With the unstable economy, students with small incomes are finding relief thanks to various bargains. Whether you’re looking for cheap eats, cheap clothes, cheap gas or cheap fun, you’re sure to find something that meets your needs right here in San Luis Obispo.

**Cheap Clothes**

If you want to find deal shopping downtown, most stores have good sales or at least sale racks.

Women looking to update their wardrobe on a budget have several options. Crazy Jay’s Clothing and Shoes offer a wide variety of styles of T-shirts and tank tops for $4.99. Lucky Lulu’s is one of the best spots for sunglasses with each pair costing just $5.

Some stores use big sales to appeal to the thrifty.

“I think with how the economy is, not many people can be able to afford it,” said Paula Boucher of clothing store Tiamo. “That’s why we have 50 percent off everything in the store. We like to save people money.”

Stores with both men’s and women’s clothing include Ross and Mervyn’s.

“I like to shop at Ross because I’m a college student so I don’t have much money. Also, I like the sale section of Urban Outfitters,” communications freshman Katie Henry said.

Good Will is another option if one wants cheap, albeit used clothing. “For clothing deals I go to Good Will; pretty good shopping there for $1,” environmental engineering senior Colin Nicol said.

**Cheap Eats**

Food is a necessity but that doesn’t mean it has to break the bank. Whether you’re grocery shopping or going out to dinner, there are deals to be found.

To save money the solution is simple: cook at home. Grocery stores tend to be cheaper than eating out.

“It’s a lot cheaper,” said political science junior Jaleen Waller. “I used to eat out all the time, but then I couldn’t do it anymore and now I shop at Costco and save leftovers.”

When comparing grocery store prices, some of the cheapest places included Food 4 Less, Trader Joe’s and Albertson’s. Food 4 Less had some types of bread for 98 cents a loaf, gallons of milk for $2.68 and cereal for $1.98. Trader Joe’s had the cheapest eggs at $1.49 and lots of low-priced organic options.

If convenience is important, San Luis Obispo also has some cheap restaurant options.

Frank’s Famous Hot Dogs offers several specials throughout the week. They kick off with Mini Burger Mondays where they sell mini burgers for 99 cents each. Tuesday after 5 p.m. is Hot Dog Happy Hour, where all hot dogs are discounted to $2.25. Monster Burger Wednesday offers burgers reduced to $4.15.

Fane’s Pizza is famous among students for their buy one-get one free pizza offer. Pizza La Nova also offers a buy-one-get-one free special.

Students with a taste for tacos can go to Chino’s for Taco Tuesday which features $2 beer and $1 tacos from 4 to 9 p.m. The Cliffs Resort in Shell Beach has free tacos during their happy hour every weekend.

For students craving something a little sweeter, frozen yogurt priced by the ounce is typically the cheapest treat. Bali’s Self Serve Frozen Yogurt is currently the cheapest option in San Luis Obispo with yogurt costing 30 cents an ounce.

**Today’s Weather**

- **Sunny**
  - High 78°/Low 52°

**Saturday’s Weather**

- **Partly Cloudy**
  - High 74°/Low 52°

**Sunday’s Weather**

- **Sunny**
  - High 68°/Low 48°

**SPORTS**

Cal Poly’s offensive line looks to adjust against North Carolina Central.
Bargains

Life isn’t just about food and shelter, so don’t forget to budget some money for fun as well.

Some cheap movie deals can be found at the Palm Theater and the Sunset Drive-In Theater.

The Palm Theater offers Monday Bargain Night during which all seats are just $5.

Sunset Drive-In shows two movies a night and only costs $6.

“The drive-in is the best place to watch a movie. It’s cheap; do the math, it’s $3 per movie,” electrical engineering senior Nick Hageman said.

Boo Boo Records has cheap vinyl records starting at $1 and used CDs that range in price from $4.99 to $6.99. Their bargain section has new releases for $10.

For live entertainment, Cal Poly students can attend any home sporting event for free with their PolyCard.

“I like to go to athletic events because they are free,” civil engineering junior Eric Gasper said.

Transportation costs can add up fast thanks to unstable gas prices. Three free alternatives to driving are walking, biking or riding the city bus. The bus is free with your PolyCard.

If driving is inevitable, Costco and Chevron tend to have the best price per gallon. However, Costco gas is for members only; its current price is $2.77 which is about 22 cents cheaper than the competition.

“I spend all my money on gas though. Fryer’s near the airport on Broad (Street) is cheap. If you pay cash it is the same price as Costco,” graphic communications senior Eric Bittman said.

If one-stop shopping is preferred, places like Costco, Ross and Mervyn’s may have what you’re looking for.

Costco has almost anything you could want, including electronics, food, clothing, bicycles, mattresses, jewelry, furniture and gas. Annual memberships cost $50 but can be split between two people.

