Remains identified

Newhouse, Crawford found dead

By Ryan Huff
Mustang Daily

Police have identified the remains of missing student Rachel Newhouse and Audrey Crawford, found near the Davis Canyon home of the case's prime suspect, Rex Allan Krebs.

The San Luis Obispo County Sheriff-Coroner identified both remains about 4 p.m. Saturday. Police made the announcement at a Saturday news conference. Authorities will not disclose the condition of the remains — identified through dental records — until forensic testing has been completed.

"I have mixed feelings. I'm immensely sad, and at the same time very relieved," said San Luis Obispo Police Capt. Bart Topham, who leads the investigation for the police.

Topham would not comment if the remains were buried or found inside Krebs' 1988 Davis Canyon Road residence, but said more specifics will be available at a 9:30 a.m. news conference this morning.

"We're trained to remain professional and objective, but this is not your normal case," said Topham, whose team of investigators interviewed several thousand people about the cases. "You can't conduct this kind of case in public."

Topham will be joined at today's press conference by State Attorneys General Bill Lockyer, the San Luis Obispo County district attorney Gerry Shea, Krebs' parole officer, FBI agents, county sheriff's officials and city police investigators, along with other law enforcement agents.

Investigations found Newhouse's remains before 4 p.m. Friday and discovered Crawford's remains later Friday afternoon, police said.

Krebs is still the only suspect in the case. He has not been charged for the killings of Newhouse and Crawford, but Topham said police plan to file charges in the very near future.

He was apprehended locally on March 20 for a parole violation — possession of a simulated firearm and violation of alcohol restrictions — and now sits in county jail.

He has a history of sexual offenses, including assault to commit rape, sodomy and oral copulation; rape by force and/or fear; and sodomy with a person under 14 years old with or without force.

Krebs, a 31-year-old bald, white male, has lived in the rural Avila Beach neighborhood of Davis Canyon for about eight months, according to neighbors.

Topham confirmed that Krebs is not a suspect in the missing persons case of Cal Poly student Kristin Smart. Krebs was serving time in Solano State Prison in May 1996 when Smart disappeared from the Cal Poly campus.

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Krebs mixed with college crowd

This is the first in an ongoing series profiling Rex Allen Krebs' life before he was detained March 20 on parole violations.

By Ryan Becker
Mustang Daily

Rex Allan Krebs has a long history in and around San Luis Obispo. The man police believe killed students Rachel Newhouse and Audrey Crawford often stopped by Cal Poly's campus to hang with his girlfriend, and he was a regular at downtown bars. Now, people who knew Krebs have mixed reactions, with one exception: They are all frightened by him.

He was 31 at the time, but he was still a presence on campus, not just to those who knew him well, but to lunch with his girlfriend, and he was a regular at downtown bars.

Topham confirmed that Krebs is not a suspect in the missing persons case of Cal Poly student Kristin Smart. Krebs was serving time in Solano State Prison in May 1996 when Smart disappeared from the Cal Poly campus.

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Some students still have questions

Campus groups handle student fears, questions
By Jenny Ferrari and Ryan Miller

Mustang Daily

The meetings also outlined campus safety tips and promoted upcoming self-protection training sessions.

Other students at the dom meetings have mixed emotions about their safety.

Jackson Owen, a volunteer for Remember, said that she is in shock and can't believe the recent news.

"I'd like to know what happened to Rachel Newhouse and Aundria Crawford," Owen said. "I hope to God that they've got the right guy.

"You still can't walk alone at night," Owen said. "Just because the police have one, doesn't mean there aren't any more sex offenders out there. This type of thing doesn't only happen in big cities.

Katie Hunt, a volunteer for Remember, said that the group is selling poppy spray and T-shirts to raise money for self-defense and awareness classes for the community.

Remember has raised $3,500.

"We want to educate people on safety issues," Hunt said. "A lot of people still aren't designating a sober person when they drink."

Owen said one of the group's goals is to put the Remember slogan on billboards north and south of San Luis Obispo, and to put a plaque in the University Union. The plaque would have the Remember slogan on it with the letter "me" standing out in red against a white background. The point of highlighting the "me" of the blocked "remember" is to personify the message, she said.

"Any one of us could be No. 4. It's not fun to think about, but it's true," Owen said.

Pantherlies Council President Devin Nelson said the recent discoveries have made this a time of mixed feelings. Nelson said they want to inform people that this is an issue in everybody's life.

"A lot of weight has been lifted off of people's shoulders, but there is still unfinished business," Nelson said. "We just don't want any of this to be forgotten six months from now."

