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CALIFORNIA POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY SAN LUIS OBISPO

Cal Poly, SLO face new laws

Legislation provides
meter calibration

By Steve Noone
Mustang Daily

County residents concerned about getting fined can park with ease downtown as new laws provide for the testing and calibration of San Luis Obispo's 1,550 meters.

"It provides for a program to be set up to test the meters for accuracy," said Keith Opalewski, parking manager for the city. "Now the county can go out and test the meters before they get a complaint."

But Opalewski said the meters downtown should already be accurate, as many were replaced last year.

"The older mechanical ones would wear out over time, but we went through and replaced them all with electronic meters last year — the only thing that could happen to those would be if a circuit board burned out," he said. "But for now, if people think a meter is inaccurate, they can call our office and we'll pull it out and have it calibrated."

The parking-meter program is just one of the effects of the hundreds of new laws that went into effect Jan. 1. Also approved was \$2.5 billion for construction and improvements at California State University campuses.

Elena Stern, press secretary for the California Speaker's Office, said the money will be used for technology and building upgrades over the next four years.

"The money comes from Proposition 1A, which was approved by voters," she said. "Unfortunately for higher education, most of the money is going into K-12 programs. But \$2.5 billion is going



Steve Schueneman/Mustang Daily

METER UPGRADE: San Luis Obispo's 1,550 parking meters will be tested and calibrated in accordance with a new law that went into effect Jan. 1.

toward the state (university) system to modernize labs and libraries and provide for new buildings and upgrades."

Of this money, Cal Poly will be receiving \$10,742 this year to fund the Engineering and Architecture Renovation, and then \$15,379 in the 2001-2002 school year for a Telecommunications Infrastructure upgrade project.

"Also of importance to students is the Higher Education Affordability Act, which conforms the state deductions on student

loans to the federal level," Stern said. "Students should see lower interest rates on their loans, because the rates in California are usually higher than the federal rates."

"Another bill was approved that guarantees a place at the (University of California) or CSU system to every community college graduate who meets the transfer course and GPA requirements," she said.

Voters also approved a number of laws

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Work forces classrooms to evacuate

Removal of water chiller
fills building with smoke

By Chris Hoffman
Mustang Daily

Cal Poly's computer science building was evacuated around 9 a.m. Monday after a cutting-torch project filled the building with hazy smoke and a burning stench.

"We kind of smelled things before we saw things," computer science office manager Diane Goldman said. "Then I got to thinking my glasses were dirty ... that's when the smell started getting really bad."

Administrative assistant Ellen Stier arrived at the building shortly after the evacuation and knew something was wrong.

"I arrived and found a note on the (office) door saying the building had been evacuated," she said. "And a lot of empty classrooms."

Bob Pahlow, assistant director of facilities services, said the smoke and odor was caused by workers cutting apart an old water chiller with torches. The work was being done in a mechanical room at the west side of the building where three fans are located which supply the building with air.

"It did give off an awful lot of smoke, and it had an odor to it," said Pahlow. "Some of it managed to get into the fans."

Stier said no alarms went off during the incident.

Goldman said she and computer science Chairman Jim Beug went to classrooms and told students "it was a good idea if they left."

People began returning around 10 a.m. when the smoke mostly cleared out.

Pahlow said the water chiller had not been used in eight years and was being removed as part of a project to connect the building to Utilidor's cold water loop.

"We had no idea (the contractor's) intent was to cut it into small pieces and get it out that way," Pahlow said.

Some people in the building, such as Stier, think the smoke involved other chemicals besides cutting fumes. The environmental safety office is investigating and should have results in a few days.

Cal Poly police Sgt. Bob Schumacher said there was no damage, and nobody reported injuries. Stier, however, said some people in the building complained of headaches.

For \$20 fee, students can change grade from 'U' to 'W'

By Joellen Smith
Mustang Daily

Cal Poly students can change an unauthorized incomplete (U) grade to a withdrawal (W) grade for a \$20 fee.

The Academic Senate passed the U to W grade-change appeal in 1995, after a series of complaints from students receiving U grades.

"Usually a student gets a U when he or she signs up for a class, and for one reason or another never attends," said Marcia Friedman, assistant director for the Office of Academic

"(A U grade is) kind of an unofficial withdrawal that affects your grade point average like an F."

