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Hip-hop talk on campus

• International journalist to speak on the music genre's cultural implications

By Kimberly Masculine

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Cristina Veran, an international journalist, has documented global cultural phenomena and socio-political movements. As a United Nations correspondent, she has covered issues

important to the world's indigenous peoples.

She has been a panelist and interviewer for the United Nations' television program "World

Chronicle" and will be coming to Cal Poly on Wednesday at 7 p.m.

Her talk on "Aboriginal Flavor: Indigenous hip-hop across the globe" will take place in the Sierra Madre residence hall main lounge. This event is free for Cal Poly students.

Veran has documented the hip-hop culture from its Bronx beginnings. As a longtime New Yorker, she was a part of hip-hop arts collectives TC5 and Rock Steady Crew.

Her written histories of female rap artists of the 1970s and the evolution of hip-hop dance forms have appeared in the books "Hip-Hop Divas" and "Vibe History of Hip-Hop." Her articles have appeared in a wide range of publications, including Vibe Magazine and Ms. Magazine.

Veran's discussion was purposely scheduled during Indigenous Peoples Awareness month, which is promoted by the Multicultural Center.

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Horse's tail targeted



UNUSUAL CRIME

Only the six horses of the Cal Poly Equestrian Team witnessed the crime that took place on the night of Oct. 18 at the rodeo unit.

It wasn't until the next morning that the team saw the results of the vandalism.

"When we heard the news we went out to the stables," said Lauren Schaefer, president of the equestrian team. "We were in shock after seeing what had happened."

What they saw was a crime that they had never seen or heard of before. In front of them stood Hank, a Chestnut Gelding Thoroughbred, who had been the victim of the unusual crime. Although the horse had not been harmed in any way, it was obvious that it had been the vandal's main target.

Hank's tail had been cut. The mixture of orange and brown hair that once hung close to the ground was now nothing more than a chopped up stub.

"Its tail was cut pretty short," Schaefer said. "More than half of it was gone."

In fact, more than two feet was missing, and mem-

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Nathan Caswell

bers of the team were not pleased.

"I thought it was cruel," said Renae Beggs, a member of the equestrian team. "Hank is one of the horses that we use everyday for practice, and it looks really bad riding a horse without much of a tail."

Although Hank may look funny, his missing tail will not harm him or affect his performance.

"The only thing they use tails for is to swat the flies," said Laura Dietz, team manager and journalism senior. "It's more for looks, and it won't really affect the horse. Yet it will take a long time for the tail to grow back."

Members of the team still wonder why anyone would commit such a crime. Dietz, who was the first to notice Hank's missing tail, said the team has gone through many possible answers to that question, and they still have many theories.

"At first I thought it was a member of the team who didn't know any better," Dietz said. "After no one confessed, we considered the possibility of another horse

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LESLIE BURTON/MUSTANG DAILY

Students, faculty and staff can pick up gift tags from the Christmas tree in the SCS office.

Gift drive benefits children

By Amanda Hippe

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

With the hustle and bustle of the holiday season, many people forget what it feels like to give and receive.

This holiday season Student Community Services is once again encouraging Cal Poly students, staff and faculty to participate in a gift drive to benefit children who are part of local organizations.

SCS is partnering up with ENRICH, Residents in the Community

Helping, to collect \$10 to \$25 gifts for children who are involved in Family Care Network, Housing Authority of SLO, Big Brother/Big Sister of SLO and San Luis Obispo

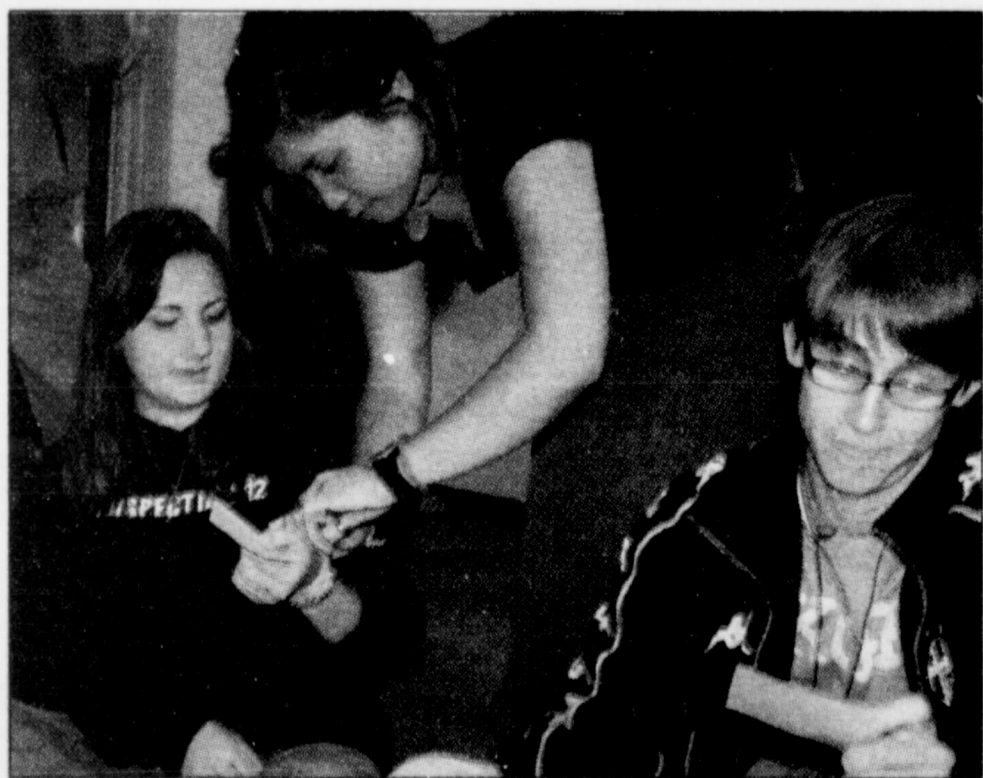
"We encourage anyone to come and pick up the tags at anytime throughout the drive as long as the wrapped gifts are in by deadline"

Charlene Rosales

SCS program assistant

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SEE THE NEED



Food for thought

Social science senior Chanty An ties a hunger awareness band on nutrition junior Meagen Carroll, while graphic design junior Leonard Bessemer reads his social class description. The banquet, hosted in Veranda Café, created a visual statement about food distribution among social classes. Participants were assigned a social class and received types and proportions of food based on their status.

MATT WECHTER/MUSTANG DAILY

PREVENTION

Colleges focus on suicide

By Steve Giegerich

ASSOCIATED PRESS

Devastated by their son's suicide during his sophomore year in college, Donna and Phillip Satow channeled their grief into reaching other students who have contemplated taking their own lives.

