says he has "no plan to lift our economy up" and, thus, is tear­ing down Obama with "scare tactics and smears." It says McCain is "out of access of touch, and running out of time."

The Illinois senator was spending the next four days in Goshen, Ohio, Virginia, North Carolina and Florida, with a quick stop in Pennsylvania. Aides say Obama will lay out his closing argument in a speech Monday in Canton, Ohio. Behind the scenes, advisers were preparing the 30­minute advertisement he planned to air Wednesday on national TV networks as part of that last pitch, and also were mapping the transition to the White House.

McCain was trying to stay focused on his uphill battle amid new distrac­tions.

Over the past few days, there has been finger-pointing inside the GOP over who is to blame for McCain's struggles: reports of friction between his top advisers and aides for running mate Sarah Palin; and the continued fallout of the Republican National Committee's $150,000 purchase of high-end clothing for the Alaska gover­nor and her family.

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Researchers: 7 orcas missing from Puget Sound

Seven Puget Sound killer whales are missing and presumed dead in what could be the biggest decline among the sound's orcas in nearly a decade, say scientists who carefully track the endangered animals.

"This is a disaster," Ken Balcomb, a senior scientist at the Center for Whale Research on San Juan Island, said Friday. "The population drop is worse than the stock market."

While the official census won't be completed until December, the total number of live "southern resident" orcas now stands at 83.

Among those missing since last year's count are the nearly century-old leader of one of the three southern resident pods, and two young females who recently bore calves. The loss of the seven whales, Balcomb said, would be the biggest decline among the Puget Sound orcas since 1999, when the center also tracked a decline of seven whales.

Low numbers of chinook salmon, a prime food for these whales, may be a factor in the unusual number of deaths this year, Balcomb said.

"It was a bad salmon year and that's not good for the whales," he said. "Everybody considers these wonderful creatures, but we really have to pay attention to the food supply."

The three pods, or families, that frequent western Washington's inland marine waters — the J, K and L pods — are genetically and behaviorally distinct from other killer whales. The sounds they make are considered a unique dialect, they mate only among themselves, eat salmon rather than marine mammals and show a unique attachment to the region.

The population reached 140 or more in the last century, but their numbers have fluctuated in recent decades. They were listed as endangered in 2005.

Trash is turning into key power for N.J.

Standing atop the 400-acre 1-E landfill, you get a panoramic view of the Meadowlands sports complex to the north and the New York City skyline to the east. You're also standing on a critical part of New Jersey's, and the nation's, energy future.

Decades worth of household trash, construction waste and assorted refuse buried in the landfill is providing electricity to thousands of homes.

"It's like you're buying back your own garbage, but in a different form," said Tom Marturano, director of solid waste and natural resources for the New Jersey Meadowlands Commission, which owns and operates the 1-E site.

The Kearny site is among 21 landfills in New Jersey where methane gas produced by decomposing garbage is used as fuel to generate electricity, according to the state Board of Public Utilities.

That is almost as many as in the state of Texas, and more than the combined number in Georgia, Mississippi, see page 5
At service, activists decry Texas dragging death

Jeff Carlton

Members of the Nation of Islam, the New Black Panthers and the NAACP on Saturday pressed pre­
tests to bring more attention to the killing of a east Texas man whose death recalls, for some, a notorious
decade-old hate crime.

McClendon, 46, was found by a memorial service said they disagrees with the district attorney's stance that Brandon

McClendon's death was not racially

motivated.

"If this is not a hate crime, then there's no such thing as a hate crime," said Krystal Muhammad of the New

Black Panthers. "Even though our brother was viciously slain, we will not let him die in vain."

Two white men, accused of run­

ning McClendon down and drag­
ging his body about 70 feet beneath the truck. His body was dis­

covered Monday.

"What this case shows is that if a white person wants to lynch a black man in Texas, all they have to do is bif­fer," McClendon said. "There is nothing about that in his prison records and there are no toons on his body" that would indicate Finley had joined a white supremacist gang while in prison.

