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LOCAL SUPERMARKETS

Clerks strike

• Students are affected by contract conflicts between Kroger Co. employees

By Emily Wong

MUSTANG DAILY NEWS EDITOR

It sounds like an eastside versus westside fight as one student dons a "Don't be a scab" T-shirt and another student yells "Scabs for life."

One of them is an employee at a supermarket. The other has signed up to work at Vons during the employee strike.

On Saturday night at a fraternity party, students gather to hear what the commotion is about.

Regardless of their capacity to retain the information or not, they actively listen to the ethical dilemma at hand.

Yet, when the party's over, bystanders fail to realize the gravity of

the situation and how it will come to affect them.

More than 70,000 Southern California grocery clerks went on strike late Saturday after union representatives and grocery store officials failed to reach agreement on a proposed employee contract.

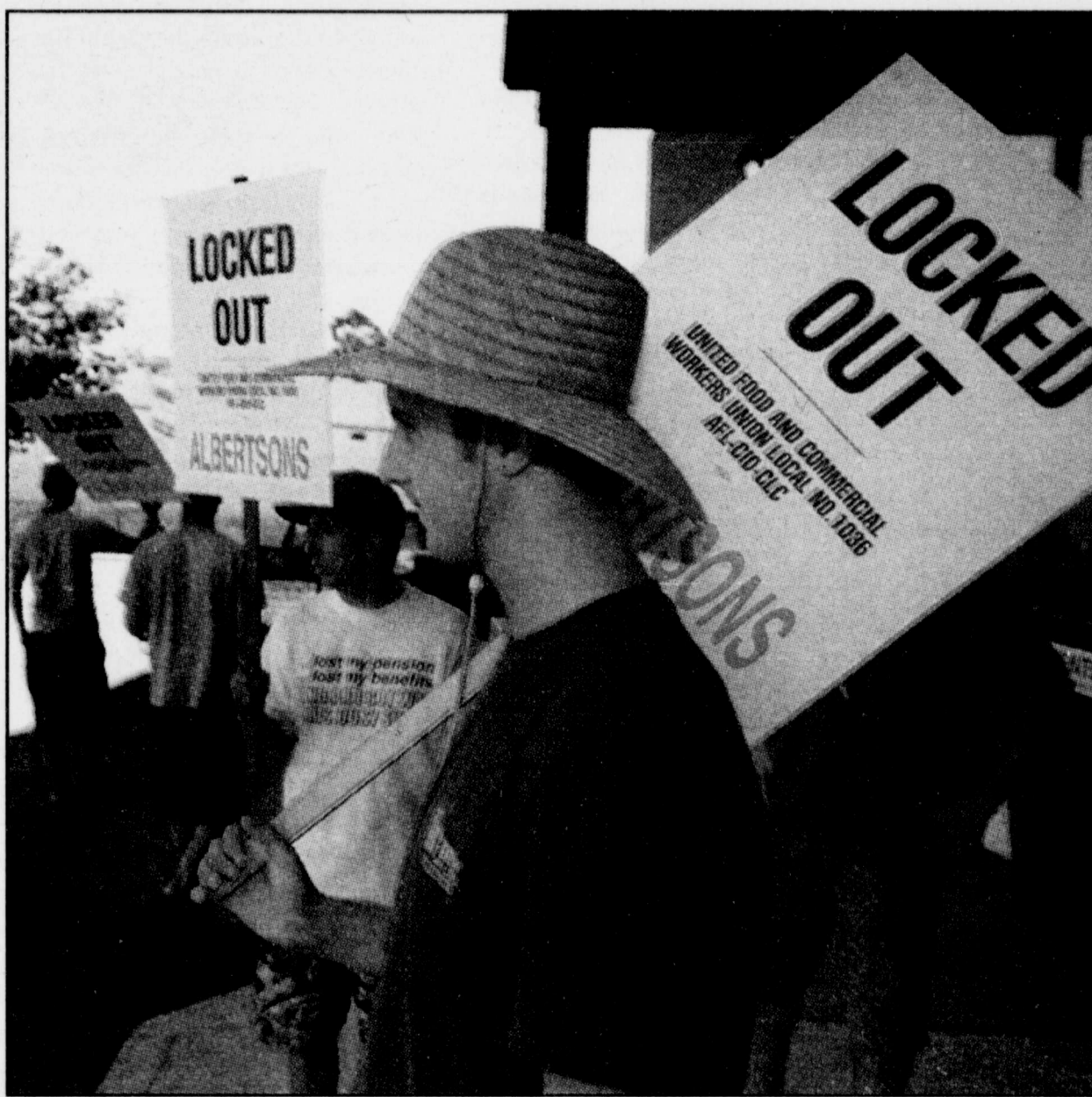
Shoppers will see employees of Kroger Co.'s Ralphs, Vons and Albertsons picketing outside store entrances. In San Luis Obispo County many of these protesters may be familiar faces to students.

"Fifty percent of our workforce are college kids," said shop steward and Vons produce manager Mike Chew. "Every one of them came out to work the line. They want to help."

But on the other side of the spectrum, students who are not employed by the corporation couldn't feel more removed from the situation.

"I didn't even know they were

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Mike Crother stands with other picketers outside Albertsons grocery store on Foothill Boulevard. Kroger Co. store employees from Ralphs, Vons and Albertsons went on strike late Saturday night over contract disputes, including health care coverage.

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MUSTANG DAILY**JOB MARKET**

Post-grad worries hit hard

By Amy Hessick

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Cal Poly's newest alumni will face a steadily declining job-placement rate that could inhibit their ability to secure a job before they participate in commencement.

In the past, it was common for Cal Poly students to have jobs lined up before they graduated. Three years ago, 65 percent of students had job offers before they left campus.

The numbers are nowhere near that today, said Shel Burrell, interim director of career services and testing services.

In the most recent Graduation Status Report, which is based on responses from a voluntary survey of graduates and is produced by career services, 48 percent of students had jobs before graduation in the 2001-02 school year.

The same report showed a record-low 68 percent of graduates reporting full-time employment within six months of graduation.

Some recent Cal Poly graduates are finding out the hard way that there are not many jobs to be had.

"There is nothing out there," said Katie Rogers, animal science graduate. "Right now I'd take anything, anywhere."

Rogers has been searching since June. Although she is still looking

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COLLEGE-BASED FEES SERIES: FIFTH OF SIX BUDGET REPORTS

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Labs advance with money

By Josh Petray

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

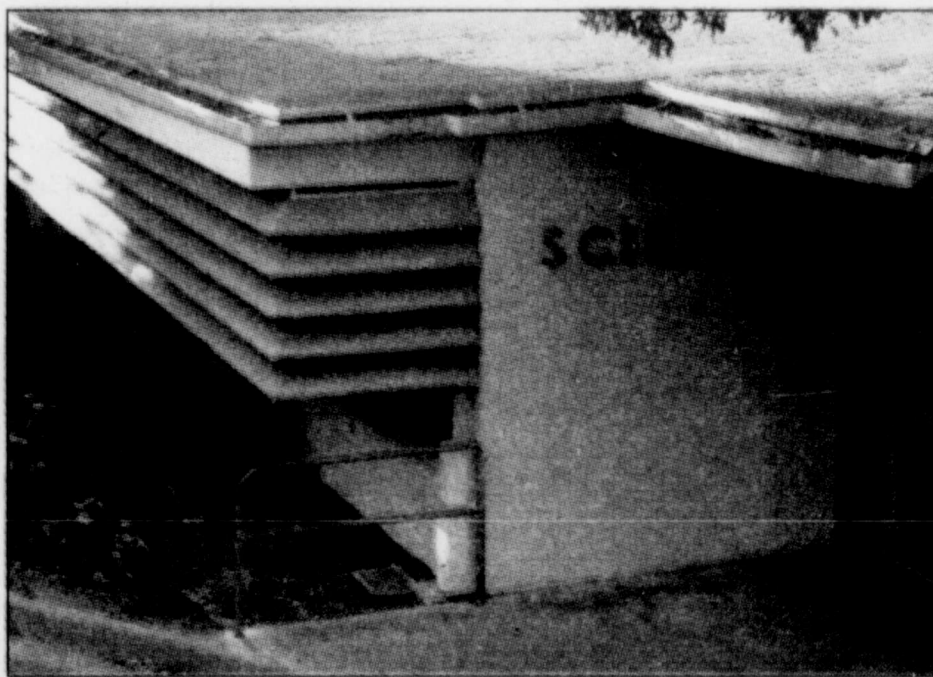
As John Maxwell, chemistry and biochemistry department head, slipped his hands through the rubber gloves of a brand new inertia environment, he said, "I look at (college-based fees) as the most exciting investment we've had."

