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They still have no suspect and Finder is now missing $5,000 worth of expensive belongings including a digital video camera, lingerie and the criminal entered.

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"I'm completely paranoid," Finder said. Last December, a residential house occupied by students was broken into on Lexington Court in San Luis Obispo. At about 7:00 a.m., a door on the side of the garage was broken down by intruders. He entered the house, stole a computer and exited while everyone was sleeping. By the time authorities arrived, there was no trace of the thief.

"It made me feel more at risk," said Pat Reynolds, a music junior at Cal Poly. Reynolds said that the police were not doing enough to protect the students.

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In an effort to deepen the pool of teacher talent, the state of California recently awarded 22 Cal Poly students the Governor's Teaching Fellowship. In exchange for a commitment of four years of teaching at a low-performance school, the program gives $20,000 to students working toward their teaching credential.

"The fellowship allows more students to continue in the field and earn credentials," said Peggy Smith-Anderson, credential analyst for the University Center for Teacher Education. "It also opens their eyes to teaching in schools considered "low performance" by the state's standards. These are schools they might not consider otherwise."

The Academic Performance Index, or API, rates a school's performance based on student test scores and other factors.

Gov. Gray Davis signed Senate Bill 1666 to boost teacher recruitment and battle the state's teacher shortage. The state estimates that during the next ten years, California will need to attract and keep 300,000 new teachers.

The program, now in its second year with 1,000 fellowships awarded, seeks to fill specific California schools that traditionally have trouble keeping quality teachers, who frequently select better-performing schools.

Financially, the competitive, merit-based award helps future teachers while they get their credential. During their first year they typically aren't paid for their full-time work.

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Moms, Bishop's Peak, Sunnyside and Pacheco Elementary schools. The closures would result in students from those schools being assigned to seven other campuses in the district — a move that has raised the attention of many area parents.

Currently, the plan involves shifting students from Bishop's Peak Elementary School to Teach

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Weather

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Neighborhood Services. The demographics for thieves are very diverse, Bryn said that there are many occurrences when the victim and the criminal know each other. It can be anyone from a neighbor down the street, a former roommate or someone who infiltrated the house to rob.

Then there are instances when the burglary is a complete stranger. "There are criminals who work colleges and universities because it's a target-rich environment for them," said Bryn. It is not uncommon for larceny to be committed by someone who has committed burglary before. Such people might commit larceny multiple times because they know that college campuses will be filled with stereo systems, CDs, expensive computer equipment and other electronics.

The best advice against burglary that Bryn offers students is to take precautions. "Get a double lock and lock your door all the time, even when you're home," Bryn said. "Make sure those windows are locked because unlocked windows are problematic. Leave a porch light or driveway light on and leave a light or radio on a timer. If you come home to find your house is broken into, stay outside and use your cell phone or a neighbor's phone to call the police. But most importantly, protect yourself by taking precautions against theft."

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Elementary, Pacheco Elementary School students would attend Hawthorne Elementary, and students from Momo Elementary in Mono Bay and Sunnyside Elementary in Los Osos would be moved to other schools in their respective areas.

Given the city's growing population and increasing enrollment forecast, many trustees feel that closing the schools and then reopening them could be an expensive proposition, according to a Tribune report. The district is anticipating an influx of approximately 650 new students this year.

Because no formal decision regarding the schools' future has yet been made, officials from Cal Poly and the San Luis Coastal School District could not confirm nor deny any involvement the university might have if the campuses are closed.

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teacher and she would play the student's role. Smith-Andersen highlights the importance of the program in helping students receive an education at those schools rated as low-performers, and how it helps first-time teachers make it through the financially right credential period. She emphasized, however, that the program is about more than money. "Most people teach for the love of it," Smith-Andersen said. "They are drawn to it because they have the desire to help others learn."

Both the University of California and The California State University administer the teaching fellowship program. A 12-member panel of university faculty, administrators and public school educators constitute the candidate review committee. To meet the selection criteria for the Governor's Teaching Fellowship Program, applicants must furnish several records, including documented experience of working with children, personal and professional recommendations, and a "statement essay" addressing their commitment to teach in a low-performing school.

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National Briefs

Recession may have bot-tomed-out
WASHINGTON — The U.S. economy may be recovering from recession and close to being over, but the Federal Reserve officials and Commerce Secretary Donald Evans have both said in interviews and speeches that the worst may be over. But the Federal Reserve officials said that it is too soon to declare victory.