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Culturefest celebrates diversity with beats and good eats

Camas Frank
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Cal Poly students and parents had the chance to see another side of campus when the MultiCultural Center hosted its 11th Annual Culturefest on Sunday, coinciding with Parent’s Weekend.

The theme for this year’s event, held in San Luis Obispo’s Mitchell Park, was “USS Culturefest: Sea of Diversity.”

The nautical theme was just one of the many themes among the 15 individual performances by Cal Poly clubs and local dance troupes, representing various cultural influences from Ireland to the Philippines. Food vendors, all Cal Poly clubs, similarly inundated the palate, serving up dozens of culturally specific dishes.

“We just want to build...a bridge between the community and Cal Poly, (and) let them know that we have all this diversity in the community,” said biology junior Ian-Hero Serrano, “captain” of the Culturefest Committee. “We want to spread that awareness to everyone in San Luis Obispo. Also, since this is a college town, we just want to be on good terms with everyone in the community.”

With over 30 cultural clubs, fraternities and sororities taking part in the event, it was moved to a larger venue this year in order to draw a larger crowd.

“We probably had between 300 to 500 people here,” said Renoda Campbell-Monza, the center’s adviser. “We usually do it in Mission Plaza, so this isn’t as narrow. We wanted more people to be able to see and hear.”

There were many in the crowd who were supporting a friend or family member in the onstage demonstration but stayed to see other performances and indulge in multi-ethnic cuisine.

“My friend and I just came down to see the African dance,” Lauren Green, 20, said. “We both take the same class out in Morro Bay. We really enjoy the whole scene though. We like the Thai tea except she thinks it’s a little chewy.”

The food sold at the event was selected to represent various cultures, even if it was not all entirely traditional.

“The cultural food that we have is fry bread,” said Thomas Mill.
Jennifer Hudson's nephew still missing

At least one of the victims suffered defensive wounds, said authorities who described the shooting as domestic violence.

The singer, whose father died when she was a teenager, described herself as very close to her family. In a recent interview she said, "My faith in God and my family, they're very realistic and very normal, they're not into the whole limelight kind of thing, so when I go home to Chicago that's just another place that's home," she said.

"I stand in line with everybody else, or, when I go home to my mom I'm just Jennifer, (so she says), 'You get up and you take care of your own stuff,' And I love that; that's good because you don't want to talk to everyone you want to hear. I want to hear the truth, you know what I mean?"

Hudson recently announced her engagement to David Otunga, known for his stint on VH1's reality show "I Love New York." Hudson's representatives would not disclose her whereabouts Friday. She had been scheduled to appear Monday in Los Angeles to collect an ensemble cast honor at the Hollywood Awards for "The Secret Life of Bees." with co-stars including Alicia Keys, Queen Latifah and Dakota Fanning.
Anne Hathaway’s ex-boyfriend gets 4½ years for Vatican scam

Larry Neumeister
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NEW YORK — Anne Hathaway’s former boyfriend was sentenced Thursday to 4½ years in prison for cheating investors of millions of dollars by claiming he had Vatican connections that enabled him to buy Roman Catholic Church property at a discount.

“I disowned my family name and embittered the church I love. I’ll never be able to wash away that stain, and I will have to live with it the rest of my life.” Raffaele Follieri, 30, said through an Italian interpreter before he was sentenced. “I just hope someday those who have been hurt by my actions can forgive me.”

U.S. District Judge John G. Koeltl said Follieri had engaged in a significant fraud that hurt investors, will financially ruin him and will cause him to be deported after his prison term. The judge also cited Follieri’s “lavish personal expenditures,” which prosecutors have said were financed with his investors’ money.

Follieri said he started off with good intentions, determined to run an honorable business. “Instead, I made some terrible mistakes,” he said “I always thought I could repair the wrongdoing, but I was wrong.”

