Student eats off $1 a day

Journalism senior spent only $28 for food in the month of February.

Leticia Rodriguez

When it came time for Niki Burns to decide on a senior project, she knew she wanted to do something about eating on a budget. What she didn’t anticipate was was feeding herself for the entire month of February on $28.

"At first I didn’t think that was really possible, to only eat $1 of food each day, but then once I started thinking about it more and more I realized there were ways to eat for free in San Luis Obispo," Burns said. "Also I realized people are forced to have to live this way and if they can do it, then I hoped that I could."

Burns, a Cal Poly journalism senior, spent $28 on groceries at the beginning of the month and is documenting her experience for her senior project on a blog, see Food, page 3

Fraternity rush deferred for incoming students

Katie Grady

Leaders of Cal Poly’s Interfraternity Council (IFC) recently announced a new policy that will defer first-quarter students from joining a fraternity.

The changes will take effect fall quarter 2010 with the intention of giving new students a chance to adjust academically and socially before considering the demands of the greek system, according to Student Life and Leadership director Ken Barclay.

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SLO city council sets new goals for 2010-11

Jessica Barba

The San Luis Obispo City Council met Tuesday night to discuss a $1.5 million budget deficit and to set goals for the upcoming year.

As the council examined the mid-year budget review, they noticed that the income generated from sales and hotel taxes had seen a major shortfall. City finance manager Debbie Malicoat said those taxes make up 40 percent of the general fund, and because it is one of the largest sources of income for the city, when that amount goes down, even by one percent, it becomes a struggle.

“This year, we’re going to have to tighten the belt around the budget,” Malicoat said.

After paying close attention to the financial report, she said manufacturing, operations, consumption and the current economic state of the country are all interwoven factors that affect income tax.

Malicoat said she plans to speak with several economic trend specialists within the next months to discuss new proposals for improvements. She confirmed the sales tax will not go up and that consumers should see an improvement near June.

As the council examined the city’s current economic state of the 2009-10 financial plan, they began to discuss cutbacks to be made this upcoming year. Due to the deficit, the city’s total budget for 2010-11 is expected to be $99.6 million.

City manager Katie Lichtig said because of the budget cut, the hiring freeze on government positions will be continued from last year and all novel and training requests must be approved by her.

“We are monitoring all of our revenue shortages, but we are up for the challenge,” Lichtig said.

During the meeting, the council also addressed maintenance, traffic and safety as the main themes for improvement in the upcoming city projects.

The list of the city’s goals and Capital Improvement Plans (CIP) included installing new sidewalks, repaving roads and placing new curbs throughout the city. The agenda for the items hang on the meeting room and categorized the projects as under construction, under design and under study.

Malicoat said that even though the budget was tight, the completion of an interchange on Los Osos Valley road is also something the council will look into. She said the price of the land is now the cheapest they have seen and if they purchase it, despite the limited budget, it could actually be a cheaper project than if they were to do it in the future.

“We project we will need to find a million and a half dollars in solutions,” Malicoat said. “We have done this before, and we have a really good team of state employees ready to solve this problem. Unfortunately, we have been in this problem before.”

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the greek system to prevent tragedies like this from happening again," Lencara said.

Since the IFC proposed the change from previous years, the rule only applies to the 17 fraternities. Sororities will still be allowed to have newcomers rush during fall quarter, but the Panhel/ence council is considering the idea of deferring rush as well.

"We can better prepare men for what they are getting themselves into," Lencara said. "They can get their bearings around campus... and when winter comes around, they can make a more educated decision."

Deferring rush is not new to Cal Poly. It was mandated in the past but only for brief periods of time.

"It's something that's indefinite," Lencara said. "We want to see if it will actually change numbers. It's pretty much an experiment."

Wishing to remain anonymous, a Cal Poly senior who has been in the fraternity system since he was a sophomore, said the majority of his fraternity and other people in the greek system he has talked to are not thrilled about deferring rush for fall quarter. Even alumni are upset, he said.

"It's really unfortunate," he said. "It's going to force all the frats to impress people during fall quarter, which could mean even more parties without the structure of rush- ing. Fall rush is about 90 percent freshmen... so it makes our whole situation that much more difficult."