In interviews, Treasury Secretary Paul O'Neill has cited a Fox News Opinion Dynamic Poll that was released Sunday that says 74 percent of Americans believe the economy would improve in the coming year and 14 percent expect the economy to get worse. O'Neill said those predicting improvement were "on the right track."

Evans said that U.S. retail sales continue to be strong, as do auto and home sales. Consumer spending fuels two-thirds of the U.S. economy. — Reuters

Pleasure craft smashes into Coast Guard vessel; 11 injured
MIAMI — A 24-foot U.S. Coast Guard vessel was hit at about 9 p.m. Saturday by a 65-foot Bayside Blaster that was carrying 53 passengers. Eleven people were injured, including two Coast Guard sailors who were thrown overboard. The two sailors were ejected from their vessel and swam ashore. The other was treated for a wound in Miami Beach.

The Coast Guard boat took on water and was partially submerged. The cause of the accident is being investigated by the Florida Fish and Wildlife Commission and the Coast Guard. — Associated Press

College students not eating right
BOSTON, Mass. — The preliminary results of the ongoing Tufts Turfing Survey of 1,800 students revealed that most students do not have healthy eating habits.

The ongoing research at Tufts University discovered that 66 percent of freshmen do not eat enough fruit and vegetables, 35 percent of all students do not consume enough fiber, 60 percent eat too much saturated fat, and 50 percent of female students do not have enough calcium in their diet. But 59 percent of the students said they knew the quality of their diet but declined since coming to college.

Researchers say that these statistics are significant because the eating habits that students form during their college years often stick with them into their 30s. They also said that one of the problems is that many students don't realize that that there are healthier alternatives. For example, one third of students eliminate red meat from their diets but did not compensate by eating more vegetables and low-fat proteins.

Rather, many of the students are eating breads and cheese, thus consuming about the same amount of saturated fat as those eating red meat.

The good news is that the legendarry "freshman 15" is a myth. On average, college women gained 4.5 pounds their freshman year and college men gained 5.5 pounds.

More bad news is that 52 percent of students reported a decline in their overall feeling of happiness during their freshman year. But students who exercised reported a better state of happiness and a greater feeling of control over their lives. — USA Today

International Briefs

Europe
BELFAST, Ireland — Two men were arrested and are being questioned by police, Sunday, over the death of Daniel McColgan, 20. McColgan, a Catholic, was shot reportedly by two gunmen as he arrived for work at a postal depot in a predominantly Protestant district in north Belfast Saturday.

Police believe the shooting is part of the recent wave of violence in the capital of Northern Ireland that is believed to be caused by Protestant and Catholic guerrilla groups. Two guerrilla groups have claimed responsibility for the shooting.

McColgan's family has asked that there be no retaliation for the shooting and that they know why he was made a target. Police believe that he was shot simply because he was a Catholic and an easy target. McColgan was the father of a baby girl. — Reuters

Middle East
KANDAHAR, Afghanistan — Thirty more prisoners, who are suspected of being supporters of Osama bin Laden, departed for a U.S. prison camp at the Guantanamo Bay Naval Station in Cuba on Sunday. They will join 20 other prisoners who arrived Friday.

The prisoners, who were guarded by U.S. troops and attack dogs, shackled and had their faces covered, are among the nearly 600 Taliban and al-Qaeda suspects who have been interned in Kandahar.

Most of the lights at Kandahar airport were shut-off as the men boarded the plane. The tight security included patrolling Hummers equipped with 50-caliber machine guns.

A U.S. military official said that one of the prisoners identified Richard Reid, the man accused of trying to blow up a trans-Atlantic flight with explosives hidden in his shoes, as someone he had trained with at a camp run by bin Laden's al-Qaeda network.

Also on Sunday, military investiga-tors continued to search the site of a U.S. KC-130 aircraft that crashed Wednesday in southwest mountains of Pakistan. They are searching for seven missing victims and clues to what caused the crash. — Associated Press

Middle East
KABUL, Afghanistan — Leaders of the interim Afghan government plan to request $45 billion aid package to help reconstruct and develop its shattered economy and infrastructure and fund development projects for the next 10 years at a pledging conference in Tokyo Jan. 21-22.

