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Leticia Rodriguez

University Housing received approximately $36 million in revenue this year from on-campus residents and other smaller services, an approximate $10 million increase from last year. This boost in earnings is a result of the phase II opening of Poly Canyon Village Apartments, which opened up 1,100 more beds to students. With the final phase opening, Poly Canyon alone is expected to bring in approximately $14 million. But even with this additional money, University Housing retains much debt and many fees to pay.

Receiving no additional aid from the university or the state, Executive Director Preston Allen said it's up to University Housing to make what money it receives from students and other smaller services work.

"Housing kind of stands in its own boot," Allen said. "Whether it sinks or flies is housing's responsibility (so) the money (we) have needs to cover everything into the residence halls are at full capacity.

The on-campus housing fees reflect a 4 percent increase from last year for each living facility Allen said the jump is based on the Higher Education Price Index (HEPI), which University Housing uses as a benchmark when deciding living fees. Calculated by the Community Institute (a subdivision of non-profit organization, Common

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The Cal Poly College of Architecture and Environmental Design, already known for its hands-on environment in the construction industry, is adding one more benefit for its students and their future employers. Construction on a new and unique lab is slated to begin on Oct. 16, next to the Construction Innovation Center.

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A contract long in the works between Cal Poly and Jubail University College (JUC) in Saudi Arabia has come to a close, and not with the resolution many were expecting.

The contract in question would have mete out payments to the Chancellor's Office and into a California State University (CSU) pool. The Chancellor's Office payment was for general work done on all the 23 CSU campuses and to support the Chancellor's Office of Operation. The CSU pool was a yearly contribution from every campus' university housing section to aid other CSU on-campus housing facilities. The amount owed is based off a percentage of how much each on-campus housing facility is bringing in, and can change every year. The goal of the pool is to help a campus' university housing pay off costs when it can't do so alone, proving that's crucial for someone working in the industry.

One campus's university housing was initiated by Cal Poly. Other collaborative efforts have been underway between Cal Poly and UCSB, USC and a South Korean engineering program.

Noori's assistant, Jo Ernest, stated that "the agreement was not signed by all the parties," and consequently did not come to fruition.

Dean Noori was unavailable to comment on the end to the collaborative effort.

Dean of Research and Graduate Programs Dr. Susan Opava said Saudi Arabian officials informed Cal Poly in June 2009 that the deal would not be going through. Opava said Cal Poly officials believed a draft of the goals of the contract was ready, but after Cal Poly officials and Saudi Arabian officials went back and forth over changes in language, the outcome was not successful.

"We thought we had a draft... acceptable to them," Opava said, though the Royal Commission

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(part of the Saudi Arabian government, ment, which is the 'contracting agency' of the deal said Opava, rather than JUC itself) ultimately did not approve. The Royal Com-
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turned a draft "so different from the previous version... just the re-
naming alone," Opava said. "We had to basically start from scratch."

The Royal Commission of Jubail and Yanbu assists in city and regional planning for its specified growing industrial regions, and has been charged with that task for over three decades.

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cided they couldn't use a contract like the one they developed" for Cal Poly, Opava said.

Opava pointed out that it was not just Saudi Arabian officials who were to blame for the prolonged process. "We have to look carefully at our contribution to that delay," she said.

The entire back-and-forth pro-
cess lasted the span of about two years before the deal fell through.

The Royal Commission treat-
ed the collaboration as more of a business deal than an academic ex-
change, putting language into the contract, which would provide for deadlines and financial penalties. If Cal Poly officials did not "deliver" on promised services by a certain date, the project would be "null and void." Opava said. "We have to look carefully at our contribution to that delay," she said.

University Housing prevents community advisors from talking to the Mustang Daily without permission, so they were unable to comment.

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ally, other buildings on campus are composed mostly of steel and concrete because of their strength and fire resistance. A new code was put in place about a year and a half ago that allowed the building to be built with a timber frame, which can handle seismic loads and is fire resistant, Hanck said.

The goal of the timber frame is to use more environmentally-
consious materials. "What we're trying to do with this building as well as the use of a sustainable, re-
cyclable material, which is timber," Hanck said.