Concerned about the number of available pledges, he said fewer members will also mean fewer people for fall philanthropy, such as food drives.

Barclay explained members of the greek system in the past have asked to have deferred rush reconsidered because of a fear of losing numbers. He believes the recent mandate won't hurt membership.

"That's just an assumption," he said. "There is no data to prove that they lost members. I think this is best for everybody. It's best for the Greeks, and it's best for the students."

IFC President Andy Farrell said this is the right move for the fraternity system.

"I believe the goal this will do is greater than the damage," Farrell said.

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There were five mistakes in the article "Just Jazz" keeps audience clapping and toes tapping.

1. The article stated the ensemble which performed 'Haitian Fight Song' and 'Free Lie Blackbird' was second, it actually performed first. 2. Best Bailey is a civil engineering student, not a chemical engineering student. 3. The fourth ensemble in the concert — not the first — performed after the Wednesday Combo. 4. Matt Harris, arrangement, 'Rompe Cabezas,' is not spelled 'Rompe Cabezas,' as it was in the article. 5. Jazzhand.com is currently a parked domain name, which offers no reputable information.
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located at www.eatonedollara­
day.blogspot.com.
Burns hopes that by posting her happenings, others will see how it is possible to live on a small amount of money and want to chal­lenge themselves.
The uniqueness of her own challenge comes from the idea of the "box" idea is what excites her ad­viser, journalism professor John Soares, who, along with Burns, documents the entire month of February, eating only food that she had bought at the begin­ning of the month with $28, or was free, traded or bartered from someone else, she is learning how to generate interest in an era when news is becoming more technologically-based. Documenting her experience and her work with the Internet and social media such as Face­book is what makes her project relevant, Soares said.
"She's doing a story, and it's going to be worth reading to a particular audience and that's part of her senior project: to figure out how to do a story as well as how to figure out how many hits is she going to get and kind of extrapolate that to and putting it on the Web," Soares said. "It's going to give her an opportunity to figure out how many hits is she getting and kind of extrapolate that to who are those people that are actually going to the Web site.
Creating her own blog is also giving Burns the opportunity to participate in a new realm of journalism.
"Blogging is a great venue just because it's free," Burns said. "It's time efficient; it doesn't take me very much time to type up every­thing each night and let everyone know how each day is going, and how I eat. It's just easy and it's just a way to share your story with the community as a whole.
Sharing her story and having everything online for people to see is what could lead her to land a job against a competitor with just a résumé because she will be able to show her project and explain the problems and challenges she faced in the process, Soares said.
"The more that you can do, and in this instance, Niki's proj­ect on doing this blog, synthes­izing video skills, writing skills, new media skills, working with the web, working with tradi­tional media outlets to gain popularity for a Web site and then all the problems that come along with that and how she solved all those problems within a compressed amount of time, well that just makes her look so good when she goes out there," Soares said.
Initially, the idea of Burns doing the project to challenge herself wasn't what worried her family and boyfriend. When Burns first approached her mom, Jennifer Burns, about the concept, Jennifer said she didn't know whether or not to take her seriously. When she finally real­ized her daughter wasn't joking around, Jennifer got concerned.
"I was really concerned about her nutrition, I didn't like the whole idea. I was hoping she could think of something else to do," Jennifer said. "I was just like, 'Niki, you can't live on a dollar a day,' and she in­sisted that it could be done."
Burns found out that convin­cing her mom she could do it was easier than the ex­perience itself. By the second day, Burns admitted on her blog that she was "feeling less energetic" and by the fourth day was tired of eating peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, one of the only food items from her bundle of groceries purchased at the beginning that could be mass produced.
"I just really want nice sal­ad," Burns said. "I know that sounds like a lame answer, but I've really been craving vege­tables and I really like salads."
She also came to the real­ization of just how fortunate she was to be able to eat out when she wanted and to not have to worry about hunger. Burns said the project has made her want to help out others whose reality is her month-long project, some­thing her mom wanted her to walk away with at the end of the month.