The inertia environment is a machine that was bought with college-based fees and is used to perform experiments in the absence of oxygen.

The fees are giving students in the College of Science and Mathematics the chance to experience a more valuable learn-by-doing education. Students and faculty in the COSAM can now put their hands on new laboratory equipment, purchased for fall 2003 using money from college-based fees.

"The purpose of the fees is to allow each department to achieve excellence," COSAM Dean Philip S. Bailey said.

Departments in the COSAM chose to spend the money in different ways, according to the particular needs of each department. The distribution of funds generated by the fees were allocated based on



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Laboratory classrooms within the science building have seen dramatic additions as a result of the college-based fees.

head count, what's needed in each department and proposals from the departments. Four main points discussed were access to classes, instrumentation, undergraduate research and faculty development, Bailey said.

The COSAM boasted the highest percentage of eligible students who voted for increased college based fees, coming in at 72 percent with a margin of approval, 10 percent higher than the average for other colleges on campus.

In the biological sciences department, student assistants, faculty development, equipment, undergraduate research and travel, graduate student thesis research and travel and a new staff member were added with funds derived from fees. The department purchased an array

of new lab equipment, including new microscopes, oceanographic sampling devices, a set of Biopac systems for physiology labs, boiling water baths and computing equipment upgrades.

"The equipment and supplies purchased this year made a huge difference in the way biology is being taught here at Cal Poly," said Biological Sciences Department Chair V.L. Holland in a statement issued on the COSAM Web site.

Meanwhile, the chemistry and biochemistry department opted to spend its money on student and faculty travel and development and technologically-advanced equipment, instruments Cal Poly has never bought before. Instruments

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Students join solar decathlon

By Kimberly Masculine

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Students are getting a chance to showcase the Cal Poly motto, but this time the "learning" is an education in renewable energy and the "doing" is designing and constructing a house.

"This is a very visible expression of our motto 'learn by doing' and we have the right mix of disciplines to make it," architecture associate professor Rob Pena said.

Cal Poly was chosen as one of 19 schools from around the globe to participate in the second solar decathlon in 2005. It is put on by the U.S. Department of Energy.

"The DOE has been eager to get Cal Poly involved due to the reputation of this school as being a hands-on, technology- and professionally-oriented school," Pena said.

The schools must build a house that is powered only by solar energy.






"The solar decathlon is a contest among future developers to raise the awareness of the integration of renewable energy to power a consumer's home," mechanical engineer senior David Handman said. "It is a chance for Cal Poly to demonstrate its architecture and engineering abilities and showcase our school's philosophy."

The houses must be between 500 square feet and 800 square feet and have all the comforts of an everyday house. The solar decathlon team has two years to raise the money needed, obtain appliances and donations, then build and test the house.

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Local Weather

5-Day forecast

TODAY	
high: 78° / low 51°	
TUESDAY	
high: 74° / low 50°	
WEDNESDAY	
high: 73° / low 50°	
THURSDAY	
high: 74° / low 50°	
FRIDAY	
high: 75° / low 51°	

Sunrise/Sunset

rises: 7:07 a.m. / sets 6:30 p.m.

Tides

high	12:37 a.m.	3.87 feet
	11:40 A.m.	5.25 feet
low	3:31 a.m.	0.28 feet
	3:50 p.m.	1.25 feet

Questioning the 'curve'

UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa. — As the midterm exam period begins, some students are concerned with their professors' marking methods, specifically whether or not they "curve" grades.

Many freshmen in introductory science and math classes are worried about their grades because they are unsure if their high school curriculum adequately prepared them for college-level work.

"When students ask if grades are curved, a professor needs to say 'What do you mean by curving,'" chemistry professor Peter Jurs said.

Some professors may add points to students' grades to raise the average of the class, while others may attempt to make sure a given amount of students receive a certain grade, Jurs said.

Michael Akritas, statistics professor, curves the final averages in his classes. The top 30 to 35 percent of students in the class earn A's, but their numerical grades are typically between 85 and 90.

"I try to keep things proportional from semester to semester," Akritas said.

Some professors say they need to use curves to compensate for differences between grading procedures in different sections of their classes.

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"One of the houses in the 2002 competition was built out of all recycled material," Handman said.

The houses will be shipped to Washington D.C. during the fall and the teams will rebuild them at the National Mall. Members of the teams will then spend six days and nights in the houses. They will give tours and use appliances such as a washer, dryer, water heater, refrigerator and computer.

The team will also have to drive around an electric car that must be recharged at the house, gaining points for the miles they put on it.

During the competition, the teams will be judged in nine contests. These include the architecture, curb appeal and comfort level of the house, the appliances used and the volume of hot water produced, project development, communications, energy balance and getting around. The house that looks the best and produces the most efficiently-used energy will win.

"Cal Poly is really uniquely designed for a project like this,"

mechanical engineering associate professor Jesse Maddren said.

The competition will include elements from majors across campus including architecture, architectural engineering, electrical engineering, mechanical engineering, journalism, graphic communication and graphic design. Maddren and Pena agreed Cal Poly is lucky because there is such a diverse academic spectrum on the campus.

Architecture assistant professor Sandra Stannard said she would like to have classes involved with the project.

Pena said there will be interlocking courses for winter quarter, which may include classes in architecture, architectural engineering, mechanical engineering and electrical engineering.

The students in these classes would work with each other throughout the term, simulating the real world, where people have to work together in a team environment, Maddren said.

"I would like to see that the partnerships we form will last and that departments across campus can be cross-disciplined," Stannard said. "We have a team, and the team is Cal Poly."

JOBS

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for a job that relates to her field of study, she is now considering jobs that do not require a college degree just so that she can work.

"I've been even thinking about getting a job at the Gap and a secretary job, just finding two jobs so that I can pay rent until I get a real job," Rogers said.

She recently decided to move to the San Jose area to continue her job search but will come back to San Luis Obispo to attend the Technology Career Fair to find a job.

While graduates like Rogers continue to hunt, some upcoming December graduates have not begun to worry, at least not yet.

"I have no idea what I'll be doing after December," nutrition senior Carla Guevara said. "I'm not looking too hard for work right now, but I'm pretty much going to be open to whatever comes along."

Burrell said adaptability is key in a tight job market.

"You hear such depressing things about the economy right now, but that really isn't the case," she said.

"It may take more flexibility or persistence. You may need to be open to a field that you had never

thought of before, but there is something out there."

Students graduating in December might have even more reason to stay positive.

"December graduates may have a slight advantage because they are not competing with as many students for jobs as in June," Burrell said.

Most other schools have almost as many graduates in December as in June, so employers tend to think that Cal Poly has a large volume of December graduates. This is not necessarily true. It also leads to less competition in the job market, Burrell said.

Burrell encourages students to use the resources available at career services while they are still in San Luis Obispo.

Career services provides multiple job-search resources, including Mustang Jobs, a Web site where employers post job openings and students can submit resumes online.

The office is also sponsoring two job fairs this quarter: the Technology Career Fair, which will be held today, and the Fall Job Fair on Nov. 24. Both will be held in Chumash Auditorium.

Mustang daily copy editor Hillary Schuler-Jones contributed to this report.

STRIKE

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striking until I walked in," said business junior Valerie Wong, as she carried a basket full of groceries at Vons. "Personally, I don't think it affects me."