— Marcia Friedman

assistant director, Office of Academic Records

Records. "It's kind of an unofficial withdrawal that affects your grade point average like an F."

The W grade issued in place of the U has no bearing on a student's GPA. Students can only change one U during their entire enrollment at Cal Poly.

Some students receive a U when they accidentally enroll in a class by pressing the wrong button during CAPTURE, or they just forget to drop a course that they originally

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NEWS

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governing safety and security on the Internet, including the expansion of existing laws into cyberspace.

Stalking and telephone harassment laws now cover contacts made through computers, whether via chat or e-mail. Laws also went into effect restricting taxation of the Internet and prohibiting unsolicited advertising by e-mail.

Police officers are now required to receive training in high-technology crimes, and a feasibility study for a state-operated center on computer forensics will be conducted by the Office of Criminal Justice Planning.

Other new laws include:

■ **AB156 — Personal Information:** Makes identity theft (when a thief acquires the ID and assumes the identity of the victim) a crime. This bill also imposes restrictions on credit

"Students should see lower interest rates on their loans."

— Elena Stern
California Speaker's Office

approval to combat the ability of a thief to assume another's identity.

■ **SB 1780 — Contest Advertising, Sweepstakes:** Prohibits solicitation mailings, containing sweepstakes entry materials, from claiming that the recipient has already won a prize unless they have, in fact, won a prize.

■ **AB 1926 — Sex Offenses:** Provides that the way the victim of a sex crime was dressed is not admissible as a method of proving consent.

■ **AB 1104 — ATM Point-Of-Sale Fee Disclosure:** Requires the notification of ATM users of any fees they may accrue before they make a transaction.

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Guest Speaker: Bonnie Dunbar, NASA Astronaut

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planned to attend, Friedman said. The U to W appeal is designed to teach awareness so students do not receive a U grade again.

Many students are not even aware that this policy exists or just do not come forward to make an appeal, Friedman said. Each quarter, between five and 90 students file an appeal, compared to the several hundred U grades that may be assigned in a quarter.

"I never even heard about it," said Nicole Hayden, a fruit science junior. "But if I was in the situation where I needed to withdraw, but I don't want an F, I think it would be great if I could (appeal)."

Hayden said she is in favor of the policy, because the U grade can only be changed once. She added that a student should try to drop the class before the withdrawal deadline.

"It is sort of like you are paying to have a grade changed," said Chris Brown, a mechanical engineering senior. "On the flip side, sometimes there are reasons for not being able to withdraw from the class — if it was too late and you didn't know about the deadline, or if there was a personal matter in the family."

Brown said that he received a U grade last year but was not aware that he could change his grade.

"I might look into it," Brown said.

Students must get the instructor's approval in order to change the grade. If the grade-change appeal form is submitted after the seventh week of the quarter following the course, the student must obtain the signatures of the course's department head or chairperson and the dean. There is a one-year deadline to make the appeal.

Since the appeal was passed, Friedman has found that most of the faculty is supportive of the grade-

change policy.

"The idea of changing one U to a withdrawal seems reasonable," said Thomas Hale, mathematics department chair. "If the instructor approves the grade change, then I will approve it."

Hale said that certain instructors differ about when to issue a U grade. "Some faculty feel that if a student does not come for class half of the quarter, and keeps someone else from getting this class, then he or she deserves the F," Hale said.

Laura Freberg, chairwoman of the Instruction Committee in the Senate and associate professor in the psychology and human development department, agreed that some faculty members vary in their approaches to the U and F grade.

"Academic Records does a really nice job of communicating (grade) policies out to the faculty. But the bottom line is that it is the faculty member who is assigning the grade," Freberg said.

Sauny Dills, a lecturer for the English department, said some students might try to abuse the grade-change policy just so they can improve their GPA.

"It all relates to getting a job afterwards, because (employers) look at those transcripts," Dills said. "If they see too many U grades on there, it says something of the character of the individual. But then that is true of W grades, too."

Dills said that she still is in favor of the policy, because there are some students who have a legitimate reason for not being able to come to class.

The Senate wrestled with these ethical issues before passing the U to W grade-change appeal, Freberg said. She encourages any student with questions or concerns about the appeal to bring them to the Senate.

Some students argued about the \$20 processing fee for changing a U to a W, Friedman said. This fee is not waived and is used for general maintenance in

the Office of Academic Records.