Now, three years later, the Jed Foundation is working with 120 colleges and universities around the country, providing resources that include Utlifeline, a free Web site linking students to mental health centers and confidential help.

It's one sign, some experts say, that colleges are becoming more attuned to

the issue — even if it's just one step.

"A Web site doesn't solve the problem," said Donna Satow, whose son, Jed Satow, was at the University of Arizona when he died in 1998. "But it might help one or two kids."

Second only to automobile accidents, suicide is the leading killer of college students — claiming the lives of an estimated 1,100 each year, according to the Jed Foundation. The American Association of Suicidology reports on its Web site that the suicide rate for 15-to-25 year olds is 300 percent higher than it was in the 1950s.

In the aftermath of three apparent

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Local Weather

5 - Day Forecast

TODAY
high: 72° / low 45°

THURSDAY
high: 66° / low 43°

FRIDAY
high: 61° / low 38°

SATURDAY
high: 58° / low 35°

SUNDAY
high: 62° / low 36°

Sunrise/Sunset

rises: 6:41 a.m. / sets: 4:54 p.m.

Tides

high 6:28 a.m. 5.05 feet
6:09 p.m. 4.28 feet

low 12:35 p.m. 1.65 feet
N/A N/A

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chewing it off."

However, after a close inspection, it was clear that the tail had been cut straight across with scissors or some sharp object.

Team members also considered that maybe someone at the rodeo unit was upset that they were keeping the horses there instead of at the horse unit, but they didn't sense any tension.

Dietz explained that the team's horses are being stored at the rodeo unit instead of the horse unit because their horses are not used for class purposes, which is required for horses staying in the horse unit.

Because the rodeo unit is within driving distance from the campus, Dietz said the culprit could be anyone.

"It could have been done by a random visitor," she said. "People can drive out there and pretty much do

whatever they want."

Although Dietz says she checks on the horses at least once every day, there is a 12-hour time period at night where the horses are left by themselves.

The "hair cutters" or "cutter" took advantage of this time again on the night of Oct. 27. Again Hank was the only horse that was affected by the incident, this time only losing three inches of his shrinking tail.

After the second strike, Dietz began to formulate a motive for the vandalism.

"Because of Hank's pretty hair, one of the possibilities that are being considered is that the hair was used

for a wig," Dietz said. "Maybe the first time the vandal cut the hair they realized that they didn't have enough for the bangs or something, so they came back for a couple more inches of hair to finish it. A lot of weird stuff happens around Halloween."

Dietz finally reported the incident to the University Police Department, which filed an incident report.

"Maybe the first time the vandal cut the hair they realized that they didn't have enough for the bangs or something, so they came back for a couple more inches."

Laura Dietz

Equestrian team manager

"The officer wasn't sure what to file it under," Dietz said. "It wasn't a cruelty report, because it didn't harm the animal."

Bill Watton, UPD commander said that it was a pretty unusual case and it was the first time he'd heard anything like it in his two years at Cal Poly.

"This incident is hard to categorize," Watton said. "It could possibly go under vandalism, but usually vandalism means that something is broken and it costs money to repair."

Because the event has occurred on two occasions police officers have investigated it and have talked to people to see if there are any hard feelings towards members of the team. So far, no suspects have been identified.

"It is very difficult because there are not enough leads to follow, and it is hard to find witnesses," Watton said. "It could also be some sort of joke, and if it is, I don't think it's very funny."

NOTE: The facts in the crime roundup on Nov. 7 incorrectly stated that the incident occurred at the rode unit instead of the horse unit. There was also only one horse that had its tail cut.

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suicides this fall at New York University, nearly 100 colleges and universities contacted the Jed Foundation about offering the non-profit's services to their students.

The Jed Foundation also recently joined with Columbia, Harvard, Yale and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology to begin developing more effective suicide prevention programs on campuses.

Ron Gibori, the executive director of Uline, credits schools for recognizing the problem. Colleges often have campaigns urging students not to binge drink, or to protect themselves from sexually transmitted diseases. Suicide gets less attention, he says.

Based on 13,257 consultations at the Kansas State counseling center over a 13-year period, Benton and other KSU researchers determined that the number of students at the school with suicidal tendencies tripled between 1988 and 2001.

Communication is the real key to prevention, said Ross Szabo.

He encourages students not to suppress their problems but to share them with friends, family or counselors.

VERAN

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"Her talk discusses how indigenous youth in New Zealand, Australia and the United States use hip-hop culture as a vehicle to affect social change," ethnic studies assistant professor Charise Cheney said.

Cheney saw Veran speak at a conference on hip-hop and culture exchange in Chicago. She found her speech interesting and asked her to speak at Cal Poly. She said she hopes students interested in hip-hop music will attend.

Coordinator for the Multicultural Center Mark Fabionar said Veran discusses how hip-hop has gone beyond the United States and into indigenous cultures and how the

music has inspired the people.

"It definitely challenges ideas of what hip-hop is," he said. "Hip-hop means something to the people of the United States and she shows how that same music can be meaningful to people outside of the United States."

Fabionar has seen Veran speak previously and said she brings up the idea of what music means to people.

"It shows how rap music goes beyond commercial culture," Cheney said.

She said she hopes the speaker will create an understanding of indigenous people that goes beyond the stereotypes, in particular American Indians.

"It promotes an understanding of American Indians as contemporary history makers; they are not just a historical culture," Cheney said.

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Social Services.

"(SCS) saw a need for the drive in the community," SCS program assistant Charlene Rosales said. "We wanted to do more than what the Salvation Army and United Way are doing already."

The drive started on Nov. 12 and will run through Dec. 3. Rosales feels SCS is a great vehicle to get the word out that these types of programs exist during the holiday season. This also gives participants the choice of picking up a specific request that they would like to fulfill. Each of the colored tags decorating the Christmas tree in the SCS office have a child's name, age and specific gift request.

"There are so many students and faculty on campus that it makes it really simple for someone to run up

here and take a minute to fill out a tag and make a commitment," Rosales said. "We encourage anyone to come and pick up the tags at anytime throughout the drive as long as the wrapped gifts are in by the deadline."

Drive coordinators are hoping that all 440 tags will be picked up. By Tuesday afternoon, 220 tags have been assigned.

"We are thrilled to see so many tags already taken," said Carla Scherer, ENRICH co-coordinator for Sequoia Hall and architecture freshman.

Scherer and other coordinators in ENRICH are raising money within each residence hall to purchase gifts for some of the children on the tree.

"Our goal, in Sequoia, is to collect enough money to purchase at least five to 10 gifts," Scherer said. "Being part of a group like ENRICH is a great feeling."