The building, which has been in the planning stages for four to five years, is finally ready to break ground, Hanck said. The contract was given to San Luis Obispo construction management company Newton Construction for $1,675,000, less than the Cal Poly estimate. "The trend over the last year is that all projects have been coming in lower on their esti-
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WASHINGTON — As the Obama administration reconsidered in recent weeks how to wage war on al-Qaeda officials are minimizing warnings from the intelligence community, the military and the State Department about the risks of adopting a limited strategy focused on al-Qaeda, U.S. intelligence, diplomatic and military officials said.

Recent U.S. intelligence assessments have found that the Taliban and other Pakistan-based groups that are fighting United States-led forces have much closer ties to al-Qaeda now than they did before Sept. 11, 2001, which would allow the terrorist network to re-establish bases in Afghanistan and would help Osama bin Laden export his radical agenda beyond Pakistan's neighbors and beyond, the officials said. McClatchy Newspapers interviewed more than 13 senior and mid-level U.S. intelligence, military and diplomatic officials, all of whom said they concurred with the assessments. All of them requested anonymity because the assessments are classified and the officials weren't authorized to speak publicly about the risks.

The officials said the White House is searching for an alternative to the broader counterinsurgency strategy favored by Army Gen. Stanley McChrystal, the U.S. military commander in Afghanistan, and Gen. David Petraeus, the head of the U.S. Central Command.

White House officials, they said, have concluded that McChrystal's approach could be doomed by election fraud, corruption and other problems in Afghanistan, by the strains on the Army, Marine Corps and the federal budget, and by a lack of political and public support at home, which they fear could also undermine the president's domestic priorities.

That fear is what comes up in the administration's strategy sessions in "public opinion," one official told McClatchy Newspapers.

However, the officials said in their effort to avoid domestic support for a more limited counterinsurgency strategy that would concentrate on disrupting and dismantling al-Qaeda, White House officials are neglecting warnings from their own military leaders on the dangers of a more modest approach.

"McChrystal and Petraeus are ignoring the problems their (counterinsurgency) approach would face in Afghanistan and here at home," said one intelligence official with extensive experience in South Asia and counterterrorism. "We don't have a reliable partner in Afghanistan or Pakistan; doubling the size of the Afghan army is a pipe dream, given the corruption and interstate problems; and neither Congress or the American people are likely to give it the money, the troops or the outcome that it would need to work, if it would work.

"Now the White House is downplaying the dangers of doing the only thing that they think Congress and the public will support -- 15,000 or 20,000 troops like the ones that hit us on 9/11. The truth is, both approaches have huge problems, and one's likely to fail."

The White House, as well as Congress and U.S. military, "have gotten obsessed with the American people and, they are not doing it," said Marvin Weinbaum, a former State Department intelligence analyst now with the Middle East Institute. "They are taking the easy way out by focusing on the narrow interest of protecting the homefront from al-Qaeda."
Obama vows unprecendented support for gay and lesbian rights

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama vowed his unavailing support for the full gay rights agenda Saturday night, saying that he'll push Congress to repeal the ban on gays serving openly in the military.

He also said that he'll work to repeal the Defense of Marriage Act, which defined marriage as solely between a man and a woman, to guarantee that gay and lesbian couples get the same benefits as straight couples, and to ban anti-gay discrimination in the workplace.

"There are still laws to change and hearts to open," he told the annual dinner of the Human Rights Campaign, the nation's largest gay rights group. "This fight continues.

And ... I'm here with you in that fight," he said to applause and cheers.

"It's not an easy fight," he said, because questions of equal rights for gays and lesbians still "raise a great deal of emotion in this country." But he said "these issues go to the heart of who we are as a people.

He acknowledged that he hasn't delivered as fast as gay rights activists want.

"I appreciate your support," he said. "I also appreciate that many of you don't think progress has come fast enough. ... It's not for me to ask you to be patient," he said, any more than it was right for anyone 50 years ago to ask African-Americans to be patient.

Joe Solmonese, the president of the group, introduced Obama with praise for his commitment to the gay rights agenda.