Ross offers clothing, accessories, bed and bath, household decor and kitchen supplies. Their slogan, ‘Dress For Less’, proves true with its wide selection of shirts ranging from $4.99 to $19.99. Women’s jeans start at just $12.99. Their kitchen supplies are perfect for students, offering a variety of pots and pans for under $10 in many colors.

As Mervyn’s prepares to close due to bankruptcy, now is the time to snatch up great deals while it liquidates its final merchandise. Mervyn’s offers low prices and deep discounts on clothing, shoes, accessories, jewelry and home supplies.
Calif. gay marriage ban creates legal uncertainty

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A U.S. soldier secures the area at the scene where a roadside bomb exploded in Sadr City, Baghdad, Iraq, Thursday, injuring nine people. (Associated Press)

Qassim Abdul-Zahra
Associated Press

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Can Palin resurrect the GOP?

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and rejected others, presumably as
Iraq demand for expanded legal
authority over American troops
and Defense Department contrac-
tors.

The official would not elaborate
and spoke on condition of anonymity because he was not au-
thorized to talk to the media.

Iraq lawmakers have said the
demanded changes are essential
to winning parliament's approval
before the Dec. 31 deadline when the U.N. mandate for the U.S.
led coalition expires. Without an
agreement or a new mandate, the
U.S. would have to suspend all
military operations in Iraq.

"We have gotten back to the
Iraqis with a final text," White
House spokeswoman Dana Per-
ino told reporters in Washington.
"Through this step, we've con-
cluded the process on our side.

Al-Maliki plans to seek approval of
his coalition Cabinet before
forwarding the draft to parliament.
The Iraqis want to be sure of
solid support before risking his
political future by supporting an
agreement that many Iraqis con-
sider an affront to national dig-
terest.

Privately, key Iraqi politicians
are believed to support the agree-
ment but are worried about a
public backlash before regional
elections planned for January.

During talks this year, U.S. and
Iraqi negotiators worked out an
initial agreement calling for all
American soldiers to withdraw
trom three cities by next June 30
with the last U.S. troops leaving
the country by 2012.

The pact would also give the
Iraqis an expanded role in
approving and overseeing U.S.
military operations and ensure
that U.S. soldiers enter a warrant
before searching homes and
defending troops against in-cite
attacks.

The deal also said U.S. soldiers
and contractors who committed
major, premeditated crimes could
face trial before an Iraqi court if
the offenses were allegedly com-
mited when they were off duty
and away from their bases.

But the Iraqis insisted on more.
Last month the Cabinet proposed
several changes, including closing
a loophole that could extend the
U.S. stay beyond 2011, adding a
deadline against the U.S. launch-
ing attacks on Iraq's neighbors and
expanding Iraq jurisdiction over
U.S. troops.

American officials, however, felt
the Iraqis crossed a "red line" with
the jurisdiction demand. Iraq of-
ficials said previously that U.S. dip-
losits appeared willing to make
changes except for expanded legal
jurisdiction over U.S. troops.

Despite frequent U.S. military
assurances about the fairness of
Iraqi courts, the U.S. has insisted
on the exclusive right to prosecute
U.S. soldiers and contractors who committed crimes in Iraq.

Public opinion here, however,
firmly favors an Iraqi role. Although nu-
merous U.S. soldiers have been prosecuted in military courts for
crimes committed in Iraq, many Iraqis see the issue as a fundamen-
tal right of national sovereignty.

"If the security agreement
doesn't stipulate that U.S. soldier
can be prosecuted under Iraq
law, it will be useless," said Nahid
Farid, a Baghdad engineer. "An
U.S. soldier should be punished
under Iraqi law if he committed a
crime inside Iraqi territories.

President-elect Barack Obama,
said during the campaign that
the agreement should include a
U.S. commitment to begin with-
draw the military and that the draft
should be approved by Congress,
which the Bush administration
does not plan to do.

Foreign Minister Hoshyar Ze-
bari told Al-Jazeera International
that Iraq intended to finalize the
agreement "with the current (U.S.)
administration," which remains
in office until Jan. 20, three weeks af-
ter the U.S. mandate expires.

The U.S. military is anxious
to wrap up the negotiations so it
can plan operations for next year.
Congress is not in session and the
Iraqi army and police are still
slow to expand their numbers on
their own, threatening the security
fy gains made since the 2003 U.S.
invasjon.

Although attacks are down
sharply in Iraq, violence con-
tinues.

On Thursday, a series of bomb
blasts across Baghdad killed six
people and wounded more than
25 others, Iraqi police reported.

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There will be four Open House Meetings conducted by the City to educate
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7:30 - 9:30 am

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Thanks for discussing Prop 11

I am proud of all my fellow students for breaking voting records and opting to vote for what they believe in. Most of you probably showed up to learn more about the candidates and issues. Prop 11, both of which were the most controversial of the elections.