The toy drive is just one of the many programs SCS and ENRICH are part of that better the lives of community members.



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National Roundup

NEW YORK — The New York Stock Exchange's members voted to install a new independent board aimed at minimizing conflicts of interest and potential investor abuses, according to preliminary results. Federal regulators still must approve the measure.

The NYSE's 1,366 members, made up largely of securities and trading firms, approved interim chairman John Reed's package of reforms, the exchange said Tuesday.

Reed's plan eliminates the current 27-member board in favor of six to 12 directors who will oversee regulation and compensation. A separate executive panel of the securities industry will handle operations, such as listing standards.

WASHINGTON — The House approved a far-reaching energy bill Tuesday that would provide billions of dollars in tax incentives for oil, gas and coal producers and give a boost to corn farmers by requiring a doubling of ethanol use in gasoline.

It also would impose federal reliability rules on operators of high-voltage power lines for the first time, to reduce the likelihood of another cascading blackout like the one last summer.

Republicans called the bill farsighted and a key to improving America's energy security by expanding energy choices. But Democrats said the tax breaks amounted to giveaways to oil, gas and coal industries that don't need the help. They also said the legislation fails to focus on ways to conserve energy and develop renewable fuels.

BOSTON — In the nation's most far-reaching decision of its kind, Massachusetts' highest court declared Tuesday that the state constitution guarantees gay couples the right to marry — a ruling celebrated with a popping of champagne corks and the planning of spring weddings.

In its 4-3 decision, the Supreme Judicial Court gave the Legislature six months to rewrite the state's marriage laws for the benefit of gay couples.

Although courts in other states have issued similar rulings, some legal experts said this one goes further in its emphatic language and appears to suggest that gay couples should be offered nothing less than marriage itself — and not a lesser alternative such as civil unions, which are available in Vermont.

WASHINGTON — The Federal Aviation Administration on Tuesday announced an administrative shakeup intended to make the agency's air traffic services more efficient.

The air traffic control system will be combined with research and acquisition activities into a single air traffic organization, which will be divided into five business units, the agency said.

Research and acquisition have been sore points for the FAA. Its \$1.69 billion air traffic control modernization system, for example, has been plagued by delays and cost overruns.

— Associated Press

World Roundup

BAGHDAD, Iraq — U.S. jets and helicopter gunships launched the biggest air operation in central Iraq since active combat ended, blasting suspected ambush sites and hideouts with 500-pound bombs on Tuesday. Explosions rocked western Baghdad as American troops mounted fresh attacks against insurgents.

While the military stepped up its campaign to put down anti-U.S. guerrillas, it also claimed progress on another front — preventing foreign fighters from entering Iraq from neighboring nations to carry out attacks on American forces.

KABUL, Afghanistan — The U.N. refugee agency began pulling foreign staff out of large swaths of southern and eastern Afghanistan on Tuesday in the wake of the killing of a French worker, a decision that could affect tens of thousands of Afghan returnees.

Some 30 foreign staff members were being withdrawn, and refugee centers in the Afghan provinces of Nangarhar, Paktia, Khost and Kandahar were being closed, said Filippo Grandi, the chief of mission in Afghanistan with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees.

The decision follows a series of attacks on the United Nations in recent days, including the killing of Bertina Goisard, a 29-year-old refugee agency worker, as she traveled through a bazaar in the city of Ghazni, 60 miles southwest of the capital.

TOKYO — A senior U.S. envoy and Japan's defense chief agreed Tuesday to use "dialogue and pressure" to persuade North Korea to abandon its suspected nuclear weapons development.

U.S. Assistant Secretary of State James Kelly met with defense chief Shigeru Ishiba as he wrapped up the Tokyo leg of a three-nation Asia tour to coordinate policy ahead of six-way talks expected next month on the North Korean nuclear dispute.

Kelly told reporters that the date for a new round of multilateral negotiations with North Korea was still not set. Kelly then went to Beijing, where he said he would do "more work on that problem."

GENEVA, Switzerland — The Galapagos snail — once collected by Charles Darwin — and South Africa's riverine rabbit are among 12,259 known plants and animal species facing extinction, according to the 2003 Red List of Threatened Species released Tuesday.

The snail and the rabbit, with fewer than 250 breeding pairs, were reclassified from endangered to critically endangered — one step before being considered "extinct in the wild."

The list by the World Conservation Union also revealed that the variegated spider monkey and the Mekong giant catfish are fighting for their future.

The turtle-like Seychelles fresh water terrapin lost its battle this year and is gone forever, according to the group, which is known as IUCN.

— Associated Press

College Roundup

AMES, Iowa — A bill passed by the U.S. House of Representatives could change the way college curriculum is taught in an effort to heighten students' participation in homeland security.

According to the bill, H.R. 3077, the legislation reauthorizes international and foreign language studies programs under Title VI of the Higher Education Act.

Title VI of the Higher Education Act provides support for a critically important group of programs at colleges and universities that work to advance knowledge of world regions, encourage the study of foreign languages and train Americans to have international expertise and understanding to fulfill pressing national security needs.

The International Studies in Higher Education Act would update the programs under Title VI to reflect national security needs in the post-Sept. 11 era, as well as the current international climate.

LOS ANGELES — UCLA researchers are looking to wind power to meet the increasing need for alternate and renewable energy sources.

An \$80,000 California Energy Commission grant to research wind-generated electricity has been awarded to electrical engineering professor A.V. Balakrishnan and graduate student in electrical engineering Ken Mok.

New interest in wind-generated power stems in part from Sept. 11, 2001, as foreign students must pursue research that is not related to homeland security, Balakrishnan said.

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Tribal leaders skeptical of administration pledges

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) — Tribal leaders reacted with skepticism Tuesday to a Bush administration official who told them the president wants to improve education for Indian students, help tribes develop energy resources on their land and consult with tribal governments.

"The White House understands the importance of maintaining strong ties with Indian Country through consultation and communication," Jennifer Farley of the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs told the 60th annual conference of the National Congress of American Indians. "We are here to listen to you. We're here to help you and work with you."

However, Gov. John Gonzales of San Ildefonso Pueblo, a member of the steering committee for the Bush re-election campaign, pointed to the lack of communication in a consultation meeting scheduled last week at Isleta Pueblo between federal officials and tribal leaders from around the West.

Indian leaders showed up — but federal officials had neglected to tell them the meeting had been canceled, Gonzales said.

"We need mutual respect," he said. "It needs to be given, and we in turn will give it back. I think that the tribes really need to be treated in that manner."