Due, in part, to students' lack of interest in the issues at hand, grocery stores are relying on desperate college students to keep businesses open during the strike.

"I need the money," said business senior Casey Marcus, who was working a register at Vons on Sunday but viewed the job as a temporary position. "I have applications in elsewhere. Plus it would be a pretty hostile environment to work here after (the strike)," he said.

However, the truth of the matter remains that students can be too naive when it comes to real-world issues.

"Cal Poly kids are going through school and planning their lives — 40 years and out," Chew said. "... They too are going to join the workforce soon and a good part of them are going to become union workers."

"If we let corporations keep taking demands in the way they want, it will affect union employees as they go on," he said.

Community members showed support for the picketers by honking, waving and stopping to talk to protesters.

One woman rushed up to the line asking, "I want to know what I can do to help you guys. I'm on your side."

Through demographics alone, it is evident that San Luis Obispo County may be hit hard by the aftermath of the strike. While college students are out of work, older community members see a bigger problem.

"It's not just the co-pay. They want to cut the medical plan by 50 percent," an employee's wife said. "My husband is thinking of retiring, but he can't retire under these conditions."

The companies operate about 900

stores from San Diego to Santa Barbara and control 60 percent of the Southern California market.

"We think this strike is a bad idea. It will inflict economic hardship on employees of all the companies and inconvenience our customers," Sandra Calderon, a spokeswoman for Vons, told The Associated Press. "Throughout the negotiations, the unions have misrepresented our offer and all along they have been on a strike path that has no upside for anyone."

Officials at Vons on Broad Street in San Luis Obispo refused to comment, but recommended, "the best thing to do is to talk to the people outside."

Initially, officials with the United Food and Commercial Workers Union said strikers would only target Vons and urged the companies not to lock out workers from the other stores.

The supermarkets, however, said a strike against one company would be considered a strike against all three. In a joint statement, they said Albertsons and Ralphs would lock out employees during the dispute.

The chains want workers to pay more for health benefits, citing a sluggish economy, rising health care costs and increased competition from nonunion rivals such as Wal-Mart Stores Inc.

"We aren't asking for anything," Chew said. "We want to keep what we have or get a better percentage of what they have proposed."

The last time the grocery workers went on strike was 1978, with the walkout lasting less than a week.

"Hopefully it will be short — days and not weeks," Chew said.

Protesters outside Vons asked shoppers if they would consider going to Food 4 Less or Scolari's before entering the store. These businesses are not affiliated with Kroger Co. or the union in dispute.

The Associated Press contributed to this report.

Job market reaches key turning point

(U-WIRE) ANN ARBOR, Mich.

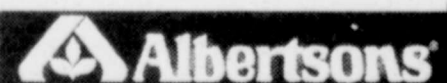
— Indicating that the long-announced economic recovery may finally be translating into more jobs, the unemployment rate stayed even during the month of September and businesses hired more workers than they laid off for the first time in eight months.

The national unemployment rate held at 6.1 percent last month, and 57,000 new jobs were created, according to statistics reported Friday by the U.S. Department of Labor. Even the maligned manufacturing sector posted fewer layoffs than in previous months,

with 29,000 job losses.

"This is potentially the key turning point," says Joel Naroff, president of Naroff Economic Advisers in Holland, Pa. "It is really taking on the tone of a labor market that is finally getting over the hump. Indeed, this is what we need to create the confidence in both the household sector and the business sector that this recovery is real."

Although the economy grew 3.3 percent in this year's second quarter and the stock market has also been rising, those gains did not translate into job growth until last month.



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National Roundup

DALLAS — Two-year-old **Egyptian twins joined** at the top of their heads were separated Sunday in a 26-hour operation that took more than a year of planning.

Doctors at Children's Medical Center Dallas worked through the morning separating the intricate connection of blood vessels running between the brains of **Ahmed and Mohamed Ibrahim** — considered the riskiest part of the operation.

They were **finally separated** at 11:17 a.m., hospital officials announced later in a prepared statement.

The next procedure, which could take three to five hours, will involve **reconstructing their skulls** and covering the wounds with skin, Dr. Jim Thomas, chief of critical care at the hospital, said.

WASHINGTON — The pharmaceutical industry's trade group spent **\$8.5 million** in lobbying this year as it worked against a bill to allow importation of government-approved drugs.

The **Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America** spent the money lobbying Congress and federal agencies in the first half of this year, the most the group has ever spent in a reporting period, according to federal reports reviewed by The Associated Press. Lobbying totals cover expenses such as salaries and mailings but not **campaign contributions**.

Despite the group's effort, the House passed the importation plan in July as part of legislation to provide a **Medicare prescription drug benefit**. The Senate passed a watered-down version of the importation proposal, and congressional negotiators are trying to reconcile the differences.

WILKES-BARRE, Pa. — An inmate who **escaped** down a 60-foot long **rope of bedsheets** removed a seventh-floor jail window without the aid of any tools, the warden said Sunday.

Hugo Selenski, suspected in the murders of five people found buried in his yard, escaped Friday by climbing down a rope assembled from 12 prison-issue bedsheets, Luzerne County Correctional Facility Warden Gene P. Fisch said. Selenski **remained at large** Sunday.

— Associated Press

World Roundup

BAKU, Azerbaijan — Tens of thousands of people, many perched on surrounding rooftops, packed a square in the Azerbaijani capital Sunday, hoping to **prevent President Geidar Aliev's son** from succeeding his father in elections this week.

It was **one of the largest opposition rallies** in the former Soviet republic in a decade, involving **50,000 people** who waved flags and punched the air with their fists.

PUTRAJAYA, Malaysia — Delegates to the **world's largest gathering of Islamic nations** said Sunday that they expect to adopt a resolution welcoming the U.S.-appointed **Iraqi Governing Council** but will also call for Iraq's return to full independence and control over its oil. If approved, the **resolution** would give another layer of legitimacy to the Iraqi body.

The gathering of the 57 countries in the **Islamic Conference**, the world's biggest Muslim political grouping, is its first regular summit since the Sept. 11 attacks brought terrorism to the center of world politics.

DAMASCUS, Syria — Syria has the right to defend itself "in all available ways" if Israel attacks it again, a **Syrian Foreign Ministry** spokeswoman said Saturday, adding that relations with the United States are at their lowest point in years.

The comment came at the first news conference since **Israeli warplanes** bombed a camp outside Damascus nearly a week ago. Israel says it was a training camp for the Palestinian militant group **Islamic Jihad**, which had claimed responsibility for a suicide attack in Israel the day before that **killed 20 Israelis**.

BEIJING — Promising **economic and political change**, China's new leaders opened a meeting Saturday to debate reforms that will move the country closer to **capitalism**, including the first-ever guarantee of private property under communist rule.

President Hu Jintao and communist party leaders at the four-day meeting were also expected to consider a more **stable legal system** and measures to **encourage private investment**, diplomats and foreign analysts said.

— Associated Press

College Roundup

NEW YORK — A whistleblowing **veterinarian** has entangled Columbia University's prestigious medical center in a protracted dispute after alleging that baboons and other **lab animals** suffered from **cruel or negligent** treatment.

A year after veterinarian **Catherine Dell'Orto** complained to senior medical center officials, the case remains very much alive. It is the subject of investigations by two federal agencies, and animal-rights activists are seeking **punitive action** against the medical center.

Dell'Orto has left the university, contending she was **shunned** after speaking up. She continues to press her cause.

AUSTIN, Texas — Cases of plagiarism at the **University of Texas** have been rising in recent years, but UT officials say that's not because of an increase in campus cheats: instructors have had an easier time **catching plagiarists** with the **help of technology**.

The same resources students use to plagiarize serve as **effective tools** for administrators in detection. Roger Hart, an assistant professor of history, discovered a student plagiarizing simply by running a **search on Google**.

— Wire services

THIS WEEK IN ASI EVENTS

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UU GALLERY

The UU Gallery is looking for any type of artwork centered around the Central Coast for a show Oct. 27-Nov. 28. Contact Natalie Mathews at 756-6119 or uugallery@asi.calpoly.edu for submissions.