But Assistant U.S. Attorney Reed Brodsky said Follieri had lied about his education, his background, his wealth and his Vatican connections from the moment he solicited investors through his real estate business, the Follieri Group.

Those investors included Yucapa Cos., which is controlled by supermarket billionare Ron Burkle, a close friend of former President Clinton.

Follieri agreed to forfeit $2.4 million when he pleaded guilty last month to conspiracy to commit wire fraud and money laundering.

Koeltl ordered Follieri Thursday to forfeit 15 watches and other precious metals and jewelry. The judge said he would impose a substantial amount of restitution at a future date.

Prosecutors have said Follieri falsely claimed he was the Vatican’s chief financial officer and showed at least one business contact a phony letter Pope John Paul II purportedly wrote to him in 2002.

Follieri spent millions of dollars of investors’ money on personal expenses, including dinners, yacht rentals, flowers, cosmetics, clothes, wine, expensive dinners, dog-walking services, yacht rentals, a $37,000-a-month Manhattan condo and vacations for himself, his parents and Hathaway, prosecutors said.

They said he even used $18,200 of investors’ cash to settle a lawsuit over expenses he ran up on vacation with the “Get Smart” and “The Devil Wears Prada” star.

The two dated for four years, until shortly before his arrest in June.

Defense lawyer Flora Edwards has pinned Follieri’s troubles on his acquaintances with movie stars and celebrities, saying in court papers that he “became intoxicated with it all.”

“Unfortunately, he lacked the resources to maintain the opulent lifestyle of his new friends,” she wrote.

Edwards asked that Follieri be sentenced to three years in prison, even though he had agreed to serve at least four years and three months when he entered his guilty plea.

He noted that more than 100 letters had been written on his behalf, and she said his charitable acts and a gravely ill mother were reasons to lighten his sentence.

But Brodsky argued that Follieri made his charitable contributions with money he had stolen from investors and lied about his intentions almost from the moment he arrived in the United States six years ago.

Diversity continued from page 6

an engineering senior and president of Cal Poly’s American Indian Science and Engineering Society.

“It actually started in the reservations because we got so little food: all we had was flour, sugar and lard and they just got put together. You can go all up and down this aisle and it’s good food, good food, good food. I mean you can think of these as stereotypes but it is all cultural things that should be celebrated. If we wanted to do something really traditional, we would be grinding corn meal over here.”

Miller said Culturefest is about promoting cultural exchange among the clubs as well as exposing visitors to diversity.

“’We’re exchanging foods and checking out what each other has to offer. The Thai tea is amazing. We all like each other’s cultures,’ he said.

“I love the drums. Any kind is fantastic and there’s a lot of that going on today; amazing beats, amazing music.”

For some participants, Culturefest was a success in simply showing the presence of minority voices in the community.

“It’s really just see the diversity here just flourish especially in San Luis Obispo where sometimes we feel it’s just hidden,” said Joshua Heredia, graphic communications senior and secretary for Chicano Commencement.

“We’ve gotten to talk to a lot of people, just to let them know that we’re here and that we’re proud of our achievements.”

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**The (un)constitutionality of Prop 8**

**What's in a law?**

A few months ago Secretary of State Debra Bowen distributed millions of official general election California voting guides. This voter guide not only speaks about political candidates vying for office, it also addresses the 12 very important propositions — statements that (if passed) will eventually become law. Today, I will be addressing one in particular.

It comes as no surprise to the se that know me that I am, as an individual, am strongly against Proposition 8. For millions of us in the state of California, marriage is personal, and because of that, I am not interested in attempting to address its definition. Instead, let’s focus on the laws.

Some of you may be afraid to discuss politics or religion, but rest assured that Prop 8 has little to do with either. I was faced with a healthy amount of conflict when writing this article, but ultimately my decision came down to allowing myself to be exactly the person I want to be. Of course, it was a battle that I had enough time to ask, “Hey what happened?” I think the Mustangs were asking the same question.