Most Western estimates of aid needed were three to four times smaller. U.S. Senator Joseph Biden said Saturday that the estimates he heard were between $8 billion and $20 billion. He believed that most people would agree on a $10 billion aid package for the next five years.

The EU has aimed to raise $9 billion for Afghanistan over the next five years. An EU spokesperson said that private investment should also be considered in whether and how to meet Kabul's target budget of $45 billion. — Reuters

Asia
SEOUL — Kooksoondang Brewery Co. of South Korea is developing an alternative to drinking liquor. The company said Friday that it has come up with a "cheachable" version of its popular P tareao rice wine, which is a mild, 9 percent spirit-based soju liquor. The new product, which was developed during the company's campaign to find new ways to consume traditional liquor, is made with gelatin. The company is conducting consumer surveys and has no concrete plans to market the product yet. — Reuters

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A guide on how to survive on a student's budget

By Audrey Amara
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Four months later, sustained bombing of Taliban militia have been rounded up by U.S. forces worldwide are working in conjunction with Pakistan, which encourages customers to ask to try something new. Now my roommate and I are so good at practicing this policy that every time we go shopping for food, they ask us, "What is it you want to try today?"

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LESSON 1: Meeting people Many students have jobs at places that are located around town. Usually people who work help to out their friends by giving them food — i.e. food — that they receive for working there. Woodstock's Pizza in San Luis Obispo is a good example. Normally, a slice of mushroom pizza is $1.50. However, if a friend or acquaintance happens to be staying at the register, the price will most likely be $0.50.

The point is, that when meeting new people, students should make sure to find out: a) if that person has a job, b) where the job is, and c) when they'll be there.

LESSON 2: Free samples Many places are happy to let their customers try their products, but the customers just don't know it. Trader Joe's is a great example of this kind of benefit. When I was walking down the energy bar aisle one day, I decided to try something other than my usual choice of a chocolate-flavored POWERBAR. I used in front of the 50 flavors of energy bars for what must have been at least ten minutes. I was trying to decide between the lemon zest LUNA bar and the honey peanut BALANCE bar, when over my shoulder, I heard someone say, "Who don't you just take sample one." I turned around and saw a Trader Joe's employee. He explained the store's customer satisfaction policy, which encourages customers to ask to try something new. Now my roommate and I are so good at practicing this policy that every time we go shopping for food, they ask us, "What is it you want to try today?"

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LESSON 4: Drink water Most people do not drink enough water. Students are different. Time, money or lack of resources are just a few of the reasons why students do not drink water. Whatever the reason, most people do not realize that they need water. Besides the fact that the human body is made up of 75% water, water can also satisfy hunger. When I'm hungry, I drink a gush of 0.50 ml. I use it to need and I print it out. I also try to print out a few pages of the drinking fountain holds me over until Farmers' Market. That's the only place I can find a price difference between an "A" or a "B" grade on my report, because I saved money to print out my work.

LESSON 5: Ask a campus hero for shelter things happen when I "just ask." A friend and I were in the main part of our quaint college town and we were hungry. We decided to just ask a cashier at a wrap eating place and they gave us free sandwiches. Sure enough, I was told to wait right there and seconds later, he came back with a chicken wrap for me. When people working are approached by students who try to get something more for nothing, they can only react in one of two ways; they either are so surpised with the free food, or they are happy to fulfill that student's wishes, or 2) they get annoyed and give a lecture on how customers need to pay in order to receive food. Whatever the outcome, the student should realize that "just asking" is a simple, yet potentially valuable, technique for getting some free food.

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The relationship of politics and religion is a topic that has been debated by society in question, due to the tragic events of Sept. 11. In the days following the attacks, many people, including those who previously didn’t consider themselves religious, turned to religion for comfort and reassurance. America’s spiritual reawakening has even spilled into the public arena with prayer rallies being held everywhere from the World Series and Echoes to the Capital Building. As expected, the issue of prayer in public schools has once again come before the court this year. It is understandable that people want to see justice for those killed in the attacks of Sept. 11, but this time the opposition is not as vocal.

And that brings us to another division, the government and the religion. There seems to be a fought over area between the two, leading to many restrictions on the way we can worship. Is there a way to end this problem for once and for all? I think there is. I believe that the government should want the same thing that the religious want: to have religious freedom in this country.