WE THE PLANET

This tour of activism, discussion and music will feature Julia Butterfly Hill, Alicia Silverstone and Renee Underkoffler. The event is Sunday, Nov. 9 at 7 p.m. in the Rec Center. Tickets available at the Mustang Ticket Office and Vallitix outlets. Cal Poly students/FREE, General Admission/\$9.50. Cal Poly students must pick up free ticket to attend.

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25 to 35? We wish we had the time

They lurk around every corner, stalking your every move. High, low, even in the bathroom, they're waiting for you. They invade your dreams and revel in your nightmares.

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They read "STUDY 25 to 35 HOURS/WEEK."

They are, simply, the bane of our collective existence.

Trust us, when we close our eyes at night, the customary blackness no longer appears. Instead, we visualize a sea of yellow, a constant reminder of what tremendous slackers we have become. Honestly, they are causing us to have uncontrollable bouts of insomnia and cold sweats.

This monster we refer to is officially known as the "25 to 35 program," a campaign instituted by College of Science and Math Dean Philip Bailey.

About a year ago, Dean Bailey implemented this plan in hopes of raising the GPAs of science and math students. With the help of the college's faculty, Bailey was able to get the word out that every student should study two hours a week for each unit of class they are taking. The 25 to 35 program proved successful. Fewer students found themselves on academic probation and more moved their way onto the dean's list.

Now, Dean Bailey and Co. are parlaying the program into a university-wide operation to kick our non-studying butts into high gear.

We commend Dean Bailey for having such resounding success. He was able to make his brain-child a reality and use a hands-on approach to deliver results. It is something that everyone on campus should look to with admiration.

Unfortunately, it will not work with every college student.

Take us, for example. We know we should study, and we really try. But what this issue comes down to is not motivation (or lack thereof). Instead, it is the one precious commodity of which we always want more. No, it's not money, or oil or Slurpees.

It is time.

Dean Bailey has been mostly catering the campaign toward freshmen. As any upper-class student will tell you, once you move out of the dorms and continue with school, commitments pile up. Work. Relationships. Extra-curricular activities like volunteering. Calling your parents for money. Watching "The Bachelor." Downtown. With everything on a student's plate, it is hard to fit in 2 to 3 hours of studying a week, let alone 25 to 35.

We'll tell you what: Throw us an extra day in the week, and we might be able to get all of that studying done. But that's pushing it.

Even with an extra day, we will probably have more stuff going on. Internships. The damn GWR. Happy hours. Senior projects. The Major League Baseball playoffs. Sleep.

There are those near-insane architecture students, though. They always make us look bad. Come on, spending nights in the lab, putting up tents and roasting marshmallows as sustenance? We'd rather watch reruns of "Saved by the Bell" on our couch at home.

What this all boils down to, though, is awareness. Dean Bailey has blinded us with those big yellow posters and banners, and if only a couple people take it to heart by putting down the beers and opening up the books (we've tried doing both at the same time—it isn't pretty), then he has succeeded.

Rumor has it that people have stolen some of the larger banners that Bailey put up to promote the campaign. Leave them alone people. He's trying. And so are we.

Steve Hill and Chrissy Roth are journalism seniors and Mustang Daily staff writers who just used an hour of those 25 to 35 to write this column. E-mail them proper methods of time management at QuitYerBitchinCP@yahoo.com.



Quit yer Bitchin'



Letters to the editor

Arnold was slandered by the media

Editor,

Normally I take pleasure in ripping into people's thoughts and ideas, but in this case I find myself trying to defend a person. And as if that wasn't bad enough, I'm going to be defending a world famous actor who can't even act. But in this instance, we have a common enemy that I grow weary of seeing slander.

I'm not a very smart person, so I wasn't sure how to convey my message. I will try to start with straight defense.

First, Arnold's admiration for Hitler. I only mention it because people like Annie Gibson ("Arnold's Hitler comments inappropriate" Oct. 8) seem to have bought into it, so there must be others. Arnold said he admired Hitler's speaking skills. So? Was Hitler not a great speaker? If there is one thing that I learned about Hitler when studying him, it is that he was a great speaker. One of the best I have ever heard. He had an ability to convey emotion, rouse a crowd and draw people in. Body movements, haircuts (that purposely go disheveled during speeches of great emotion), mustaches and a powerful voice, all working together. He was well practiced and I can safely say that it was his greatest skill. He was capable of rousing normal people like you and I to do terrible things. That is a brilliant speaker. So yes, even Hitler has an admirable quality. When people deny facts like these and only see him as a monster, they become more susceptible to the next great speaker.

I don't care about Arnold so much as I have a distaste for the constant slander produced by the media. What is worse is how well people take to it. Our politicians are scrutinized so regularly that they are losing human qualities. We hold them to standards that essentially separate them from us. In today's world, the only way to endure the politics is to deny your past and yourself or to actually become that unrounded, unbalanced individual. These people don't make great leaders, they just look good in print. We need to start looking past all these trivial matters or at least be rational enough to know when something is important and when its just media hype. We live in a world where the media is conglomerated and sensationalized. Big stories are often only big stories because every station and newspaper says so. They admittedly conspire to produce a story where one did not exist before. No big whoop, it's a capitalist economy and that makes money. When people buy into it, no big whoop, we're only human. But the system only works if we let it.

Morgan Elam is a general engineering senior.

Arnold finds the good in people

Editor,

This is in response to Annie Gibson's letter "Arnold's Hitler comments inappropriate" (Oct. 8). I find it commendable that someone can find something to admire in even one of the vilest of human beings. You say "...[Schwarzenegger] didn't approve of what Hitler did, just his strengths as a speaker and leader. But why would you admire Hitler's speech and leadership when there were so many other good leaders available?"

That's just the point.

Despite Hitler's long list of human atrocities, there is still something in that man that the average person can say, "damn, he was a great orator" (but better at killing people). Who cares if he had 11 million people killed?

That's not Arnold's point. His point is that there is good and bad in everyone, whoever they are.

There is something that everyone must recognize about leaders who come from humble beginnings to achieve greatness. Hitler lost his mother when he was young, his father rejected him and died not long after his wife and he was destitute early in life. He went to jail, served his time and then started an empire that was to last a thousand years. I mean, seriously, that's ambition and it took someone with a rare strong will to attempt to achieve it. How many people in our time commit suicide

or stay homeless their whole lives because they grew up in situations similar to Hitler?

Mark Roberts is an earth sciences sophomore.

Tired of hearing the word 'stupid'

Editor,

Students of America who think so highly of educating themselves: I have something to say to some of you.

I'm tired of hearing the word "stupid."

I hear it everywhere. For example: It's stupid that we have to do this stupid project.

Since we are all here for some good education, why don't we concentrate on learning and thinking of something smart? Shall we think less of what is stupid in our definition, and more on what our experienced instructors are trying to get us smart about? Yes, let's learn by doing. In this case, thinking.

Paolo Sanguaneko is an environmental horticultural science major.

Recall shows a lack of democracy

Editor,

I would like to thank all the people who voted for Arnold Schwarzenegger on Tuesday because I finally got a chance to see the kind of "democracy" that killed Socrates. Plus, I'm glad we got rid of Gray Davis (his real name wasn't even Gray, it was Joseph Graham Davis. See, he lied about everything!) Anyway, Gray Davis was such a problem for California. It's his fault Enron was ripping people off. It's his fault we were attacked on Sept. 11, causing a recession. It's his fault we went to war in Afghanistan and then in Iraq. Also, it's his fault the national debt is 6.8 trillion.

Damn you Davis!

Hopefully, Arnold will turn things around. His first step as governor should be to start filming "T4: Hasta La Vista Davis." It can focus on Davis' secret plan to take over the country because he is an alien from outer space. And as usual, Arnold will be the hero who discovers Davis' lies. Also, there should be a scene where Arnold decapitates Davis. Not only will it be a great movie, but the profits can be used to balance our budget!