TEAM COVERAGE: Television cameras form a wall around a podium at Friday's press conference.

Chung of Fresno's NBC station.

The case has also attracted national and media attention, including "America's Most Wanted." "America's Most Wanted" has always had a focus on trying to find missing people, said a correspondent for the show, Lena Nenezov. "The show's purpose is to find resolution to cases like this one."

The other roommates, though, think the bad chemistry between Roommates 1 and Krebs didn't make him a bad guy.

"He was really funny," said Roommate 3, a Cal Poly student who lived with Krebs. "He was a good natured guy. His sense of humor was about getting even with everyone.

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honor was the same as (Jane's). That was the one thing that really clicked with them."
Roommate 3 said Krebs held an excellent cook, and he helped prepare Thanksgiving dinner for the roommate in 1997.
Still, his presence in the house was clearly not appreciated. "He held (Roommate 1) personally responsible for everything bad that was happening at the house," said Roommate 2. "(Jane) and I were really good friends, so I gave her boyfriends the benefit of the doubt. (Roommate 1) was just giving." Roommate 1 said Krebs talked about his childhood and told stories about playing in the junkyard smashing TVs with a dodgeball. He knew Krebs had been in jail but thought it was for a minor infraction. His first clue Krebs' crimes were significant came when Krebs' parole officer visited the house in April 1998, after Krebs had actually moved into the house.
"(The parole officer) wanted to know how many bedrooms we had, how many people lived there, if there were any weapons," Roommate 1 said. "I thought he was going to be leaving soon, because he was pacing and nervous (and said) 'Yeah, he's cool. It was the first time I realized it was a serious enough offense to have someone watching over him.'"
Roommate 1 continued to wait, hoping Krebs would move out soon. Jane, he said, was helping Krebs find an apartment.
"His body language made me uncomfortable," Roommate 1 said. "He's a big guy, if he gets around, he's flexing his muscles. The situation (with him living here) was becoming a less friendly situation, as I became more curious about his rap sheet."
Roommate 1 called the Parole Board and got Krebs' inmate number. He then contacted the parole officer.
"They were very sympathetic to why I needed the information," Roommate 1 said. "She was very pragmatically listed the arrest record... there was very little emotion as she read the information: parole violation, grand theft in Idaho."
"I feel scared. I feel scared. I feel scared," he said. When I asked how he was doing, he said, "I've been threatened and intimidated by this lawsuit we've been threatened and intimidated by this lawsuit we've been threatened and intimidated by this lawsuit..."
Bello upset by logo dispute
By Ryan Miller
Mustang Daily
The owner of one of the oldest stores in San Luis Obispo is troubled that he's caught in a legal tangle for unauthorized use of the Cal Poly logo.
"We're concerned and disappointed in the way in which we've been threatened and intimidated by this lawsuit against us," said Tom Bello, owner of Bello's Sporting Goods.
"My wife and I and our family have supported the university for over 50 years. We feel like we've been betrayed.
The California State University system filed a formal complaint April 2 against Bello for unlicensed use of the Cal Poly logo.
Bello's Sporting Goods has been selling merchandise bearing the Cal Poly logo since around 1950, although they don't sell any garments themselves, Bello said.
Cal Poly's use of the logo dates back to the '50s, said Jeff Bliss, director of university relations.
"The fact remains: It doesn't belong to him," Bliss said. "Just because we haven't had a licensing program as formal as the one we'll establish doesn't open the door for Bello or anyone else to misappropriate Cal Poly's name, logo or trademark.
Robert Griffin, associate executive director of Cal Poly Foundation, said the university wants to license manufacturers to sell items bearing the logo.
"We will be seeking licenses from the same major clothing manufacturers we now deal with at El Coral (Bookstore)," Griffin said.
"Basically, we don't believe we're doing anything illegal, Bello said. "We're doing everything openly." Bello's Sporting Goods has been under the same ownership in the same location since 1945, Bello said.
"If you don't stand up for yourselves, you're just going to get screwed," he said.
In defense of ‘trench coats’

The last thing this country needs right now is the stereotypical paranoia following the Littleton tragedy. Last week’s Tribune article localizing the Colorado shootings quoted high school teens who said, “It could happen here.” This only perpetuates such overreaction.

Editorial

The community should not turn a blind eye toward this tragedy, nor should it take the actions of the Trenchcoat Mafia as the norm.

It isn’t news that a football player and a Marilyn Manson look-alike make fun of each other. Goths, jocks, geacers, overachievers — these groups have never gotten along. These are the same social stereotypes that our parents dealt with when they went to school. The only difference is the clothes.