"We have never had a stronger ally in the White House — never," Solmonese said.

But he added that many gays and lesbians are eager to see quicker results from a president who has long been on their side.

Obama insisted that some progress has been made on the gay agenda, noting last Thursday's vote in the House of Representatives to expand federal "hate" crimes laws to include additional penalties for crimes based on "sexual orientation, gender, gender identity or disability.

"The federal government now calls for tougher penalties in crimes motivated by a victim's race, color, religion or national origin.

"This bill is set to pass, and I will sign it into law," Obama said.

On the question of gays serving openly in the military, he said that he's working to end the "don't ask, don't tell" policy adopted in 1993 that allows gay to serve as long as they keep their sexual orientation secret.

"I will end 'don't ask, don't tell.' That's my commitment to you," Obama said, to loud applause.

Last year, more than 600 people were forced out of the armed services under the policy.

"We are moving ahead on 'don't ask, don't tell,'" Obama said. "We should not be punishing patriotic Americans who've stepped forward to serve America ... especially at a time when our fighting men and women.

He said he's working with the Pentagon and congressional leaders to enact legislation repealing the policy, apparently referring to a bill introduced by Rep. Patrick Murphy, D-Pa., that so far has 176 cosponsors.

Obama also put the White House squarely behind efforts to protect gay and lesbians from workplace discrimination. "Nobody in America should be fired because they're gay. We're going to put a stop to it," he said.

For gay and lesbian couples, he said he's already ordered the federal government to grant as many of the benefits offered married couples as possible under current law. And he said he's prodding Congress to do more.

"I've called on Congress to repeal the Defense of Marriage act and pass the domestic partners benefits bill," he said.

Despite his vows, Obama did not spell out how much political capital he would or could use to push the gay rights agenda at a time he's reworking the war strategy in Afghanistan, pushing for a health care overhaul and struggling to save a climate bill in the Senate.

"I understand the president has a crowded agenda, but I have been serving under this law for 16 years," said Air Force Lt. Col. Victor Fuchshof, before the speaking was an Iraq war hero who is set to be discharged under the "don't ask, don't tell" policy, and he went into the evening looking for a more solid commitment from the president.
Terrorist attack in Pakistan shows how vulnerable it is in aftermath

Saeed Shah

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan — The devastating terrorist assault on Pakistan's military headquarters, which ended early Sunday after nearly 24 hours, exposed the threat of extremist groups operating in the heart of the country and the vulnerability of its most sensitive installations.

U.S. officials hope the attack on the seat of Pakistani military power will help convince the country's top military and intelligence officials to stop supporting militant groups fighting in Afghanistan, which is essential for the Obama administration to achieve even limited progress there.

However, the attack also could deepen some Pakistani officials' conviction the American war against al-Qaida and the Taliban is a catalyst for Islamic extremism in the region and to keep hedging against an eventual U.S. withdrawal by continuing to support some militant groups while fighting those it deems a threat to Pakistan.

The raid and ensuing hostage crisis resulted in 11 army personnel and civilians dying inside the military complex in Rawalpindi, while nine terrorists were killed and their ringleader was captured, injured but alive. A rescue operation early Sunday brought out 39 hostages, but left three others dead.

The onslaught came just before the army began a planned U.S.-backed offensive against the Pakistani Taliban in the country's wild Waziristan region on the border with Afghanistan, the hub of extremism in Pakistan.

Evidence suggested the assailants came from Pakistan's core Punjab province, rather than ethnic Pashtuns from Waziristan or elsewhere on the northwest fringe. Some experts said Pakistan's military establishment, long accused of backing some extremist groups while cracking down on others, should now be forced finally to abandon its deadly game of "good" militant, "bad" militant, as once-loyal groups have turned repeat­edly against the Pakistani state.

The ringleader of the attackers, Aqil alias Dr Umar, came from Punjab province, almost certainly from a militant outfit that was once patronized by officials and that had linked up with Taliban groups from the northwest. Punjab is untouched by the military's anti-extremist operations.

