A group of masked banditos have taken it upon themselves to fuel the Big West's newest rivalry between Cal Poly and UCSB. Sources close to Mustang Daily said the men arrived at Cal Poly around 3:30 a.m. Friday, one day before the Cal Poly men's basketball game at UCSB. The men placed a gaucho on the back of the mustang located between the administration building and the U.U. The gaucho was apprehended by Public Safety and is being held on charges of animal husbandry. The Mustangs lost the game 92-68.

Nothing new in weekend search for Smart

By Jan Johnston
Daily Photo Editor

On Feb. 22, two days after Kristin Smart's 20th birthday, two dedicated groups showed up at Arroyo Grande High School and Santa Margarita Park to search for the missing Cal Poly student.

The groups planned to search along High Mountain Road near Lopez Lake. The road is accessible from two directions and the men placed a gaucho on the back of the mustang located between the administration building and the U.U. The gaucho was apprehended by Public Safety and is being held on charges of animal husbandry. The Mustangs lost the game 92-68.

Last week, Fielder and other volunteers used their cars to "clock" the distance from Cal Poly to the area on High Mountain Road that is being searched. The distance was exactly 32 miles, Fielder said.

Other hints that the psychics said they have received have also been connected to the area. Fielder said. A white number eight was one clue. Fielder said they had found a white spray-painted eight on a rock. Another clue suggested a house was nearby. Fielder said a shack had been found in the area.

Fielder explained that during the time of Smart's disappear-

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By Brian Johnson
Daily Staff Writer

Cal Poly is renowned for being a safe campus, but statistics show it's getting even safer. A report released by Public Safety Services shows crime in many categories decreased to six-year lows in 1996.

But a note of caution: Even though crime has fallen, Sgt. Robert Schumacher with Cal Poly Public Safety said students shouldn't be deceived.

"Students get here and see the great weather, see there's no traf-
fic and just stop paying atten-
tion," Schumacher said. "Many of these students come from large urban areas. And they get here and see everything and just let their guard down.

Schumacher said even though actions are being taken by the police and students to prevent campus crime, student awareness is still vital.

Crime against persons peaked in 1993 with three. There has been a near-continuous decline from 1993's total of 37, to 1996's total of 28.

Ranger McDonnell and friend help
in Saturday's search for Smart

By Joe Johnston
Daily Staff Writer

According to Saturday's San Luis Obispo County Telegram-Tribune, the reward was offered by Wilson after reports were made by the Smart family, Sheriff Ed Williams, Cal Poly Police Chief Tom Milton, Cal Poly Chancellor Barry Muniz and a "number" of California legislators.

Such requests are common

Theft of items inside vehicles also plummeted. There was a near-continuous decline from 1993's total of 37, to 1996's total of 46. Only 1994 was lower with 40 thefts.

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There have been some upturns in theft, though. There were five reported cases of aggravated assault — all of them in 1993.

Of all types of reported crime in a six-year compilation, theft was the most common. It has declined though, and in some cases dramatically:

• Grand theft, which is theft of anything more than $400, peaked in 1994 with 79 reported inci-

dents. In 1996, 61 were reported.

• Petty theft, which is theft of anything less than $400, was also at a six year low. It rose every year except one, peaking in 1995 with 404 reported incidents. In 1996, the total drastically fell to 290.

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Saturday conference at Cal Poly helps teach the ins and outs of leadership

By Jenny Jactus
Daily Staff Writer

More than 200 Cal Poly students gave up their Saturday to learn how to become a better leader at the third annual Cal Poly Leadership Institute.

The institute's keynote speaker, Susan Vladichnick, director of human resources and labor relations for E. I. Du Pont de Nemours and Co., told the institute participants to look inside themselves and decide what is important to them, before deciding what to do with the rest of their lives.

"It's rare that your career path will be exactly as you envision it in college," she said. "Knowing what is important to you will make you a more authentic leader.

After Vladichnick's speech, the institute's participants went to the first of four leadership workshops for the day. There were a total of 24 one-hour workshops available for the participants to choose from. The workshops ranged from giving advice on how to budget your club's finances, to problem solving and communication issues.

Presenters for the institute were Cal Poly students and staff, as well as staff from the community of San Luis Obispo. Speech communication senior Shawn Dunning has presented workshops in the Cal Poly Leadership Institute for the last two years. This year Dunning's presentation was called "Communication Conflict," and was designed to teach participants to look at ways to deal with conflict within a club or organization.