"I hope that what she does leads to it is the value of food and how blessed we are to have an abundance of it, that we don't have to think about every dollar we spend on food so carefully, because so many people don't," Jennifer Burns said.
Knowing that she would have to make a relatively small amount of food last for her for three meals a day for 28 days, Burns set up a list of guidelines on food that was considered free or food that she could accept before starting her project. During the month, Burns babysat a younger cousin for salami, took fruit from a friend's tree, traded a potato for an avocado and eaten at IHOP and Denny's during their free breakfast days.
"I'll cook my friend a meal if they cook me a meal or something like that, so I've done that a couple of times, and I've found different places where I've been able to eat for free," Burns said. "Like Den­ny's and IHOP, and I ate at Woodstock's, I think, twice last week for free, just by writing a review about them."
She wants people to chal­lenge themselves and see that free food is available.
"I want people that can't afford to eat out to see that there are new ways to eat out. Like there's a lot of coupons out there on Web sites lo­cal restaurants," Burns said. "I just want people to see that there are cheaper ways to eat, maybe not eating a $1 a day but do something that would challenge them for the year because I think it's important to experience different as­pects of life and to always be challenging oneself other­wise you could get stuck and stuck in the same routine every day."
UCSD student apologizes for noose incident, claims no racist intent
Larry Gordon
LOS ANGELES — The Univer­sity of California, San Diego student reportedly responsible for last week's controversial noose episode issued a public, but anonymous, apology Monday and said she had no racist intent when she hung the rope from a bookcase in the campus's main li­brary. The discovery of the noose set of­f angry protests at a school already tense from racially charged episodes and triggered a round of condemn­ations from university leaders and Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger.
In a letter published Monday on the front page of the campus's stu­dent newspaper, the Guardian, the student wrote that "this was not an act of racism" and contended that it was a "stupid mistake." She said it was the result of feeding around and had nothing to do with seeking to intimate black students with a symbol of lynching.
"I know what I did was offen­sive — regardless of my intentions — I am just trying to say I'm sorry. It was not my intention to hurt others and make them feel unwel­come. It is unfortunate that my actions have been misunderstood by the recent issues on campus. I am distraught to know that I have unintentionally added to their pain," wrote the student, who was sus­pended Friday and remains under investigation by campus police for a possible hate crime.
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Anonymous
UCSD student
The letter is signed "by Anonymous UCSD Student" and offers no clues to her identity or gender. A note at the end of the letter states that the newspa­per has verified the author's authentic­ity. Niki Thayer, the Guardian's Web ed­itor, said in a telephone interview that the woman had approached the paper and asked to publish the letter and that "a reliable source" had confirmed it. In the letter, the woman said she and friends had been playing with a rope, jumping with it, making a lasso and then a noose early last week. She then carried it to the library, where she was studying, and strung it up over a desk there Tuesday and forgot about it. In discov­ery Thursday night caused a firestorm on campus, where racial tensions were high after a Jan. 15 off-campus party mocked Black History Month and a derogatory term for blacks was used on a student television show.
When she realized the controversial noose was her responsibility, "I felt so ashamed and embarrassed, and the first thing I did was call the campus police and confess," she wrote. She said her motivation in publishing the letter was "to hopefully put a little bit of faith back into the UCSD campus by clari­fying that it was not an act of racism." A campus spokesperson said cam­pus police are continuing to investigate the incident and are consulting about it with the San Diego County district attorney's office and the U.S. attorney's office. The student remains suspended while the investigation continues, the spokesperson said.
Russia nuclear treaty stalls over U.S. defense plan

Jonathan S. Landay

WASHINGTON — Negotiations to complete a new U.S.-Russia nuclear arms treaty have stalled over a Russian demand for the option to withdraw unilaterally its medium-range missile forces if Moscow determines that U.S. missile defenses would threaten its intercontinental nuclear missile force, a senior U.S. official said Monday.

Similarly "unilateral statements" have been included in previous arms-control treaties, and the Bush administration used one in 2002 to abort the 1972 Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty with the Soviet Union.

The Obama administration, however, has rejected the Russian demand, fearing that it could make it harder to win the Republican votes needed for Senate ratification of the new nuclear arms pact.