With the Obama administration reportedly weighing whether to shift its Afghan­istan focus to a Pakistan first policy, the attack high­lighted Pakistan's fragility, while many commentators in the coun­try concluded it would escape the wrath of the jihadists only if Islam­abad broke its alliance with Wash­ington. Pakistan, not Afghanistan, hold­s al-Qaida's leadership, which ought to make it a bigger priority, according to some U.S. officials.

Most of the terrorist attacks seen in Pakistan over the last two years have been suicide bomb strikes, of­ten by young or mentally disturbed men, but the GHQ attack on the weekend was a commando gun and grenade assault by well-trained jihad­ists against a highly protected target.
Poly to participate in historic “Laramie” event tonight

Kara Dimitriou
ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR: CASSANDRA KEYSE

Cal Poly, and more than 100 other schools nationwide, will participate in a historic event tonight to commemorate the life of a young college student, Matthew Shepard, the victim of a hate crime.

“The Laramie Project: Ten Years Later” is a staged reading examining the attitudes of the residents of Laramie, Wyoming, Shepard’s hometown. It also examines the progress made since the original “Laramie Project.”

“Being as this event will be a part of history, it’s a chance to see something that more than 130 schools will be watching at the same time,” Steve Lerrian, director of Cal Poly Arts said.

In 1998, Shepard was a student at the University of Wyoming at Laramie. On Oct. 12, 1998, two students kidnapped him, tied him to a fence, beat him and left him to die because he was gay. He died the next day.

In June 2008, members of Tectonic Theater Project returned to Laramie, Wyoming to explore how the town had changed in the ten years since Matthew Shepard’s murder.

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AN EPILOGUE

WRITTEN BY NOELLE KAPLAN, LUCY LENDAKAWSKI, SERGIO PIZOTTI, RORY PROSS AND STEPHEN BEIBER
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As a result of the hate and discrimination against him, he has since become a symbol for equality and minority acceptance.

In the original production, Laramie residents were interviewed and their reactions to the horrific event were recorded by the Tectonic Theater Project—an award-winning company that performs all over the world—which produced the play on Shepard's death. It was later adapted as a film and nominated for four Emmys in 2002.

In 2008, the Tectonic Theater Project went back to Laramie to re-interview the town concerning Shepard's murder. The purpose was to see what progress has been made, if any, within those 10 years. Each performance will take place tonight on the 12th anniversary of Shepard's death.

At Cal Poly, there will be a staged reading with ten actors sharing information from the town after those 10 years. Furthermore, the recording from the New York production will be played, showing Judy Shepard, Matthew Shepard's mother, and followed by a question-and-answer session.

Jeffrey Arevedo, a Cal Poly electrical engineering and theater graduate, is directing the event. He first heard of Shepard's death in the sixth grade and still remembers talking about it in class. It's important to have this performance and to see how far we've come in the last 10 years, he said.

"This is so unique and it's great to be a part of something of this magnitude," Arevedo said. "Hopefully this will generate discussion and give people a better understanding of what's going on."

"The Laramie Project: Ten Years Later" is a free event, and donations will be accepted for the Matthew Shepard Foundation, Cal Poly Arts and SLO ABP Support Network. The performance will be held at Clunash Auditorium at 8 p.m. tonight.

Actors from the City Lights Theater Company in San Jose prepare for their production of "The Laramie Project: Ten Years Later." The production will be performed by more than 100 schools and theater companies tonight on the 12th anniversary of Matthew Shepard's death.

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Califone’s latest inspires
soon-to-be-released film

I’ve got to tell you right now, I was more than just a little tempted soon-to-be-released film Califone’s latest inspires hard to publicly admit that I liked next to it that I was amused by wanted to do it really badly, but it was too sad for me. It’s hard to admit in a full article with a really big picture of my face right next to it that I was amused by music about the sun, rainbows and the scientific method, all of which are meant to get children excited about going to school. It really is hard to publicly admit that I liked the album.

So much so that I’d write an article about it thinking that you might be so intrigued that you would actually go out of your way to listen to a kid’s album. It was a sad couple of minutes, but, in the end, as I decided against it, I felt a grown up, like I had the ability to practice restraint and demonstrate to my peers refined taste and matured views of the world and art. So now I’m in my room, wearing a tweed sports coat, smoking a pipe and developing my understanding of the human condition and its relationship to rhythm and tonality by listening to Califone’s newest album, “All My Friends Are Funeral Singers.”