Finally, I want Arnold to do two things while he is "Governator." Admit he doesn't know how a bill becomes a law and admit he's a Democrat. Well, congratulations everyone. Florida is no longer the laughing stock of the country!

Joshua Kob is a political science junior who started lifting weights yesterday. Be ready, King Kob in 2018!

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SUPPORT NETWORK

A new spin on grievance counseling

• UC Davis starts Pet Loss Support Hotline to help mourning pet owners

By Lauren Johnson
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

The grieving process following the death of a loved one is different for everyone. Support groups and counseling can help people cope with their loss. But where does one turn when grieving the death of a four-legged friend?

Quick Facts

UCD Pet Support Hotline created in 1989.

The hotline is **run by veterinary medicine students**

Hours of operation: Monday through Friday, 6:30 to 9 p.m.

Telephone number: (800) 565-1526

The University of California at Davis helps people from around the country cope with the deaths of beloved pets. In 1989, UCD created the Pet Loss Support Hotline, the first of its kind in terms of animal grievance counseling. Five nights a week the hotline helps those in

need, one grieving pet owner at a time. "This is a free service that helps them learn about the legitimacy of the loss and all the

associated painful feelings," said Bonnie Mader, the hotline's developer.

The hotline is staffed by veterinary medicine students who are trained by Mader to help people during extremely traumatic periods in their lives. She said she believes this is training in life skills.

"This experience specifically addresses communication skills involving emotionally difficult times for the client, so when they (the students) become veterinarians they will have more confidence in this type of interaction," Mader said.

Cal Poly animal and veterinary science professor Jymie Noland said the hotline is great training for veterinary students because it teaches them to deal with situations they will experience in the real world.

But their service does not end once the phone call is over. Handwritten follow-up letters with helpful advice is sent out to each and every caller.

Mader says this continued service is important because many people think there is something wrong with them for feeling devastated about the loss of a pet. People continue to grieve after they get off the phone, so this extra information helps with the coping process.

"We help people give themselves permission to feel whatever it is they need to feel to help them with their loss," Mader said.

The hotline is invaluable to many of its callers because pets are so often part of the family.

"I think (the hotline) is especially important for single individuals who lose their pets because that's comparable to losing a close friend or family member," said social science

senior Michaela Biaggi.

Although a phone conversation about death may sound impersonal, UCD veterinary medicine junior Charlotte Burns works for the hotline and said quite the

opposite is true.

"The benefits that I see, on a basic level, is that you get more comfortable speaking about death and you're able to get into really deep conversations with people," Burns said. "You can get pretty personal pretty quickly."

Mader said sometimes these phone calls affect her own students on a personal level.

"I'm there for the students when they are dealing with their own reactions to these calls," Mader said.

And if the students are ever feeling like they aren't making a difference, Mader has binders full of beautiful cards received from thousands of callers thanking them for their help.

Many callers also send donations, for which Mader is thankful because it is through

"This experience specifically addresses skills involving emotionally difficult times for the client, so when (students) become veterinarians they will have more confidence in this type of interaction."

Bonnie Mader
Pet Loss Support Hotline developer

monetary contributions that the hotline is able to stay in service.

Mader and her students raise all of the money needed to keep them in business.

The hotline has received national recognition by appearing in "Dear Abby," the New York Times and Los Angeles Times, as well as appearing on nationally syndicated television and radio news programs.

As for whether the Cal Poly animal science department would ever consider starting a hotline, Noland said it's "not outside the realm of possibility. It's just a matter of getting organized and trained."

But Noland said not all animal science students want to become veterinarians, so working for a pet loss support hotline would not be as beneficial to their future careers as it is for veterinary students.

The Pet Loss Support Hotline is open Monday through Friday from 6:30 to 9 p.m.

IN REVIEW

New Static-X delivery adheres to old formula

By Zach Lee
THE DAILY COUGAR (UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON)

HOUSTON — There's a certain beauty in musical genres like emo and nu-metal. That beauty can be found in the fact that any band can make music that keeps fans happy without having to take any substantial artistic risks. Static-X proves the nu-metal half of that equation with its new release, "Shadow Zone."

Sure, frontman Wayne Static and guitarist Tripp Rex Eisen play guitar just like every other band in the genre. Sure, the primal growls that bassist Tony Campos supplies are far from the first of their kind, and Nick Oshiro's drums hardly reach beyond the standard — Josh Freese actually performs all the drums on the album. But from the first seconds of "Destroy All" to the last notes of "Invincible," listeners are assaulted with hard and heavy sounds from all sides.

Strangely enough, "Destroy All" and "The Only," the two songs advertised with a sticker on the front of the CD, actually are the best songs. Those two songs, along with the title track, are the best examples of the band's weak stab at originality — frontman Static contributes "programming" and keyboards. The techno flavor is a nice touch, but it's not enough for the band to seriously claim it holds a distinct place in the world of today's music.

"Monster" brings the fast-paced album to a frenzied climax halfway through the song list, but the band chooses a slower-but-harder approach for "The Only" and "Kill Your Idols."

The lyrics may not be too philosophical, but in songs like "Control It," they serve a purpose, as their simple syllables set the tempo for the song.

Throughout the CD, one of the elements that stands out is the presence of Campos' guttural screams in the background. His unintelligible snarls aren't the first to grace an album with heavy guitars, but they do add a harder element that Static's usually pleasant voice simply can't provide.




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COSAM

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such as a new FT NMR machine, which is like an MRI but for organic compounds, and an electron-tunneling microscope.

"Not knowing how to use an NMR, as a chemistry student, is like being an animal science student and not knowing the difference between a horse and a cow," said biochemistry senior Kristen Stivers.

The mathematics department used the fees on student research, student and faculty travel to professional meetings, assigned time for probationary faculty development, visitors for undergraduate discussions and remodeling the Math Student Center.

The physics department recently purchased an H-Bar computer for use in physics labs, funded student research, travel and senior projects, hired six new faculty members and upgraded its quantum, optics and electronics labs.

The statistics department spent a majority of its college-based fee money on faculty development, new publication subscriptions, student travel, guest speakers, open studio hours and new class sections.

In the kinesiology department, student-based fees went toward the hiring of a new laboratory technician, student and faculty travel, audio video resources including a computer-video system, and extensive equipment for exercise physiology laboratories. The department also purchased an Ariel Computerized Exercise System for biomechanics that measures performance, as well as a kayak trailer and equalizer for Adapted Physical Education students that will help ensure more field trips to Morro Bay.

The chemistry and biochemistry department took initiative to upgrade the instruments, many of which Cal Poly has never had in its laboratories. This equipment includes an Anasazi FT NMR upgrade, a new infrared spectrometer and a vacuum atmosphere glove box.

"Prior to the purchase of this glove box, we simply could not do reactions which required moisture and oxygen levels this low," Maxwell said.

As a subtle reminder of where students' money went, Maxwell has added placards around the new equipment bought with the fees.

Non-equipment purchases include updating a computer lab, student and faculty development and research and texts for the reserve room in

Kennedy Library.

Now that the college has more money despite the California budget crisis, it can resume spending on equipment that hadn't been updated in over a decade.

Microbiology and chemistry senior Sarah Strickler is just one of many students enrolled in the COSAM who has used the outdated equipment in a laboratory and seen its demise.

"In my electron microscopy class an electron microscope broke in the middle of the quarter. There wasn't any money to fix and replace it," she said.

Strickler said she witnessed firsthand the doubling and tripling up of students to use the equipment, a common occurrence in labs.

"I learned the theory but we couldn't use the microscope," she said. "It would be nice to have state-of-the-art equipment so we could, in turn, learn state-of-the-art methods."

With more equipment, faculty can spend less time showing and more time allowing the students to perform laboratory work hands-on.

"Fewer simulations add intellectually to the lab experience," Bailey said.

The number of students who undertook summer research projects increased dramatically due to college

based fees.

"It's a great way to put the money directly back into students' hands," said Derek Gragson, a chemistry professor who aided in undergraduate student research this summer.