"We explored what conflict is all about, how it happens in group situations, and how we can arrive at a better solution by managing conflict properly," she said. "I also got everyone who attended a computer program so that they can assess their conflict management skills.

Dunning, a resident adviser for the past two years and a Chumash Challenge ropes course facilitator, said he likes to come to the institute to help fellow students with leadership issues that they are facing.

"Through my experiences I have come to have a lot of insight that I think others can benefit from," he said.

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The Cal Poly Leadership Institute was started to give students a chance to improve their leadership skills, become more involved with campus life and prepare themselves for success in the future.

Biologist junior Lisa Shimomura said she attended the institute because she is interested in a leadership position within her club in the College of Science and Mathematics next year, and the current chair told her the institute would be good for her to attend.

"In the Effective Follow-through Workshop I attended, I learned a lot about how to breakdown communication barriers between the people in my club," she said.

Shimomura said she plans to take the information she gained form the institute back to her club.

Laura Marshall, a math freshman and a member of the Muir Hall Council, said she attended the institute to learn new ways to get people interested and involved in what is going on in the residence halls.

"We live in the Math and Science Living and Learning residence hall and we need ways to get people to get to know each other," she said.

Leslly Gogphan, the coordinator of leadership programs for student life and activities, said.

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Volunteers, Poly Pals enjoy Bishop's Lounge

By Kelli Karhonen
Duty Staff Writer

A giant sleepover of 30 student volunteers and their 30 Poly Pals took over Bishop's Lounge Friday night. The evening started with pizza, bowling and video games, and it continued late into the night with popcorn, licorice, sodas and movies.

Poly Pals, which is the oldest program sponsored by Student Community Services (SCS), has been around for more than 20 years, even before SCS was formed. Poly Pals gives student volunteers the chance to interact one-on-one with a child from the community. This allows for a building of a friendship and for the volunteer to be a role model to their pal.

Erin Heitzmann stated why she's involved in Poly Pals. "Because I love kids," Heitzmann, a liberal studies junior added that the program has made her learn a lot about herself. She has learned to open her eyes like a child with imagination and not be afraid of anything. She has also learned how to relate to children on their level.

Poly Pal volunteers go through a process to get their pals, which includes an application with three references that are checked. Volunteers are also fingerprinted, interviewed by the directors, trained and then matched with their pal. The volunteers have to be fingerprinted by law, and the training they receive covers ways to work with children, outline situations, stresses commitment to the relationship and gives insight on how to end the relationship. Volunteers are required to be with their pal for three quarters, but many keep them throughout their time at Cal Poly.

"It's an amazing program," Heitzmann said. "There is nothing more rewarding than to have your Poly Pal face light up when you're with them, or give you a hug and tell you how much you mean to them.

The program has about 50 volunteers and pals, but with a waiting list of about 100 boys, the program needs volunteers. The pals range from age five to 13 and come from all over the county.

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From its conception, the Cal Poly Theatre and Dance production of Stephen Sondheim's "Into the Woods" boasted a not-to-miss status. Emmy award-winning makeup artists offered their services to the student crew, the stagehands worked overtime to create towering sets, and the cast featured the elite of Cal Poly's vocalists. The production, directed by Mike Malkin, lived up to its expectations.

At first glance, Tuesday's rehearsal very well could have been opening night. It was the first time the cast rehearsed with the pit orchestra, conducted by music professor Tom Davies. It was also one of the few times the Witch (Elizabeth Pickard) and the Wolf (Matt Hanson) were able to practice fully made up. And it was the last chance the cast and crew had to polish up the production before opening night last Thursday. Still, the show ran gracefully.

The tangled plot of "Into the Woods" is almost like something out of a Seinfeld episode, except rather than a medley of distressed New Yorkers, it is a bunch of fairy tale characters whose eventless lives became coincidentally intertwined.

The story begins when a humble baker and his wife get mixed up with a vengeful witch. She hexes the couple and sends them into the woods in search of the four ingredients for an antitode that will rid her of her ugliness.

Soon, a cow-lesser Jack climbs his beanstalk peeping a couple of giants, a one-shoed Cinderella becomes mixed up with a two-timing prince, a cape-less Little Red Riding Hood gets gobbled by a wolf, and a short-haired Rapunzel wonders what happened to her life-long locks.