To open the second overtime, Cal Poly fans proceeded to throw bottles at UCSB goalkeeper Kristopher Minton and spit from the stands. There was no question it was a physical game judging by the red card, three yellow cards and 15 fouls, but fan intervention was not what the Mustangs needed.

Referees stopped play just before the kickoff to address whistles and vulgarities from the south bleachers. Cal Poly fans began to litter the field with empty plastic bottles of alcohol. This stoppage of play changed the momentum of the game and virtually clinched a Gauchos win as the Mustangs watched the game slip away seconds after the second overtime commenced.

Either Cal Poly fans have watched too many brutal highlights of European fans during Premier League soccer or they wanted to pay tribute to the honorable Cleveland fans that used their plastic beer bottles as projectiles when they didn’t agree with a call during the Browns and Jaguars game in 2001.

There is no place for that in any athletic event. A few Cal Poly fans made a fool of the university and let down the team they so vehemently supported. Not to mention on national television.

**What makes a civil rights and equal protection concern?**

Prohibiting same sex couples from state marriage violates the Equal Protection clause of the 14th Amendment. Section 3 of the 14th Amendment reads that “no state shall create or enforce any law that denies a person, within its jurisdiction, equal protection of the laws.”

The Court has ruled that the former California state law (developed from Proposition 22) was unconstitutional based on a violation of law-protected rights. But, the important thing to remember here is that regardless of whether Proposition 8 passes, it will again be called before the Supreme Court for constitutionality concerns, and, as it is with progress, we will see a much stronger court decision against discrimination based on gender and sexual orientation.

For those of you who are still on the fence, I urge you to talk to lobbyists on both sides of the proposition. This argument is based on my respect for the United States Constitution and on the ideals of protecting rights for all people. Visit both booths this Thursday at Farmer’s Market to find out more about Proposition 8.

Know the facts and most importantly, express your opinions on Nov. 4 at the voting booth.

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Girls & Sports by Justin Borus and Andrew Feinstein

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The New York Times

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38 Guy with his
39 Les Miserables” fugitive
40 House
41 Feeling all excited
42 90’s pipe joints
43 Marching
44 Fashion magazine founded in France
45 Big name in office equipment
46 Cauliflower
47 “I needed it yesterday!”
48 Treating unusually
51 Name that one logs on with
52 Alternative to a paper clip
55 Cries with wheezes
57 Rocky peak
58 Dog trap
59 Sell via the Internet
62 “I needed it yesterday!”
64 Colosseum
65 All-male gathering
66 Bikes flying in a V formation
67 Regular, plus or
69 Scarlett O’Hara’s plantation
70 Poe story, e.g.
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Kline leads
Mustangs in Malibu

The Cal Poly men's swimming team swept the distance races at the Malibu Invitational on Saturday, and sophomore Peter Kline won four events for the Mustangs.

Kline won the 100 back in 51.88 seconds, the 200 IM in 1:53.8, the 200 back in 1:53.3 and the 400 IM in 4:03.4.

Freshman Jon Howard claimed the 200 free in 1:44.3, and finished second in the 100 free and 500 free on behalf of Cal Poly, which sent 45 swimmers to the season-opening, 11-school event hosted by Pepperdine.

Also for the men, sophomore Josh Cutts won the 200 breast in 2:08.8 and sophomore Matthew Waggoner took the 500 free in 4:42.3.

For the women, sophomore Gloria Benfield won the 100 fly (in 58.6 seconds), 200 fly (2:06.6) and 200 back (2:08.01); Lacey Buck took the 500 free in 5:00.2; and sophomore Karin Schleicher won the 400 IM in 4:33.7.

Cal Poly will swim at the Big West Conference Shootout at UC Irvine on Nov. 7 and 8.

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Mustangs prevail in shootout

Cal Poly senior quarterback Jonathan Dally throws a pass during the Mustangs' 69-41 win over Southern Utah on Saturday night at Alex G. Spanos Stadium.