While not all COSAM students who undertook summer research projects were paid by college based fees, overall turnout increased, Gragson said.

One of the goals of student-based fees is to help develop student-faculty research groups doing more long term projects, Bailey said.

In a technical college like COSAM where the use of modern technological equipment is part of the curriculum, the fees improved the student's academic experience.

"We've always been hands on at Cal Poly," Bailey added, "It's the value of the hands on experience that has been in jeopardy," he said.

Student and faculty travel, will aid in student and faculty professional development.

Because Cal Poly isn't a research institution, faculty is urged to remain current in their fields.

"With the budget cuts, it's been hard to hire," he said.

Prior to the adoption of college-based fees, student and faculty travel was limited to money provided by the

state and alumni donations, Bailey said.

Students can present their research in an external, national environment, in professional society meetings, poster sessions, and exhibitions—many of which help students to locate jobs.

"It's helpful in a budget crisis," Bailey said.

Still, not all colleges will receive the same proportion of the fees, and some colleges will receive more money than they generate.

The Physics department, for example, is relatively small in size but expensive in nature, Bailey said.

Maxwell is just one of many department chairs within the COSAM who said he is thrilled about the new additions and opportunities made available by the fees.

"It's really not a fair time to judge to effectiveness of college based fees,"

Bailey added, "considering the budget."

Still, students may have to wait to observe the obvious effects of college-based fees.

Perhaps the enthusiasm felt by students and faculty in the COSAM can be summed up in the words of an eager chemistry professor.

"We're gung-ho about it," Maxwell said.

OIL REPORT

Gas price decline may end

CAMARILLO (AP) — Retail gasoline prices continued to fall across the nation over the last two weeks, but may not continue to descend, according to a national industry report Sunday.

The Lundberg Survey of gas prices for the two weeks ending Oct. 10 found the weighted average retail gasoline price for all grades fell nearly four cents per gallon to \$1.61. That's down 3.85 cents per gallon since Lundberg's Sept. 26 survey and continues recent price declines.

But a key indicator for retail gas prices rose during the same period, signaling that the recent declines may be over.

During the same two-week period, crude oil futures on the New York Mercantile Exchange gained the equivalent of 9 cents a gallon, closing at \$31.97.

The rise was fueled by trader speculation that OPEC's decision to cut production by 900,000 barrels per day may coincide with a slightly colder winter than normal, which would boost demand and prices for home heating oil.

Crude prices are an important element in gasoline prices. If crude prices remain near \$32 per barrel, near-term gasoline prices would cease falling and perhaps rise modestly, according to analyst Trilby Lundberg.

As of Friday, self-serve regular gasoline showed an average weighted price of \$1.57 a gallon, with midgrade at \$1.67 and premium at \$1.76. All of the prices include taxes.



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Penalty kick bites Bulldogs

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF REPORT

Mark Jones converted a penalty kick at 70:04 that made the difference Sunday as Cal Poly defeated Gonzaga University 1-0 in a non-conference men's soccer match at Martin Field in Spokane, Wash.

It was the forward/defenseman's second goal of the season, giving him five points, second-best for the Mustangs.

It was the second-consecutive win for the Mustangs and extended their unbeaten streak to three games. The Mustangs are 2-0-1 in that stretch; they beat Cal St. Fullerton and tied San Jose State during that time.

Jones got his chance when Gonzaga freshman keeper Kris Wright came out for a ball and took down a Cal Poly player without touching the ball. Jones beat Wright low and to the keeper's right on the penalty kick.

The Gonzaga Bulldogs thought they had taken an early lead when Kari Aranson's apparent goal on a header off a Scott Yuska free kick was disallowed on an offside call less than a minute into the match.

"It was close," Gonzaga head coach Einar Thorarinnsson said of the offside.

Both teams had excellent scoring opportunities near the 10-minute mark of the first half. Aranson had a shot from eight yards sail high over the net and the Mustangs' Ronnie Silva had a shot go wide left from 12 yards.

Forward/defenseman Brian Reed came close to giving the Mustangs a 2-0 lead when he had a breakaway and Wright came out to meet the shot, getting his left hand on the ball to thwart the goal in the 78th minute. Gonzaga also had a chance to tie in the 86th minute when John Reha's soft shot was knocked out of harm's way by a Cal Poly defender.

Wright had three saves in the match while Cal Poly's Greg Blevins had just one save. Cal Poly held a 13-4 shots advantage.

There were several stoppages of play throughout the match, including eight for yellow cards, five against the Bulldogs. Gonzaga was called for 18 fouls. Cal Poly had nine.

VOLLEYBALL

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score of the evening.

"I thought we had a good opportunity to win. I thought we were matched up well with Utah State," Schlick said. "I'm disappointed that we lost."

What appeared to be a surefire victory for the Cal Poly women's volleyball team ended as a sweat-dripping clincher Friday.

Two close wins by Idaho in games three and four made the Mustangs, who had won the two opening games, start to sweat the match. They were forced to fight through five games to beat Idaho 30-27, 30-20, 27-30, 26-30 and 15-6 in the Big West Conference match.

"They made some pretty good adjustments," head coach Steve Schlick said. "They rotated their lineups so we had a little bit different matchups in game three and game four which created some prob-

lems for us."

Line-up rotations coupled with missed serves were the reasons for the two-game mishap, Schlick said.

Game one was an oscillating battle with numerous tie-up points.

Cal Poly's freshman outside hitter Emily Doris began game one with a strong serve, but Idaho was the first to score with a tip from the Vandals' senior Anna-Marie Hammond, who quickly became a thorn in the Mustangs' side. Hammond finished the match with 22 kills, nearly twice as many as anyone on either team.

The Vandals gained their largest lead beginning with a volley-breaking tip from Idaho's Kati Tikker. The score reached its largest separation with a "Hammond kill," making it 17-21. Cal Poly finally broke into the lead after an Idaho miscommunication and one of only three team aces from Cal Poly sophomore outside hitter Kayla Mulder. With a struggle at game point, the Mustangs avoided a kill and a tip, called a time-out and triumphed 30-27.

Confidence mounted as Cal Poly surged ahead in game two with a three-point rally up front. The Mustangs kept Idaho at bay throughout the entire game, despite several attempts to creep ahead with kills and blocks by Hammond.

"I think we came in this match really confident and we played well for the first couple of games. The next few games we lost a little confidence but we came back and definitely played how we wanted to play," said senior Captain Molly Duncan.

A five-point rally for the Mustangs in game three excited the 454 fans and it looked like a sure win. Then a fumbled serve and a decisive kill put Idaho back in the game, causing Schlick to call a time-out at 26-26. Two out-of-bounds spikes, an out-of-bounds serve and one Vandal kill later, the game concluded with a three-point lead for Idaho.

"We took some swings to try to terminate and had some errors," Schlick said of the repeated spike-outs and missed serves.

Renewed energy surged in game four as the Vandals battled their best game of the night with 21 kills, the most in one game for the entire match. With never more than a four-point lead and a tie at 22-22, the Vandals took the game.

After a 3-3 tie in game five, Cal Poly took the lead and never looked back, bagging another five-point rally that quickly ended the game.

"I'm glad we battled back in the last game and won," Duncan said.

Schlick said he was happy the team was able to stick together in game five and has made reinforcing the team's win a primary goal. While there are players that have larger roles than others, everyone plays their part in the team's success, he said.

"You stick together and you have more communication, you evaluate more efficiently and you just play harder," he said.

Defense was the name of the game for the Mustangs. They ended with 22 blocks over Idaho's 14, but the Mustangs had 61 kills overall to the Vandals 69.

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onds earlier, Gurney grabbed midfielder Heidi McQuitty's free kick and air-mailed in a 30-yard shot, that bounced up and over Titan goalie Laura Janke into the back of the net.

"I didn't even think it was going to go in at first," Gurney said. "It just slipped by the goalie."

Huge, elated cries of relief came from the crowd, as Gurney's teammates mobbed her.

