MUSTANG DAILY
CONGRATULATES
CLASS OF
2011
June 6, 2011 | Volume LXXV | Number 132
Robert Gudden was chosen as Cal Poly's interim president in June 2010. Gudden was the president emeritus of Ohio University and attended the University of Iowa where he earned a Bachelor of Arts in music, Master of Arts in music performance and literature as well as a doctorate in music. Jeffrey Armstrong took over as the university president in February 2011.

This year, students saw a lot of change — some good, some not. Look back on the year with these photos to see what's happened at Cal Poly.

Cal Poly biological sciences alumnus Andrew Thiel died Oct. 15, 2010 when a single-engine plane he was in went down in Baja California, Mexico, killing its crew which included members of the nonprofit organization Flying Samaritans. Thiel was memorialized at a candlelight vigil held Oct. 26, 2010.

*see Photos, page 7*
Dear students,

It has truly been a pleasure serving as your Associate Students Inc. (ASI) president this year and representing you at the campus, community and statewide level. Together, we accomplished many things, and due to the hard work and dedication of all of student government, we raised the bar in all areas of our focus this year: advocacy, outreach and accountability. It cannot go unrecognized that the Board of Directors and University Union Advisory Board have had many significant accomplishments this year; however, for this article, I am focusing on my goals as ASI president, which Executive Cabinet achieved this year under the guidance of my chief of staff, Tiffany Fowler. As an ASI president, I chaired the Student Community Liaison Committee (SCLC) comprised of 17 student members such as the police chief, the mayor, the ASI Secretary of Community Relations (Jace Knight) and other representatives from Cal Poly, Guests and the county.

In the fall, SCLC had "SLO Night with Your Neighbors," which encouraged permanent residents and students to have positive interactions with one another through multiple neighborhood gatherings. Almanan also headed an initiative to revamp the SCLC website to let people know what SCLC is and what it does. ASI concluded the year with a Community Game Day, which Executive Cabinet members attended the California Higher Education Student Summit (CHESS) in Sacramento in April and lobbied at the Capitol. ASI also attended the California State Student Association monthly meetings at various California State University campuses across the state to represent your voice among the other 22 campuses and acted as a united voice with the CSU system.

We could not have achieved our successes without your constant support and encouragement.

— Sarah Storelli

Sarah Storelli is the ASI president. Sarah, along with Kosta McDade and Nick Dindio, wrote the State of the Students columns.

Dearest students,

This year, I focused on my goals as ASI president, which Executive Cabinet achieved this year under the guidance of my chief of staff, Tiffany Fowler. As the ASI president, I chaired the Student Community Liaison Committee (SCLC), comprised of 17 student members such as the police chief, the mayor, the ASI Secretary of Community Relations (Jace Knight) and other representatives from Cal Poly, Guests and the county.

In the fall, SCLC had "SLO Night with Your Neighbors," which encouraged permanent residents and students to have positive interactions with one another through multiple neighborhood gatherings. Almanan also headed an initiative to revamp the SCLC website to let people know what SCLC is and what it does. ASI concluded the year with a Community Game Day, which Executive Cabinet members attended the California Higher Education Student Summit (CHESS) in Sacramento in April and lobbied at the Capitol. ASI also attended the California State Student Association monthly meetings at various California State University campuses across the state to represent your voice among the other 22 campuses and acted as a united voice with the CSU system.

Besides attending CHESS and CSSA, I traveled to Sacramento twice with President Armstrong to lobby on behalf of higher education and the impact budget cuts will have on Cal Poly. Lastly, Lobby Corps brought Assemblyman Katcho Achadjian to campus, as well as Mayor Jan Mars, to build relationships, answer questions and offer input to the complex situations facing our state.

If you have any questions or would like to speak to the ASI Board of Directors or University Union Advisory Board, please reach out to Tiffany Fowler, the mayor, the ASI Secretary of Community Relations (Jace Knight) and other representatives from Cal Poly, Guests and the county.

Thank you for your support and encouragement! See you next year!

— Sarah Storelli

ASI President Sarah Storelli says goodbye, thanks to Cal Poly

Hope you're having a wonderful time! If you need any help, feel free to contact me.

Best regards,

Sarah Storelli
Thank you Mustang Daily for a fantastic senior year!
— Leticia Rodriguez and Patrick Leiva
and community.

In regards to sustainability, Executive Cabinet Secretary, Cale Reid, received a $1,000 grant from CSSA to support ASI’s sustainability initiatives. Cale used the funds to host an Earth Week event called “Talk Trash.” The event allowed students to learn what campus-sold items are and are not recyclable, compostable and disposable. Additionally, sustainable groups such as Cal Poly Organic Farm and Fair Trade Club were a part of our Health and Wellness fair, which promoted healthy lifestyles.

As for diversity, Secretary David Rodriguez attended various cultural club meetings bi-weekly throughout the year, sat on the Diversity Learning Objectives Committee and served on the Inclusive Excellence Council (IEC). He addressed minority retention rates, planned and attended various cultural events throughout the year.

Secretary of health and wellness, Bobby Landon, planned and organized the Active Living Fair, which promoted healthy lifestyles. Secretary of Publicity and Outreach Nick Dindio was charged with reaching his recommendations specifically for the purpose of addressing his recommendations. This allowed him to survey the campus with Facility Services and Campus Safety and Risk Management and point out what issues need to be addressed.

Secretary of Executive Staff Alicia Carney was in charge of managing all ASI interest inquiries that came in and were a part of our Health and Wellness fair, which promoted healthy lifestyles. Additionally, the student athletes have become immersed in the sports rallies before their big games, heightening the level of school spirit.

We could not have achieved our successes without your constant support and encouragement. Personally, I cannot thank those who have constantly supported me, challenged me, respected me and believed in me. Thank you for your passion in wanting to make Cal Poly better than it is, and I wish you the utmost success in everything you do.

Lastly, the GO GREEN Spirit Committee was established and is going strong. As ASI president, I chaired this, and since its launch, every Thursday has been devoted to wearing green on campus, allowing students to receive discounts at various campus venues. Additionally, the student athletes have become immersed in the spirit rallies before their big games, heightening the level of school spirit.

Carney was in charge of managing all ASI interest inquiries that came in and were addressed. Secretary of Executive Staff Alicia Carney was in charge of managing all ASI interest inquiries that came in and were addressed. Secretary of Publicity and Outreach Nick Dindio was charged with addressing the transparency of ASI and found many venues: advertising for events in El Corral’s window display, creating Facebook events, compiling and sending out a quarterly newsletter regarding updates for the monthly Mustang Daily column, “State of the Students.”

Secretary of health and wellness, Bobby Landon, planned and organized the Active Living Fair, which promoted healthy lifestyles. Additionally, the student athletes have become immersed in the sports rallies before their big games, heightening the level of school spirit.

We could not have achieved our successes without your constant support and encouragement. Personally, I cannot thank those who have constantly supported me, challenged me, respected me and believed in me. Thank you for your passion in wanting to make Cal Poly better than it is, and I wish you the utmost success in everything you do.

Lastly, the GO GREEN Spirit Committee was established and is going strong. As ASI president, I chaired this, and since its launch, every Thursday has been devoted to wearing green on campus, allowing students to receive discounts at various campus venues. Additionally, the student athletes have become immersed in the spirit rallies before their big games, heightening the level of school spirit.

Carney was in charge of managing all ASI interest inquiries that came in and were addressed. Secretary of Executive Staff Alicia Carney was in charge of managing all ASI interest inquiries that came in and were addressed. Secretary of Publicity and Outreach Nick Dindio was charged with addressing the transparency of ASI and found many venues: advertising for events in El Corral’s window display, creating Facebook events, compiling and sending out a quarterly newsletter regarding updates for the monthly Mustang Daily column, “State of the Students.”

Secretary of health and wellness, Bobby Landon, planned and organized the Active Living Fair, which promoted healthy lifestyles. Secretary of Publicity and Outreach Nick Dindio was charged with addressing the transparency of ASI and found many venues: advertising for events in El Corral’s window display, creating Facebook events, compiling and sending out a quarterly newsletter regarding updates for the monthly Mustang Daily column, “State of the Students.”

