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Team reunites to reminisce heartbreaking Poly defeat

Cal Poly President Warren Baker speaks to Cal Poly's 1949 football team, which celebrated its 50th anniversary Saturday at Vista Grande Cafe.

By Nate Pontious

“Suck it in, gentlemen,” the photographer says to the table of older men in the back of the room. Everybody laughs as the flash goes off.

There was a lot more laughing going on Saturday morning when the surviving members of Cal Poly’s 1949 football team gathered over breakfast to remember the season. Yet they didn’t gather to reminisce over game highlights or to distribute MVP awards. Nov. 24 marks the anniversary of the team’s heartbreaking 88-0 defeat against University of Pacific.

“It was such a longball game that I just want to forget about it,” former teammate Dave Martinez said. But it seems nobody did.

“After that game, I decided, ‘You know, maybe I ought to go into veterinary medicine,’” Jim Dowse said.

Not everybody present had a hand in the game’s outcome. Former president Robert Kennedy, Cal Poly President Warren Baker and current Mustang coach Larry Welsh attended the event.

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RAD women learn to fight

By Nate Pontious

Three ominous-looking men in black suits circled a woman in Cal Poly’s Rec Center Saturday and shouted at her.

“Hey baby, you wanna have some fun?”

She didn’t.

She shouted back, and broke from one man’s hold by head butting him. Another she punched in the face and kicked several times in the groin.

Then she ran away. Onlookers cheered wildly for her.

This woman was one of about 15 Cal Poly students who took part in the Rape Aggression Defense (RAD) course last week. The course is free and is offered once every quarter. It currently has a waiting list of over 100 women. RAD will be offered again in January.

“They are going to talk to you. So what?” Jennifer Estelle, co-coordinator for the RAD course and Cal Poly police officer said to the group, “Let them talk to you — you absolutely focus on your survival.”

The 12-hour course is designed to prepare women to handle themselves in dangerous situations. One of the ways this is done is through Dynamic Simulation — the scenario described above.

“You don’t know you can do it until you do — until you’re forced into a situation where you have to deal with something you hope you never have to deal with,” Estelle said.

The course runs through three types of simulations in which the men — dubbed “suits” — pretend to attack a woman. In the first, the woman is approached by one man who grabs her arm while she is walking.

In the second is the ATM scenario, where two men attack the woman from behind. In the third scenario, the woman must close her eyes; she is not allowed to open them until three men attack her.

For recreation administration junior Amber Cotton, the second scenario was the hardest.

“All of a sudden I was overwhelmed,” Cotton said. “So I started crying.”

Reactions to Dynamic Simulation are unpredictable.

“There is no usual reaction; everybody comes into this with their own baggage,” Estelle said.

Some women’s reaction is to panic while others get really angry, Estelle said.

Shannon Lewis, a police officer at California State University, San Bernardino and one of the suits, knows this all too well.

“I had my jaw dislocated five simulations ago — and that was with a helmet on,” he said, showing where he’d have bruises on his arms the next day.

Cotton said one of the reasons she took the course was because of last year’s murders of local students Rachel Newhouse and Aundria Crawford.

“After the incidents happened last year, it made me more aware,” she said, “I can feel more confident in myself.”

Christie Smiley, business administration junior, said women don’t realize what they can do until they’re in Dynamic Simulation.

“It was so scary when we did the simulation. But it comes naturally,” she said.

Many of the girls didn’t know how well they did until they saw the videotape afterward, Smiley said.

Cotton agreed. “When you watch the video, you’re like, ‘What?’” she said.

When the video is over, the group gathers in a circle, and the coaches offer encouragement to the students. Lewis said he hoped none of the women were mad at him. Most weren’t. He said that had been one of the strongest groups so far.

“The three key words,” he said. “You will survive.”

Poly shows off map system

By Diane Farnsworth

“Geographic Information Systems” is not a household phrase in America. Yet, biologists, city planners, geologists and the military are finding new ways to use it almost every day.

Cal Poly students and faculty tried to educate the public about the far-reaching effects of GIS during International GIS Day Friday. Both the landscape architecture department and the natural resources department held open houses Friday to demonstrate GIS. In addition, faculty members showed off GIS at Pulse Cafe in downtown San Luis Obispo.

GIS is a method of combining numerical and written information with geographic mapping systems to provide a more comprehensive and visual database.

Walter Bremer, landscape architecture department head, said that GIS isn’t new, but the technology has grown exponentially since the early 1990s.

“(The mapping) used to be hand drawn on several sheets of transparencies,” Bremer said. “Now everything is done on the computer.”