"Of all the goals we scored, that was probably the least likely," Crozier said.

Fullerton's goal seemed as unlikely, as it was the Titans' only shot of the second period. Notoriously speedy Titan forward Wilson blew past Mustang defenders in the 18-yard box and ricocheted a ball off the left goal post, past a diving, unprotected Shirdon.

"We just had nobody behind our last line," Shirdon said.

For the most part, though, the Mustangs played well thereafter, tying the game then coming out aggressively in overtime, where they took five shots, while limiting the Titans to two.

"We wanted to put some focus on pressure and create chances," Crozier said. "We did that, we did a good job of that."

Cal Poly plays next Sunday,

traveling to Santa Barbara to challenge the Gauchos, the team the Mustangs beat to earn the Big West title last year. Between now and Sunday, the Mustangs have much to draw from based on yesterday's game, Crozier said.

"We have our lesson for the week," Crozier said.

It took the sound of sirens to see the tie broken at Mustang Stadium during Friday's women's soccer game.

Cal Poly and UC Riverside were scoreless in the 83rd minute when Highlander freshman forward Amber Plumlee collapsed on the sideline. Plumlee suffered a concussion after colliding with a Mustang forward going for a headball. A responsive Plumlee was taken by ambulance to Sierra Vista Hospital.

Cal Poly quickly executed following the end of the 20-minute delay for Plumlee's injury. After taking over 20 shots in the game, the Mustangs finally flashed the scoreboard at 88:26 with an assisted goal from 19 yards out by forward Heidi Spink.

It was a relieving win for the Mustangs, who earned their third Big West win by knocking off unranked Riverside (9-9-1 overall, 3-5 Big West).

"I think we earned it the whole way," said forward Kelsey Carroll,

who took two shots on goal. "We were dominating. I don't really know statistically how many shots we had, but we had a ton of shots. If we didn't win, I think it would've been really disappointing, because we thought we played a lot better than the other team."

Spink credited the late delay in the game for catalyzing the Mustangs.

"I think it actually pumped us up," Spink said. "At first it's kind of scary because you never know after a break like that. It can kind of go either way, but in fact, we had a good tempo going into it, so we just carried on from there."

Overall, Cal Poly took 26 shots, while allowing Riverside only seven. Fourteen Mustangs took shots, led by midfielder Katie Collins who fired off four.

The Mustangs repeatedly missed shots. In the first half alone, Cal Poly took 14 shots, including five on goal. They capped the period by failing to convert on a golden corner kick at 43:50 that sailed over the middle of the 18-yard box, past several Cal Poly forwards.

Coach Alex Crozier said the Mustangs' offensive problems lied in execution, not setup. Forward Sharon Day agreed.

"We had so many shots and if some of those would've been on frame, we would have had better chances, and we could have put those early shots in," she said.

FOOTBALL

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In the second half, Frye connected with Jason Montgomery on a 26-yard scoring pass in the third period and Jason Swiger kicked a 37-yard field goal on the first play of the final period.

Cal Poly sophomore quarterback John Mende, in his first career start, completed seven of 23 passes for 128 yards and a touchdown in three quarters of action. Redshirt freshman Brendon Anderson finished up for the Mustangs, completing one of six passes for 17 yards.

Junior slotback Darrell Jones caught four passes for the Mustangs while redshirt freshman Anthony Randolph caught two passes, including a 25-yard touchdown pass from Mende in the second quarter.

Cal Poly's other touchdown was a 12-yard run by Mende early in the second quarter.

The 45-points is the most Cal Poly has given up since the 2000 season when the Mustangs fell 63-28 to UC Davis.

Mustang junior slotback Geno Randle rushed for 86 yards on 10 carries, giving him his sixth straight game of at least 80 yards rushing.

Mustang junior linebacker Jordan Beck, a Buck Buchanan Award nominee, had 16 tackles against Akron, including 10 solo stops.

Cal Poly (3-3), suffered its third-straight road loss after getting off to a 3-0 start. Its remaining five games of the regular season are in California, including four home games.

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Cal Poly Soccer

Double the frustration

► Fullerton's keep-away strategy causes double-OT game to end in tie

By Graham Womack
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

The Cal St. Fullerton Titans' strategy against Cal Poly became clear in the final minute of play in yesterday's 1-1 tie at Mustang Stadium — finish the game.

Deadlocked with 0:20 left in the second and final overtime, the Titans faced a free kick 30-yards from the Mustangs' goal. Instead of pushing furiously for a goal, though, Titan defender Marlene Sandoval loafed to the ball, pausing to set up and ultimately taking the clock down to 0:09 before finally kicking.

It capped a maddening day for Cal Poly, 12-1-1, 3-0-1 in Big West play. The Mustangs could not counter the Titans contain-

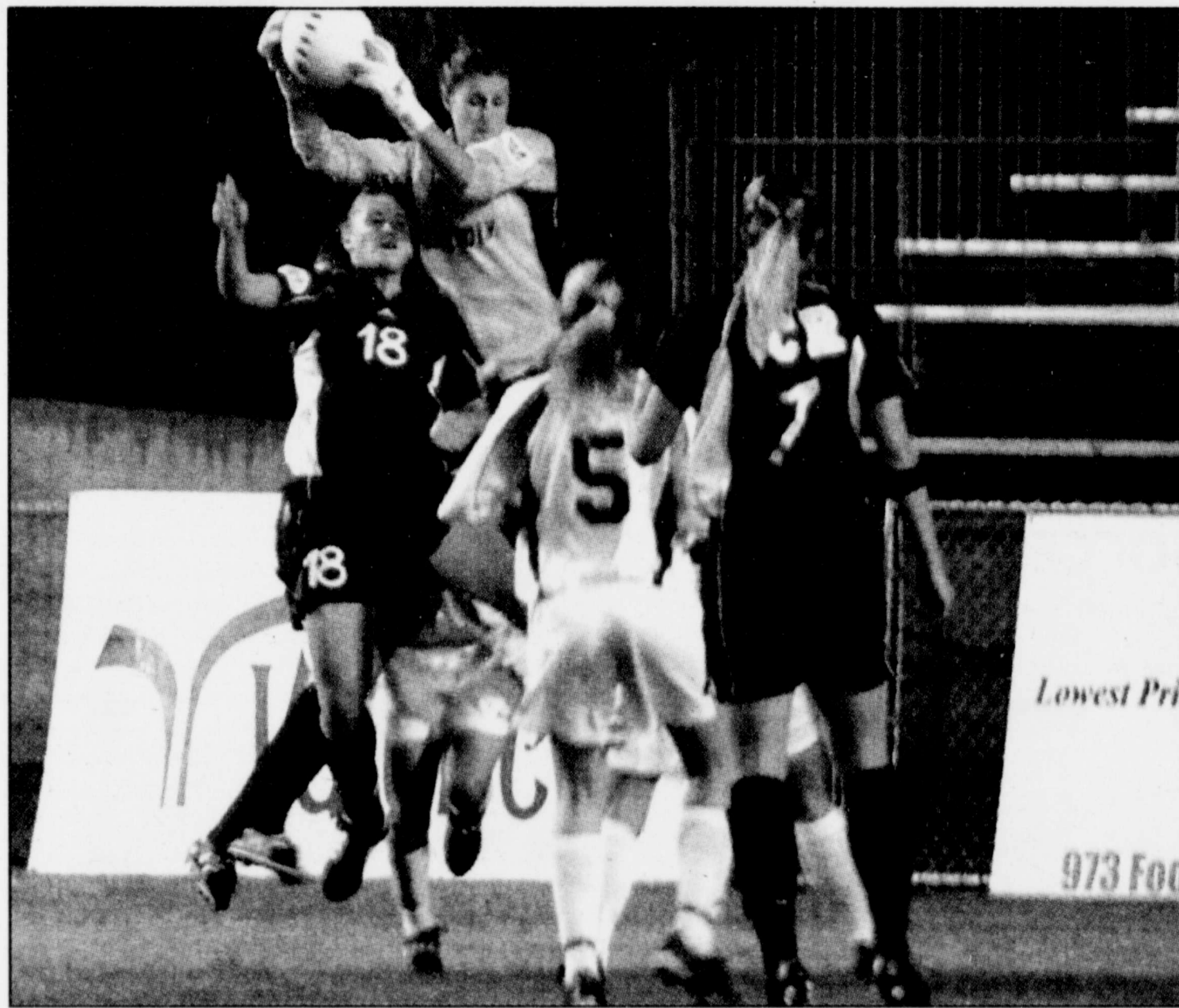
► Team was 1-0-1 this weekend in conference.