Many voters probably had little idea about what Prop 11 accomplished or why it is important. The political districts we have now are regions of voters that vote for local politicians as well as the State Assembly candidates. Under the old system of districts, voters were grouped by political leaning. This means that an area is either strongly liberal or extremely conservative with few exceptions.

This may not sound bad on the outset: the voters in a region can agree on a candidate easily and be represented well. Unfortunately, this is not the case. Over the years, politicians have realized that they need to worry about re-election. Since conservative districts always vote Republican and vice versa, the politicians have stopped campaigning or even talking about the people they repre-
Girls & Sports by Justin Borus and Andrew Feinstein

Not at all. I just want to have fun. Yeah, me too.

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SO AM I. FUN ENOUGH TO BE SERIOUS WITH?

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The New York Times Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz

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Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9 inclusively.
Fantasy
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news out of Arizona last week was that this rookie took over starting duties in Arizona, tallying 10 9/10 yards and a TD on 22 carries. Highower has been useful all year, scoring in six of Arizona's eight games. The starting job increases his value and he can now be considered a must-start.

Basketball
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Mimnaugh said "Her desire to get out on the break is phenomenal. She's got such great speed. Her desire to handle the ball, get to the bucket and work some of her magic is pretty impressive. Certainly, this is a player that with continued improvement there is no reason why she can't be the Big West Player of the Year in a couple years time."

Mimnaugh isn't the only one singing the praises of Santiago's improvement.
"She can go right and left now," McBride said. "She's probably the best rebounder on the team. She grabs every single board and blocks shots. She could be first-team this year."

While the forwards may get more of the attention, the team believes that guard play will set the pace.
"We have really strong guards this year," McBride said.

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MUSTANG DAILY Sports
Sports designer, Kate Nickerson

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Football
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for all. There will be a lot more ex­pected of them coming up so soon, but they've shown this week that they can do it and start learning the team and chemistry we had with the ones.

Ellerson agreed, particularly in McClain's case.
"McClair specifically is one of those prime-time guys," said Ellison, who platted center at Arizona in the mid-1970s. "Fred really  handed me more up front because we think he's a real talent."

The Mustangs offensive line will have to deal with another new-look next week against UC Davis, which has worn four straight. Allen senior tackle John Paterson, a 6-2, 329-pound Buck Ickichanan Award candidate, is a widely projected second-round NFL Draft pick who blanked four kicks this year.

If there were times, North Carolina Central could present a challenge, it could be now.

After playing six straight games on the road, the Eagles squared Edward Waters 54-14 last week.

Our confidence seems pretty pretty high," Eagles head coach Mike Rossow said. "We're growing."

Last week, redshirt freshman Mi­chael Johnson, a transfer from Buffalo, completed 9 of 21 passes for 181 yards and three touchdowns with four in­terceptions. Prior to that, he'd been really carried himself really well the last couple of weeks," Rossow said.

Three of the scores went to 6-2, 198-pound junior receiver Will Scott, his counterpart, senior Wayne Scott, named the Eagles' Offensive Player of the Week, had four catches and six scores.

"Tuesdays have some receivers that are really good," Rossow said. "I can take a look at specific roster notes, I'd be happy to give any advice on your offensive inexperience, trade and -start decisions through email. Good luck this week. Here are the last two-week teams, circum­stances, Dallas, Tampa Bay and Washington.

Mary Adams is a mathematical junior and a Mustang Daily sports column­ist who can be reached at mad­am03@calpoly.edu.

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"They have some receivers that anybody in the country would like to have," said Ellison, who added that the "eye on the doubles and screens are well-designed on what the Mustangs do defensively."

North Carolina Central has had reason to be Resourceful, ranking 17th in the FBS in rushing yards per game, at 4.79.

Still, though, the Mustangs have enough cause to not count against UC Davis, against whom a win (coming on the heels of a win this week) would likely guarantee an at-large bowl bid.

In 2006, the Mustangs gave up 23 unanswered points in the final eight minutes of a 42-28 loss to South Dakota State, and last year they yielded 22 unanswered in the final 10 of a 31-26 defeat at the hands of North Dakota State.

"We don't talk about any of that stuff," Muller said. "This week is -this week.

That kind of in-the-moment pres­ence took on an especially important intensity when McNeese State can­celed the teams' third-week meeting, leaving the Mustangs with just nine games against fully-rounded Division I foes.

Seven victories against such op­ponents are required for playoff eligi­bility, and the Mustangs can reach that standard over the next two weeks.