Since 1987 the National Geographic Society has organized Geography Awareness Week each November to promote geographic literacy in schools and communities. This year GIS Day occurred during Geography Awareness Week and was held during the week to highlight GIS Day.

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"(1949) goes back a long way for me also," Welsh said. "I remember at that time you watched it on the radio—that's 49 for me as an 8-year-old kid."

"When you play football together, you earn a tremendous amount of respect for each other," he said.

Despite Welsh's comments, it seemed Saturday that reminiscing and scoring were hand in hand. Baker got the ball rolling.

"I know it wasn't a very good day for Cal Poly football, but Cal Poly is still playing football, and our oppen­ nent that day is not," Baker said, laughing and pointing to a man at the front table.

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International GIS Day was intro­ duced as an annual event to pre­ nounce public awareness of the role of GIS in the community.

To demonstrate how GIS works, Bremer brought up a map of California on the computer screen. He highlighted an area around San Luis Obispo and with a simple click of the mouse brought up numerical data about the population in the specific area.

"Being able to see on the map where the population is, rather than just reading the numbers off a spreadsheet, gives you a better idea of what the population density is like," Bremer said.

The technology is universal in its applications and is used by geolo­ gists, biologists, city planners, busi­ nesses, telecommunications and the military. According to National Geog­ raphic Society statistics, there are more than two million GIS users worldwide.

Bremer said Cal Poly has been teaching GIS in landscape architec­ ture since the early 1980s, but now GIS has evolved to include other disciplines, including natural resource management, city and regional planning, biology, social science and geography.

Students can now use a computer to explore the roles of geography, using written and numerical data in solving complex problems. Bremer said GIS is much easier to under­ stand than written data alone.

He said: "That's why we teach it this way. We ask, 'What are the things you're trying to do, what are the problems you're trying to solve, and how can you use the technology to help solve it?'

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Services held for Texas A&M victims

FORT BENNING, Ga. — Thousands of protestors, many wear­ ing black robes and white death masks, marched onto Fort Benning Sunday to protest human rights abuses they say are committed by graduates of the Army's School of the Americas.

Several of the 4,800 demonstra­ tors were detained by military and civilian police, including activist Martin Schram.

The protestors carried coffins and crosses bearing the names of victims of violence in Latin America. Once on the base, several lay down on a street pretending to be dead and splattered themselves with red paint.

The School of the Americas is best known for its training of Latin American officers who were involved in communist insurgencies. It has long been criticized for human rights abuses later committed in Latin America by some of those graduates.

The annual demonstration com­ memorates the Nov. 16, 1989, killings in El Salvador of six Jesuit priests, their housekeeper and her young daughter. A United Nations panel found that 19 of the 26 Salvadoran officers involved had been trained at the school.

The Rev. Roy Bourgeois, the priest who has spearheaded the decade-long protest against the school, said he will continue to speak out as long as combat courses are taught there.

"We don't teach democracy from the barrel of a gun," Bourgeois said. "It gives me such joy to see so many people here. There were 10 people 50 years ago, and now there are 2,000." Authorities did not immediately say how many people were detained on base property. Fort Benning spokesman Rich McDowell said no decision had been made on whether to file charges against them, although earlier he had said trespassing charges would be filed against anyone who had changed in the past.

Trespassing could be punished with a jail term of up to six months. Even though that's a small percentage of the school's 62,000 graduates have ever been linked to human rights abuses.
Planting for the show

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How to plant trees at the new Cal Poly Rodeo Saturday. Approximately 200 trees were planted at the new site. A number of native trees were planted, including Canyon Live Oaks, Tan Oaks, Coast Live Oaks, as well as a variety of riparian tree species such as Cottonwoods, Willows, and Sycamores. Planting the trees will provide several benefits for the local environment, including wildlife habitat, shade for animals and a windbreak.

Spice up life with homegrown herbs

While in the spice section of Lucky last night, I could not help but notice all the ground-up and dried herbs and spices for sale. Some of these culinary seasonings are easy to grow with minimal attention. Requiring little preparation, these herbs can be minced up and added to sauces, gravies or stuffing. I have even tasted homemade beer splashed with a hint of rosemary. Rosemary can be grown either upright or horizontally and can be planted just about anywhere.

Basil is a small plant that can be used to flavor beef, chicken or fish as well as tofu dishes. The most common use of basil is as a seasoning for pasta either in a marinara or pesto sauce made with chopped basil, pine nuts, parmesan cheese and olive oil.