Secretary of health and wellness, Bobby Landon, planned and organized the Active Living Fair, which promoted healthy lifestyles. Secretary of Publicity and Outreach Nick Dindio was charged with addressing the transparency of ASI and found many venues: advertising for events in El Corral’s window display, creating Facebook events, compiling and sending out a quarterly newsletter regarding updates for the monthly Mustang Daily column, “State of the Students.”

Secretary of health and wellness, Bobby Landon, planned and organized the Active Living Fair, which promoted healthy lifestyles. Secretary of Publicity and Outreach Nick Dindio was charged with addressing the transparency of ASI and found many venues: advertising for events in El Corral’s window display, creating Facebook events, compiling and sending out a quarterly newsletter regarding updates for the monthly Mustang Daily column, “State of the Students.”

Secretary of health and wellness, Bobby Landon, planned and organized the Active Living Fair, which promoted healthy lifestyles. Additionally, the student athletes have become immersed in the sports rallies before their big games, heightening the level of school spirit.

We could not have achieved our successes without your constant support and encouragement. Personally, I cannot thank those who have constantly supported me, challenged me, respected me and believed in me. Thank you for your passion in wanting to make Cal Poly better than it is, and I wish you the utmost success in everything you do.

Lastly, the GO GREEN Spirit Committee was established and is going strong. As ASI president, I chaired this, and since its launch, every Thursday has been devoted to wearing green on campus, allowing students to receive discounts at various campus venues. Additionally, the student athletes have become immersed in the spirit rallies before their big games, heightening the level of school spirit. We could not have achieved our successes without your constant support and encouragement. Personally, I cannot thank those who have constantly supported me, challenged me, respected me and believed in me. Thank you for your passion in wanting to make Cal Poly better than it is, and I wish you the utmost success in everything you do.

Lastly, the GO GREEN Spirit Committee was established and is going strong. As ASI president, I chaired this, and since its launch, every Thursday has been devoted to wearing green on campus, allowing students to receive discounts at various campus venues. Additionally, the student athletes have become immersed in the spirit rallies before their big games, heightening the level of school spirit. We could not have achieved our successes without your constant support and encouragement. Personally, I cannot thank those who have constantly supported me, challenged me, respected me and believed in me. Thank you for your passion in wanting to make Cal Poly better than it is, and I wish you the utmost success in everything you do.

Lastly, the GO GREEN Spirit Committee was established and is going strong. As ASI president, I chaired this, and since its launch, every Thursday has been devoted to wearing green on campus, allowing students to receive discounts at various campus venues. Additionally, the student athletes have become immersed in the spirit rallies before their big games, heightening the level of school spirit. We could not have achieved our successes without your constant support and encouragement. Personally, I cannot thank those who have constantly supported me, challenged me, respected me and believed in me. Thank you for your passion in wanting to make Cal Poly better than it is, and I wish you the utmost success in everything you do.

Lastly, the GO GREEN Spirit Committee was established and is going strong. As ASI president, I chaired this, and since its launch, every Thursday has been devoted to wearing green on campus, allowing students to receive discounts at various campus venues. Additionally, the student athletes have become immersed in the spirit rallies before their big games, heightening the level of school spirit. We could not have achieved our successes without your constant support and encouragement. Personally, I cannot thank those who have constantly supported me, challenged me, respected me and believed in me. Thank you for your passion in wanting to make Cal Poly better than it is, and I wish you the utmost success in everything you do.

Lastly, the GO GREEN Spirit Committee was established and is going strong. As ASI president, I chaired this, and since its launch, every Thursday has been devoted to wearing green on campus, allowing students to receive discounts at various campus venues. Additionally, the student athletes have become immersed in the spirit rallies before their big games, heightening the level of school spirit. We could not have achieved our successes without your constant support and encouragement. Personally, I cannot thank those who have constantly supported me, challenged me, respected me and believed in me. Thank you for your passion in wanting to make Cal Poly better than it is, and I wish you the utmost success in everything you do.

Lastly, the GO GREEN Spirit Committee was established and is going strong. As ASI president, I chaired this, and since its launch, every Thursday has been devoted to wearing green on campus, allowing students to receive discounts at various campus venues. Additionally, the student athletes have become immersed in the spirit rallies before their big games, heightening the level of school spirit. We could not have achieved our successes without your constant support and encouragement. Personally, I cannot thank those who have constantly supported me, challenged me, respected me and believed in me. Thank you for your passion in wanting to make Cal Poly better than it is, and I wish you the utmost success in everything you do.
The ties that bind graduates to Cal Poly

Karlee Prazak
KARLEEPRAZAK.NO@GMAIL.COM

When asked, graduating Class of 2011 members reply with anything from excitement, to hesitation, to slight sadness at the thought of leaving behind a life as a Mustang for one in the working world.

For many, it is the end of an academic career, but there are a few important ways future alumni can stay involved with Cal Poly through the Cal Poly Alumni Association (CPAA), by becoming a donor and by donating time as a volunteer or mentor, according to Chris McBride, assistant director of the CPAA and Poly Prep advising.

Whether it's from supporting Cal Poly where they live by wearing a Cal Poly shirt, to being able to come back to campus and participate in a mentoring day, she said, "Just those connections are very valuable."

McBride, who is also a Cal Poly alumna, said she is still involved at Cal Poly because it provided more than just a degree to her — it provided a "life long education," and she said it is important to see people stay connected.

"When you graduate, one of the most important reasons to stay connected with campus and the community is staying in touch, learning and meeting other alumni," McBride said. "That networking can help in your career or personal life."

Staying connected is exactly what John Sweeney, an alumnus and the current CEO of Dairy Procurement Group, LLC, said he felt was important to do after graduating with his bachelor’s degree in civil engineering. He said there are three main reasons he, and other alumni, stay involved.

see Alumni, page 9
Graduation Photos

Congrats Cal Poly Grads!

FRANKS Famous

FRANKS FAMOUS PANCAKE BREAKFAST
3 BIG PANCAKES, 2 EGGS (any style) and Choice of 3 pieces of bacon, sausage, or linguina ONLY $4.66
Pancakes only for $2.60

FRANKS FAMOUS BREAKFAST BURRITO
2 eggs, 2 pieces bacon, cheddar cheese, home fries, tomato, onions and salsa, in a BIG tortilla $5.50 + tax

WORLD FAMOUS BREAKFAST SANDWICH
2 eggs, 2 pieces bacon, cheddar cheese, mayo, lettuce, tomato, onions on a BIG wheat bun $3.75 + tax

LUNCH & DINNER SPECIALS

HOT DOG LOVERS!!!
HOT DOG HAPPY HOUR!
TUESDAYS from 5-8 p.m.
ANY DOG ONLY $2.25

MONSTER BURGER DAYS
WEDNESDAYS
A hand made patty, over 1/2 lb. of meat with bacon, cheese, lettuce, tomatoes, onions and our special sauce.

OPEN 7 Days a Week 6:30am to 9pm
(805) 541-3488
950 California Blvd. San Luis Obispo

What other college newspaper lets you watch videos?

Hosting multimedia and AP video
Congratulations Graduates of the College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences

Today You Become Tomorrow’s Leaders

- Agribusiness
- Agricultural Education & Communication
- Animal Science
- BioResource & Agricultural Engineering
- Dairy Science
- Earth and Soil Sciences
- Food Science and Nutrition
- Horticulture and Crop Science
- Natural Resources Management
- Recreation Parks & Tourism Administration

Strengthen your network and stay connected to your roots.

Follow us on

CALPOLY
College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences
www.cafes.calpoly.edu

Photos

KRISHA AGATEP MUSTANG DAIL
With whistles blaring, Cal Poly students, staff and faculty carried signs and shouted chants as they marched around the University Union Plaza April 13, joining in a statewide protest against education budget cuts. The CSU system was facing a $500 million cut to funding, due to Governor Jerry Brown’s proposed California budget.

NHA HA MUSTANG DAIL
In April, students turned out to view Kiyyana Tabrizi and Daniel Galvan debate in the Associated Students Inc. presidential candidate forum. Tabrizi, a social science senior who was on Cal Poly’s stunt team prior to student government, won the vote later that week.