The album is itself a very fine example of the Califone tradition with its restrained and unusually missed acoustic folk and experimental electronic break-downs. It’s the kind of thing you can genuinely enjoy and still feel unnecessarily pretentious about. Also, it’s a useful album to put on for a lady late at night when you want to prove that you have emotionally evolved beyond all the other people at the party you just came from.

In fact, I give you my personal guarantee that you will, at the very least, get a cuddle out of her before the sun comes up. And oh yeah, she’ll swoon hard when songs like “Funeral Singers” and “Bruises” start to play. The key are the kind of things that make the heart swell and the body writhe in hyper-sensitive ways, especially for us 20-something hipsters with easily provoked libidos.

My favorite thing about this album is the way it seamlessly switches from desperate loneliness to sincere nostalgia to fun-freak-folk-loo-downs. It’s a truly eclectic album without erratic transitions. It is masterfully arranged and composed so that each song has its place within the album as a whole, creating this honestly beautiful and amazing collection of songs.

“All My Friends Are Funeral Singers” also serves as the conceptual soundtrack to a soon-to-be-released film of the same name. The film will be released sometime next year. Starting the members of Califone and Angela Bettin (“Girl Interrupted”), and will be accompanied by live performances by Califone during next year’s tour. Written and directed by Califone front man Tim Rutigliano, the “AM-FAS” movie looks like a hipstered-out musical version of “The Others” (that movie where Nicole Kidman is a ghost and is stuck in the house, but doesn’t know she’s a ghost and therefore inadvertently terrifies children) and will most likely be good.

Califone’s newest album, “All My Friends Are Funeral Singers,” was released Oct. 6 by Dead Oceans Records.

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Barack Obama has inspired. He has elevated. He has brought hope to people around the world. He has reinvigorated dialogues that seemed long dead, or hidden on back burners.

For that, on Friday, he was awarded the 2009 Nobel Peace Prize.

Obama's work for peace is still promisive. Critics, even some supporters, suggest it's too early to hand this young president the world's most prestigious award. After all, it's a frighteningly exclusive club; it doesn't, for instance, include Gandhi.

But Obama does share something with many who have accepted this award before him including Nelson Mandela, Elie Wiesel, Desmond Tutu, Mother Teresa, Martin Luther King Jr. and Lech Walesa. The ability to lift eyes upward, to prompt dreams of a better future.

The prize is only sometimes given out for accomplishments. As commonly, it is awarded to give strength to a position, to provide gravitas for a noble individual or group of individuals against a corrupt system.

Obama was chosen as a way to welcome the United States back into the global community after years of unilateral policy. This award was a grace note to the man, to his nation. And it's focused as much on what we do, what we stand for, as what with Obama as president we seem to have the will to do, as on what he's already accomplished in the short time he's been in office.

He humbly acknowledged that he is this award's recipient. Already, his administration has reopened discussions with Iran, addressed nuclear disarmament and confronted the Western-Islamic divide, the source of so much that is wrong with the world today.

So maybe Obama, to date, hasn't earned a Peace Prize for scaled deals. But he brings hope. And, sometimes, hope is worth rewarding.

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**Letters to the Editor**

Mr. Tsoi's arguments and ideas are contrary to practical reality and are obviously based on religious indoctrination. This is especially true with respect to his opinion on the practical reality of evolution. Evolution has been debated thoroughly by academicians and laymen alike for 150 years. Biologists agree that evolution is the most well supported idea in modern biology, and that almost all other ideas in science are supportive of, and tie into the theory of evolution. Our country fails to provide enough education in science and mathematics currently, and I fear for what would happen if our country was controlled for a long period of time by people who share his irrational skepticism of evidence-based, practical reality.