In the past five years there has been a huge influx of many species of thyme in this area. One type of thyme smells like pure, crushed lemon peels, while other types have a refreshing peppermint smell. Providing you give this plant sufficient drainage, thyme will provide an incredible flavor for chicken, fish and pasta.

Yerba buena, native to central and southern parts of California, has taken over many taste-buds. Yerba buena is an incredible herb when sauteed with mushrooms in a creamy white wine sauce. Yerba buena is difficult to find except in its native habitat, the Santa Cruz area into and above San Francisco. In fact, San Francisco used to be called Yerha Buena.

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There are many herbs and seasonings that can be grown in small spaces such as a terra cotta pot or windowsill box and can supply even the inexperienced with a blast of satisfaction.

First, rosemary can be dried or freshly diced up and used to flavor foods such as fish, poultry, and potatoes. I have even tasted homemade beer splashed with a hint of rosemary. Rosemary can be grown either upright or horizontally and can be planted just about anywhere.

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Opinion

This season, turn thanks into giving

It’s that time again — the holidays with heaps of symbolic gratitude are upon us. There hardly needs to be an editorial to point out that Thanksgiving is all about giving thanks and Christmas is about giving gifts. Hearts are filled with that warm, fuzzy feeling even though winter does its best to freeze every living thing.

We at the Mustang Daily had our hearts warmed when we ran across an article in the Los Angeles Times that public relations students who take pay cuts for local non-profit organizations ("Employees take pay cuts for causes," Nov. 18). We applaud the Cal Poly employees who have given from their meager paychecks to make the community a little better.

It doesn’t take much — we’ve all heard it and we know it in our hearts. The average donation from each participating Cal Poly faculty or staff member is $10 a month. That’s not much for one person, but it means more to the hurting community members than we privileged students could ever understand.

Thanksgiving is not about guilt, it’s about opening our eyes to all that we have and realizing that we have so much more to give. Even “starving students” have unwanted hand-me-downs, cans of green beans and cream of mushroom soup in the back of the cupboard and $2 in change somewhere in the couch. Be thankful for those things. And if your thankfulness moves you to action, there is a handful of organizations that will take your excess blessings (you don’t even have to leave your house for some):

- The Hunger Site, www.thehungersite.com, allows people to donate food by picking a button. The site says their sponsors pay for each donation, which a person can make once a day.
- The Prado Day Center in San Luis Obispo could use money donations. It provides a place for the homeless to commune and receive hot meals.
- The Economic Opportunity Commission needs help with Thanksgiving meal preparation and service this Tuesday and Wednesday.
- The Food Bank Coalition in Paso Robles could use money and food donations.
- At any time of year Cal Poly’s Student Community Services will take full advantage of your volunteer hours to help at homeless shelters in the community. These are just a few local places that need donations and help. There are dozens more on the Internet. Just search for social service organizations.
- Plus, local churches usually have volunteer and donation opportunities during this season. Let your thankfulness motivate you this year.

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Sweatshops are a cost-effective evil

It’s interesting how topics of controversy become headline news for a while, then get shuffled to the back of the media and our minds, only to resurface later when the topic becomes fresh. This year’s issue is sweatshop labor. This is the usage of employees (adults and/or children) in crowded, unhealthy conditions for extended hours and days a week. Some of these employees work 15-hour days, seven days a week and are treated as though a person might earn $6 a day. These sweatshops can include textile and manufacturing plants for major U.S. corporations.

Sweatshop labor products are everywhere, and more people purchase goods from these companies without knowing it. Some of the highly publicized companies include Nike, Gap, Tommy Hilfiger, Walmart and Target. On a local note, El Corral used to use sweatshop-produced clothes until last May when it stopped purchasing these garments.

Although most people with a decent heart and conscience disagree with the use of labor under these conditions, consumers continue to purchase products made by these workers. Why would people empathize with these employees and disagree with this practice but continue to shell out hundreds of dollars to purchase these products? It seems that talking and complaining about the issue is easier and less time-consuming than joining an anti-sweatshop group like Cal Poly Students Against Sweatshops to take action against this practice. This "all-talk" mentality is just one of the many reasons sweatshops will continue.

Another reason for the continuation of sweatshops is that it gives the companies cheap labor, which in turn gives consumers less expensive products. If these companies spend money to improve working conditions and raise employee salaries, they will start raising the price of the finished product. The main concern for companies is making money, and using sweatshops gives them finished products at minimal cost. If companies spend money to improve their current workstations or move the plants to other locations, the consumer will foot the bill. Instead of spending an already outrageous amount on a pair of Nike shoes, consumers might be paying 15 to 30 percent more. Another aspect to look at in the sweatshop controversy is the role of the United States. Is it our country’s responsibility to be the police of the world and flex our muscles at every human injustice? How can we justify trying to correct the world when we cannot even correct our own country? Granted the United States is one country that suffers from the least turmoil. However, we still have our shortcomings — inner-city and poverty problems, for example.