Three rapes were reported to San Luis Obispo and Cal Poly University Police in May, the first at or after a Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity party, and two more in Poly Canyon Village. The three reported sexual assaults led to awareness forums and the creation of a sexual assault task force to monitor Cal Poly’s perception of rape.
Alumni
continued from page 6

with Cal Poly.

"Alumni (alumni) get reconnected," Sweeney said. "I give back because of all the
things people have done for me, and it’s important to give the uni­
versity unrestricted donations, so they can give it to the advantage of
the college."

Sweeney, who also served as the CPAA president from 2008 to 2010,
gives his time back through mentor­
ing and serving on the college of en­
gineering dean advisory board. Both
of which improve the college experi­
ence and help prepare future gradu­
ates for the working world.

"Cal Poly is essentially an ex­
tended family, and it’s important
to stay connected because you con­
tinue to help your extended family," he said.

Associated Students Inc. Presi­
dent Sarah Storelli said she agreed it is important to not toss a connection
to this extended family along with
caps on graduation day.

"I love Cal Poly; I feel like the
university has given me so much,
and I can’t wait to give back so
much, not only monetarily but with
my time as well," she said. "I think it’s important for students in gener­
al, after spending four, five, six years here and all the people you meet, to
stay plugged into the place where you spend some of the best years of
your life."

For Storelli, the thought of gradu­
ation is bittersweet, but she said it is also exciting to see what accomplish­
ments will be made in the future,
and how that might translate into
giving back to Cal Poly.

"People need to realize that this is a place where we grew so much as individuals; where we really learned about ourselves and grew," she said. "So many people get caught up in the monetary factor (when staying involved with Cal Poly after graduation), but it’s beyond that."

Although Storelli might not rep­
resent each and every student on
campus, her desire to stay involved
and influence student’s experiences
at Cal Poly in years to come is shared
among many alumni.

"You get out what you put in, and you have to recognize the university isn’t perfect," Sweeney said. "It’s perfectable. If you can get involved and stay involved, even at a low level, you will make a difference in other peoples’ lives."
GOODBYE, FAREWELL AND GOOD LUCK TO THE ENTIRE CAL POLY CLASS OF 2011!

CONGRATS to all Graduating Theta's!
KAΘ

JOYCE! TING.
From the Special Collections Team

Now we've come to the end of our undergrad years. Our friendships will remain just as strong as we enter our careers. Here comes our animal kingdom. The world better beware. Through this song the Islay story will be carried everywhere.

Our Islay song is special

CONGRATULATIONS ISLAY FAMILY!
(Our next song is special)

CONGRATS to all MD GRADS

AMANDA
Its finally here, well almost! Just keep being adorable and cute, a wee bit more and you'll be done!

CONGRATS
You will be a great teacher!

CONGRATS
Rachell & Jaclyn!
MD designers

CONGRATS to AXΩ seniors!
LOVE YOU ALL!

MD:
Thank you so much for making my last 2 years wonderful! I'm going to miss my MD family. Keep up the hard work! Let's make it 4 years at #2! Worth it.

PEARLS TO
AY Omega
Seniors!

CONGRATS to
TYLER-I
Lots of love
LUCK in the FUTURE!
How Cal Poly professors make a difference in student lives

Katelyn Swelgart
KATELYNSWEIGAIR.MD^MA[.COM

Students are affected by their professors on a daily basis. Going to class, interacting in projects and Cal Poly’s Learn By Doing motto make it so students and faculty end up creating a new relationship — that has effects which last even after graduation.

You needn’t look hard to find professors’ influences on students. For example, Eriq Augustine, Jon Moorman and Aldrin Montana, all computer science seniors, display multi-colored badges with a photo of their department head, Ignatios Vakalis, on their backpacks.

“They are limited edition Vakalis pins,” Augustine said. “There’s four of them, and then there’s one version that’s super weird. It’s just the department head in different poses.”

Augustine said the computer science department made trading cards for other faculty as well.

“I love my professors. I think professors have a very big impact on whatever you do,” Augustine said. “I think professors have a very big impact on whatever you do.”

Moorman’s adviser, Zoc Wood, is helping him with his senior project. Two weeks ago, she took his entire class to DreamWorks Animation studios.

“She set up a meeting with our whole class at DreamWorks and got us all in there to demo our projects,” he said. “We have a really awesome department. Pretty much all of our faculty is really excited about what we do.”

Montana will do graduate studies at Cal Poly next year and has Alexander Dehtyar as his adviser.

“Basically I just went to him and said this is what I want to do, and he’s like, ‘OK, here’s all of my advice,’ and he told me how to handle grad school, brought me into a project on campus he’s doing, and he’s just really easy and good to work with.” Montana said. “I feel like professors bring together the whole college experience, as far as the academic side goes.”

Brendon Soltis is another computer science senior, but he said he doesn’t feel the same connection to the department as Augustine or Montana. Soltis said he “burned himself out” by his third year and realized it was not what he wanted to do.

The person who influenced him most was actually Andrene Kaiw-Lenting, coordinator of the Week of Welcome (WWW) orientation program, who is also a part-time lecturer in the College of Education. Soltis became a WWW team leader and has worked with her for three years.

“She’s enabled me to find out what I really want to do with my life in terms of professional work,” Soltis said.

“Thank you Cal Poly for voting us the BEST Cab Company!”

Previously known as Beach Cities and SLO Cab, now all one awesome company!

Present your student ID for $1 off your next fare!

805.543.1234
www.sloyellowcab.com

“I showed me a path where I could take my technical background, mixed with my leadership background and go to grad school and work in something like a non-profit or a similar orientation program, and really apply my skills into something I really want to do.”

Another student who said she felt her teacher greatly impacted her life is Rachel Bitter, a wine and viticulture sophomore. The professor who influenced her was Erma Stauffer. In the class Bitter took, Stauffer decided to do something a little different for her classes’ final projects.

“That was when all the problems with Haiti were going on, and she knew for the final project that she wanted to somehow incorporate Haiti into it,” Bitter said. “And I had wanted to do something about it. Basically, together, we organized a whole fundraiser event.”

Bitter took a major role in helping “Hope for Haiti” alongside her teachers. With the help of their class, Bitter said they raised close to $5,000. She now makes the effort to visit Stauffer a few times a quarter.

“Teaching for me is opening the door for people of your generation, to give you skills and the belief that you have the potential to create changes,” she said.
Cal Poly students can find non-traditional jobs for their major

Victoria Zabel
victoriazabel md5@gmail.com

Traditionally, certain majors have generated particular careers, but this is no longer the case. Today, a psychology major does not necessarily have to write for a newspaper, and a psychology student doesn't have to be a psychologist. Some might wonder what these professionals can do, then.

Many students enter college with one idea of what they will do once they graduate, but then they go into non-traditional careers. Some of those surprising career choices are jobs such as technical writers, flight navigators and teachers, among others.

Information compiled by Cal Poly's Office of Institutional Planning and Analysis said 4,044 bachelor's degrees were awarded to Cal Poly students And it is hard to decide on a career path once they graduate. "When you talk to freshmen it seems like 98 percent of them want to do something in the medical field," Strand said. "Then, you talk to them a year later and that number is halved. Most people think they are going to be doctors, researchers, or lab technicians when they start out, and eventually those plans change."

Heather Berkowitz, a recent biological sciences graduate, experienced this change in plans. Initially Berkowitz thought she would be a doctor or a researcher, but now she isn't so sure. "I don't know exactly what I want to do right now — I'm only 22," Berkowitz said. "The idea of deciding on the rest of my life is overwhelming."

Luckily for Berkowitz and others like her, Strand said there is a movement away from "traditional" biological sciences careers. She foresees a surge of biological sciences students entering the sales world, specifically the area of pharmaceutical sales. Also, the jobs are "one in a million." Strand said biology-oriented field jobs within the government and television consulting jobs (think "Grey's Anatomy") are avenues of potential growth as well.

While direct knowledge of your profession is valuable, the skills you acquire along the way are equally important. According to Tammy Martin, career counselor for the college of engineering, it's the transferable skills you develop during your education that help determine your career.