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Mr. Tsoi has once again managed to write a thoroughly uneducated article about things he does not understand. I agree that primary school teachers should not teach evolution as a fact, but that is only because science, unlike religion, does not, claim to be infallible. The theory of evolution is not new. Before you start complaining about the term, let me remind you that gravity is also a theory. They brought it to primary school science classes because it is, in fact, a science. In contrast, Intelligent design is a circular explanation supported by no scientific evidence. To teach that evolution would be evolution would be an insult to 100 years of study and research. It is a commitment to scientific knowledge.

If you are interested in teaching religion in schools, why make it exclusively Christian? Granted, your hero Thomas Jefferson was a Christian man, but not everybody in the 13 colonies was. Consider the hundreds of thousands forced "immigrants' brought over from Africa. Why not teach the multiple religions that they brought with them? Why not teach the dozens, Moorish, a religion that "founded" in the US? Why should every newcomer to the US have to learn the religion of every body that came before him but not be allowed to teach his own? Different freedom to choose religion protects them, and any atheist who wants to actively practice no religion, as much as it is his version of Christian morality.

Cover yourself, Mr. Tsoi. Your hypocrisy is showing.

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**Letters to the Editor**

The Nobel committee cited as his key accomplishment bringing "a new climate in international politics." It is to Obama's credit that he has inspired such great expectations around the world, and perhaps the award is a way to encourage him to keep at it. But the prize would mean more if it could point to concrete achievements.

Obama's comments on Monday seemed to reflect his own surprise, describing his selection "a call to action for all nations to work toward peace" and "an affirmation of American leadership on behalf of aspirations held by people in all nations." He seems to understand what the world expects of him. Now he has to deliver on those great expectations. As he is fond of saying, "It's not going to be easy."

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Obama's Nobel is a prize for America and a sign things have changed
It's all sweeps in Los Angeles

The Los Angeles Angels and the Los Angeles Dodgers both swept their way into the second round of playoffs this weekend.

David Lennon

LAWRENCE LICATA

BOSTON — Their ancient rivals now are history. But the Yankees, should they advance to the American League Championship Series, might end up wishing for those grudge matches with the Red Sox once they get there.

That's because the Angels not only are a dangerous group but look like a team with no weaknesses.

With a 2-0 lead over Boston in the Division Series, the Angels really had nothing to lose Sunday at Fenway Park.

But rather than buckle beneath 3-0 and 5-1 deficits, the Angels saved their best for last, rallying for three runs in the ninth inning against Sox closer Jonathan Papelbon for a series-clinching 7-6 victory.

Papelbon had two outs, none on and an 0-0 count on Erick Aybar before five straight Angels reached base. In three consecutive at-bats, the Angels were one strike from defeat.

"We never surrender," said Bobby Abreu, who batted 1-2 and pinch-hit off the Green Monster for an RBI double that moved the Angels within 6-5. "We never give up. We've had many times. And it's huge doing it against Papelbon. We hit it in Game 3 and we celebrated that. What's happened so fast.

Vladimir Guerrero supplied the Angels with a center fielder that decided the game, after an intentional walk to Tori Hunter that loaded the bases, but it was the Angels resilience that got them to that point.

With two outs, Aybar, Chone Figgins worked a full-count walk and Abreu doubled home a run, putting runners on second and third. That's when the Sox chose to put Hunter on and take their chances with Guerrero, who had not driven in a run in nine previous playoff games against Boston.

Dan Claggren

ST. LOUIS — September's fade out officially turned to October black Saturday night at Busch Stadium.

Once armed with league's best record, the Cardinals fell in series qui -et, 5-1, as the Los Angeles Dodgers concluded a three-game sweep of a Division Series that offered the NL Central champs some early superiority, but ultimately little but profound dis -appointment.

Three extra-base hits by right fielder Andre Ethier, a revival by re -ceivinng lefty Randy Johnson and a continuation of the Dodgers' pitching dominance sent the Cardi -nals home with only their second Di -vision Series loss in eight tries under manager Tony La Russa.

"I don't like the stigma attached to being swept, but that's what hap -pened," La Russa said upon exiting his office more than an hour after the loss. "The series was more competi -tive than that. But that's what it is.

The Dodgers, who finished with the league's best record but missed the playoffs, scored one run in five of 27 innings. The Cardinals scored one run in five of 27 innings.