Zuni Pueblo Gov. Arlen Quetawki Sr. said the federal government is

leaving tribes out until late in the game.

"They talk about consultation, but they have already made their decisions about how they're going to provide to the Native Americans. Really, the consultation should have been started at the onset," he said. "Instead of tribes being reactive to a lot of these issues, we should be proactive."

A Santa Clara Pueblo official told Farley it's discouraging for tribes to hear about administration support when its actions clearly show something different.

Farley presented examples of what the administration has done for tribes, including more money for Indian education; a six-year \$30.4 million Reading First grant; and training 850 new Indian teachers. She also said the president has pledged to support school construction throughout Indian country.

"We all need to rise to the challenge of helping every Indian student improve their education and together we can do it," she said.

Tribal officials, however, came up with their own list. They complained that budgets for federal agencies that help tribes have flat-lined, there's not enough money for the Indian Health Service, tribal sovereignty is being eroded and Bush is pushing forward to reorganize the Bureau of Indian Affairs despite opposition from nearly every tribe.

'Bitches' breaking barriers?

I'm gonna be president when I grow up. And I'm gonna be good, too. I'll erase that nasty deficit, create socialized healthcare, give adequate funds to public education and shrink the poverty gap. I will take care of Saddam Hussein, once and for all, without killing civilians or spending billions on weapons and billions more on reconstruction. I'm gonna make sure all those damn Baby Boomers don't soak up our social security and clear up that whole Israeli/Palestinian conflict.

You name it — global warming, poverty, war — I'll fix it. And I'll still be called a bitch. That's just how it goes, how it is. Women in power, more times than not, are bitches, have bitchy tendencies or are just labeled bitches. Hillary Clinton, bitch. Eva Peron, bitch. Catherine the Great, bitch.

The question is, do bitchy women just happen to be better leaders or does society throw the term around because they fear strong women usurping the traditional leadership roles of men, leaving strong women with a negative reputation?

Maybe I'm paranoid. Maybe this is just a modern girl-who-cried-wolf story. Maybe it is another time when we complain "It's because I'm a woman" when we have been treated differently or not given the same respect, salary or position as men.

Maybe bitchy women just go further in life. Maybe they get respect that sweet and passive women don't demand. Or maybe it's more about fear than respect.

Some female leaders shed their femininity, their traditional commitment to being a mother and wife, to rise in their profession. They become hard-nosed, aggressive and ultra-assertive. They take pride in their shrewd and unwavering behavior. Those women have realized that people won't listen to them unless they are feared.

We, as a society, aren't ready for women who are strong, competent and intelligent (not just bitchy) to take on leadership positions and decision-making roles. Since women are not usually seen as authority figures, people attempt to test them, push them down and break them. So, females must throw up their defenses and become "ice queens" — striking fear in the hearts of all who cross their path.

The problem is not that some women are aggressive or lay down the law. The problem is that we call a woman a bitch just because she is strong.

Often, we use the term "bitch" so loosely that we end up labeling any woman in an authoritative position with the moniker. Could we just once attempt to let a strong woman be just that, without holding up the bitch sign, without making her into an ice queen, without fearing her?

It has taken centuries for women to break down the barriers that confront them in the workplace. I just hope it won't take centuries more to erase the insecurities that came with those accomplishments.

Voices is a weekly column dedicated to expressing the diverse views and experiences of Cal Poly women. The columns are unsigned to symbolize the unity of all women's voices. If you want to exercise your female voice, e-mail columns to mustangdaily@hotmail.com. Include your full name, major, year and phone number.

Get online for young voter turnout

The job market is in a miserable state, our war efforts in Iraq are dismal, education is rapidly getting more costly, personal debt and student loans are more burdensome than ever.

With the 2004 presidential election approaching, it's time for students to get educated on the election candidates, to speak out on imperative issues that affect us and to flex our voting rights.

Commentary Young adults are notorious for their voting apathy. The non-profit, non-partisan organization Rock the Vote is responding to the problem by incorporating the entertainment industry and youth culture into its political outreach activities.

The organization educates on issues affecting young adults and motivates them to participate in registering, voting and speaking out. But polls still show that only 32.3 percent of the eligible 18 to 24 age demographic voted in 2002.

Poor turn out is often due to lack of education on political issues, little or no knowledge of the candidates' stance on issues, registration problems, laziness and lack of interest. Some potential voters also feel that there is a lack of qualified candidates.

More can be done to improve young voter turnout, and the government needs to play a prominent role.

Young adults frequently change residences, which makes it difficult to keep up with the registration process. Conversely, older generations tend to settle in one area. A way to remedy this hindrance is to allow people to register, review the voter packet and vote on the Internet. This would help solve the problem of laziness and registration problems and create more informed voters. Most genres of registration processes have

reached the Internet. Now it's time for the voting process to do the same.

Maybe we should follow Australia's voting system and require citizens to vote. It may cause a few instances of uneducated voting, but over time it would instill in the minds of citizens and society that their voting decision really does have an effect.

The lack of qualified candidates could be solved by not endorsing the contenders with the deepest pockets, which, in our political history, inevitably happens.

To solve the problem, media corporations should give equal time to all candidates free of charge. This would allow for equal opportunity by all candidates and not just the millionaires and the candidates with "connections."

Yet, these millionaires inevitably run our country. They have no personal experience on what the "average" citizens deal with on a day-to-day basis.

We need leaders in office who reflect the values of all areas in society. Equal candidate opportunity and easy Internet voting would boost young voter turnout, thus making our country and the world a better place.

Kendra Hodges is a journalism senior and Mustang Daily staff writer.

Letters to the editor

Processed foods have harmful effects

Editor,

I am surprised at the level of information presented by this newspaper on important subjects people should be discussing and educating themselves on.

An example of an article that skipped the important information entirely was "Nutrition labels won't fight fat" (Nov. 6).

Regarding the debate to demand nutritional information on restaurant menus, I do agree that it won't reduce the incidence of Americans being overweight. So, more importantly, we need to write about what measures will inform people about proper diet. We should be keeping track of more than just fat, cholesterol and sugar.

Hydrogenated oils are a new worry because they affect the body. Many products have hydrogenated oils out of convenience for the manufacturer and customer. It's basically the difference between the oil in processed peanut butter and the oil in natural peanut butter. The oil is changed into a different form that won't separate from the other ingredients, and your body can't process it the same way it can natural oils. After years of promoting the concern, manufacturers are starting to include information on labels about this ingredient, and they have begun to make products without hydrogenated oils.