If everyone in the world expects us to correct his or her problems and injustices, we might as well make a commitment to help every person on earth. We could spend all our money making every town a just and equal place to live. While we’re at it, we could also change our country’s name to "The United States of Squeezing Injustices" and play Sam, the world’s rich uncle.

This topic of sweatshop labor is one that parallels the Energizer bunny — it keeps going and going. The issue isn’t new, and there doesn’t seem to be a feasible remedy of the situation. It’s like underdinking: It’s evident a problem exists, but it’s just going to be a topic of conversation.

Correcting the problem will cost too much, take too much time (remember, controversial topics only stay in the limelight for short spurts of time) and take too much effort out of mildly concerned consumers.

Cameron Watts is a journalism senior and a Mustang Daily staff writer who would like to correct the problem but doesn’t have the time or mental patience.

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The tagline on "Prayer forces others' beliefs on students," Nov. 19, was inadvertently left off. The story was written by Christine Janocko, journalism senior and Mustang Daily staff writer.
In the general scheme of majors, art majors become professional artists, history majors become history teachers and music majors become professional musicians. Every so often, however, students have fun with their ordinary degree and create an extraordinary profession. In a sense, they create their own careers.

According to Career Services career counselor Jill Hayden, creating a career isn’t always as exotic as it may sound. She said that often a job sounds mundane or ordinary on the surface, but it’s what the person does with it that makes it unique.

"The job can be something as seemingly boring as Calendar or telephone sales, but if you can take it and make it fun, then it is a unique job," Hayden said.

"Career planning is taking what you start with and making it something that is interesting to you."

Hayden also stressed that the key to finding the perfect job is recognizing an opportunity and taking it.

One Cal Poly alumnus who jumped at an opportunity was Karrie Cordova. Cordova graduated from Cal Poly in June 1988 with a degree in journalism and bought into a public relations firm in Modesto a month later.

After only six months with the firm, Cordova, 27, changed her company’s remaining shares and changed its name to Cordova and Associates Inc. She is now the sole partner in a full-service public relations, advertising and design company.

Almost every aspect of everyday life is now on the screen of a computer. This has developed into helping students and unfulfilled employees log on to the Internet and search for employment. Although searching for a job online is easy, it can be confusing.

There are hundreds of resume post boards and companies who claim to have job listings for a small fee. Scanning through the entanglement of sources can be frustrating; however, Cal Poly offers an alternative. Cal Poly’s Career Services mediates between students and employers by helping with job searching and scheduling interviews with recruiters. Career Services is a free service to students and universities who currently enroll in Cal Poly or who have graduated within the last three years. Career Services can help students search for and land a satisfying job online.

"We’re very proud of our web site," said Jane Johnson, career counselor and legation to the College of Business. "The site has company job listings and interview schedules for every company coming to Cal Poly. Last year the school had over 425 companies visiting campus."

The site contains information on resume writing, interviewing techniques, job listings, employers links, key points to negotiate a salary and a segment where students can upload their resumes for employers to see. It contains links to other sites that have more job listings, schedules of recruiters coming to other schools and news stories about job hunting.

By Cameron Watts
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Ploy, CalTeach fill teaching ranks

By Christine Jancko
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Wanted: 300 teachers. It’s a tall order, but CalTeach is reaching out to fill CalTeach, the California Center for Teaching Careers, is a statewide program designed to attract people to the teaching profession. Established in 1997 by then-Gov. Pete Wilson and the state legislature, CalTeach provides information and other services to prospective teachers in an effort to get more teachers with credentials into classrooms.

CalTeach is separate from the University Center for Teacher Education, Cal Poly’s academic unit for the instruction of teachers, school counselors and administrators. According to its web site at www.calpoly.edu/uc-te, CalTeach is unique in the California State University system because of its whole-campus approach to teacher education. But in goal, “to be able to prepare 21st century teachers for 21st century schools for the benefit of the children of the state of California,” complements the in-class and outreach efforts of CalTeach.

By Erin Crosby
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Internet quenches job thirst

By Cameron Watts
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

"I was very fortunate because I felt there was an opportunity, and I was lucky that I had the means to take advantage of it," Cordova said.