"The issue here is what do the Russians feel they need, but also keeping an eye on not trying to complicate the ratification process," said a senior U.S. official, who requested anonymity because of the delicacy of the negotiations.

Sixty-six votes are required to ratify the treaty in the Senate, but President Barack Obama's Democratic Party now controls 59 seats. The treaty is expected to limit deployed U.S. and Russian nuclear arsenals to 1,550 to 2,250 warheads each, a reduction from a limit of 2,200 due to take effect on Dec. 31, 2012.

Obama tried unsuccessfully to resolve the U.S. missile defense issue last week by telephone with his Russian counterpart, Dmitri Medvedev, the senior U.S. official told McClatchy Newspapers. U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton also failed to find a solution in a call with her Russian counterpart, Foreign Secretary Sergei Lavrov.

The U.S. negotiating team, led by Assistant Secretary of State Rose Gottemoeller, remained in Washington from Geneva on Monday for consultations with top officials aimed at finding a formula to break the impasse, the senior U.S. official said.

"We don't think that these problems are insurmountable," he said. "We are trying to find a way to manage Russian concerns."

Russian and U.S. negotiators aimed to finish drafting a successor accord to the 1991 Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty, C-START, before it expired on Dec. 5, but a number of issues have hampered completion of the talks.

The latest complication comes on Obama's decision to deploy U.S. anti-missile interceptors in Romania as part of a plan to defend Europe against medium-range missile attacks from Iran. Iran has missiles capable of reaching parts of Europe, and U.S. and European officials charge that it's developing nuclear weapons, an allegation that Iranian officials deny.

Obama's decision replaced a Bush administration plan to place a tracking radar in Poland and 20 interceptors in the Czech Republic to shield the U.S. from a limited Iranian intercontinental ballistic missile strike. Iran currently doesn't have such missiles.

Russia hailed Obama for canceling the Bush plan, but Moscow has raised the same objection to Obama's plan, contending that the medium-range interceptors that would be deployed in Romania could threaten Russia's long-range missile force.

"Russia has serious questions regarding the true purpose of the U.S. missile defense in Romania," Russian Foreign Ministry spokesman Andrei Nesterenko said in a statement Friday. "That is why we will consistently oppose any dubious anti-missile actions in the missile defense field."

"The Standard Three Missile has a configuration that gives it a range of 900 kilometers. That doesn't get it to Russia," said Steven Pifer, a former U.S. ambassador to Ukraine and arm control expert who is with the Brookings Institution, a center-left research group in Washington. "They will not endanger Russia's ability to have a strong robust deterrent."

Moscow, however, worries that the next generation of the missile will be fast enough to knock out its long-range weapons, a concern fueled by the absence of a treaty limiting the number of interceptors that the U.S. can deploy in Romania, Pifer and other experts said.

Briefs

State

SAN LUIS OBISPO (MCT) — The federal Nuclear Regulatory Commission will hold another set of two public meetings Wednesday in San Luis Obispo on license renewal for Diablo Canyon nuclear power plant.

The purpose of the meetings is to take public testimony about the environmental issues the agency should consider when processing the renewal application. A panel of NRC officials will be on hand to hear the testimony.

The meetings will be held at the Embassy Suites Hotel, 333 Madonna Road, San Luis Obispo. The first session will run from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. and will be followed by a second session from 7 to 10 p.m.

SACRAMENTO (MCT) — A coalition of atheist and agnostic groups has bought billboard space to tell individuals they are not alone. The billboard says: "Are you good without God? Millions are." The message appears on a background of fluffy, white clouds and blue sky.

The advertising is sponsored by the Sacramento Area Coalition of Reason with funding from the national United Coalition of Reason, based in Washington, D.C.

National

MARYLAND (MCT) — A Frederick man faces attempted second-degree murder and assault charges after Frederick Police say he severely beat a man.

Police learned the man and his girlfriend had been involved in an ongoing feud with Eaves. Police said the two men got into an argument. The victim was knocked to the ground and repeatedly punched and kicked by Eaves. Eaves has been charged with attempted second-degree murder, first- and second-degree assault and reckless endangerment.