Scott Silvey

The Cal Poly football team's game against Southern Utah was one that would make John Madden proud.

The school's most well-known football alumnus is famous for his series of video games that feature electrifying big plays and high scoring.

Atherstone broke the all-time Cal Poly record of 26 games with at least one touchdown catch.

Atherstone has caught a touchdown pass for the 27th game in his career since moving to the Championship Subdivision (formerly Division I-AA) mark.

Ronald Blum

Philadelphia — Even their pitcher socked a ball into the seats.

It Ryan Howard, the Philadelphia Phillies and their frustrated fans needed any more evidence this really might be their year, Joe Blanton gave it to them.

Blanton became the first pitcher in 34 years to homer in the World Series.

Howard drove in five runs from the leadoff slot and Blanton home run in the fifth.

The hit off of the Series, Howard connected twice. The major league leader in homers and RBIs hit a three-run home run in Game 4 on Sunday night.

Barden has said he wasn’t worried about breaking records.

“If it means something after the season, and if you believe in karma, you throw it and see what happens,” Barden said.

The tone of the game was set as early as the fourth play of the game, as Mustangs fullback Jon Hall made a simple catch in the flat and turned up field, making several would-be tacklers whiff on route to a 33-yard touchdown less than two minutes into the game.

The Mustangs would strike again just three minutes later after a three-and-out gave Cal Poly the ball back and quarterback Jonathan Dally found Thedde Toliver for a 25-yard touchdown in the corner of the end zone to take a 14-0 lead.

The Thunderbirds would strike back on a 3-yard touchdown pass from quarterback Cody Stone to wide receiver Jared Urozzi.

After recovering an onside kick, Southern Utah (5-5, 0-2 Great West Conference) would again turn to Urozzi, as he caught a 35-yard touchdown to tie the game.

Fran Raly, Blanton’s agent, Howard connected to a wacky, rain-delayed 5-4 win in Game 3 that ended at 1:47 a.m. Sunday — it drew a 6.1 television rating, easily the lowest in Series history.

Jimmy Rollins made a great escape from a rundown in the first inning — perhaps with the help of an umpire’s blown call — energizing the Phillies and ratlifying the Rays.

A day after hitting his first homer of the Series, Howard connected twice. The major league leader in homers and RBIs hit a three-run drive off Andy Sonnanstine that made it 5-1 in the fourth and sent screams through a whooped-up crowd of 45,960.

Blanton home run, Howard struck again with a long, two-run shot in the eighth.

Blanton, with a Greg Luzinski body type that’s a throwback to an era of pudgy pitchers, had a dream-like night. He gave up four hits — including solo home runs to Carl Crawford and pinch-hitter Eric Hinske — struck out seven and walked two in six-plus innings.

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Samantha MacConnell

The Cal Poly women’s volleyball team dominated Saturday night at Mustang Gym, where it swept Cal State Fullerton and Kyle Atherstone broke the all-time Cal Poly record of 167 career aces.

Atherstone, a senior opposite, had not just two service aces to break the record, but five during the 25-16, 25-20, 25-12 win.

“I’m just glad we won,” Atherstone said. “If we would have lost, it doesn’t matter about the aces.”

The accomplishment came after Atherstone became the second Mustang and 11th Big West Conference player to record 4,000 hitting attempts in a career during a 3-1 win over UC Irvine on Oct.

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+With 12 catches, Ramses Barden passed Darrell Jones’ school record of 177 in a career

Barden caught a touchdown pass for the 27th in his career, breaking the Football Championship Subdivision (formerly Division I-AA) mark of former Mississippi Valley State great Jerry Rice.

The school-record amount of consecutive games in which Barden has caught a touchdown pass (Rice’s FCS record is 17)

The Mustangs’ average yards per play

Jonathan Daily tied his own school single-game standard for touchdown passes

Phillies rock Rays, lead World Series 3-1

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