Not all opportunities come at such a high price though, Hayden said. Often, finding a dream job is just a matter of taking the initiative.

"I think ‘creating a career’ takes place within a job in addition to using education and experience in an out-of-the-ordinary way," Hayden said.

Karen Corbett, a recent Cal Poly graduate, discovered that her dream of working for Disney wasn’t as unattainable as she once thought.

"Most students don’t realize that it is very easy to get their dream job," Corbett said of the course-planning division for Disney. "You just have to be willing to go out and get it."

Corbett graduated from Cal Poly in June 1998 with a degree in industrial engineering. After graduation she went to work for the Arrowhead Bottling Company where she spent a few months before transferring to Disney. She now designs and engineers new rides for Disneyland.

"People think that it is almost impossible to get a job working for a company like Disney, but here I am, a year out of college, with my dream job," Corbett said. "If I can do it, anyone who wants it had enough can too.

"I think creating a career is what makes it fun," Hayden said. "If you make the best of it, you will go far."
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Internships pave way to job offers

By Diane Farnsworth

It's one of the first questions job interviewers ask: "What kind of experience do you have in the field?" But sometimes students fall short because they don't know how to get that experience.

Joan Ganous, office manager for student employment at Career Services, says the best way for students to get experience is to find some kind of job related to their major.

"Cal Poly students have so many opportunities to get experience through summer jobs or volunteering in community service," she said.

Students who have work experience prior to graduating usually find it's easier to find employment.

"We often have students come in during the fall quarter and are graduating in the winter or spring. They realize they don't have any work experience, and they are worried about not being competitive in the job market," Ganous said.

Career Services offers students assistance with finding employment, processing resumes and providing information about businesses doing on-campus interviews. Ganous said that often, the jobs students find can be used as an internship or a cover, but it's up to individual departments to assign academic credit for work experience.

"Some departments require internships in order to graduate while other departments prefer students do a co-op, which lasts two quarters and tends to be more intense than an internship," Ganous said. "Some departments don't have any requirements regarding internships."

Mark Shelton, associate dean of the College of Agriculture, said he didn't know of any departments in his college that require students to do an internship in order to graduate.

"We like to leave it optional. We believe we provide a great learning experience," he said. "Many students may not choose to do an internship because of lack of time."

Shelton said the College of Agriculture provides opportunities for students to get work experience through enterprise projects and

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The Career Services Web site also pulls in jobs from around the world. This includes internships, co-ops and career employment. Career Services is located in building 124 near Mustang Stadium, or online at www.careerservices.calpoly.edu.

For agriculture business senior Billy James, the site has so much information, it's overwhelming. "The site is a little confusing," James said. "It's packed with so much information that it makes it hard to access the information you want. It took me awhile to find what I wanted because the links kept taking me to places outside of campus."

Agriculture business senior Billy Williams uses the site and takes advantage of talking to Career Services counselors one-on-one.

"I've been here six years, and I just discovered Career Services. I used some of the other job postings on the Web although I've found that it's easier to talk to a counselor about different paths to take. If I have a question, I can get it answered on the spot," Williams said.

Outside of Career Services, the Web offers several career-searching sites. The biggest and easiest to access are www.monster.com, www.jobtrak.com and www.hotjobs.com. These sites offer a free service of posting resumes and searching through a database of job listings.

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agency credentials, Swisher said. CalTeach is working to alleviate that problem not only by recruiting more teachers, but also by increasing the number of teaching credentials coming out of the CSU system, he said.

Too early to tell
Already, Swisher said, CSU has had a 25-percent increase in teaching credentials over the last year as a result of CalTeach. The effects the program has had on other aspects of the teaching field aren't yet clear, however.

"It would be too early to say" how CalTeach has impacted the situation, Swisher said. Besides its teacher recruitment efforts, CalTeach centers supply information about credential requirements, help prospective teachers scout out job opportunities and provide a referral service for those teachers seeking employment.

Trustees talk teachers
The latest efforts from CalTeach include an advertising campaign aimed at communicating California's great need for teachers, Swisher said. The ongoing campaign has "TV stations throughout the state showing the value of teaching," he said.

The first set of spots targeted college students, one of the major resources of potential teachers, Swisher said. Another set was aimed toward professionals considering career changes.

A discussion of the specifics of the campaign, sponsored by Aetna Financial Services and Edison International, was on the agenda of a CSU trustees meeting Nov. 15 through 17. Trustees were shown a video about the advertisements, presented with a publicity report and updated on the things CalTeach has been doing with the campaign, Swisher said.