Another harmful substance is fructose. Scientists are just now learning that our liver won't absorb fructose and therefore won't recognize that we've eaten. This substance is put in most processed foods to make them sweet. These are just two of the harmful effects of processed foods that have been discovered and there are many more expected. So if we want to eat healthier, we should increase the number of meals cooked at home, from scratch, in addition to eating a nutritional selection of foods.

Kristina Skrehot is a civil engineering senior.

GWR prepares students to write well

Editor,

Mike Marquez's commentary about the GWR ("GWR insults the student body" Nov. 13) suggested that the GWR is a College of Liberal Arts "plot." It is not.

The Chancellor's Executive Order No. 665, dated 1997, says, "Certification of graduation writing proficiency is an all-campus responsibility." And it provides several ways to meet this — a common exam, course work, an exam scored in combination with the course work, etc. But certification must be done; the process occurs at all California State Universities.

Sometime ago — back when I had hair and could dunk (really!) — the CSU received many complaints from employers that, after minimal experiences with writing in a few courses, graduates could not write well. Hence, this system-wide policy.

At Cal Poly the faculty also has instituted a writing-intensive GE program that has been hurt by budget cuts. Nonetheless, the intent and much practice in this program is to prepare students to write well.

Harry Hellenbrand is the Dean of the College of Liberal Arts.

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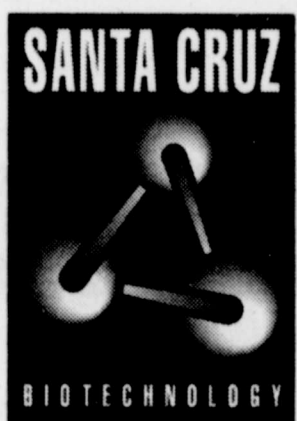
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Entering job market can be tough

By Shawn Pour

THE DAILY COUGAR (UNIVERSITY HOUSTON)

HOUSTON —Ah, the weather's is getting colder, classes are almost over and something in the air is different. It can only mean one thing: The holiday season is here. And with the holidays sneaking up on us poor college students, many of us will need to re-enter the working scene.

Job-thirsty enthusiasts are probably already on the prowl just to get a jumpstart on the competition. But competition aside, something else is standing between students and their minimum wage vacation. I just can't figure out what it is.

If you're like me, you might have already filled out countless job applications but haven't heard back from any employers. Why? In 2000, when students had to walk 10 miles in the snow to get to school, it seemed like getting a temporary job was simple. If you filled out two or three applications you knew you could expect a phone call.

Maybe it's the economy, maybe it's the competition, but whatever it is, something has to change. Nothing is more frustrating than filling out application after application, knowing the manager is going to smile, take it from you and use it as a coaster.

Work applications are so extremely tedious: work experience, references, skills and qualifications. Some companies are now requiring mandatory personality tests; ridiculously long ones. Sometimes it takes hours to fill one out. And halfway through the trick questions you stop and ask "what is the point?" You know you could be a terrific

employee, what's with the test? Meanwhile, the guy on the other side of the counter with a tattoo on his neck that says "Satan Is Lord" is ignoring all the customers while he talks on the phone. And you can't help but wonder, "How the hell did he get the position?"

Long-term career job opportunities aren't any better. Let's face it, if you're in college now, finding a job after graduating is going to be incredibly tough and extremely competitive. It might be better to just stay in school and do post-graduate work. Houston's job market is rapidly decreasing, and people are demanding to know why. The good thing is that once it's this low, things can only go up. It's just a matter of time.

No matter how bad things are right now, there are, believe it or not, still jobs out there. While it might not be as easy as it once was, there are still a lot of things that can be done to ensure a higher percentage of employer feedback. For one, when you're turning in an application, make sure to give it to a manager, not a regular employee who will probably lose it. Remember, those applications have important information about you, so you don't want it to fall into the wrong hands.

Another thing you can do is check back. This is crucial. Some people think they are annoying employers when they do this, but it's the annoying ones who get the job. If you're lucky enough to land an interview, drop them a "thank you" e-mail or letter. They'll appreciate it.

Finally, stay optimistic. In the end, you might not get your dream job, but at least you'll be working — a pretty rare thing these days.



More people compete for holiday-season jobs

By Nathan Hall

MINNESOTA DAILY (U. MINNESOTA)

MINNEAPOLIS — Students hunting for seasonal jobs might have been encouraged by October employment statistics showing increased jobs in nearly every sector.

But looks can be deceiving.

Several local economists and retail analysts said while there will be more seasonal retail jobs nationwide than in recent years, students could have more competition for those positions.

Although students typically receive the lion's share of seasonal jobs, they might now be competing with the thousands of manufacturing and technology workers laid off over the past few years.

"There may be a lot more competition for these types of jobs because there are more people looking for jobs in general," said Brian McCall, a Carlson School of Management industrial relations professor. "It's not just students on break anymore."

The U.S. Labor Department reported earlier this month that retail employers added 30,000 jobs last month, the largest increase for the industry since February 2001.

The Washington-based National Retail Federation reported that nationwide, retailers hired 3.2 percent more personnel, the same as last year.

But Minnesota Department of Economic Security data shows retail employment in Minnesota is down 1.3 percent from last year.

Despite this, David Brennan, a University of St. Thomas marketing professor and co-director of the Institute for Retailing Excellence, said he does not think students should worry about their prospects for earning extra spending money over break.

"Manufacturing jobs, for example, are typically higher-paying, so those laid off more recently are more inclined to collect unemployment than settle for a \$7 (per hour) job," Brennan said.

"It may appeal of course to those who have been laid off for a really long time, but the job skills and interests remain totally different," Brennan said. "It's a completely different mindset, so I don't think you can just simply plug them into the retail service industry."

John Fossum, an industrial relations professor at the Carlson School, said the number of seasonal retail jobs is affected by the previous summer's consumer confidence numbers.

Consumer confidence surveys measure Americans' spending sentiments and expectations. When people feel secure in their jobs, they typically spend more money, meaning better bottom lines for retailers. This can lead to more jobs.

"Most retailers make their estimates and place their (holiday) orders during the summer," Fossum said. "Any major negative shock, like a major loss of life in Iraq, for example, could still definitely dampen the retail season."

Most economics professors interviewed said the University of Michigan's Survey of Consumers is the best indicator of consumer confidence.

Paula Thornton-Greear, a spokeswoman for Minneapolis-based Target Stores, said in a prepared e-mail statement that Target will hire the same number of seasonal employees as last year.

She estimated Target will hire between 50,000 and 80,000 new temporary employees nationwide. This translates to between 50 and 80 temporary workers per franchise.

Thornton-Greear said a high percentage of seasonal workers return for several years because they enjoy the atmosphere and flexible hours.