"You pick up the newspaper every Sunday morning," Ellison said, "and you can pick the teams that didn't under­take that. That's why just how fragile the game is, how precious every oppor­tunity is. It doesn't seem to be lost on the Mustangs, especially in light of the recent, screeching homecoming collapse.

"Teams with that type of (6-2) record are dangerous," Mitchell said. "We have a mindset to finish strong. We're attacking - we want to run the scoreboard up."

"That's the strength of our football team," Rossow said. "We have the ability to throw the ball deep."

The next contest, senior Warren Backwell, has also caught 35 balls, for 477 yards and six scores.
Shuffled line providing playoff push for Mustangs

Cal Poly's offensive line, shown during the Mustangs' 49-10 win over Idaho State on Saturday, will likely have two new starters next week.

Daniel Aird
MUSTANG DAILY

For seven games, the Cal Poly football team's offensive linemen paved the way for the No. 1 offense in the Football Championship Subdivision (formerly Division 1-AA), both in points and yards. Alex G. Spanos Stadium's defensive unit has surrendered Southern Utah's sideline with impressive chauts in honor of All-American receiver Ramos Burden, a budding day-one NFL Draft pick for whom T-shirts were distributed proclaiming simply, "Threw It To Ramzes." Local media members routinely inquired and prodded for weeks as to the severity of running back James Noble's hand injury, which forced him to miss the last two games of a new beginning as the 49ers (19-4, 8-2) host the West-leading 49ers (19-4, 8-2) Oct. 10.

Injuries and solutions:

RBs to consider are Ray Rice, Ben Tate of Texas A&M and Chris Johnson of the Titans. That's assuming the Lions will be playing every week. The Lions will have to wait to see if they can get a real running back to complement their passing game.

Cal Poly looks to build on late-season surge

Scott Silvey
MUSTANG DAILY

The Cal Poly women's basketball team was on the verge of a significant breakthrough last season when it fell short of making the NCAA Tournament. The team is back with a renewed sense of purpose and a desire to make a run at the national title. The team is led by senior guard Alex G. Spanos, who was named the Big West Player of the Year last season. The Mustangs are off to a 2-0 start this season and hope to build on their past success.

women's basketball

UCSB 1, CAL POLY 1 (5-4 PK)

After two scoreless overtime sessions, the teams went to a shootout, which the Gauchos won 5-4. The teams each made their first four penalty shots before senior forward Ashley Vallis' miss.

women's volleyball

Big West battle tonight

Cal Poly's Kyle Asherstone (left) and Jaiden Houstoun, shown Oct. 25, will try to lead the Mustangs to a pivotal win over Big West Conference rival Long Beach State in a key game on Saturday.

Bye weeks almost over

Mat Adams
ON FANTASY FOOTBALL

This weekend marks the last of the bye weeks. Barring injuries, your top players will be playing every week. As I've mentioned in previous weeks, you're running out of time to address roster needs. Excess in one position will not help you make the playoffs if you lack in another. Your pickups from here on out should reflect more starting-job urgency than weekly to-do list matches.

Fantasy Football

Friday

COMMENTARY

Pickups and plays of the week:

Jamil Charles (RB) — A season-ending injury to Kolly Smith and suspension for Larry Johnson have opened the door for the Kansas City rookie. Last week, Charles made the most of his opportunity, rushing for 106 yards on 18 carries. Sunday, he'll run against San Diego, which has had trouble stopping the run all season. There is definitely long-term upside with Charles, as the Chiefs face Oakland, Denver and San Diego in weeks 13 through 15. Other RBs to consider are Ray Rice, BenJarvus Green-Ellis and Ryan Torain. Greg Camarillo (WR) — Two weeks ago, it was Ted Ginn Jr., grabbing 175 yards receiving. Last week, it was Camarillo catching 11 passes for 151. Camarillo is most likely sitting among free agents and I recommend giving him a look this week against Seattle if you need a byes-week pickup.

Injuries and solutions:

Matt Schaub (QB) — A torn MCL should keep Schaub out for the next four weeks. It comes at an unfortunate time, as he and the Houston offense were on a role prior to his injury. Finding three straight replacements is tough. The replacement is Sage Rosenfels. I'd consider him a solid pickup and play this week against Baltimore. Kyle Orton (QB) — About halfway through Sunday's contest against the Lions, Orton suffered an ankle injury that was initially thought to keep him out for a month. However, Orton feels optimistic and is not ruling out playing this week. Since he hasn't practiced all week and is walking with a limp, though, he probably won't play. This means the replacement will be Rex "Train Wreck" Grossman, who should only be considered in extremely deep leagues.

New starting gigs:

Toby Quinn (QB) — Derek Anderson's injury andCloud Cheesman's ineffectiveness and injury have cleared the way for Quinn. Quinn is definitely worth a look, but don't expect miracle results. Tim Hightower (RB) — The big...