Swisher encouraged students interested in finding out more about a career in teaching to call 1-888-CAL-TEACH. Students can also contact Cal Poly's UCTE at 756-2583.
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Looking forward to going from classrooms to boardrooms

I was recently talking to a friend of mine who graduated last year and is soon to be mar­ried. He is in the working world now, the "real world" as some would call it, and was shocked to hear that Cal Poly is in its ninth week of classes. It seems that when you leave this collegiate microcosm for the uni­verse of eight-hour work­days, time just flies. This place, with classes that meet three times a week and students who consistently manage to wrangle work free Fridays, promotes variety and diversity. If you don't like what you're doing, it's a bad thing. In fact, I'm sort of looking forward to the biggest joy of post-collegiate life, so my alumni friends tell me, is having no home­work. I had to stop to catch my breath the first time I heard this—the concept seemed so foreign. As a junior in college, I have been doing homework for roughly 17 years of my life, and I'm getting tired of it.

One of my favorite strings I made up is: "School would be perfect if not for the tests and the homework and most of the classes." Even if you don't have anything due tomorrow, there is always some project looming over you like a dark cloud raining on your free time. I've never been able to truly enjoy a holiday like Veteran's Day because deep down I know that I could be working on the essay that's due in two weeks. Come the weekend, I go out and play Frisbee or soccer. I visit friends and hang out, but the little nudge in the back of my mind is always chiming, gently reminding me that I could be studying for a fast-approaching midterm.

Keep religion civilized

Civilized societies like the United States have certain rules that we all must follow or else we would soon degenerate into tearing each other's throats out. One of these rules is, "You don't show your religion down my throat, and I won't show my religion down your throat." Jews, Moslems, Hindus and Buddhists all seem to have no problem following these rules. Even when those behave in a civilized manner.

A large vocal minority of Christians, though, insist flaunting the rules of civilization by pushing for creationism and prayers in schools and nativity scenes in public spaces. Whenever Christians favor this barbarism, this truly calls into doubt the validity of the rest of their religion. I'm sure if they just stopped to think about it for one minute, they'd realize this is exactly opposite from the impression they wish to convey. They went to look deep enough into their religion, they'd find a little known passage by an obscure gentleman that reads, "Love your neighbor as yourself.", John David Munch is a computer sci­ence senior.

School prayer effort to push religion on all

I am writing in response to "Prayer adds another dimension to school," Nov. 17. Once again, the ramifications of the conservative religious right have plagued the pages of the Mustang.

Fortunately, a counterpoint was pre­sented, and I intend to further the arguments made against the ludi­crous notion of promoting formalized prayer in public schools.

First of all, if any of you out there believe the whole prayer-in-schools movement is anything other than a concerted effort by the Christian majority to force its religion on everyone else, the countries, you have been sadly deceived. Christians pushing for this want you to believe that they simply want an opportunity to practice their beliefs unobstructed. They all act like this is a new phenomenon. As was mentioned in the counterpoint, they can bow their heads, clasp their hands together, close their eyes and pray to whomever or whatever they want until they're numb.

They really play this, and are using it as a guise to cover their completely unconstitutional and, quite frankly, totally immoral intent.

These people know that God doesn't care whether you pray silently in the corner of the classroom or over the PA systems, offering half the stu­dents along the way. They have very clear intentions here. The time is to make all students (mostly young and impressionable at this early stage) who don't hold Christianity as an integral part of their lives feel inferior. This is a part of a power-trip mental­ity. The second intention is to play to the crowd that they're playing to God. As I mentioned, religious practices are just one of a whole movement into heaven as are public practices, but the former is not nearly as an effective means of looking good in the public's eyes.

Because of any proponents of this cause who claim to be working for the sake of righteousness and morality. They're doing it to be seen doing it. Allen Vaugn is an engineering junior.

Keep prayer to selves

It seems that most of the people who want prayer in schools are Christians. I looked up these words of Jesus on prayer: "And when you pray..." In other words, pray not shall not be as the hypocrites are: for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and in the corners of the streets, that they may be seen of men. Verily I say unto you, they have their reward. But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, then pray to thy Father which seeth in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly." (Matthew 6:6).

I'm not far out of high school to imagine the effects of school prayer. The Christian kids would be squirm­ing at their desks when, in the back of the room, the kid who wore the Limp Bizkit concert T-shirt in their school picture stands up and asks to lead the class in supplicating the Devil. At best, I could see a brief moment at the beginning of the day for the kids to psychologically prep­are themselves for the day but I hope everyone has the power to sus­tain a moment of silence, because the believers in more observant faiths might prefer a moment of unbroken shrieking rather than quiet meditation, and I don't want to imagine how people express their spirituality.