In the case of engineering, Martin said "problem solving, analytical skills, working in teams and knowing how things work" are the most valuable tools graduates take with them when they leave Cal Poly.

"Engineering graduates don't all ways become engineers," we compile a 'Graduate Status Report' every year, and the career paths many decide on might surprise you," Martin said. Included in those surprising career choices are jobs such as technical writer, sales estimator, flight naviga
tor, teacher and production manager.

Likewise, majors outside of engineering emphasis mastering transferable skills as well.

History senior Courtney Middleton is evidence of this. Although Middleton loves history, she does not want to become a teacher or work directly within her field after graduation. Rather, Middleton wants to be an author. "History interests me, but the jobs for a history major are limited," Middleton said. "If studying history has taught me anything, though, it's taught me how to write — which works out perfectly for me, I guess."

Middleton said becoming an author would never have entered her mind as a prospective job had she not focused on the specific skill of writing early in her college career.

"What I actually learned about in my classes — history, legislation — is important, but it's not information that will help me get the job I want," Middleton said. "Writing, analyzing, developing thoughts and ideas — that's what I'll use everyday — those are the 'transferable skills' of my major."

callin all Water Polo players!

The Women's Water Polo team at Cuesta College is looking for players to compete this Fall 2011. Compute while attending Cal Poly. Dual enrollment is easy. Save money and receive priority registration for classes.

For more information contact:
Coach Peter Schuler at (805) 546-2211 or email pchuler@cuesta.edu


I don't know exactly what I want to do right now — I'm only 22. The idea of deciding on the rest of my life is overwhelming.

— Heather Berkowitz Biological sciences senior

@ mustangdaily
Cal Poly Poly students raking in the dough according to study

Alicia Freeman

Cal Poly graduates reportedly make the highest starting salary out of all University of California and California Polytechnic schools.

According to Pay scale.com, a company that compiles employee salary details, and College Portrait, a site that allows users to compare public universities, Cal Poly graduates and alumni make a starting median wage of $35,000 per year, more than schools such as University of California, Berkeley ($33,100), University of California, Los Angeles ($50,700) and University of California, Davis ($49,000).

Cal Poly graduates also make high mid-career salaries $59,200 per year, though Berkeley and University of California, San Diego make more at $62,100 and $62,700 per year, respectively.

Josh Clark, a 1997 Cal Poly agricultural engineering alumnus and now an owner of Clark Vineyard Management in the Napa, Calif, area, said he did not feel he fell into the large salary category. However, he said his skills learned at Cal Poly helped him in his first job after graduating.

"I graduated in 1997 and went to work for a small, family-run vineyard and management company," Clark said. "I was making $20,000 a year, but due to my skills and what I had learned from Cal Poly, I soon got a raise, and when I left the position in the end of the year in 1999, I was making $50,000 a year salary."

Clark also said Cal Poly graduates have the beneficial skills to be hired. "I do absolutely think that Cal Poly grads are the most employable and realized people out there," Clark said. "And the school's practical training requirements make for more employable grads."

Dr. Holly Hatton, a 2004 Cal Poly psychology alumna and now a behavioral specialist at UC Davis, said she knew she was not going to make much money in general field when she got out of college.

"I knew that going into school it wouldn't help me attain a higher level of income," Hatton said. "I was making more money before undergraduate school than when I left.

Even so, Hatton said the skills she learned from Cal Poly helped spark "spark interest" in pursuing graduate school and a doctorate at UC Davis. Hatton also said the benefits she got from Cal Poly helped her get her jobs after graduating, though her graduate schooling helped as well.

"I think what helped me was the internships I had," Hatton said. "I got those internships because I was a student at Cal Poly. It gave me experience to get the first position I had.

Hatton said that because of the field she is in, she does not make as much money another major.

"It would have been interesting for them to look into the type of degree you're pursuing with and the field you're going into," she said. "I know some people who graduated from computer engineering, and this is talking five to six years ago, would leave and make quite a bit of money. Whereas, I got a full-time job making $35,000 a year starting out with a bachelor's in what I was able to do with the compared to $65,000. I have a Ph.D. now, and I'm making $58,000."

Hatton also said her experience at Poly was a 

"I'm really happy I went to (Cal Poly) and I had a really good experience with a lot of good teachers," Hatton said.

Though the salary study does not address specific salaries for each job field, the top position Cal Poly has may bring students in looking for a worthwhile education that will benefit them in the long run.

Biological sciences freshman Ali- cia Brady said she did not attend Cal Poly because of the salary statistic, but thought it might encourage others to attend Cal Poly.

"I think it's a good thing for Cal Poly," Brady said.

Editors note: This story was originally published Dec. 10, 2010.

I do absolutely think that Cal Poly grads are the most employable and realized people out there.

— Joshua Clark

1997 Cal Poly grad, Clark Vineyard Management owner

National report: job market may be easier for 2011 college graduates

Samieh Shalash

DAILY DEMIL, NEWPORT NEWS

With newly-minted print journalism and theatre degrees in hand, Hampton University graduate Jade Banks has been on the lookout for a job since January. In the meantime, she's living with her mother and volunteering at HU until she lands on her feet.

Banks isn't disheartened, saying she knows an opportunity will present itself sooner rather than later. College counselors and job market analysis agree, saying employment is on the upswing for the Class of 2011.

An April report by the National Association of Colleges and Employers shows that companies plan to hire 193 percent more graduates this year than last, the first double-digit increase in spring hiring projections since 2007. On average, companies expect to hire 143 new employees, compared to 120 last year.

"The job market is coming back," says Besie Willis, assistant director of the career center at HU. "We have companies calling look- ing for students, and I'm pulling resumes and calling students to find out they already have positions.

Hiring has increased across nearly all industries except for government, according to the report, and compe-

etition has eased, too. The number of people applying for each job dropped from 40.5 in 2010 to about 21 this year, employers reported.

Willis said many HU students had jobs lined up before they even crossed the stage this month, particularly because large companies recruit on campus all year.

"Some of the salaries just blew my mind," she said. "Accounting majors being offered 60, 50, $70,000; and computer science majors getting $80,000 and $100,000 offers coming out of college with a bachelor's degree. They actually come by jumping and scrambling with their hands in the air."

The demand for students graduating from community colleges has increased too, says Franz Albertini, cooperative education coordinator in the career services department at Thomas Nelson Community College.

The number of employers actively posting jobs on HU's recruitment website went from 472 last year to 720 this year, he said, and demand has increased in fields including health computer, computer information technology, engineering, marketing and nursing.

Companies are always hiring at the entry level despite a shortage of higher-level jobs, says Libby Westley, director of career planning at Christopher Newport University.

Willis agrees, saying that the type of job graduates seek is the most important factor in how successful they'll be. When they meet sociology or psychology majors who don't intend to go to graduate school, Willis said she makes sure they are prepared to work in positions outside those fields.

According to the National Association of Colleges and Employers, fields offering the most jobs to 2011 graduates include engineering, business, accounting and economics.

HU graduate Brittany Howlett earned her MBA through the univer- sity's five-year program and had a job lined up the first semester of her senior year. She begins work this fall as an external auditor at PricewaterhouseCoopers in Rich- mond, her hometown.

"I feel kind of thrilled," she said. "Now it's kind of crunch time for other peers looking for jobs, and I've been free-sailing since October."

Students in Howlett's program were pushed from the first year to second semester networking and earning inter- ships that would lead to a job offer before graduation, she said, and most succeeded.

Those who did join are the luckiest of peers who are moving back in with their parents as they continue applying for positions, or accepting internships they hope will possible springboard them to full-time jobs.

CHANGES ARE COMING TO THE MUSTANG DAILY

FALL 2011

IT'S GROWING

Check out the Classifieds!

For ads for students, faculty & staff!
looking for a place to connect?  
This is your personal invitation to join our new church in San Luis Obispo, a Christian Church that believes God will do great things in this city.

here you will find...
• Messages relevant to your daily life
• Prayer that is personal and passionate
• Dozens of ways to connect and reach out
• And that you matter to God and us

Whether you’re single, married, single again, with or without children, young or old - no matter where you’ve been or what you’ve done - we invite you to experience freedom, joy, and life here! Welcome!