The truth is, such “outcast cliques” are more likely to be found in Danny’s at 4 a.m., discussing X-Files conspiracies, not conspiring to blow up their high school. Call them misfits, misguided or misinformed — but don’t call them murderers.

The Linnanes/Garden Street goth crowd shouldn’t be profiled as having the potential of a Littleton-scale catastrophe. They may dress in black, but that doesn’t mean they are teeter-tottering on the edge of sanity.

Treating every at-risk student as a possible gunman only helps to perpetuate a stigma that forces “outcasts” groups farther away from “normal” society. This only worsens the problem for students who feel isolated. In doing so, we may as well be loading the gun.

The Littleton scenario has the potential to become an example of the media presenting the extreme element as the norm. The potential for “It could happen here” is just as likely as it was two weeks ago: not very.

Unsigned editorials are the voice of the Mustang Daily.

We should try to learn something positive from the recent tragedies.

Last week we focused on the conflict in Kosovo. One week later, our focus shifts to both national and local news. The beginning of the week brought death and mayhem to a high school in Littleton, Co. The end of the week brought the news that a suspect had been named and that bodies had been found in the disappearances of Rachel Newhouse and Andria Crawford.

It seems most of us aren’t even phased by the news of crime anymore. We are immune to it most of the time, but there are times when something shocked the conscience of most.

The tragedy at Columbine High School was one of those times. What’s going on with teenagers today? I hate to say that, because it makes me sound old, but I seriously don’t get it. I don’t remember anything like this going on when I was in high school. Maybe I was ignorant and just didn’t see it, but I don’t remember even hearing about students making bombs or planning to wipe out the entire school.

In a conversation that I had with others this week, I wondered whether kids were just more violent. Someone said they’re not. They just have more guts. This somewhat makes sense, but I still don’t get the reason. Whatever it is, it makes me scared to have kids. Finally, there is progress in the missing college-student cases. Women in the San Luis Obispo area are breathing a small sigh of relief at the news that there is a suspect in custody in the Newhouse and Crawford cases.

Forcing community service on students is punishment

Editor:

I think forcing college students to perform community service before they graduate is an outrage. Community service is a legitimate form of punishment used by the government (usually given to athletes, movie stars and others) the judge feels about sending to prison for real punishment.

Whether or not our definition of what constitutes community service is the same, it is a fact that community service is a form of punishment used by our legal system. The government punishes people who steal cars, rob liquor stores, and drive drunk by forcing them to commit community service. What crime have we committed to be sentenced to community service?

Can I expect the governor to imprison me or impound my car next week because I chose to go to college? What other forms of legislative punishment will they try on us next?

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OUTRAGE AND HEARTBREAK OVER MURDERS AND CAMPUS AWARENESS

Editor:
Outrage, sadness, helplessness. If I had to put words to the emotions that are running rampant among me, these would be a start. All we, the population of San Luis Obispo, have been hearing for the past five months is "awareness" and "protect yourselves" and "be safe." I find that a very different thing to do when the people we are trying to be aware of and protect ourselves from are those who have already been arrested, convicted and sentenced to serve time.

These people have been locked away from society so that they cannot cause so much suffering. If Nolan, who I recognize as marginal, tried to think what I might be able to do about it.

Rhiannon Wallsted is a fruit science senior.

Sarcastic tone of letter was lost on reader.

Every time I read a Nolan column, I am struck by comments made by Rhiannon Wallsted: "Who says 'different' is something each of us can understand some of the ideas that

Eventually, I might begin to understand some of the ideas that support me and my culture allow at least some knowledge that I don't want my father to have contact with. How can people think this is good? I might also begin to think what I might be able to do about it. I do not mean to suggest that the analogy used in Mustang Daily's editorial, "Handprints look nothing like graffiti" couldn't have said it better when it said that getting rid of the handprints would be "akin to issuing a littering fine for these senseless killings and struggles to try to understand how it could happen again, I would like to suggest that something we can all do today.

When I woke up this morning, I asked myself what I was going to do today to make someone feel less isolated. I asked myself how I might show, through my actions, that I was open to a person being whoever they are, different or not, and that my acceptance was not contingent upon them becoming, like me. I did this because it occurred to me that in order for those two young men and anyone else in this country to feel the sense of isolation and despair that may have compelled them to perpetrate such an unfortunate act, there must be something in our culture that is "normalizing" that they experienced.

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At any rate, a realization that the nation struggles to understand, not fear, who we need to fear, and who might still be here, touching the face of those who endured these senseless killings and struggles to try to understand how it could happen again, I would like to suggest that something we can all do today.