CHICAGO (MCT) — Friends and family had a memorial for the SeaWorld trainer who was killed last week. Brancheau, a devout Catholic who led Bible study, was killed Wednesday when Tilikum, a 22,000-pound killer whale, pulled her into the water by her ponytail as at least two downed trainers watched in horror. The incident happened near the end of a 10-minute show with the whale, the largest in SeaWorld's collection.

Tilikum has been involved in two other deaths since 1991, but SeaWorld officials say they plan to keep him.

Avi Brancheau said the emotional funeral was packed with inspirational music, which Terr Lenz said was carefully chosen to fit Brancheau and her unfailing personality. Lenz sang "Wind Beneath My Wings" at the request of the Brancheau family.

International

AFGHANISTAN (MCT) — One man accused U.S. Marines of insulting Afghan women by conducting intrusive searches. Two worried that the government would tax their poppy harvests just like the Taliban did. A fourth was told he would receive financial compensation for relatives killed during the fighting.

With U.S.-led forces now in control of the one-time insurgent stronghold in southern Afghanistan, President Hamid Karzai's deputy flew from Kabul on Monday to reassure Maryah residents that the Taliban were gone for good and that things would slowly get better.

ETHIOPIA (MCT) — Ethiopian cattle herders killed a Kenyan police officer in an attack carried out after they had been prevented from reaching the waters of Lake Turktana near the border between the two countries.

The officer from the paramilitary General Service Unit (GSU) was killed late on Friday by 500 militiamen, from the Ethiopian Merti tribe, who attacked the unit's camp in Todonya, a village abandoned since 1997 when the two ethnic groups fought.

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Obama unveils ‘turnaround’ grants for schools

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WASHINGTON — Calling it critical to American global competitiveness, President Barack Obama pledged Monday to fight the dropout rate among U.S. high school students and to improve low-performing schools through new investments in "turnaround" programs.

Obama proposed $900 million more next year in grants for school systems that commit to improving their struggling schools — much of it likely bound for districts in large cities such as Chicago and Los Angeles.

Obama directed $3 billion of last year's stimulus package to improve school performance. The president's latest spending plan must be approved by Congress.

In an address to a coalition of education advocates at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, Obama said he wants states to transform the poorest schools with "last resort" strategies that could include dismissing principals and staff and closing some campuses.

"Not long ago, you could drop out of high school and reasonably expect to find a blue-collar job that would pay the bills and help support your family. That's just not the case anymore," Obama said. "Graduating from high school is an economic imperative."

To receive the Obama administration's turnaround grants for their districts, state officials must draft a set of criteria to determine the lowest-performing schools. To be eligible, a school must either have state test scores in the bottom 5 percent or high school graduation rates below 60 percent.

Once the Department of Education has approved the criteria, schools may compete for the money against other schools in their state. Winners will be chosen by officials in each state based on the strength of the plan.

Although administration officials don't know which schools will get the money, they said that many of those being targeted are inner-city schools.

School districts can qualify for a share of the grant money by taking steps to reform instructional strategies and improve teacher effectiveness, in part by extending planning time for educators.

The more dramatic options include a "turnaround" model, which requires replacing a principal and half the school staff and setting up a new structure of school governance and instructional program.

Another "restart" model calls for closing a school and reopening under charter management, while the "clouse" model requires sending students to better schools in the district.

There are approximately 25,000 public high schools in the United States, but fewer than one-in-ten of them — about 2,000 — produce half the dropouts, according to administration officials.

Obama discussed the plan in a speech to the America's Promise Alliance, founded in 1997 by retired Army Gen. Colin Powell and currently chaired by his wife, Alma Powell. The group is a partnership made up of corporations, nonprofit and faith-based organizations and education advocates.

In addition to the turnaround grants, the Obama administration is setting aside $50 million targeted to support dropout-prevention strategies.

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The Expendables sell out Downtown Brew

John McCullough
SPECIAL TO THE MUSTANG DAILY

The Expendables wrapped up their Winter Blackout tour this Sunday night at Downtown Brew with another sold-out show. The evening completed a seven-week tour and was their third show in San Luis Obispo in the past five nights.