► Poly tops Utah State for first place in BWC. Throughout, Fullerton (6-5-2, 0-2-1 BWC) played keep-away throughout.

"It was frustrating," forward Sharon Day said. "We wanted to win, and they were trying to slow the game down."

Cal Poly players especially fumed after having rallied to even the score. Down 1-0 due to Titan forward Kandace Wilson's break-away goal in the 68th minute, the Mustangs overcame physical Fullerton play to make it 1-1 at 76:46 on a 30-yarder by Megan Gurney.

"At least we came back from behind," goalie Greta Shirdon



Goalie Liz Hills rose above the competition as she got her sixth shutout Friday against UC Riverside.

said. "It's a tie. I mean, the other team seemed to be playing for the tie. They didn't seem like they wanted to win. They just kept letting the time run. They were trying to delay the game. That's just pathetic. Every team should be playing for the win. What's the point of a tie?"

Fullerton coach Ali Khosroshahin said his players were tired, coming off a tough game Friday. The Titans battled the

13th-ranked Santa Clara Broncos to a 2-2 tie in Fullerton.

"We spent quite a bit of energy on Friday night," Khosroshahin said. "Our legs were shaky."

Cal Poly couldn't break any weary legs, though, and faltered on many levels.

The Mustangs had the same difficulties with execution as in Friday's 1-0 win over the UC Riverside Highlanders. After putting up 27 shots Friday, Cal

Poly managed 23 yesterday, getting several looks on goal and sailing several balls out-of-bounds.

"It was just a game of missed opportunities," Crozier said. "I thought we played pretty well. It was a little flat, it was hot, it was difficult for our players to play and stay as fresh as we were Friday night."

Gurney's goal presented a bright spot. Having been fouled 20 sec-

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Going south in the Big West

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The Utah State Aggies cut short Saturday's match against Cal Poly by sweeping three straight games from the Mustangs.

Utah State (10-7 overall, 3-4 Big West) scored first in game one, foreshadowing events to come. Cal Poly had a five-point rally and kept the score close, then pulled ahead with an ace, a kill and a fumbled return from Utah State.

► Poly is 10-8 overall, 2-5 in the Big West.

► The Mustangs is seventh in the Big West. The Aggies fought back to tie up the game at 27-

27, though.

Cal Poly was expecting the usual bump, set, hit combo, but the Aggies skipped the formula and instead used a stunning set morph, propelling the ball over the net sooner than the Mustangs anticipated. The ball plunged dead center in the court, without a player able to dig, tying the game 28-28. With two more victorious kills, the

game was over at 30-32.

"There is a sense of urgency but not a sense of depression," freshman outside hitter Emily Doris said, summing up the team's mood after the game.

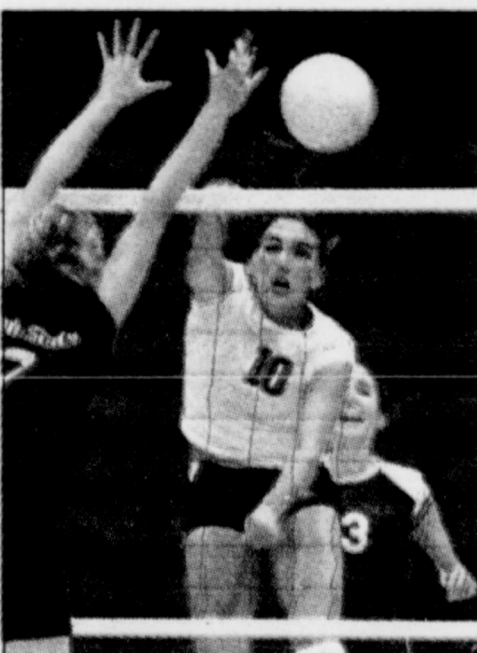
The Mustangs led again in game two, accruing a nine-point lead at one time, but little by little their lead dwindled again.

Cal Poly never came back after Utah State took the lead, and the game ended 27-30.

"I don't feel the pressure, I'm just thinking this is not cool," Doris said. "You have to be thinking positively and knowing that you can win."

She said after losing the first two games, she and her teammates did not become anxious, but just tried to play as best as they could.

Game three began with a Mustang service error followed by a kill. Although Utah State failed to make use of a spike opportunity early on, they followed with a series of kills and blocks. Utah State's Zuzana Cernianska had a total of 19 kills in the match, nearly half of her team's 55. Cal Poly's highest was Vanessa Gilliam's 12, con-



Molly Duncan spikes a ball in the Mustangs' loss to Utah State.

tributing to the team's 41 overall.

The game was hindered by Cal Poly's numerous service errors.

"Our weaknesses boil down to inconsistency in play," head coach Steve Schlick said.

After a long combat, the game ended at 24-30, the lowest game

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Poly football unzips

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF REPORT

The Cal Poly Mustang football team could not knock off its second I-A opponent of 2003, losing to the Akron Zips by a score of 45-14.

Junior quarterback Charlie Frye passed for 195 yards and four touchdowns to lead Division I-A Akron to a 45-14 victory over Division I-AA Cal Poly in a non-conference football game Saturday night at the Rubber Bowl.

Frye completed 12 of 19 passes, including touchdown connections to Nick Sparks of three yards, Dennis Basch of 12 yards and Matt Cherry of 20 yards, all in the first half.

Cherry also returned a Cal Poly punt 76 yards for an Akron touchdown late in the second quarter, snapping a 14-14 tie and igniting a 28-point outburst in the second period for the Zips.

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SCORES

#19 W Soccer VS. Cal St. Fullerton
Heidi McQuitty (MF) — Second goal of season

M Soccer @ Gonzaga
Mark Jones (F) — Game-winning goal

#23 Football @ Akron
John Mende (QB) — 7-23, 128 yards (first career)

Volleyball VS. Utah State
Vanessa Gilliam (OH) — 12 kills

Volleyball VS. Idaho
Molly Duncan, Kayla Mulder — 13 kills each

#19 W Soccer VS. UC Riverside
Heidi Spink (MF) — Game-winning goal (89th)

Schedule

M Soccer @ Cal St. Fullerton
weds., oct. 15, 7 p.m.

Volleyball @ Long Beach St.
fri., oct. 17, 7:30 p.m.

#23 Football VS. St. Mary's
sat., oct. 18, 7 p.m.

Volleyball @ UCI
sat., oct. 18, 7 p.m.

Cross Country VS. Cal Poly Invit.
sat., oct. 18, 9 a.m.

Men's Tennis VS. Avila Bch Pro-Am
sat., oct. 18, all day

#19 W Soccer @ UCSB
sun., oct. 19, 7 p.m.

M Soccer VS. UCI
sun., oct. 19, 4 p.m.

M Soccer VS. UCSB
weds., oct. 22, 7 p.m.

Stats

By the numbers

Infinity

The Mustang Daily needs freelancers to cover Cal Poly sporting events and other sports stories. If interested, contact sports editor Sean Martin at 756-1796, e-mail him at mustangdailysports@yahoo.com or stop by the Mustang Daily in Building 26.

Trivia

Monday's question

Who holds the NFL record for longest field goal?

Send answers to: spmartin@calpoly.edu

Friday's Question

What state is Akron in?
Ohio

Congrats to Jason Shaw, Michael "John" Holmes, David Stychno, Ben "Full" Nelson, James Dollahite and Megan "I Got it Bad" Usher!

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