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Snowboarders win nationals

By Kathryn Tschumper
Mustang Daily

A rise in snowboarding popularity helped the Cal Poly women’s snowboarding team win the national title at the first ever U.S. Collegiate Snowboard Championships.

More than 10 racers competed on the team this year, compared to only one woman in the past.

The Mustangs won the nationals at Mammoth Mountain Resort in March, 2.53 seconds over UC Santa Barbara.

“There was a lot of excitement, but it was scary, because we didn’t know the competition was going to be there,” senior Lynnda Tedoken said. “There was a lot of colleges back then, both skiers and snowboarders.

Cal Poly is part of the Southern California Collegiate Ski/Snowboard Conference (SCSC), which had 375 racers registered for the 1999 season. This is the highest number of registered racers in the last seven years. The SCSC is now composed of more than 50 percent snowboarders.

The women’s snowboarding team is part of the Cal Poly Alpine racing team, which has both skiers and snowboarders.

A banquet was held April 10 in Marine Del Rey for the SCSC awards, where the women’s team placed second overall in the league, behind UCSB.

Emery said the banquet gave her a chance to get to know her competitors.

“They were a girl that I was racing against all season who always beat me,” she said. “We spent a lot of time together and exchanged phone numbers.”

Next season the snowboard team wants to compete in more boulder races and halfpipe competitions. The halfpipe focuses on style and tricks instead of speed.

“Right now we are waiting for next season and trying to find more companies for sponsorships,” team captain Tedoken said.

Sponsorships help reduce out-of-pocket expenses for the races, since Rec Sports only pays for a portion of the registration fee per racer. Racers have to pay for their own lift tickets, lodging and gas, which can total more than $500 a quarter.

Jackson and Conwright were both elected as team captains and provide leadership roles to the team. Teammates said the two captains do not boast about themselves; they let their performances speak for them.

“They are both very humble athletes,” sprinter Shaun Ross said. “Karen trains hard and just lets things flow. And Tamatha doesn’t brag either. She sticks to the basics and sets a good example.”

Jackson, a kinesiology senior, describes herself as an “intrinsic motivator.”

Definition for those without a dictionary — her motivation comes from the inside.

Jackson needed a lot of self-motivation to come back from foot surgery after red-shirting the 1997 season.

“She kept a positive attitude during her rehab,” Crawford said. “She had a strong conviction that she would come back even faster than she was before.”

And she did. Jackson set personal records in both sprint events. Her current bests are 11.5 in the 100 against Fresno last month, and 23.6 in the 200 at the 1998 conference championships.

Conwright has consistently knocked his times down as well. He ran a personal record time of 10.17 in a victorious 100-meter race at the Mt. San Antonio College Relays this month. He improved his time by .08 seconds from his previous personal record. That’s eight one-hundredths of a second. That’s not a huge difference if you’re running a marathon, but in the sprints, .08 is an eternity.

Not bad for a guy who did not even run track as a freshman.

Conwright was recruited by the football team and played during his freshman and sophomore years.

“They put me in positions I didn’t want to play, and my playing time was decreasing,” said Conwright, who was a receiver, defensive back and kickoff returner.

He decided to quit football after his sophomore year, so he could concentrate on track.

“Conwright is dedicated to the sport and often spends time doing research about other sprinters around the country,” Crawford said.

“When I look at the newspapers or Internet, and I see someone with a faster time than me, I know I have to work even harder,” said Conwright, an English junior with an ethnic-studies minor.

“My mother really raised me to go for my goals,” Conwright said.

Conwright envisions a trip to this year’s World University Games. The event, which is held in Spain, takes the top two American athletes in each track and field event.

Jackson, meanwhile, has her sights set on going to the Outbreak Track and Field Championships.

Regardless of what happens this season, Crawford assured that we will be seeing these track athletes in years to come.

“They have long post-collegiate careers ahead of them. They see themselves as Olympic athletes, and they certainly have the mental makeup to do it.”

— Terry Crawford

track and field head coach

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throwing 116 pitches, four shy of his
pitch limit, according to head coach
Ritch Price. Mike Shwam pitched a
perfect 10th for his first win (1-5).

The Mustangs desperately needed
Sunday's win after dropping eight
days earlier. "I'm just pleased with the way we
played this weekend in all three
games," Price said. "We played well
all three days against one of the best
teams in America."

Coming into the series, Price was
not pleased with his team's results
last week against Cal State Fullerton.
That was a step back," Price said.
"This weekend, I thought we stepped forward again and played
real well. It's a start in the right
direction."