The band, made up of guitarist Raul Bianchi, bass and vocalist Ryan DeMar and drummer Adam Patterson, has been making music together for roughly 10 years. Their music is inspired by a range of genres, from metal to reggae.

Bianchi has a sense of humor when talking about his band's history. "We've known each other for years, unfortunately," Bianchi said as the band laughed. "We went to elementary school and junior high together. We started out just jamming for some of our friends."

The Expendables left San Luis Obispo Thursday night after playing back-to-back shows. They played San Francisco's Fillmore on Friday and the House of Blues on Sunset Boulevard in Los Angeles on Saturday. Over the past few weeks they have played shows from Anaheim, CA to Ft. Lauderdale, FL. Weers said touring's fun but difficult at the same time.

"It's not meant for everyone; not everyone can play shows 40 out of 50 nights out on tour without wanting to cry and run home," Weers said. They booked their first headlining show by selling tickets to their friends at the Catalyst in Santa Cruz. "I think Downtown Brew is the first venue outside of the Catalyst that we ever sold out," Bianchi said. "They've been promoting their upcoming album, "Prove It," which features the use of vintage equipment.

Even with all the experience in the studio, Weers said the band still prefers going out on tour. "I'd rather be on tour, personally. Recording's more stressful," he said.

The band plans on enjoying the next few weeks at home relaxing. "All the bands on this tour are really tight friends," Patterson said. "Everyone has gotten along, almost like a family. I'm glad to get home, but its kind of sad to leave everyone at the see Concert, page 8

The Expendables ended their Winter Blackout tour Sunday night with a sold out concert at Downtown Brew. Their latest album, "Prove It," is set to be released April 20.
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Project Orange sheds light on human trafficking

Over 500 people attended last night's Project Orange hosted by Campus Crusade for Christ, the greek life of Cal Poly and International Justice Mission. The mission of Project Orange is to inform people of the slavery taking place in the world and to encourage them to take action. The documentary "At the End of Slavery" was shown, while students discussed their involvement and ways for other students to get involved in the cause. Event organizers sold 167 orange T-shirts and 108 blue T-shirts, which raised $1,767. All of the proceeds will go to International Justice Mission to stop child slavery and human trafficking. Students are directed to visit the International Justice Mission Web site, and to sign up to receive more information and learn about ways to help.

Concert

"Sometimes we're chatting together for the past three weeks, we probably won't even go a week without seeing each other. When we get home, "Weers said. "It's hard to believe that it's been so long without seeing each other." Concert-goer Amanda Foos found out about The Expendables through friends.

"We've mostly downloaded their music online and from friends," she said. "If I could buy all the CDs, I would."
Local groups aim to lessen global food impact

Every day, people are starving. Every day, food is wasted. However, the solution to each of these problems is not the same. There is no lack of food on our planet. The heart of the problem is the method of production. Our food is controlled and manipulated for profit, not for the health of our environment.

The force driving industrial agriculture is to produce the highest yields possible, often at the expense of the environment and those who produce the food. The food from these systems is grown using chemicals and monocrops, which lead to the loss of biodiversity and a lack of resilience in the food system. In the long run, this can be an inefficient form of agriculture, as there is no food shortage. There is no food waste. There is no food loss. There is no food shortage. There is no food waste. There is no food loss. There is no food shortage. There is no food waste. There is no food loss. There is no food shortage. There is no food waste. There is no food loss. There is no food shortage. There is no food waste. There is no food loss. There is no food shortage. There is no food waste. There is no food loss. There is no food shortage. There is no food waste. There is no food loss. There is no food shortage. There is no food waste. There is no food loss. There is no food shortage. 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2007, Jacob Elbieb replaced him in center for much of the post-season, but Crisp did make a running catch in deep center against Cleveland that clinched Game 7 of the American League Championship Series.

The following season, he hit .340 (9-for-26) for Boston in the ALCS against Tampa Bay.

"I think I've been fortunate to have played in good cities so far, and in the order in which I played in them," Crisp said. "Starting off with Cleveland, a young team with some veteran guys, I was able to learn a lot. Then I transitioned over to Boston, going to where the atmosphere is probably the most electric in any stadium."