"It is not a question of buying a grade, we just wanted to get students' attention," Freberg said. "We wanted (the fee) to be significant enough without doing great harm."

Students who receive a U grade also have the option of retaking the course. "If you U or F a class, you are still able to repeat it ... then you can remedy any damage done to your GPA," Freberg said.

To avoid any U grades in the future, Friedman suggests withdrawing from a class by the end of the add/drop deadline, the second week in the quarter. Students should also list their classes during CAPTURE and check their records on the MustangInfo web page at <http://miserve.its.calpoly.edu/prod.html>

A grade-change form can be picked up at the Office of Academic Records, located in the Admissions building, room 222.



WINTER QUARTER 1999 GROUP SCHEDULE

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3 - 4:30 p.m.	HEALTHY EATING GROUP	Dr. Elie Axelroth Jeanne Hogan, M.S.
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FEBRUARY 4th, 3 - 4:30 p.m.	TEST ANXIETY SEMINAR	Dr. Diaz & Amita Ghosh, M.Ed.
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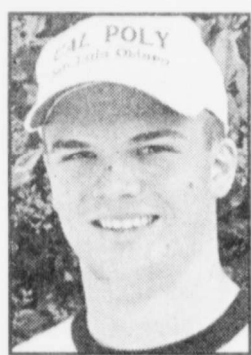
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MARCH 2, 1999**

Conservative viewpoint

An issue of world security

Last quarter, in my column, the tenuous position of Iraq was discussed. I suggested we ought to attack its weapons facilities and eliminate potential danger to Israeli, Middle Eastern and European nations. Hopefully, with something to the tune of a herd of cruise missiles and then some ... we did, approximately 300 missiles and air attacks to boot. We wiped out the majority of its suspect weapons development facilities, we killed a good number of their elite soldiers and it is rumored we put an end to the lives of top Iraq security officials. And all of this with civilian casualties in the thirties or forties.



Aron DeFerrari

Whether or not it was an attempt of our politically embattled president to move attention away from himself is left to consider. But for all intents and purposes, impeachment trial or not, Clinton made the right decision.

Here's why: Iraq, no matter what our humanitarians would like to think, is a nation that would like to hurt our nation very badly. In fact, Iraq would like to hurt/own/invoke more than just a few nations. Iraq already tried to invade and occupy Kuwait; we stopped it from doing so. Iraq is developing biological, and more importantly, nuclear weapons. If Iraq, a nation who wishes to inflict damage upon its neighbors and us, achieves nuclear capability, and, God forbid, long-range nuclear capability, the world is at peril.

But why, you might ask, would Hussein use a nuclear weapon when he must know that his nation would be immediately retaliated against and possibly reduced to a province of a superpower nation? I would in turn ask why he would even think to invade a nation allied with NATO, like Kuwait, when he would surely be overrun by the United States' superior military? Because he is not a rational decision maker, in the sense that rational is applied to the world's nation-states. Hussein demonstrated this through his invasion of Kuwait and his constant mistreatment of the U.N. nuclear weapons inspection agency.

In sum, Saddam Hussein has left the United States no choice, no other acceptable recourse, but to disable his country's ability to develop biological and nuclear weapons. Their potential use on Israel, neighboring countries, Europe, and perhaps us, mandates that we take action. This action, in light of the weapon inspectors' expulsion, took shape, and probably will take shape again, in the bombing of Iraq. War is, indeed, hell, but sometimes it is necessary. Clinton realized that necessity, not surprisingly, and implemented Desert Fox, the inevitable attack.

Let us hope Hussein will rethink developing doomsday weaponry. God knows he has given the CIA a new birthright, no doubt our intelligence agencies are watching him like a hawk, but I am sure we have not heard the last from Hussein.

Aron DeFerrari is a political science sophomore who thinks Edward Drake is an all right guy even though he is wrong sometimes.



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What do you think about being able to buy a "W" to replace a "U"?



◀ "How much for an 'A' or 'B'? Is it supposed to be a money-maker? It's difficult to explain a 'U' to an employer, but a 'W' is easier."

Steve Schimmel
industrial engineering senior

▶ "It's good, some people might really need it. It's better than having a bad grade on your transcript."