Sunday's dramatic victory provided
a lift for the Mustangs heading into
the last part of the schedule.

"Hopefully, this is a win we can
build on and go to Reno and play
as well as we did this weekend," Price
said. "We could possibly start a
streak where we can win the last cou­
tle of series as we head to the final
part of the season."

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Gant 5 0 0

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Barrett 2 0 0 0

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DYNAMIC DUO DASH TO WIN

By Ryan Huff
Mustang Daily

Kaarion Conwright and Tamatha Jackson have a few things in common — they are sprinters, team captains and people who know how to win without the "flash and dash" attitude usually labeled on successful athletes.

Well, let me make a correction. They do know how to dash — they are the defending Big West Conference Champions in the 100- and 200-meter races. Oh yeah, they also ran the victorious anchor legs for their respective 4 x 100-meter relay teams at the conference championships.

Do we need some more parallelism? Enter Kaaron Conwright.

"We're almost like brother and sister. We're always laughing and picking on each other," Conwright said. "A lot of people think we are brother and sister."

Conwright and Jackson are as much teammates and friends on the track as they are off it.

"She harasses me a lot, but I take it because I'm a gentleman," Conwright said. A gentleman, indeed. In fact, both athletes have a knack for good performances and good attitudes.

"They are very considerate of other people," said head coach Terry Crawford. "They don't need attitudes or ego's to feel good about themselves."

Conwright and Jackson have plenty to be excited about. Kaarion Conwright (that's pronounced "Kay-ronn" for you announcers' reps) is an All-American in the 100 and 200. He placed fifth in both events at the NCAA Championships last year. Back on a 1997 conference championship in the 100 and a recent school record time of 10.17, and we have an Olympic hopeful.

"My goal for both of us is to make it to the 2000 Olympic trials," Crawford said. "Then they will take it as far as they can."

BRIEFS

The Cal Poly softball team lost a three-game series to New Mexico this weekend.

The Mustangs and the Roadrunners split a doubleheader on Sunday, with New Mexico coming from behind to eke out a 6-5 victory in the first game, and the Mustangs maintaining an early lead in the second game to win 9-4.

On Sunday, the Roadrunners were trailing the Mustangs 4-2 until several New Mexico Players walked in the sixth inning, bringing the final score up to 7-4 in the Roadrunners' favor.

The Mustangs face Pacific next weekend in a three-game series at home.

WOMEN'S TENNIS
Big West Tournament
Cal Poly 0
University of Pacific 4

WOMEN'S TENNIS
Big West Tournament
Cal Poly 5
Long Beach State 4
Cal Poly 1
UC Irvine 5

LEADERS OF THE PACK: Seniors and team captains Kaaron Conwright and Tamatha Jackson practice daily. The two both have aspirations of reaching the Olympics.

Baseball drops two Big West games

By Adam Russo
Mustang Daily

Revenge was sweet for Mustang first baseman Steve Wood.

After getting hit in the head with a pitch from Long Beach State starting pitcher Jason Berni early in Sunday's game, Wood redlined himself with a game-winning single to center in the 10th inning to win the game 8-7.

The key hit salvaged a victory for the Mustangs (18-23, 7-14), keeping them from being swept for the third straight series against the 49ers (23-18, 12-8).

The Mustangs fought Long Beach State all game, rallying from two-run deficits twice before winning the game on Wood's single.

"It feels pretty good," Sunday's hero Steve Wood said. "We battled this team all weekend and we finally came out with a win."

Mustang ace Mike Zirelli started on the mound, going 7-11 innings. Zirelli gave up seven runs on 13 hits.

Women's water polo waits for call from NCAA

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The Cal Poly women's water polo team defeated Chico State 4-3 Sunday to win the Collegiate Water Polo Association Championship Tournament.

"The defense was incredible," senior Melissa Bishop said. "Both teams were playing great defense, and it showed in the low score of the game."

The ball went back and forth between the teams in the Rec Center pool to end the second quarter tied 2-2.

"It was a nail-biter," said head coach Ryan "Slinky" Lehman. "We dominated throughout the whole game but just had trouble putting the ball in."

The Mustangs followed Lehman's halftime advice of putting the ball in the cage to come out ahead in the end. 4-3. Bishop scored the goals against Chico State.

Senior Jen Cook said Cal Poly's teamwork and communication are what made them win the game.

"It was a fun game and I don't think I would have cared either way, but it put the cherry on top to win the game," said Cook.

"I'm sure that the Cal Poly women's team, which is a club sport, will be happy to have one of the designated spots for the NCAA," said assistant coach Steve Wood.

"If they win, we will be happy for them," said Cook.