The Salvation Army Mission Statement

The Salvation Army, an international movement, is an evangelical part of the Universal Christian Church.

Its message is based on the Bible. Its ministry is motivated by the love of God. Its mission is to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ and to meet human needs in His name without discrimination.

Get Involved

Sunday
10:00 am Sunday School
11:00 am Holiness Service
   1:00 pm Worship

Wednesday
9:00 am Prayer Time
5:00 pm Prayer Time

Weekly Family Programs also available — ask us for more information

All services are Bilingual!

815 Islay Street
San Luis Obispo, CA 93401
Facebook: San Luis Obispo Corps
Looking for volunteer musicians to be part of our worship team. If interested please call.

Corps Ministry Leaders
Juan Torres 323-243-5811
Patty Torres 562-544-9874
Office 805-544-2401

Write a letter to the editor!  
Please include your name, year and major.

Congratinations Graduates!

call to make group reservations:
805.595.1500
11560 Los Osos Valley Road
San Luis Obispo, CA 93405

Come celebrate at Sushiya!
Word on the Street

What's one word you would use to describe your college experience at Cal Poly?

¡Salud!

to grads and their families!

GET YOUR GRAD ON!

APPAREL

GIFTS

& MORE!

Send your opinions, rants and raves in 250 words or less to mustangdailyopinions@gmail.com

All published letters must include author's name, year and major, and are subject to editing for grammar, style and spelling.

FAN US on facebook

to see exclusive video & photo albums (You know you want to.)

Upload photos of yourself reading the Mustang Daily to our “FAN PHOTOS.”

El Corral Bookstore

www.elcorralbookstore.com

GRADUATION WEEKEND

STORAGE HOURS

FRI: 7:45 AM - 6 PM
SAT: 8 AM - 9 PM
SUN: CLOSED

CAL POLY DOWNTOWN

GRADUATION WEEKEND

STORAGE HOURS

FRI: 10 AM - 6 PM
SAT: 10 AM - 3 PM
SUN: 10 AM - 6 PM
The A. Gary Anderson Graduate School of Management

Join Us!

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Areas of Study</th>
<th>MBA Information Session</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Accounting</td>
<td>Tuesday, June 14</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Marketing</td>
<td>Monday, June 27</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Finance</td>
<td>6:00 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Supply Chain Management</td>
<td>Anderson Hall Lobby</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Management Information Systems</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Internet Retailing</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>International Management</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>General Management</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

"Growth is not just a platitude at AGSM; it is real and all around us. We invite you to come grow with us."
- David W. Stewart, Dean

* To RSVP, visit our website, www.agsm.ucr.edu. Contact us at (951) 827-6200 or email mba@ucr.edu
Word on the Street

What's the biggest obstacle you've had to overcome while at Cal Poly?

- "Working two jobs in order to help pay for my schooling." - Adrienne Hendon, journalism senior

- "I didn't get accepted into the school of engineering major." - Emily Lopez, student of engineering interest

- "I'm going abroad." - Morgan Shields, biological sciences senior

- "My (at least) 20-year goal is to..." - Patrick McKay, industrial technology senior

So, you're graduating... That means we're OPEN AT 6AM!

Come celebrate at the BEST BAR IN SLO!

We also have the BEST BAR MENU!

Fresh made daily specials
All items served from 11am-10pm

Try Our...
- Mac n' Cheese
- Guinness Burger
- Fish Tacos

1117 Chorro Street SLO | 805.544.7433 | www.BlackSheepSLO.com

MeatHead MOVERS

MINI STORAGE

Conveniently Located In
SAN LUIS OBISPO
3600 South Higuera, San Luis Obispo, CA

805.541.MINI

Promo Code: DAIL Y10

MeatheadMiniStorage.com

mustangdaily.net
It's the best thing since sliced bread.
The Borrower's Guide to Paying Back Student Loans

The time of the year is nearing when seniors tip their caps to Cal Poly and enter the much anticipated "real world," where worries about finding a job, buying a house and starting the future await.

For some graduates, the stress of repaying student loans looms. of forbearance and the borrower is usually granted a grace period in which the borrower does not have to pay interest while in school, during grace period or in deferment status. The process of repayment can be made a little easier with the right tools, knowledge, a proactive attitude and accountability, according to Cal Poly's Director of Financial Aid Lois Kelly.

"I'm a very strong personal responsibility advocate," Kelly said. "Nobody is going to take better care of you than yourself. The person who has your very best interest in mind is you."

Consolidate: one or more loan payments combined into a single new payment (interest rates may increase by consolidating loan payments)

Default: inability to repay or meet the terms of the loan borrowed.

Deferment: period of postponement of paying back a loan for specific reasons such as re-employment in school, military service, unemployment or financial hardships.

Forbearance: period of postponement of paying back a loan while the borrower is ineligible for deferment. Interest will still accrue on both unsubsidized and subsidized loans during a period of forbearance and the borrower is usually required to show documentation of a financial emergency or hardship.

Grace period: Six-month period of time before payments are due granted to borrowers who graduate, leave school or drop below half-time enrollment. During this grace period, interest does not accrue on subsidized loans but does accrue on unsubsidized loans.

Interest: loan expense charged by lender for borrowing money, percentage of the remaining principal amount borrowed.

Lenders: governmental or private entities that give students money to borrow for their education.

Promissory Note: legal document signed by the borrower which states terms of the loan, repayment and failure to repay.

Subsidized: type of loan where borrower does not have to pay interest while in school, during grace period or in deferment status.

Unsubsidized: type of loan where borrower is required to pay interest on the loan regardless of the borrower's status (in school, grace period, deferment, etc.).

T E R M S TO K N O W

Consolidate: one or more loan payments combined into a single new payment (interest rates may increase by consolidating loan payments).

Default: inability to repay or meet the terms of the loan borrowed.

Deferment: period of postponement of paying back a loan for specific reasons such as re-employment in school, military service, unemployment or financial hardships.

Forbearance: period of postponement of paying back a loan while the borrower is ineligible for deferment. Interest will still accrue on both unsubsidized and subsidized loans during a period of forbearance and the borrower is usually required to show documentation of a financial emergency or hardship.

Grace period: Six-month period of time before payments are due granted to borrowers who graduate, leave school or drop below half-time enrollment. During this grace period, interest does not accrue on subsidized loans but does accrue on unsubsidized loans.

Interest: loan expense charged by lender for borrowing money, percentage of the remaining principal amount borrowed.

Lenders: governmental or private entities that give students money to borrow for their education.

Promissory Note: legal document signed by the borrower which states terms of the loan, repayment and failure to repay.

Subsidized: type of loan where borrower does not have to pay interest while in school, during grace period or in deferment status.

Unsubsidized: type of loan where borrower is required to pay interest on the loan regardless of the borrower's status (in school, grace period, deferment, etc.).
School’s out
Freshman reflects on first year of college

J.J. Jenkins is a journalism freshman and Mustang Daily freshman columnist.

I have learned a lot in my time as Mustang Daily freshman columnist. Mostly that the lives of freshman are often not nearly interesting enough to generate perfect ideas for 800-word articles.

Mainly, I have learned that the “freshman experience” does not come down to how hard I partied or how many girls I hooked up with, but rather, how much time I spent with people who truly supported me. Cliché, I know.

If there is one piece of advice I have for anyone coming into college, it is to find friends who will provide you with experiences you will tell your children about when they head off to college. I am grateful for this column, no matter how frustrating it is to have ideas elude my thoughts, because it allowed me to forever etch my freshman experience in the public record.

As long time readers will know (aka my three closest friends and my mom), I have used this print space to comment on my friends and my escapades, making fun of everyone in the process. But I could not have done it without their support... and tendency to do ridiculous things at the right moment.

That is why our friendship gelled and why the friendships made this year will go far beyond freshman year.

In exchange for reading my columns, I attended events set up by my friends.

“Would I normally go to the “E-rave” for engineers? No. I do not want a detailed explanation of why the flashing lights cause seizures when I am there to party it up.

But, because it was important to our friend who spent precious time setting it up to feel appreciated, we went, and I learned a lot about the uses of calculus in dancing.