Purnima Shah
social science freshman



◀ "I would do that for a class I have a 'U' in. But it could make students lazier because they won't fear getting a 'U' so much."

Evan Watson
industrial technology sophomore

▶ "Sounds like just another way to rip-off students instead of listening to their problems. But I guess it's better than saying 'Hey too bad about that grade.'"

Ryan Birdsall
business administration junior



Liberal viewpoint

The spin on the war against Iraq

Back when the Gulf War was just a political pie in the sky, the United States maintained relations with Iraq, via ambassadors. One ambassador, by the name of April Gillaspie, was approached by Saddam Hussein and was informed of Iraq's intention to invade Kuwait.



Eddie Drake

After conferring with the appropriate authorities, Gillaspie informed Iraq that its aggressions would be considered "an internal Arab matter." The rest is history. Iraq invades, we obliterate Iraq. Any red lights going off in your head? You're probably wondering why the United States would practically give Iraq a thumbs up to the invasion and then attack, right?

The politics of diversion were carved in stone long before Barry Levinson ever envisioned "Wag The Dog." President Bush needed an event to turn this country and his shoddy presidency around. Chosen to bear the brunt of a politically desperate president, Iraq became the dog the United States' tail would wag.

"We showed those damn Iraqis," my friend proclaimed in my ear as we flew down the slopes in December. With the impeachment vote scheduled for the next day, my gut wrenched as I realized history really does repeat itself ... the acts of a desperate president had cost thousands of lives.

Critics will point out the need for the most recent acts of aggression because of Iraq's refusal to allow weapons inspectors into sensitive areas. They will further point out Iraq's capability of producing and delivering weapons of mass destruction. I only have one question for such people: How many weapons of mass destruction does, oh say, the United States, France, China, India, Pakistan, Russia, etc. have? Understand, fellow scholars, our pushing for the presence of weapons inspectors has only made this entire situation much worse. Those inspectors were not only looking for weapons, but spying on secret internal Iraqi communications. Had they only done what they were sent to do, this most recent attack might have been avoided.

After World War II, or so I have read, a huge initiative was set in motion to reconstruct Europe and help regenerate the continent. After the Gulf War, we just continued the fighting, but on a much more PR appropriate battlefield, via blistering sanctions. We sent spies in under the term "weapons inspectors" to keep an eye on Iraq. With sanctions grinding the wheels of Iraq's infrastructure to a halt, it is no wonder Iraq would be just a little spiteful, and a little defiant!

The president has committed a fatal error and possibly lit the fuse to a keg of dynamite that could blast this country into World War III. The real solution would have been diplomacy where most, if not all, sanctions were lifted. More than 80 percent of the country is praising continued aggression, and Hussein has nothing to lose. He and his country have given the finger to any more talks or negotiations, and with due cause. Now completely unsupervised, Iraq has the capability to launch a real attack that no spin doctor could cure with any dose of rhetoric.

Edward Drake is a political science sophomore who proved, over break, that every book at Aida's is cheaper than El Corral, and is willing to talk to anyone who'll listen.

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"Oops."

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Second class treatment for first class fans

Editor:

This is a letter concerning the athletic department and Chris Baker, in specific, and my personal disapproval and disgust with their actions taken, with regards to Saturday's ESPN2 basketball game vs. Idaho.

I feel that the band and the cheer squad, two of the most loyal and enthusiastic groups of fans, were treated very poorly at the game, and I feel that they both deserve a sincere apology and assurance it will never happen again.

Saturday's game was a first in Cal Poly history. We found ourselves televised. Naturally, a good many people wanted to be a part of that history, so out of the woodwork came so many of those "fair-weather fans" hoping for a chance to be on television. There is nothing wrong with fair-weather fans; a team needs them to fill our stadiums to the brim when something important happens. It disturbs me, however, when these fans are given such priority over a team's die-hard fans.

Last Saturday, that is precisely what happened. The band and the cheer squad, who make their way to every basketball and football game, were given second-class treatment. The band was told it could only bring in a small number of band members, and members were turned away at the door once that number

was exceeded. (As those who attended the game know, the stands were far from full.) The cheer squad – after putting in hours of practice time for a halftime dance routine – was denied its allotted time. Instead, we watched fraternity boys shoot hoops the entire 15 minutes in some foolish contest. When questioned about why the dancers were replaced at the last minute, Chris Baker's response was, "The fraternities are really getting into basketball." No Baker, the fraternities were into being on television. Wake up.