Richfield, Minn.-based Best Buy will increase holiday season staffing 32 percent, up 2 percent from 2002.

"These jobs are fairly popular with young people and the college-age crowd, but it really runs the gamut," Best Buy spokeswoman Dawn Bryant said.

She added that seasonal jobs with her firm are a possible "great stepping stone for more permanent employment."

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LOCAL MUSIC

Sherwood has 'a few prospects,' indie sound to their credit

By Thomas Atkins

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Sherwood doesn't pretend they are better than they really are. The local emo/indie band is well aware of their modest status as ... a local emo/indie band.

The group claims a list of their accomplishments would run quite short; one highlight of the band's career was playing a wine-tasting party at Zenaida Cellars in Paso Robles, to about 65 uninterested 30-somethings.

I am sitting in Linnaea's on Garden Street in San Luis Obispo with Dan Koch (guitar, vocals) and Chris Armstrong (lead guitar, percussion). Coincidentally, this is the place where Koch (chief songwriter) does much of his lyric-writing.

"About half of our songs are directly or indirectly about my inability to convey beauty through words."

Dan Koch
Sherwood
vocalist/guitarist

"But he's got a few prospects," Armstrong says, coming to the Keene's defense as his long-time friend.

Despite their humility, the aspiring artists are optimistic about their future plans.

"Things have been working out really well so far," says Koch, who appears to be thinking about something else entirely.

Maybe he is mentally preparing for their show

this Thursday at 11 a.m. in the University Union. Judging by his expression, there's no telling what Sherwood may have in store for the crowd Thursday morning.

Koch, perhaps sensing my next question, says "I was thinking how you haven't yet asked us who our 'influences' are."

So I asked him.

"I don't really know," he said. "Maybe bands like Death Cab for Cutie, The Push Game (former local band), Further Seems Forever and Cake. Cake actually played at Nate's freshman prom ... before they got big."

As we are speaking, a slightly unkempt Keene makes his way to our table. He appears to have fallen on hard economic times. For that matter, it appears that everyone in the band has, as I realize that I am the only one who bought a drink.

"Hey guys, are we practicing tomorrow?" Keene asks.

"Yeah," Koch and Armstrong say in unison.

In fact, Sherwood has been practicing almost every day since the beginning of October. They are independently recording a full-length album in late December, so almost every spare moment is spent in the practice room.

I ask Keene if all the practice gets in the way of looking for a job.

"Not really," he replies. "I've got some good prospects."

But all the band members say they are hoping that the band will soon pay off and they will no longer have to work as thrift store clerks (Armstrong), sandwich makers (Koch) or bus boys (Greenetz).

I ask Armstrong if he thinks the band will allow him to play music for a living.

"Well, we all like to think so, but I don't know," he said. "Earlier this year we played at (the Cal Poly Interfraternity Council's) Battle of the Bands. We lost."



While they may not have impressed a crowd of wine tasters, Sherwood (formerly A Long Story Short) presses on, with plans to record a full-length album in December. The band plays UU Hour Thursday on their path to making music a career.

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Minister preaches Christian values of 'The Simpsons'

By Christopher Jones

CAVALIER DAILY (UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA)

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va. — Are the Simpsons one of the most Christian families on television? Does the Springfield of Ned Flanders and Apu provide an example of different religions and spiritualities?

Shawn Galyen, a minister working with the Georgetown chapter of the Chi Alpha Christian Fellowship, offered his answers to these questions during "The Gospel According to the Simpsons," a discussion sponsored by the University of Virginia Chapter of the Chi Alpha Christian Fellowship.

Speaking before a large audience, Galyen used author Mark Pinsky's book "The Gospel According to the Simpsons" as a basis for a discussion about the role religion and spirituality play in the TV series and the ideas embodied by various Simpsons characters.

"I think that 'The Simpsons' is the most spiritual, religious show on television today," Galyen said at the beginning of his lecture.

Galyen is one of several ministers who use "The Simpsons" status in popular culture as a way to reach out to students and involve them in religious discussion.

"The goal is to get the discussion to a broader audience," Galyen said.

Pete Bullette, a minister involved with the university's chapter of Chi Alpha, invited Galyen to speak at the university.

"'The Simpsons' is a common ground people could use and understand to begin a dialogue," Bullette said.

Galyen said several different ministers have held similar discussions at universities in states ranging from Massachusetts to Iowa, and Reform Jewish and Episcopalian groups have also requested him to speak.

Galyen noted, however, that he and other ministers have used Pinsky's book only as a foundation for discussion on various topics. Galyen's speech focused on the religious and spiritual ideas embodied by various characters ranging from Bart and Homer to Reverend Lovejoy and Ned Flanders, whereas Pinsky's book discusses specific aspects of religion such as prayer and heaven and hell.

"I want to discuss what the different characters represent as options in a multi-religious world," Galyen said.

When first aired, "The Simpsons" was criticized for its rebellious attitude and satire. Pinsky, however, embraced the show's humor, pointing out that the show parodies all aspects of American life and treats religious faith with a high level of respect.

"The gift of 'The Simpsons' is that the characters' fundamental beliefs are animated, but not caricatured," Pinsky wrote. "God is not mocked, nor is His existence questioned."

Bullette agreed, noting that "'The Simpsons' communicates its values using humor."

Galyen said just as the show leaves many religious ideas up for interpretation, viewers can interpret for themselves what each character represents and how that relates to their daily lives.

"If 'The Simpsons' can help you, use it," Galyen said.

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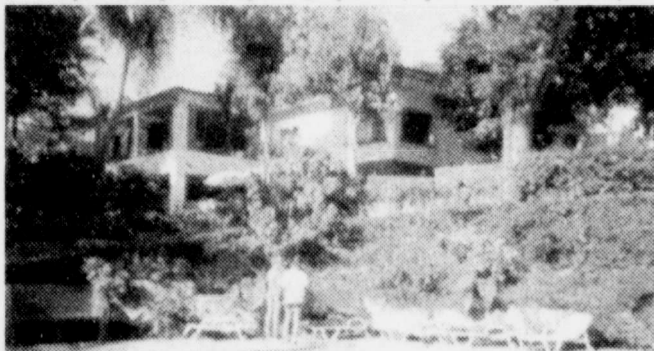
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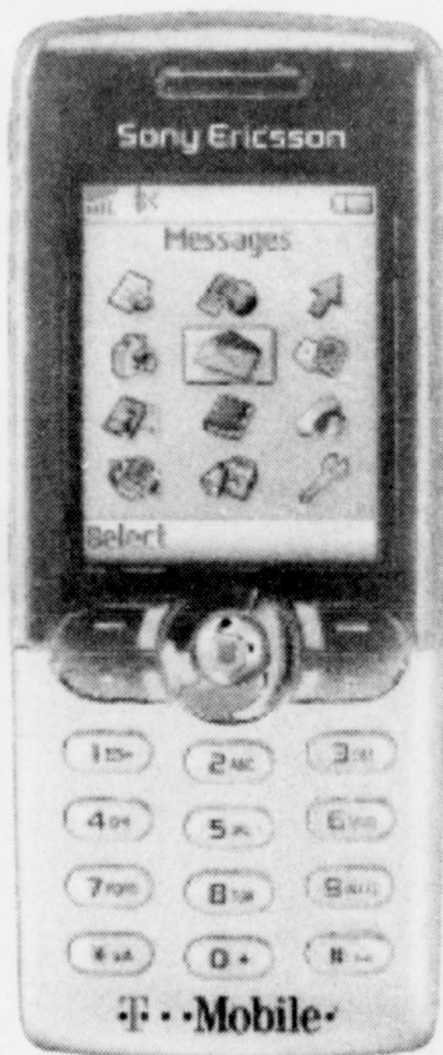
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Bonds wins record sixth MVP award