"I know there's a lot of guys who are Hall of Fame-type ballplayers and never win a ring."

Crisp was shipped to Kansas City before the 2009 season but played in just 49 games due to his shoulder injuries. He's most closely associated with his time in Boston, where his diving catches made him a regular on highlight clips.

"He does such a good job of covering ground in the outfield," Cross said. "And he can do multiple things offensively to put pressure on you, stealing bases, taking extra bases, maybe laying down a bunt."

Crisp had surgery to repair tears in the labrum and rotator cuff of each shoulder last summer but said he won't sacrifice his all-out style of defensive play to preserve his health.

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to deal with being in the spotlight with thousands of fans watching. He said it has helped him remain more relaxed under pressure situations.

"I think football has definitely helped in calming my nerves down and dialing myself into game situations," Grayson said. "After playing in front of 85,000 fans at Wisconsin and 40,000 at San Diego State, it helps me to focus in and remain in the moment."

Throughout his career in each sport, Grayson said the support of his family has meant the most to him. He said the coolest thing is having his family travel to different places to watch him compete.

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Grayson said the rho sports have allowed him to meet a variety of people along the way, and he is grateful for those relationships.

"It's just cool to see the different characters on each team," Grayson said. "Baseball is a more relaxed pace while football is a lot of intensity. It's cool being able to meet so many people and build friendships."

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top of our singles line-up."

With the loss, Cal Poly falls to 1-8 on the season and 1-1 in Big West matches. The Mustangs earned their first win of the season Sunday, defeating UC Davis 7-0.

"We will work hard in those areas and will be ready when it comes to the conference tournament," McGrath added. "I'm proud of the way our guys competed today."

Cal Poly returns to action Sunday with a 1 p.m. Big West match against UC Santa Barbara on the Mustang Courts.
Jono Grayson has begun his first year on the baseball team at Cal Poly after playing with the Mustangs on the football field for four years. He finished his career as a slotback with 987 yards and eight touchdowns.

A's covet Coco in the outfield

Joe Stigelich
STAFF SPORTS WRITER

Major league teams covet switching-hitting outfielders who play good defense and fly around the bases. That explains why new Athletics outfielder Coco Crisp hasn't grown roots at any stop in his career. Crisp has been traded three times since being drafted by St. Louis in 1999, and the acquiring teams have coughed up quality players to get him.

"It'd be nice to be in a spot where you don't have to move or think about next year," Crisp said. "But in this day and age, only a select few have that opportunity."

Crisp was a wanted man by the A's this offseason even as he was coming off surgery to both shoulders. The team, looking to strengthen its defense up the middle, signed Crisp to a one-year, $5.25 million contract with a club option for 2011. He's expected to take over centerfield with Rajai Davis shifting to left.

"I think there's some traditional stats that show he was a good player," A's general manager Billy Beane said. "But I think there's some other metrics that indicate his whole career he's been a very productive guy, more so than on the surface. He's a great defender, an outstanding base runner, and a switch hitter that gives you a lot of flexibility with the lineup."

Something else the A's covet? Substantial postseason experience to a roster that's lacking in that department. Traded from Cleveland to Boston before the 2006 season, Crisp was the everyday center fielder for World Series-winning Red Sox in 2004 and 2007.

Men's tennis falls to Pacific

Ryan Sedarto
STAFF SPORTS WRITER

Pacific edged past Cal Poly, 4-3, Monday. After Cal Poly recorded the first win of the season, they couldn't keep the momentum rolling against the Tigers. The Mustangs split the six singles matches, but lost the doubles point.

Pacific's Patrick Lei and Daniel Park defeated the Mustangs 6-1 in doubles. Pacific went on to take singles wins from Sanjay Srikumar, 7-6 (5), 7-5, over Flowers, and from Drew Jacobs, 6-4, 6-4, over Fischback. While the Mustangs' only singles win came from Greyson, 6-1, 6-3, over Vegerd Vess, the Mustangs couldn't bring the momentum rolling against the Tigers. They lost the doubles point, giving Pacific the match to take a 4-3 victory. The Mustangs are 0-7 on the season while Pacific is 6-6.