The characters enter the woods to confront their troubles, some more successful than others, and by the end of the first act it seems as though everyone will live happily ever after.

As the lives of each storybook character become dependent on the actions of the others, the musical becomes more than just an untraditional rendition of the childhood stories. It becomes an analogy between the troubling world within the woods and the problems all people face in life. The plot covers topics including adultery, second marriages and the difficulties of raising children, and, like most fairytales, offers a moral to each dilemma.

The story, which alone is enough to captivate the audience, is backed up with polished voices and a stage crafted to eye-catching detail.

The narrator, Atascadero resident Gene Anacleto, ties the fairy tale together with his raspy monologue. The short, bearded voice of consciousness has a certain Woody Allen charisma that complements his role as the bearer of "Once upon a time."

The production also introduces the outstanding voices of Cal Poly students Allison Gonta, as Cinderella, Jeremy Williams, the baker, Lara Kathryn Black, the baker's wife, and the hysteres of Jack and the Beanstalk's mother, Aud Hart-Wilkie.

It is difficult to choose stand outs from the ensemble cast as they all stood out. Instead, the polished voice of each character bol.

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The plaza fronting the high-rise was impressive. Huge blocks of centrally-shaped and polished serpentine ringing a fountain. One block lay as if tumbled from its place in the parapet made from the otherwise culturally significant.

I asked about the building one guard was representing some particular Shona theme, or was otherwise culturally significant. Still, I didn’t figure that asking a question would generate this sort of response in downtown Harare – big misconception on my part.

I decided to waste no more time heading out of town. Next day at the Palm Rock hostel I found a note. “Ride to Bulawayo.” Hmm, wrong days.

On the sidewalk and then well then I kept on walkin’ and was. I would be a bit more circumspect.

The plaza fronting the high-rise was impressive. Five seconds after I hit the sidewalk and then well then I kept on walkin’ and hoped the Army fellas were as amused at my touristo. Beatrice, a Shona woman, to a police officer’s comment that she was. I figured that with the city receding a calmer world would prevail, and eventually it did – even the sliding door we were off.

There are those among the lettered that make me wonder if there is any education behind their letters. I am referring to the article written on abortion last week by R. Wayne Ball, M.D. His grossly perverse piece of horror-fiction made me laugh outright at first, then recol in disgust upon realizing he was serious.

The fact is, a woman does decide whether or not she’s pregnant. Choice is practiced before conception. The mother can do what she pleases with hers.

There are now two sets of DNA in the mother; hers or the embryo’s. Next he explains that when he first practiced medicine, which was before the Roe v. Wade ruling, he could only recommend psychiatric help to a woman who was unsuitable as a result of a pregnancy. And while a woman received help, he said, she would be emotionally estranged from her family, friends and her mate/partner in the tragic affair.

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Next he says that the sentencing of a nonconsensually pregnant woman to ten lunar months of involuntary servitude in the interest of the product of conception is tantamount to enslavement.

Dr. Randy Davis is an English senior who will occasionally share condensed excerpts such as this from a larger work in progress.
Most pals come from single parent homes or from families with special needs. The volunteers strive to become a stable part of their life by spending at least three hours a week with their pal.

Psychology senior Lisa French said the most rewarding thing she has learned from the program is respect for single-parenting moms and pals, and to plan events involved in Poly Pals.

Schumacher credited the downward trends in campus crime in large part to the proactive stance campus safety police have been taking. "We are not just riding around and giving students tickets," Schumacher said. "We are doing other things so as to put ourselves in a different light other than that of a reactive, enforcer type role."

"We have offered riding bikes on the campus and walking it by foot," he added. "It's not only about foot patrols, but there are also volunteer board, senior project ideas and a new volunteer database."

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Most of the robberies in the last three years have been not violent confrontations. Schumacher said they have been very unconventional, such as taking pizza from a delivery person and taking a skateboard out of the hands of someone walking down the sidewalk.

Schumacher agreed. He said that the most important thing to look after is a book bag during the book buy-back weeks. "It can be very lucrative. Some of these books are over $100," he said. "And when you can sell them back at a third of the price, it can be pretty appealing."