By Ronald Blum
AP SPORTS WRITER

Barry Bonds won his record sixth National League MVP award Tuesday, becoming the first player to get the honor three consecutive years.

St. Louis outfielder Albert Pujols was second with three first-place

votes and 303 points. Atlanta outfielder Gary Sheffield got the other first-place vote and was third with 247 points.

At 39 years, 3 1/2 months, Bonds is the second-oldest MVP, trailing Pittsburgh's Willie Stargell.

Bonds hit .341 with 45 homers and 90 RBIs, leading the major leagues in slugging percentage (.749), on-base percentage (.529) and walks.

Pujols hit a major league-high .359 with 43 homers and 124 RBIs and led the major leagues with 137 runs.

San Francisco players have won the award four straight times, with Jeff Kent finishing first in 2000.

U.S. in bad with agency

By Stephen Wilson
AP SPORTS WRITER

The head of the World Anti-Doping Agency accused the White House on Tuesday of showing no interest in the fight against performance-enhancing drugs in sports.

WADA president Dick Pound said the Bush administration's lack of support could lead to sanctions against the U.S. team at next summer's Athens Olympics and affect New York's bid for the 2012 games.

"There's just a complete vacuum and void there as far as we're concerned," Pound said in a conference call on the eve of WADA meetings in Montreal. "Our sense is they're not the slightest bit interested in this issue."

Jennifer de Vallance, spokeswoman for the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy, called Pound's comments "disingenuous and unproductive."

"This is out of left field," she said by phone from Washington. "We work with his staff on a regular and close basis. I'm a little

mystified that he feels that way. We remain steadfastly committed to WADA's mission."

"We've had great support from the Congressional side but vis-a-vis the White House we are just striking out and are very disappointed in the lack of leadership being demonstrated."

De Vallance said Congress is expected to pass the federal budget in the next few days, clearing the way for payment of the WADA dues.

Pound said the White House position was "all the more inexplicable" considering the recent doping developments in the United States.

Pound said WADA will decide this week on sanctions against governments that haven't paid up, including stripping them of their seats on the WADA board and executive committee.

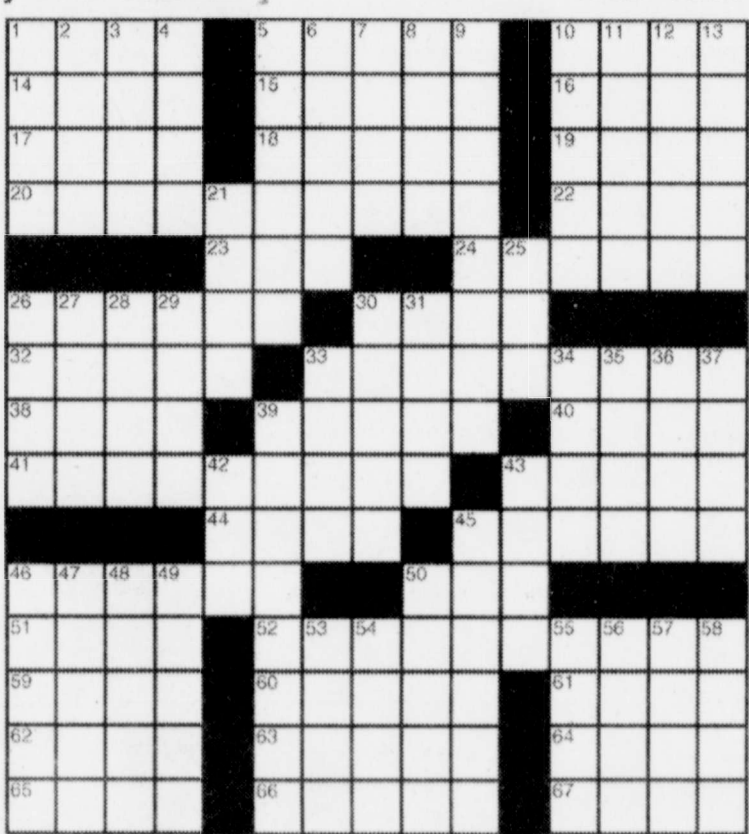
In addition, he said the IOC could refuse accreditation to government officials for the Athens Games and prohibit use of the national flag at opening, closing and medal ceremonies.

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 - 24 Headache
 - 26 Tribal V.I.P.
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- 38 Dollar competitor
- 39 Bandleader Shaw
- 40 Jet black
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- 64 Prefix with biology



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 - 37 Former Nebraska senator James
 - 39 Granting
 - 42 Submit
 - 43 Square
 - 45 "Can I help?"
 - 46 Open shot
 - 47 Origin
 - 48 Lift the spirits of
 - 49 1978 Peace Nobel
 - 50 Did telemarks, e.g.
 - 53 Scott Turow book
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 - 55 Place for keys and lipstick
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RUGBY

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Unlike other Cal Poly club sports, the rugby team competes in a division made up of both club teams and NCAA teams. Division I contains the most competitive and highly skilled teams in collegiate rugby.

"Last year was a rebuilding year for a couple of the perennial contenders in our league," said Matt Gallagher, outside center. "With all the returning players and an extra year of experience, we are expecting fierce competition from San Diego State, University of Arizona and Santa Barbara, who is always a tough match-up."

CPRFC has gone to the Collegiate National Championships for the past three years. They were denied a trip to the Final Four at the Elite Eight tournament at West Point last year when they suffered a disappointing loss to Army after sur-

rendering the lead in the game's last 90 seconds.