"We beat a very good team," torque said.

And we won the two games that Carpe and Wainwright pitched, which certainly did a lot for our personality and confidence.

The Dodgers played with less out -ward verve and committed more mistakes. Defense was not a huge factor and extra 1-2-3 outs.

"We felt we could beat a club of their caliber. I think the way we did it was in the sweep on the road with two outs in the ninth has to give us a lot of momentum."

"It's tough to walk the bases load -ed," Red Sox manager Terry Fran­cona said. "But Pap throws strikes and he had a lot of success against Guer­rero I guess, to put in a nutshell, we thought it would put us in a better chance to win. It didn't work.

The Angels were 2-0-2 with 1-2 and a walk and three strikeouts against Pa­pelbon, who had allowed only two bases outs in the eighth inning to clean up Billy Wagner's mess. Papelbon threw Guerrero an outside pitch and faithful and he drilled it to centerfield in front of Je­coby Ellsbury for the winning single. "Things happened quick," Pa­pelbon said. "More than anything, I wasn't really able to stop the bleeding. Your team fights to put you in that situation, to call upon you, and you let them down." Papelbon had not allowed a run in the first 17 postseason appearances of his career spanning 26 innings, before he was called on Sunday for the four -out save with the Red Sox clinging to a 5-2 lead.

Juan Rivera cut it to 5-4 with a two-run single against Papelbon's first pitch, those runs were charged to Wagner and after Mike Lowell's two-run RBI single in the bottom of the eighth gave Boston a two-run lead, the Angels chipped away at Papelbon in the ninth.

The Angels beat the Red Sox in a playoff sweep for the first time in 15 years, and it was also their first post- season sweep. They advanced to the Championship Series with a 4-2, 6-5 win over the Red Sox in the Division Series. The Dodgers neutralized the larg­est crowd ever to watch a game at the new Busch Stadium (47,296) when Ramirez '1-2 doubles in the first inning and Ethier followed in the third with a two-out, two-run homer.

The Cardinals never brought the tying run to the plate after the sec -ond inning. "Their bullpen was out­standing," catcher Yadiel Molina. "They have some guys who throw very hard on the corners. They pitched good."

A stakeholder who reported for his first postseason start Saturday without sin, Pino didn't keep the ball on the ground and get his eviction notice after surrendering a fourth run in the fourth inning.

After going three for 22 with runners in scoring position this first two games, the Red Sox had loaded the bases in the first inning and failed to score in the fourth after Colby Ras­sler's one-out groundout.

The Dodgers contrasted the Car­dinals' fidelity in the clutch by scoring all their runs with two outs. Ramirez and Ethier contributed five extra-base hits worth 13 total bases. The Cardi­nals managed eight total bases. Either helped wreck the game by coming within a single of the cycle. He tripled and scored off John Smoltz to make it a 5-4 game in the seventh inning before doubling in the ninth.

La Russa hoped to avoid having a flat, tense team by playing down their late swoon and then quarantining them from the media on a lengthy workout day. He ultimately got what he feared the most.

ALCS: the配对在 rhetoric his team late-season fade as a natural byproduct of a double-digit lead in a nebulous NL Central. However, his Sept. 29 reminder in Cincinnati that no team can "flip the switch" at a switch point meant nothing.

A review of the season will be -gin immediately and, according to club sources, heap heavy scrutiny on the team's inconsistent offensive ap­proach. The Cardinals managed only four runs in the last 22 innings.

Including his 10 at-bats in the series, Colby Rasmus was 5-23 in his last 28 at-bats. At one point he concluded a rebubal of Cardinals teams 20-5 succ­ceed under La Russa in previous Divi­sion Series.
Cal Poly defense develops swagger on and off the field, but comes up short in loss to Grizzlies

Leitica Rodriguez

When the Cal Poly football defense got together to prepare for the fall season, change was taking place. New coaches were introduced, a new defensive scheme was put into action and a new video scoreboard was installed. Along with this change, success has come for the Mustang defense in a period when the offense has been struggling to find its footing.