Who makes their way to every game and put their hearts into cheering and supporting the team for the entire game, whether we are up by 20 or down by 50? Cheer and band do. And who are the first to get screwed over as soon as Cal Poly finds itself on national television? Cheer and Band are. Does that seem just to anyone besides Chris Baker? I certainly hope not!

August Welsh is Cal Poly's Flag Boy.

The EPA is not ruining our economy

Editor:

I am writing in response to Justin Ruhge's letter entitled, "The EPA is pro-environment, but Anti People." Mr. Ruhge, who do you think you are fooling. This country is not going broke because of the EPA. In fact

this country is not going broke at all. We are currently experiencing the greatest period of economic prosperity in the past 30 years. Unemployment is almost nonexistent, interest rates are low, and inflation is low. We have a budget surplus that congress doesn't even know how to spend.

So before you go spouting off about how the EPA is ruining our lives, get the facts. The truth is the biggest threat to all this prosperity is environmental degradation. The fact is species on the endangered list are symptoms of a greater problem. If we continue to destroy our environment it may no longer be able to support our food supply, transportation and business culture.

Brad Sacks is a political science senior.

Front page photos in wrong place

Editor:

I am disappointed by the size and subject matter of the photo "Waiting Game" for Monday's Mustang Daily. The photo does not seem to relate to the subject matter which is a sports event at Mott Gym. On the same page, in much smaller size, is a photo "Way to Remember" regarding date rape. Imagine how much more effective the photo composition could have been if the pictures had been

switched, with a handprint nearly as large as the photo. Perhaps that would have communicated our values and concerns more effectively.

Bill Sydnor works in the Academic Skills Center.

Understanding your priorities

Editor:

I am writing in response to Lauren Nowenstein's article entitled "Registering for Classes: the Cal Poly Myth."

Lauren raises a number of student concerns regarding availability of classes. It is true that in any given quarter, there may not be enough seats for all students who would like to take a particular class (i.e., it takes several terms for all freshmen needing ENGL 114 to be accommodated). We know the college deans are aware of high-demand classes and do their very best, with available resources, to offer as many sections as the budget allows.

Our primary objective in writing this letter is to clarify the purpose of priority registration. A number of years ago the policy was changed from graduating-senior priority to the current system. Since many students are classified as seniors for a number of years, a new plan was implemented to be more equitable to all students and allow choice as to

when the three terms of priority are used. Based on input from advising centers and faculty advisors, we understood that many students needed a term of priority before they are seniors. The current system allows students to look at things like CAPTURE rotations for future terms and class sequence to plan when they would like to use a priority term. So, we no longer have senior priority, but rather a priority system that is student controlled/initiated to serve each student's particular situation.

We encourage students to manage their enrollment priorities to make registration as efficient as possible.

Thomas L. Zuur is as the registrar in the Office of Academic Records.

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Participants can't lose. Those who don't win the drawing still win in the long run because students can use their Campus Express Club accounts in a variety of areas around campus. The card is useful in purchasing food at Campus

Dining restaurants from one end of campus to the other. Also, El Corral Bookstore accepts Campus Express Club cards where students can purchase school supplies, cards, Cal Poly clothing and much more.

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career high 11 points.

Caroline Rowles grabbed 14 rebounds on Friday against Boise State (7-6, 1-0), and 12 rebounds and eight points on Sunday.

The Vandals (8-6, 1-1) were led by Susan Woolf with 25 points, eight rebounds, and seven steals, and Alli Nieman with 19 points and seven rebounds.

Head coach Faith Mimnaugh predicted the weekend's games would be challenging which proved true.

"We knew it was going to be difficult," Mimnaugh said. "The team

played well, but turnovers were the cause of the losses. Overall, I was pleased with the team's performance."

The Vandals scored 23 points off 27 Mustang turnovers Sunday.

The Mustangs have lost their last three games and last three match-ups with Idaho State. Mimnaugh said the team's confidence was shaken after last Monday's loss to Fresno State, but after this weekend, the team's morale is good.

"We played well (this weekend), and the team knows it," Mimnaugh said. "We made some errors, but we're learning as we go. Our attitude is to keep going and keep working hard."