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ance, a dirt road which is today accessible only by a four-wheel-drive vehicle could have been driven on by any vehicle. Any person responsible for the disappearance would not have had a hard time getting to the area being searched. The change in the road's accessibility resulted from large rains during theいた season which heavily pined the area, he said.

Schumacher also said improvements among the behavior of some students still needed to be made. "I see a lot of people put their book bags outside the bookstore when there's lockers right there," Kennedy said. "Though thefts are down, book bags are still stolen because of this kind of carelessness. Put them in the locker. Invest that little extra time."

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The leadership is important to students because it teaches them effective ways to communicate. "Each and every individual needs to realize the importance of and communicate effectively with other people from diverse backgrounds," he said. "It is important to learn how to turn your ideas, beliefs, dreams and visions into reality."

The institute is organized by Cal Poly students and staff members. Geoghegan said the call for programs was sent out to interested presenters in full quarter and the leadership institute committee has been working on it ever since. Mechanical engineering student Jeroen Werkman has worked on the leadership institute for the last two years. He said the institute has grown since last fall, but by more than 50 participants.

"It's a good way to get involved, and we have been keeping for the entire campus as well as the community," he said.

Workman said the leadership institute committee will start planning for next year's institute sometime in the next few weeks.
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wrestled with the guys that could," he said. "I don't think we could have done anything differ-
ently. "We won all the matches that I thought we would and had some
really good performances," Cowell added. "Mark Perryman's (134 pounds) match was another tough
one, but he fought the guy close."

Perryman lost 9-4 to Fresno's Yero Washington who's ranked third in the nation and has posted a
23-3 record after Saturday's win.

Wells agreed with Cowell's assessment of the match. "It was a lot closer than I expected. It was
really exciting and it seemed like all the close matches went our
way."

More than 50 Fresno support-
ers clad in red and blue, weren't
about to let their trip to San Luis Obispo go unnoticed. Expecting
their team to roll away with the victory after posting such a com-
mending lead, the Mustangs' first
win brought a tide of negative comments to the referee and Cal Poly wrestlers throughout the rest of the
match.

The noise didn't bother Wells
though.

"I think that it's cool," he said. "It shows that this is a team that Fresno cares about, how much its better than just sitting there
not saying anything."

"Putting thoughts of the loss to the Bulldogs aside, the Mustangs are now focusing on the Pac-10 Championships next week in
Arizona State.

But, some may wonder if the team would rather have ended its regular season heading into the championship at Arizona State
with their dominating 42-21 win
over Portland State last Monday. Wells doesn't agree.

"I think that we ended with a
tough match," he said.

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there's just a point in the game
when you need to get a defensive stop," Schneider said. "We have
had a chance to win every game
that we've been in."

Poly had the chance to tie
the game with 22 seconds left on
the clock. Sophomore guard Ben
Larson took a wild three-point shot from the corner of the arc,
but the ball hit the side of the backboard and was kicked out
across the court. Freshman for-
ward Russ Blyden made one last effort for the ball before it rolled
out of bounds in UCSB's favor.

The troubles started for Cal Poly when senior forward
Damien Levesque fouled out with just under five minutes left
in the game. Without an inside presence for Cal Poly, UCSB played tight on the Mustangs'
perimeter players and forced them to take bad shots. Cal Poly
had troubles finding the basket
once Levesque ended his night
early.

Levesque finished the game with a team-high nine rebounds
and six points. Most of Cal Poly's
scoring came from its young perimeter players. Freshmen
guards Mitch Ohnstad and Mike
Wosniak and Larson combined for 72 of Cal Poly's 88 points.

Wozniak had a career night and lead all Cal Poly scorers
with 24 points and six of his four
good shots from the three-point-arc.

Ohnstad also had one of his
closest scoring nights with 27
points. As of late, Ohnstad has
picked up his game against con-
ference opponents.

"For me, it was just some-
thing that I had to get comfort-
able with," he said. "I just started
playing the way I've played
my whole life. It just kind of
came. It wasn't something that I
consciously thought about."
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**SPORTS**

**Loss to Fresno State closer than expected**

By Leisha Mosi
Daily Staff Writer

It seemed so predictable. Thirteenth ranked Fresno State was going to come to Mott Gym Saturday night and destroy the Mustangs in their final home dual meet of the season.