We spent time enjoying a multitude of events and mixers that we would normally skip, so our friendship became closer and our bonds deeper, because we meant more to each other than just a group to go to dinner with. We were a family. A family so big and so complex that not even mass texts could organise the group quickly and efficiently, so we had to create a Facebook group where anyone of us could broadcast information to the group at a moment’s notice.

And because they were and are my family, I spent the vast majority of my columns writing about “us” rather than partying and having the typical “freshman experience” because that “experience” is hardly unique.

— J.J. Jenkins
Freshman columnist
The do's and don’ts of college...

Some words of advice from graduating seniors

Do: “Realize that you’re here for college more than for yourself.”

Don’t: “I would say not to lose focus when you first get here, because I think a lot of students come here and they’re excited about college. They try to do everything in the beginning, and they end up crashing. So I’d say pace yourself because it does get harder.”

- Anna Harris
Nutrition

Do: “Visit your teachers’ office hours. Wait until at least Thursday night to start drinking. Participate in as many activities as possible, because after college, that’s it.”

Don’t: “Avoid waiting until the night before your midterm or final to read the four or five weeks of assigned reading.”

- Mike Lebovich
Communication studies
Do: “I wish I learned that ‘25-35’ isn’t a big lie. I wish I knew that freshman year and actually listened.

Don’t: “Just because it’s Thursday doesn’t mean it’s the weekend, as much as I like Thursday weekends.”

- Jay Bala
Biochemistry

Do: “Be passionate in pursuing relationships with professors.”

Don’t: “Don’t procrastinate, of course. There was that one time I finished the class-long project approximately an hour before it was due, and that would have been good if I’d avoided that.”

- Glade Dott
Soil science

Do: “Definitely go to all of the outdoors things San Luis Obispo has to offer. Definitely get very involved on campus.”

Don’t: “Don’t drink yourself into excess where you don’t remember anything in the four years that you’re here.”

- Kaylee Yoshida
Communication studies

Do: “Be proactive with your career. Even if you’re a freshman, that doesn’t mean you can’t get a job. Don’t be afraid to get your résumé out there.”

Don’t: “Don’t rely on campus food, because there’s hidden jewels in SLO that you will never find anywhere else. I guess Firestone is one of them, but there’s so many different places.”

- Jason Kim
Art and design

Do: “Do work on time and stay organized. Learn how to manage your time.”

Don’t: “Don’t wait until the end of the quarter to catch up.”

- Kelly Keefe
Construction management

Do: “Get involved in more things. The more you do, the more people you’ll meet.”

Don’t: “Just don’t get behind.”

- Andraya Smee
Biological sciences

Do: “You have to make yourself study. But at the same time you have to learn about yourself — how you study effectively.”

Don’t: “Don’t be shy. Make a lot of friends.”

- Bonnie Zhu
Biological sciences

A New Way to SEE Clean!

Sea Green Cleaning is an organic residential and commercial cleaning service for the environmental & health-conscious client.

We use only natural and green-certified, house-cleaning products. We use no paper products and we offer our clients a detailed list of how to stay green and clean between our visits.

Our Green cleaning standard is designed to protect your home from the harmful effects of most traditional cleaning methods.

Move In / Move Out Cleans
Pre / Post Special Occasions
Rental Maintenance Cleans

Contact Us Today for a FREE Estimate
877-524-3838
www.sgclean.com | seagreencleaning@gmail.com
Don’t break the bank
Grad gifts for every budget

$50 or less
- College survival gear
- Self-help books (think: cookbooks, job hunting tips, or inspirational reads)
- Personalized college diploma frame
- Personalized gifts (think: cape, candy, engraved resonable)

$101 to $150
- Briefcase
- Digital picture frame for college memories
- Major publication subscription (Los Angeles Times, Wall Street Journal, Vanity Fair)
- Anything that complements the recent grad’s syntax room

$51 to $100
- Business card folder and service subscription (for 200+ cards)
- Personalized stationary
- Luxury pen
- U-Haul rental to aid with moving

$151 or more
- From the Top 20 desirable gift cards of 2011, the best cards for graduates include:
  - Target
  - Visa, MasterCard or American Express
  - Amazon.com
  - Home Depot or Lowe’s
  - Costco
  - Best Buy
  - Shell or Exxon gasoline
  - Southwest Airlines

You pick the $
That being said, I am not one who believes in living life with no regrets because I do regret parts of this year. Mainly, I did not get to meet even more people.

I realized during a Week Of Welcome (WOW) event that, as much as I love my Cal Poly family, there are still many great people on this campus who I would gladly welcome into my group of friends.

That is the true freshman experience, in my opinion — constantly meeting new people who bring laughter and joy into a college environment.

So let us make a point to keep our freshman mindset even as we progress through college. It would be a bummer to only meet those people you ran into your first weeks on campus throughout your four (or five) years in San Luis Obispo.

Make a point to do something out of your comfort zone. For me, it is going to a toga party or an LMFAO concert. You find your best friends in the time you are most dependent on them.

Make a point to spend time with each of your friends individually. As important as having a big group of friends can be, the time you spend talking one-on-one builds lasting relationships. Those are the conversations that you can return to when a friend is in need or you want to call them out of the blue in 20 years to ask about their life.

Make a point to pay it forward. Remember your first weeks on campus and all the things you were ignorant of? If you have the chance to talk to an incoming freshman who you happen to befriend, give them a tip. Even if it's to go to Sandwich Factory at the bottom of the hour to avoid the rush, it will make them feel like they have a leg up on the masses.

Make a point to be grateful. Cal Poly is one of the best kept secrets in the college world, and that makes it a great place even when things do not go our way (ahem, major change process). So remember, as tough as our schedule is, we could be in Wisconsin in January lugging our books to class.

Finally make a point to, once in a while, say, "To hell with this. I'm going in my own direction." It is the only way to carve your own path...

Thanks for the good times freshman year. J.J. out.

That is the true freshman experience... constantly meeting new people who bring laughter and joy into a college environment.

— J.J. Jenkins
Freshman columnist

pictures of the day

"Game over. School's out."

by Kristin Anyagah

statistics provided by SAFER Cal Poly
Graduation Checklist
- Bars at 6 a.m.
- Take the Bull Sweat you avoided on your 21st
- Decorate your cap
- Make lunch/dinner reservations
- Send out graduation announcements
- Join the Cal Poly Alumni Association
- Buy a diploma frame
- Fill out Career Services graduation survey
- Sell your school supplies to underclassmen
- Forward your Cal Poly email to another email address
- Bid farewell to your favorite Cal Poly professors, staff members and friends
- Plan your first visit to Cal Poly as an alumni

Things to do during the graduation ceremony
- Read a book
- Get your tan on
- Paint your nails
- Blow up an inflatable beach ball
- Tweet
- Chat with friends
- Take a nap
- Have a snack
- Facebook-stalk
- Take pictures with friends
- Wave to the crowd
- Figure out what to do with the rest of your life
- Blow bubblegum
- Reminisce
- Do a crossword/sudoku
- Play Words with Friends
- Read the Mustang Daily
- Celebrate!

HOROSCOPE

MONDAY, JUNE 6

GEMINIS (May 21–June 20) — You know which moments really count, and which are just filler — and you can help determine which is which.

CANCER (June 21–July 22) — Someone you face competes on a day-to-day basis may come to you with an offer of a compromise that is actually quite attractive.

LEO (July 23–Aug. 22) — Any secret you try to keep is likely to backfire on you before you know it, so try to keep everything aboard.

VIRGO (Aug. 23–Sept. 22) — Someone you have looked up to for some time may disappoint you before the day is out, but you mustn’t take this too personally.

LIBRA (Sept. 23–Oct. 22) — You can do much to relieve tension between parties engaged in a conflict that could otherwise escalate and become quite dangerous.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23–Nov. 21) — You’ll surprise those in control by doing things in such a wildly independent manner. Don’t be irresponsible, however.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22–Dec. 21) — Someone in the know has his or her eye on you, and before the day is out, you can benefit in ways you may not have imagined.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22–Jan. 19) — You have a good reason to pick up the pace and finish not one, not two, but at least three projects simultaneously.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20–Feb. 18) — Don’t fool yourself into thinking that recent decisions and behavior have been strictly business. There’s a personal element at play.