Kristie Griffin, who had nine points and four rebounds against the Vandals, said, "We're not discouraged. We know

we are a strong team; we know where we made mistakes, and we have room to improve. We can only get better."

In Friday's game, Griffin had 15 points, and Sherilyn Frazier had 14 points, while Boise State's Stephanie Block had 20 points. Boise State was picked to win the Big West Eastern Division in the pre-season poll, conducted by the media and coaches.

"We played against the two strongest teams in the (Eastern Conference). They're disciplined and experienced, and we're trying to emulate them," Mimnaugh said.

The Mustangs' next game is Friday, Jan. 15 against North Texas, in Mott Gym at 7 p.m.

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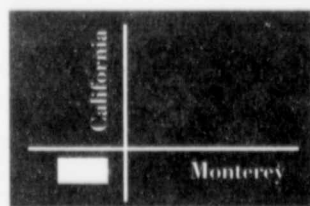
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NFL coaching carousel continues

The Associated Press

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Schottenheimer's resignation came after a 7-9 season, his first losing campaign since he became an NFL coach in 1984. Considered a Super Bowl contender when the season started, Kansas City was beset by injuries and also became the NFL's most penalized team.

"After 10 years it's time to give someone else an opportunity to implement their plan," said Schottenheimer, 101-

58-1 with the Chiefs. "I've decided to take a break, to take some time and relax."

There was no immediate word on Schottenheimer's successor.

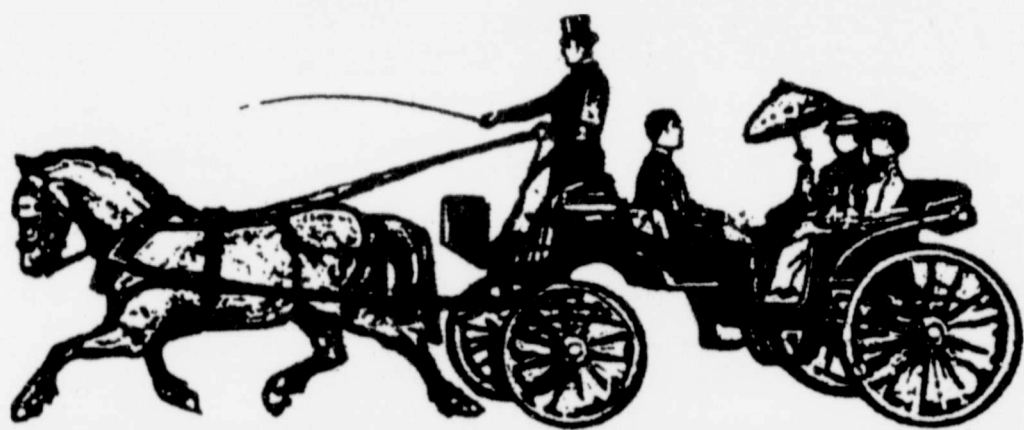
The Eagles hired Reid, the Packers' quarterbacks coach, to replace Rhodes, and signed him to a reported \$5 million, five-year deal. Both Rhodes and Reid coached with Holmgren and are close friends.

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ESPN game lives up to hype

By Trisha Thorn
Mustang Daily

Saturday's men's basketball game in Mott Gym may not have had the ideal outcome, but the "ESPN experience" was all that could have been hoped for.

According to ESPN2 basketball analyst Leo Rautins, Cal Poly's loss was a surprise.

"If anything, based on everything, I would have expected it to be the other way around," Rautins said. "I would have thought Cal Poly would come out ahead."

Rautins, however, had nothing but praise for the Mustangs and hope for its future performance.

"I think they're a fine team going through a funk right now," he said. "Unfortunately, it happens, but they'll come out of it. There's still plenty of time. The important thing to remember is they can't panic. From what I know of Jeff Schneider, he's doing the right thing and handling it well."

Rautins also commented on the virtues of Cal Poly as a school. "Cal Poly is a great place, a beautiful campus and a great facility," he said.

Sports information director Jason Sullivan, who oversaw Cal Poly's involvement with ESPN, heard similar comments from the station's crew members.

"It was like NASA in (the \$10 million truck). It was the same one that did the World Series."

— Jason Sullivan
Sports Information
Director

Sullivan added that the station's headquarters in Bristol, Conn. was extremely pleased with the show and its smooth flow from game play to commercials.