"Right from the get-go it was a family aspect of accomplishing something," defensive end Ryan Shoerwell said. "Coach Lupfer has kind of instilled an attitude to be the best we can be, and coach Lupfer wants us to be the best in the country. No matter who we're playing, I think I have a chance to win a game if I go to Cal Poly. It's all about attitude." 

Ryan Shoerwell and linebacker Carthos Gillespie also point to Lupfer's mandatory linebacker meetings and the defense barbecue he held at Pismo Beach days before the team left for football camp in August. At the barbecue, the defensive unit introduced themselves to each other and discussed goals for the upcoming season.

"I've never been to a barbecue like that before," Gillespie said. "It showed me how (defensive coordinator Greg Lupfer) coaches and his teaching abilities. On the other hand, you're only as good as the players that play for you," Walsh said. "The team chemistry here is something that we do and who does it and how hard they practice and play on Saturday. Allow us to be as successful as we have been." 

Many of the defensive players attribute the triumphs of the defense to strong leadership and more experience, head coach Tim Walsh believes the success is a combination of factors.

"I really believe in how (defensive coordinator Greg Lupfer) coaches and the winning attitude he instilled early on," Walsh said. "The players know we have their backs," Gillespie said. "I've never seen a group of guys that get along as they do," he said. "Nothing makes a difference (with these guys). It's a pretty special deal, and I'm lucky to be a part of it." 

"We think (Lupfer's) like a frustrated coach," Kyle Mohamed said. "He's a pretty laid-back guy, but you have to be consistent and make it fun. It's a prettier special deal, and the nicknames given to coach Shoerwell's younger brothers Ryan and Tony Little Shotty and Little Shortie are a testament to that and that makes it fun." 

Lupfer is known to tip his hat to the players after a game and to be seen in the stands with a bandana, in the middle of the Mustang student section, or drinking a Gatorade. "He always wears a bandana, in the middle of the Mustang student section, or drinking a Gatorade," Gillespie said.

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Despite its recent success and four first-half turnovers, the Mustang defense gave up almost 400 yards of total offense to Montana State Saturday. Senior linebacker Marty Mohamed tallied a game-high 10 tackles in a 52-23 loss.

"Everybody's busting their ass, everyone has the mindset to do so well."

Kyle Mohamed

Cal Poly Linebacker

NICK CAMACHO
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First-half goal stands up as Mustangs defeat CS Fullerton

Morgan Miller's third goal of the season in the 39th minute of play was all the Mustangs would need in defeating Cal State Fullerton 1-0 in a Big West Conference women's soccer game on Sunday at Alex G. Spanos Stadium. With the win the Mustangs improved to 9-5-2 overall and 3-1 in conference play while the Titans fell to 7-7-3 and 2-2-1 in the Big West conference.

Miller's goal came in the 39th minute when Alphon Thulin beat a Cal State Fullerton defender about 30 yards out and fed the ball to Miller who caught the Titan goalie off line and fired the ball into the right-center of the net from 12 yards out. For Miller it was her third goal of the season.

The Titans had two solid scoring chances in the first half with the first coming in the 27th minute off a corner kick. The ball was sent out and CSF's Jackie Hovda fired a pointblank shot at Coral Hoover who made the save.

In the 32nd minute Stacey Fox tried to get the Titans on the board with a header that was gathered in by Hoover. 

Cal Poly had in chances to improve on the score in the 25th minute when Cici Kobinski fired a ball from 18 yards out only to have goalie Jordan Santos make a diving save deflecting the ball away.

The second half saw the Mustangs take seven more shots while Fullerton managed four with the Mustangs having the best scoring chances coming in the 80th and 85th minute.

Bianca Burrigh in the 80th minute played a header in front of the goal but was headed by Santos while in the 85th minute she fired a ball from 20 yards out off the top of the bar. Overall the Mustangs had 13 shots on goal while CSF managed nine shots four on goal. 

Hovda earned her ninth win of the season in goal for the Mustangs and her sixth shutout when she tallied four saves on goal for the game. 

The Mustangs return to the field on Thursday when they travel to San Diego to face UC Davis at 7 p.m.