PISCES (Feb. 19–March 20) — What begins as an error can actually prove beneficial to you in the end; eventually someone in charge will interpret it most creatively.

ARIES (March 21–April 19) — Now is a good time to act decisively, even if you’re only feeling someone else into thinking that you’re being decisive.

TAURUS (April 20–May 20) — You may want to keep certain information to yourself for the time being, until you understand just how others might use it.

Open Daily for Lunch & Dinner
Patio Dining Coming Soon!

1131 Broad Street
San Luis Obispo
805-788-0898

Enjoy the Ride!
Cal Poly athletics took a step forward in 2010-11

Once again, it is nearly impossible to imitate the same success most Cal Poly teams had in 2008-09, but 2010-11 came close.

Images of senior Rachel Clancy sporting up for a baseline jumper, Mark Rodgers running through and around tacklers and J.J. Thompson boasting hit after hit are some of the numerous images that come to mind when you think back on the 2010-11 athletic year.

However, nothing is going to come close to 2008-09. Baseball earned its first regional berth ever, and football had its best season in history and countless other teams found their strides en route to postseason berths.

But this year was a positive step in that direction.

Women's basketball fought its way all the way to the Big West Tournament Championship game, baseball took two of three games against Cal State Fullerton — for just the second time in the past 38 years — and football was one play away from going back to the postseason.

And let's face it, there were moments this year no one is ever going to forget.

Someday Shumway

Football: Cal Poly 35, No. 1 Montana 33
Sept. 11, 2010

Not many students got to see this game, since it came a week before the fall term started. But the few who did see this game, walked away just as amazed as I was. I've been sports editor of the Mustang Daily for two years, and I have never seen a game unfold quite like this one.

Recall the storylines heading into the beginning of this football season.

Cal Poly was coming off an abysmal year and was looking to restore the winning tradition former head coach Rich Ellerson created. Quarterback Tony Smith was the Mustang picked to help lead them there, and it brought up lots of controversy because many wanted to see heralded recruit Andre Broadous start the season under center.

But, when it was all said and done, neither helped them against No. 1 Montana. Turns out, it was third-string quarterback Doug Shumway.

Smith came out of the game in the third quarter due to an injury, and the next man up to replace him was Broadous. But Broadous, too, had an injury, which allowed Shumway to stumble onto the playing field. He instantly made his presence felt. Doing his best impersonation of Willie Beamen, Shumway connected on an 83-yard touchdown pass to running back David Mahr on his third play in the game.

"We knew that they were running their safeties at the option, so we knew at some point in the game there was going to be a shot," Shumway said after the game. "Mahr ran right at him, we got the exact look we were looking for, got it off in time and that was it."

The throw put the Mustangs ahead of the Grizzlies 21-20 early in the third quarter, but Shumway wasn't done. After the Mustangs ran back an interception for a touchdown, be connected on another touchdown strike, a 25-yard lob to wide receiver Dominique Johnson in the corner of the endzone.

"Someday Shumway, that's his nickname," Walsh said. "We knew he was going to get his opportunity, and (he) took advantage of it."

The Mustangs would need a cou-
Mustangs
continued from page 25

Head coach Paul Holocher joined in on the celebration as well. With the win, the golden goal said all the fans, the Mustangs’ victory over the Gauchos will be something Holocher will remember for a very long time.

“It’s euphoric; it was awesome,” Holocher said. “It's great that sports can bring that much joy to people. I just wanted to run in there and kind of just jump around and hug people. Everyone’s been working so hard, you just have to take in these moments. I look around and people are dancing on the field, and you've got grown men on the field hugging. It’s just a giant party at the end of the game.”

Blue-green heartbreak
Men's basketball: UCSB 71, Cal Poly 70
Jan. 27, 2011

I’ve watched Shawn Lewis play basketball for two seasons now, and I have come to realize that when he is feeling his shirt, there is no stopping him. He showed UC Santa Barbara that much on Jan. 27, but not even his late-game heroics were enough to overthrow the eventual conference champions.

I remember glancing at the scoreboard, with it reading UC Santa Barbara 69, Cal Poly 67 with 20 seconds left in the game. I thought the Mustangs were going to drain the clock, give the ball down low to David Hanson — who had 20 points in the game — and try to take the game into overtime.

Boy, was I wrong.

The ball touched a couple of players’ hands on the possession. After a few passes at the top of the key, Chris O'Brien handed the ball to Lewis on the right wing. He dribbled toward the top of the key, behind the 3-point arc, and squared up.

Again, I remember thinking this couldn’t be the shot the Mustangs wanted. Lewis had 17 points up to that point, but there was still a lot of time on the clock. They could have easily...
Mustangs

continued from page 26

wore it down a little longer and found a shot closer to the basket. I grimaced as I saw Lewis shoot the 3-pointer with a defender in front of him.

About a second later, Motz Gym exploded.

Lewis made it, putting the Mustangs ahead 70-69 with five seconds left on the clock, which was all too much time for James Nunnally and the Gauchos. The Gauchos drove the length of the court and Nunnally hit a layup as time expired to win 71-70.

"UCSB is a very good team," Hanson said. "We were prepared coming in, and we were able to keep it close for about 39 minutes and 55 seconds. Hats off to them."

Although the Mustangs lost this one, it might have been one of the best Cal Poly vs. UC Santa Barbara basketball games to date. It featured a shot-for-shot pace and a very eventful final minute. It also added more blood to the water of the Blue-Green Rivalry, proving the Mustangs can step toe-to-toe with the reigning back-to-back conference champions.

***

In all, there were many more high points during this past athletic year than just these. And while the Mustangs didn’t come close to the successes of 2008-09, they’ve got the firepower on deck to be dominant in many sports.

With only four seniors leaving, wrestling will continue to contend for the top spot in the Pac-10. Volleyball, with the help of Jennifer Keddy, will continue their dominance in the Big West. With recruit Renee Morgan and Amaury Fernandez and Kyle Odister coming back from injuries, the men’s basketball team might have enough to dethrone Long Beach State and UC Santa Barbara from atop the conference.

All around, it could be a great year, Mustangs.

— Jerome Cothrun contributed to this post

It’s great that sports can bring that much joy to people. I just wanted to run in there and kind of just jump around and hug people.

— Paul Holocher
Men’s soccer head coach

CHANGES ARE COMING TO THE MUSTANG DAILY FALL 2011

Do you have Housing for Fall??

Stop stressing about housing for Fall. Spaces are still available at Poly Canyon Village for Fall 2011.

High speed internet, cable TV, all utilities – PAID! No deposits no co-signers, no credit checks, no application fees, meal plan not required. Light housekeeping in all apartments.

Secure your housing for Fall:
805.756.9300

PCV Fall 2011
Jessica Tam
jesstam.msd@gmail.com

Tamara Wells (Women's basketball)
At business administration senior Tamara Wells is about to walk the stage for her 2011 graduation, her biggest and proudest accomplishment awaits her on the other side.

"Getting a degree at Cal Poly is big enough," Wells said. "The struggles going through it to graduate from a university as prestigious as Cal Poly is (rewarding enough)," she said.

Wells said she questions whether or not she will continue to play basketball professionally after Cal Poly.

"I thought it, but my body isn't the same," Wells said. "I feel more achy, and I want to go a different avenue and look at careers."

But even if she does not further her participation in athletics, Wells said there is a correlation between her career field and playing on the court.

"Everything I learned from sports, I learned in business," Wells said. "I think it's helped me out a lot academically. Business starts with teamwork and being a leader, and that's all basketball. Being a team player and working together to make it is like the business world. It's the balance."

Kristen Sanzari (Track and Field)
Kristen Sanzari runs toward her dreams and doesn't let anything stop her.

"The big thing is time," Sanzari said. "For me, the busier I am, the more schedule-oriented I am. I'm better with a busy schedule. I'd be wasting time if I had nothing."

Graduating with an overall GPA of 3.58, Sanzari found that time management played a role in her ability to maintain both a spot on the team and a seat in the graduation ceremony.