"We were a bit nervous," Sullivan said, "but we gave them a first-class operation."

Sullivan, in turn, was impressed with the ESPN way of doing things.

According to him, ESPN policy is to have their truck on location seven hours before tip-off. At 3 a.m. the crew showed up and by 5 a.m. or 6 a.m. seven of Cal Poly's sports information staff were on the scene.

The crew did a satellite test between 7:30 a.m. and 8 a.m. and then went out for breakfast.

"They were happy with what we did," he said. "The information we provided, our hospitality, our facility."

Sullivan added that the station's headquarters in Bristol, Conn. was extremely



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ABOVE: Leo Rautins (left) and Derrin Horton (right) cover the basketball game on ESPN2. BELOW: ESPN's \$10 million truck is parked in Cal Poly's parking lot.



"They were all ready," Sullivan said. "Not last minute. We got to see how a professional organization does it."

Sullivan was especially impressed with ESPN's \$10 million truck.

"It was like NASA in there," he said. "It was the same one that did the World Series."

Sullivan was also excited about the crowd's reaction to ESPN's presence.

"The crowd was excellent," he said. "They really rose to the occasion with signs, painted faces, and the band was sharp. It was a first-class Division I atmosphere, and classy too."

Although there were some empty seats here and there, the game was sold out on Monday. All of the student tickets were sold as well as season tickets.

Several factors may have contributed to those fanless seats, including the 49er game and the fact that people could watch the Cal Poly game from home.

So, will ESPN make Cal Poly a regular stop-off in the future?

According to both Rautins and Sullivan, the answer is "yes." ESPN would definitely agree to come back to Cal Poly, should the schedule allow it.

Mustangs can make up for ESPN debacle

The Mustangs' debacle Saturday on national television was unfortunate and yes, embarrassing, but the Mustangs still have a great opportunity to redeem themselves.

First, they need to solve their problem with winning on the road. There are no more excuses. Top teams rise to the occasion and beat other good teams on the road.

It will be difficult Thursday against a good Utah State team, but Saturday's game against a mediocre Nevada team is a must-win, especially if the Mustangs are 0-3 going into the game.

Another thing they can do is perform well in the Big West Tournament. Right now, there are people across the country whose first and only impression of Cal Poly basketball is, as Head Coach Jeff Schneider said, "the poorest game we've ever played at home." Having success in the postseason, which will most likely be broadcasted by ESPN, should eliminate the early poor game from people's minds.

For the Mustangs to do well in the Big West Tournament, they must start playing defense.

The Mustang press is routinely beaten for easy baskets, which means the only way Cal Poly can win is in a shootout — something they can't do shooting 36 percent.

They also need to use a bigger lineup since they've been out-rebounded by 10 or more in five of the last six games.

I know Cal Poly has good shooters, but they're simply not getting the job done right now. And since the Mustangs aren't getting rebounds, streaky shooters like Mike Wozniak or Jabbar Washington aren't getting any second-chance baskets to get themselves into the rhythm.

Another reason to go to a bigger lineup is the solid play from 6-foot-8-inch Jeremiah Mayes and 6-foot-7-inch Brandon Beeson.

The two of them under the boards with center Chris Bjorklund creates a formidable frontcourt. It might mean the Mustangs couldn't run their press, but then again, that might not be a bad thing.

The bottom line is the Mustangs are good, despite what people who saw Cal Poly for the first time on Saturday might think.

The Mustangs need to relax, regroup and rethink their approach. They need to realize that the team predicted to win the Big West Western Division deserved that recognition. If the Mustangs do get back on track, they can then redeem themselves on national television with a strong showing in the Big West Tournament.



Joe Nolan

Women's hoops drop first two league games

By Sara Henrikson
Mustang Daily

After a strong preseason in which the Cal Poly women's basketball team (6-7, 0-2) matched last season's win total, it lost its second Big West game Sunday to the Idaho Vandals 85-64 in Idaho.

The Mustangs also lost their game Friday at Boise State, 68-58.

In Sunday's game, Cal Poly (6-7, 0-2) was led by Kristy Baker with 13 points, Jennifer Sorosky with a career high 13 points in only 14 minutes, and Odessa Jenkins with a



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RUNNIN' THE POINT: Baker has helped Poly to a 6-7 start.

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