CPRFC lost only three starting players from last year's team: captain and center Nick Giacalone, prop Rod Stinson and hooker Matt Westcamp. This year center Ed Pitts, who was selected as a Southern California All-Star without starting for Cal Poly last year, will start on the first side. Brian Permutt, hooker, will also be starting on the first side.

"We are expecting big things from the team this year," sophomore wing Chris Williams said. "We have many senior starters returning, and we should be one of the most competitive teams in the nation. It should be a lot of fun to watch."

Training for the upcoming rugby season began Oct. 21. Their first preseason game was Nov. 8 at Sacramento State University. They will play their first home game against Stanford on Jan. 10 at the Sports Complex.

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New players branch out in win

• Mustangs' guard corps shine in 86-69 exhibition win over Branch West

By Deanna Gallen
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

The men's basketball team came out strong in its season debut exhibition game, logging a win against Branch West, a touring team featuring several former Division I players, at Mott Gym Monday night.

Although the game doesn't count on the team's record, the 86-69 win served to solidify and prepare the team for the trip to UC Berkeley on Friday.

"It helped us build more confidence with each other in a game atmosphere," said senior center Varnie Dennis. He led the team, scoring 15 points during the 22 minutes he played. The Mustangs stayed in the lead and maintained control of the ball for the majority of the game.

The exhibition was an opportunity for new players to show what they can do, Dennis said. He referred to the strengths of sophomore point guard Kameron Gray and junior forward Nick Enzweiler, both transfers, and freshman forward John Manley.

Gray has big expectations to live up to, being the No. 1 ranked junior college point guard in the state after his freshman year at Chabot College in Hayward. He delivered the goods Monday night, with 14 points and two assists.

A year of sitting out has not slowed junior forward Nick Enzweiler, though he did show some signs of rust. He put 12 points on the board and tallied four assists. He also had four turnovers Monday night.

Freshman forward John Manley gave a solid show, contributing 10 points.

Returning team members were on fire, providing a foundation for the young team to build on.

Sophomore guard Fernando



BRIAN KENT/MUSTANG DAILY

Senior guard Eric Jackson had three points, one assist and one steal in Monday's exhibition win.

Sampson put up nine points during 11 minutes on the court. Junior forward Vladimir Lisinac from Serbia led the team in rebounds, racking up nine to keep the Mustangs in control of the ball.

For several newcomers, like walk-on freshman guard Keith Lawrence from Moorpark, Monday's exhibition

was the first chance to play college level basketball.

"I was feeling a little bit of nerves at first," Lawrence said. He felt the pressure of switching from high school to college ball, he said.

"I didn't know if I was going to get to play," Lawrence said. "But once I got out there it wasn't so bad. All the

nervousness went away."

Lawrence scored two 3-pointers in under 10 minutes of playing time and got his first game experience before playing against Cal.

The team will spend the next few days reviewing their performance, working on blocking and solidifying their defensive plays.

Spanning the globe for rugby success

By Caitlin O'Farrell
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

This year may be the best chance for Cal Poly's Rugby Football Club to advance to the national championship, especially since they will have All-American lock Jason Lauritsen, who played for the U.S. Collegiate National Team in New Zealand.

CPRFC will be missing a few starters from last year, but the team's depth is one of its strong points. The players stepping up will be "awesome," Lauritsen said.

"Most of us have been playing together for three, four, even five years, so we know what to expect from each other," Lauritsen said. "If we play as a team, there is no telling how far we could go."

Lauritsen received his bachelor of science in agriculture last spring and was recently accepted to Cal Poly's agriculture graduate program, which he will begin in January. He is returning to play his last year of

eligibility for a chance at a national title.

He is the first Cal Poly player in 10 years to be chosen for an All-American team and one of only three in Cal Poly's history. He traveled to New Zealand with 27 other players from colleges around the country during the last two weeks of July.

The U.S. Collegiate National Team played the University of Victoria in Wellington and Massey University in Palmerston North. They lost both games, the first by two points and the second by seven.

"We could have had both games if we had more preparation time," Lauritsen said. "You have to remember that New Zealanders start playing rugby between the ages of four and five."

The team stayed at the Adidas Institute of Rugby, which is where New Zealand's national team, the All Blacks, train and practice. The facility consists of an indoor field, three outdoor fields, a weight room,

dining hall and apartments. The All Blacks are historically the best team in the world.

The U.S. Collegiate National Team practiced two to three times a day, leaving them little time to sightsee but a lot of time to improve their rugby skills. Many former All Blacks were on hand to help out the visiting team.

"The best part of the trip was the great coaching we received," Lauritsen said. "Getting coached by the best rugby players in the world was pretty amazing."

Each player had to raise \$1,500 for the trip. Lauritsen raised his money through generous donations from alumni, parents, family and friends.

"Overall the trip was an amazing experience and one of the main reasons I decided to come back and play in my last year of eligibility," Lauritsen said. "I think that next year Cal Poly could have five or six All-American players."

Lauritsen was chosen for the All-

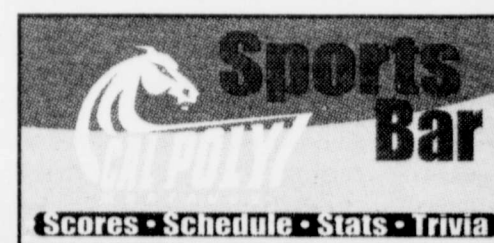
American team while he was leading the Southern California (Sean, name of team?) team to an undefeated record at the Regional All-Stars tournament. From the eight regional teams competing, 27 All-Americans are chosen. Lauritsen scored three tries and received the MVP nod for his team.

Cal Poly players John Kenard, a fly half, and Ed Franz, a fullback, made the All-American Honorable Mention Team.

Last year, CPRFC finished fifth in the nation and captured its third consecutive lead title with a league record of 7-1 in the Southern California Rugby Football Unions Collegiate Division I.

"It felt good to dominate throughout our league last year, but we felt like we should have advanced further in playoffs," Franz said. "This year we won't be content with anything less than making it to the Final Four."

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SCORES

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Varnie Dennis (C) - 15 points				
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Sean Ricketts - 8th place				
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Katie Murphy - 36th place				
Volleyball	0	VS.	Long Beach State	3
Molly Duncan (QB) - 1,000th career kill				
#20 Football	31	VS.	Idaho St.	38
Chris Peterson (QB) - 1721, 310 yards passing				
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Scott Gellman (F) - overtime goal				

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Volleyball	@	UC Santa Barbara	sat, nov. 22, 7 p.m.
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Today's question

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Friday's Question

How many times has the Cal Poly football team made the NCAA I-AA playoffs?
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