"It's really about focusing on your sport and school and making sure you have time to do well in both," she said. "A lot of it has to do with organization and planning. I definitely keep a planned weekly calendar to help me stay on top of everything."

"I'm really proud of the GPA I'm graduating with and being on the Dean's List all but two quarters," Rowan said.

"I'll miss the weather a lot because I'm from Oregon," Rowan said. "I do (also) miss being a part of this lifestyle that (she's) been used to" didn't come easy. As a member of the Cal Poly swim and dive team, learning to balance both sports and school, was something she learned over the years.

"I had such a set schedule that after practice, I had to do school work," Rowan said. "I would never be able to stay up super late because of practice in the morning."

And having these skills is something she believes will help her in the future.

"You learn how a team is like a workplace, and you have to learn how to work well and play well with others," Rowan said.

She said she also learned how to work well by teaching herself how to be on top of things and doing what she needed to do.

"I think for a lot of college swimmers, it's nice to have a break and not go to practice and have more social time with friends," Rowan said.

Hey Grads, need portrait photos?

Susan Pyburn photographer

Custom Shoot $125
Includes: CD, 8x10 and wallets

call 805.594.1625

A Lens of Her Own
Her own business
www.aohn.us
or visit kerowells.uneagleg.com

Congratulations, Grads — on all your accomplishments!
I'm just really happy that I made it through four years of swimming." - Rowan

Mitchell is planning to graduate with a 3.0 GPA. With her kinesiology degree, she plans to apply for Physical Assistant (PA) training. Not only that but athletically, she was able to keep her priorities straight, she said. "It was hard balancing all of (my) classes," Lee said. "It's a lot of just making sure you can stay on top of your work for classes.

And now that she is done with both school and swimming at Cal Poly, Lee said she is contemplating whether she will be motivated enough to jump back into the pool. "It's one thing to get yourself motivated," Lee said. "I don't plan on swimming competitively. I swim about twice a week because it's what I've known for so long, and it's a good way to stay in shape. If I do continue, it will be strictly to work out for the heck of it.

When Lee started her first year at Cal Poly, she didn't know if she would even be swimming — especially how the way things were during her first practice. "I remember my first practice freshman year," she said. "It was probably one of the hardest I've ever done all four years. I was thinking, How am I going to make it through this?"

But four years later, she's still swimming. And being a part of the team has taught her individuality as well as team dynamics. "Swimming is like an individual sport and a team sport," Lee said. "You're the only one swimming for yourself, but whatever points you get go towards the team."

The team has helped Lee stay busy as she worked towards her kinesiology degree, she said. Lee is an officer in the Physician's Assistant Nurse Practitioners Club (PANP) and has spent time working with the FLASH study through the kinesiology department. This led Lee to be proud of her academic achievements at Cal Poly, she said. "Academically, I'm proud that I've been able to maintain the grade point average that I have on top of everything else," Lee said.

But as she departs San Luis Obispo, she will miss the community and the environment in which she lived in for the past four years. "What I'll miss the most is probably just the whole environment — whether it's with swim team or classrooms," Lee said. "Everyone enjoys it here, so there's all this positive atmosphere. No matter what kind of person you are, you can get the most out of it (in San Luis Obispo), and that's not something that you can get everywhere," Lee said.

And for Lee, she is proud and pleased with her time at Cal Poly. "I've enjoyed most of it," Lee said. "I can't really complain."
Expectations too high for softball team in 2010-11

Mustang Daily Staff Report
MUSTANGDALLYSPORTS@CMAIL.COM

A season that started with high hopes for the Cal Poly softball team ended in frustration as the Mustangs finished with a record of 11-36 overall and 7-14 in conference.

If the final game of the season is any indication of the direction of the program in coming years, fans might see a gritty team that does not give up in 2012. On senior day, with the team saying goodbye to four-year starters Anna Cahn and Stephanie Correia, the team took conference champion Pacific to extra innings for the third time in two days.

After giving up the tying run in the seventh, the Mustangs retook the field and freshman Ashley Romano immediately responded with a triple to go with her two home run day. Correia took the plate with one-out in a tie game and placed a base hit over the third baseman to hand the team a victory.

It was head coach Jenny Condon’s 200th win of her seven-year career at Cal Poly, and the 99th in the careers of the lefty pitcher Cahn and her battery-mate Correia. The season started off on a rough note as the Mustangs faced some of the best competition in the nation including Oklahoma State, Arizona and Tennessee. Over the teams first 22 games, 12 of their opponents were ranked in the top 25 nationally, and the team emerged battered. The Mustangs were 0-12 in those match ups.

The Mustangs were able to win seven games in conference, but an eight-game losing streak lasting nearly two weeks undid their hopes for a return to the postseason.

The team struggled mostly due to a lack of firepower at the plate. The Mustangs’ pitching staff combined for a 4.59 ERA, allowing 207 earned runs, and the offensive posted 138.

Cahn, a power threat, was the top run scorer with 21, but other players pushed her across the plate only seven times. Fourteen of her scores came from home runs.

Correia also provided a spark, batting one spot behind Cahn. She completed her senior season with 24 RBIs, second on the team and a .982 fielding percentage in 45 starts at the catcher’s position.

Next season the Mustangs will have to find run production to be competitive. That might come in the form of outfielder Nora Sobczak, who was second only to Cahn in batting average in 2011.

Anna Cahn became the only player in program history to be named to an All-Big West team in four consecutive seasons.
The Cal Poly baseball team took a lead in the Big West conference midway through the season and had high hopes for a return to the NCAA regionals for the first time since 2009. They had just defeated perennial conference champion Cal State Fullerton in two out of three games, taking a series away from the Titans for the second time in more than 35 years. However, injuries caught up to the Mustangs, who ended the season with a 27-26 record and nabbed third place in the conference behind Cal State Fullerton and UC Irvine. Bobby Crocker, the main power source in the lineup, Denver Chavez, the speedy second baseman, and Mike Miller were all dealt mid-season injuries that dampened the Mustangs at the plate through a crucial stretch.

The Mustangs also lost Jeff Johnson during the same stretch. The Mustang closer was a steady bookend to Cal Poly’s rotation, appearing in 18 games, saving five, while earning a 1.63 ERA, giving up just five runs in the process.

They dropped two games against Long Beach State then two more against UC Irvine, effectively dealing the Mustangs a fatal blow before the team regained its momentum, culminating in a 21-0 drubbing of Pacific in their final conference matchup of the season.

The season was marked by a one-two punch of starting pitching from Mason Radeke and Steven Fischback. Both ended the 2010 season from the dugout while battling injuries, but the Friday/Saturday duo combined for a 15-5 record with three complete games between them.

Fischback returned to the mound after a nearly three-year absence due to a torn right labrum and still managed to baffl batters at the plate, this time with a change-up that buckled knees. He earned his first victory on March 6, giving up four hits and one run over six innings against Valparaiso. Fischback went on to strikeout out more than 70 batters in 2011.

Radeke earned the Friday night starter role with a perfectionist approach, trying to strikeout every batter who came to the plate. He ended up sending 95 batters back to the dugout empty handed in 99 1/3 innings.

The highlight of the season was a three-game series against the Titans, when the Mustangs won two out of three games behind the pitching of Radeke and Fischback. The Mustangs were able to push across 11 runs while giving up only four in their two wins. The offensive attack was generated through timely hitting across the lineup. Seven players had RBIs in the wins, including two looking to fill in gaps vacated by Johnson had opportunities to start up in the rotation as the Mustangs take the field in pursuit of the 2012 postseason.
Congrats Grads!

Thanks for all your hard work and dedication to the Mustang Daily!

Leticia Rodriguez
Editor-in-Chief

Patrick Leiva
Managing Editor

Kristy Gonzalez
Special Sections Coordinator

Amanda Dennin
Advertising Manager

Giana Ronzani
Advertising Manager

Joe Merkel
Business Manager

Amanda Sarley
Assistant Business Manager & Classified Manager

Rachell Newburn
Graphic Design Manager

Jaclyn DeMartini
Assistant Graphic Design Manager

Tarah Brinkerhoff
Account Executive

Cambrie Marks
Account Executive

Erica Savage
Account Executive

Ryan Cloney
On Campus Account Executive