Dean Wilber is an electrical engi­neering senior.

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Beck gets funky on new 'Midnite Vultures'

Beck "Midnite Vultures"

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(U-WIRE) – Perhaps the most listenable of Beck's rock-funk-bluegrass-soul-country-rnB-electronica-polkapunk moments, the new album, "Midnite Vultures," adds soulful guitar licks, raging horns and many funk-inspired hooks to the usual mix of sensuous melodies produced by the world's hippest white guy.

A clear funk influence pervades the disc. Despite layers and layers of noise, the larger portions of tracks such as "Milk and Honey" and the high-energy first single "Sex Laws" remain sparse, highlighting the interwining riffs, which pop from guitar to bass to trumpet to sax and back. "Sex Laws" and its driving horns might come straight from the James Brown songbook. Other tunes could back up gangsta rap (though it's unlikely Method Man would tolerate this couplet from "Hollywood Freaks": "We drop lobotomy beats/Evaporated meats").

The fantastically mellow "Debra" even features an impassioned falsetto vocal delivered to the world's most serious J.C. Penney clerk. "I wanna get with you," Beck says. "And your sister. I think her name's Debra."

But not content to merely lay down the groove and the ridiculous innuendo, Beck punctures these tunes with seemingly incongruent sections. The chorus of "Milk and Honey" is radio-worthy arena rock, and "Sex Laws" breaks for a surreal steetslide guitar-banjo trio.

Yes, a banjo. This would seem to be either an odd attempt at musical novelty or a drug-inspired venture into self-indulgence. But, like the rest of "Midnite Vultures," the banjo works, and brilliant. Beck has built a career from taking risks and once again it pays off.

> Beck's "Midnite Vultures" will be released on Nov. 23.

> This album is a funk-infused follow-up to "Mutations."
Sports

Monday, November 22, 1999

Women's basketball loses opener

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF REPORT

The Cal Poly women's basketball team lost in season opener to UC Riverside 50-71 in Most Gym Sunday.

The Mustangs (0-1) led by 13 late in the first half, but the Highlanders (1-0) came on late to cut the lead to 45-38 at halftime.

Riverside came alive in the second half, shooting 46.9 percent from the floor, while the Mustangs shot only 35.1.

The Highlanders, keyed by a 7-0 run, took the lead for the first time at 54-53 with 12.6 left in the game.

Cal Poly was led by Stephanie Orono and Stephanie Brown, who each had 14 points. Jennifer Sosnicky added 12 points and Odessa Jenkins had 10 points and four steals.

The Highlanders' Amy Houchens led all scorers with 24 points and was a big presence defensively with eight steals.

Cal Poly heads to Arizona State Wednesday at 8:00 pm. Building 03 Rm. 206. We have many fun activities planned for the quarter so don't miss out!

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Cast in the archetypical role of a team on the rise, the St. Louis Rams showcased their ascendancy by dominating their longest-tenured nemesis.

Mike Jones returned an interception 44 yards for a touchdown, and Kurt Warner threw for a score as the Rams beat San Francisco 23-7 on Sunday, sending the 49ers to a sixth straight loss.

San Francisco's longest skid since 1990, and the loss ended an annual visit to the 49ers' string of six straight victory seasons.

Bracken Faulk ran for 126 yards on 21 carries, and Jeff Williams kicked field goals of 20, 40 and 49 yards for the Rams, who won in San Francisco for the first time since 1990 and completed their first season sweep in 20 years.

The Rams (6-2), who have a four-game lead in the NFC West with six to play, ended a 17-game losing streak to the 49ers in a 42-20 victory at St. Louis on Oct. 10.

San Francisco (3-7) managed to score its first offensive touchdown in four games on Fred Beasley's 1-yard run in the second quarter, but it wasn't nearly enough to overcome five turnovers.

Steve Stenstrom threw an interception going into next year when they play nearly the same schedule.

"Our guys understand they played a tough schedule, but everyone knows they could play certain games or play over," Welch said. "We were close in a lot of games, the young kids and depth is what is really changing.

We had solid numbers overall and we have some good residuals. I think we are all looking forward to next season."

Sacramento State believes it has a lot to look forward to next year as well.

"We are ready to turn the corner and become a playoff contender," Velalk said. "We have a lot of guys coming back and a lot of kids able to come into a hostile environment like this and pull out the big games."

Cal Poly will return most of its team, too. The Mustangs will lose only thirteen players and return most of their starters.