**Wrestling**

Predictable because Cal Poly only had four of its usual starters wrestling in the 10 person lineup. With injuries sidelining the majority of the seasoned veterans, head coach Lennis Cowell didn’t want to take any chances going into next weekend’s championship.

But if there’s one thing you can predict from Cowell’s crew, it’s to expect the unexpected. After defeating or at least tying several ranked opponents this year, including an upset win over Cal State Bakersfield last weekend, the Mustangs had a shot at beating the Bulldogs for the second time this season. After trailing 15-0 going into the fifth match of the evening, Cal Poly won its next five matches to pull within two points before heading into the final match. However, Cal Poly heavyweight Eric Rodriguez was pinned early on to give the Bulldogs the 24-16 win.

Down 15-0 going into the 150-pound division, the chances of a Mustang comeback appeared bleak. That’s when Craig Welk took to the mat to record the first win, defeating Fresno’s Gary Quintana, 4-1.

After a slow start, Welk found himself down 1-0 going into the third and final period. But, a quick escape point to start the period, followed by a point for a stalling infraction on Quintana put him up 2-1. Welk scored a two-point takedown as the clock expired to bring his final score to 4-1. “Craig’s win was big,” Cowell said. “He’s on a roll and had an outstanding performance this evening.”

That’s when things really started to pick up for the Mustangs. The second win of the evening came when David Wells (158 pounds) rolled to a 7-1 victory. The eight point margin gave the team four of its usual starters wrestling in its 10-0 win.

Cal Poly’s No. 2 spot against UOP’s Patel, had a strong match played strong at No. 1 singles and defeated UOP’s Tim Preisendorf.

Cowell didn’t know what to expect going into next weekend’s championship, scoring off of a stalling infraction on Doug Miller in the second period and an escape point to open up the third period.

The team picked up its third win with Nayif Abdullah’s 3-2 decision in the 177-pound class over Fresno’s Jason Flaten. Street has been heralded in recent weeks for winning nine of his past 11 matches.

Abdullah, who redshirted last year, was filling in for an injured Mike French.

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“What we will learn is that the reason I retired was because I felt I was giving 100%. I felt I was giving 100% for a team that was giving me 100%,” Preisendorf said.

“I’m really proud of Nayif,” Cowell said. “He had a great performance this evening.”

In his last home dual meet at Cal Poly, senior Scott Adams (190 pounds) was the first to take the mat in his match with Fresno’s Jason Flaten. Adams was ahead 4-1 at the end of the first period and Flaten never came closer as Adams rolled on to a 10-2 victory.

The eight point margin gave the team four over the usual three points for the win and brought the score to 18-16 going into the bigweights.

Rodriguez, who was replacing an injured Dan McGee, faced three-time Western Athletic Conference (WAC) champion Darin Preisendorf.

Cowell didn’t know what to expect going into the final match of the evening.

“I felt like we had a chance,” he said. “You never know what to expect with little Eric Rodriguez.”

Unfortunately, only two minutes into the first period, Rodriguez was pinned to end the match and bring the overall score to 24-16. Rodriguez’s ribs were injured and possibly broken during the match after taking a hit prior to the pin.

Cowell thought his team’s performance was amazing given the circumstances.

“We did everything we could have and...”

**Men’s tennis sweeps matches**

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The Cal Poly men’s tennis team won big against University of the Pacific and New Mexico State in Big West Conference play and beat Hampton University to bring its season record to 6-5.

The team won its first Big West match against UOP Friday afternoon, 7-0. This was the first time in three years that Cal Poly has beaten Pacific. UOP only brought five players because two were injured. Cal Poly’s No. 1 doubles Chris Maggery and Tony Piccuta defeated UOP’s Tim Reihelt and Rishi Patel, 8-1, in doubles while Sevan Zenopian and Alex Reyes won the other doubles match to give the Mustangs a 1-0 lead in the match.

With only five matches on the court, Maggery played strong at No. 1 singles and defeated Reihelt 6-3, 6-4. Jason Meyers, playing at the No. 2 spot against UOP’s Patel, had a strong match but lost in three sets. Meyers kept up in the second and won the set, 7-5.

“Chris played great against their No. 1 guy, he’s a great player,” head coach Chris Eppright said. “Chris really stepped up and just dominated the pro.”

The second Big West match of the weekend was against New Mexico State and the Mustangs were...