"We will be very deep next year," Welch said. "All the guys that are returning went through a challenging season this year and will be ready to step up and help the bigger teams the second time around."
Men's basketball victorious in season opener Sunday

By Joe Nolan
MUSTANG DAILY MANAGING EDITOR

Over the last few years, the Mustangs have relied on the 3. Sunday's season-opener wasn't much different, although it was a different sort of three.

The Mustangs looked to their three stars, Mike Wozniak, Chris Bjorkland and Jeremiah Mayes, and they responded with a combined 65 points in the Mustangs 91-78 win over the Division II Simon Fraser Clan (3-6). The win improved the Mustangs to 5-0 against Simon Fraser all-time.

The Clan came out hot, batting nearly 63 percent of their shots in the first half. Dave Wahl paced the Clan with 17 first-half points and his team close to the Mustangs who couldn't find any offensive rhythm but still led 41-37 at halftime.

"I don't think we ran our offense as efficiently as we wanted to, but we did what we wanted to do, working the inside-outside game," said Bjorkland, who scored 16 of his 22 points in the first half.

Bjorkland, however, collected his third foul early in the second half and with 6'10" freshman John Hoffart out with an ankle injury, Mayes became the focus in the paint. He scored 13 of his 18 points in the second half and was the only rebounding bright spot with seven.

"With big John not playing, that really hurt," Mayes said. "Our rebounding really would have picked up with him in there."

With Hoffart out and Bjorkland sitting in foul trouble, the Mustangs picked up their defensive pressure. Speedy guards Jason Krug and Watande Favors led the charge picking up four and three steals respectively.

The Mustang pressure forced 26 Clan turnovers and led to several open Mike Wozniak jumpers. The senior hit four of the teams eight 3-pointers and led the Mustangs with 25 points, eight short of the 33 he torched the Clan for last season.

"Once we stunned them a couple times with our press, we got the crowd going, and we forced them to call a couple timeouts," Wozniak said. "It was during this stretch the Mustangs expanded a narrow 3-point lead to 14-point margin. The run featured three consecutive 3-pointers, two by Wozniak and one by David Henry from the baseline, which deflated any Clan hopes of getting back in the game.

"I thought it was good that our guys held their composure," Schneider said. "I think Simon Fraser played as well as they could play today.

The Mustang first Division I test is Tuesday when they host Northern Arizona, who finished 21-8 last year, in Mott Gym at 7 p.m.

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Football season ends with another loss

By Aaron Emerson
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

The Cal Poly football team was not as fortunate as one lucky young fan Saturday.

While the fan was busy winning $15,000 at halftime for making a 35-yard field goal, the Mustangs contemplated how to overcome a 21-6 deficit in their contest with Sacramento State. But in the end, Cal Poly's comeback was thwarted as the Hornets prevailed 43-26.

"I didn't tell the guys much at halftime," head coach Larry Welsh said. "They were disappointed with their performance in the second half, the offense couldn't find any offensive rhythm.

"We controlled the ball for a good portion of the game. But we had bad field position most of the day and had to go a long way to score."

Larry Welsh head coach more. That and the defense helped us get back in the game."

After scoring on their opening drive of the second half, the Mustangs expanded a narrow 3-point lead to 14-point margin. The run featured three consecutive 3-pointers, two by Wozniak and one by David Henry from the baseline, which deflated any Clan hopes of getting back in the game.

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Scores

FOOTBALL
Sacramento State 31
Cal Poly 26
• Andy Jepson 25-36 for 328 yards, 2 TDs.
• Craig Young 27 rushes for 109 yards.

MEN'S BASKETBALL
Simon Fraser 70
Cal Poly 91
• Mike Wozniak 25 points.
• Jeremiah Mayes 18 points and 7 rebounds.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL
UC Riverside 80
Cal Poly 71
• Stephanie Osando and Stephanie Brown had 14 points.
• Odessa Jenkins had 10 points and 4 steals.

WOMEN'S SWIMMING
San Diego State 142
Cal Poly 80
• Jen Dyer won the 200-Meter and Individual Medley.

Schedule

TODAY
• Women's basketball vs. Arizona State • at Arizona State • 6 p.m.
• Men's cross country at NCAA Championships • at Indianapolis

TUESDAY
• Men's basketball vs. Northern Arizona • in Mott Gym • 7 p.m.
• Women's basketball vs. Cal Lutheran • at Cal Lutheran • 8 p.m.

SATURDAY
• Men's Basketball vs. Portland State • in Mott Gym • 7 p.m.