There are many people who believe that religion and government should not be mixed. They state that the government will turn away from their religion, it hasn’t been tested. Religion is allowed to influence government policies. There are also problems when religion is allowed to influence government policy — we have only to look at the Salem Witch Trials to see how it can go wrong. Innocent men were killed because of religion, even if religious worship causes problems, people have to act and do what they believe is right. Those who think it is offensive probably won’t want it in the dictionary. But I submit the simple argument of the dictionary's statement: Arthur Bicknell.

"These are words that have been in use for a long time," Bicknell said in the AP story. "If words are in use for a long time, they should get put in the dictionary. It makes sense.

Matt Szabo is a journalism junior and Mustang Daily staff writer.

"There is plenty of time for people to find some point before or after school to have their time with their God."

For public school system hasn't impeded the practice of religion. Just look around, there are multiple houses of worship in every school. The government is being held and even commercials on TV encouraging people to choose one religious doctrine over another. Plenty of people are able to continuously practice their faith and even spread their ideas to others with or without religion. They have the freedom to choose what religion to follow. It is not the place to try and convert someone from one religion to another. The type of students do not need to worry about the idea that Americans have the ability to choose what religion to follow.
It's time to include religion in intellectual talk

I began attending a certain church about a year and a half ago. This church — like many others from both past and present — has a hierarchy, a certain sense of importance in society and various beliefs. It seeks an understanding of truth, but dogma has become absolutely central to it. If someone challenges a small part of its beliefs, he may, or he may not, be applauded for original thought. If someone challenges a fundamental one, he is seen as a threat to the church's power system. He most likely faces excommunication.

This church is the universe, and its dogma is most often science — the belief that the nature of the universe and all fields of inquiry can be exhaustively explained within the understanding of the physical sciences.

This rigid structure may sound remarkably familiar. The medieval church, for example, was also a body that became far more interested in supporting its own dogma — and its monopoly on intellectual power — than seeking truth. In light of this history over knowledge, many thinkers deemed crucial the pursuit of truth. As scientific navigation began to reveal revolutionary claims such as a sun-centered universe without man as its center, empiricism — the belief that knowledge can only be obtained through the experience and the senses — was thrust to the forefront as the leading method of inquiry.

You may recall from introductory philosophy courses names such as David Hume and Immanuel Kant — thinkers who sought to abandon the understanding of reality as we could prove through the senses. This gave birth over the centuries to an understanding of the universe as solely material in nature, effectively dissociating once solid religious claims from an understanding of reality. Truth became understandable only through science and, according, science became truth.

Despite the fact that science has provided, in many cases, numerous answers to questions about the physical world, many questions that have plagued mankind throughout history, such as the existence of God and the role of man, still remain. This isn't because these questions are unknowable, but because they are of a purely abstract, amoral kind. If truth — an understanding of the nature of reality — is to be discovered beyond the shackles of dogma, then it is absolutely imperative that other approaches to knowledge are included at the philosophical discussion table. We must look beyond mere science to encompass the possibility that religion and science can coexist to explain truth. In the same sense that thinkers of the past believed it honest to abandon religious thought, thinkers of the present must be willing to abandon scientific dogma in order to explore evidence points towards an alternative conclusion.

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Planet of the apes? Some people think so

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The group argues that apes are morally equivalent to a human and thus deserves the same rights. Apes are intelligent — in fact, some Great Ape supporters also argue that apes are more intelligent than humans. This has a hierarchy, a certain sense of importance in society and various beliefs.

The group believes that apes should be free from any kind of torture, which includes their current subjection to medical testing and misuse. The group argues that apes are subject to pain, suffering, and diseases. Ape are intelligent — in fact, some have created art or music. Ape is a purely amoral, unemotional construct. If truth — an understanding of the nature of reality — is to be discovered beyond the shackles of dogma, then it is absolutely imperative that other approaches to knowledge are included at the philosophical discussion table. We must look beyond mere science to encompass the possibility that religion and science can coexist to explain truth. In the same sense that thinkers of the past believed it honest to abandon religious thought, thinkers of the present must be willing to abandon scientific dogma in order to explore evidence points towards an alternative conclusion.

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It used to be the end of a great night.
It could soon be the start of a great day.
Ford to cut 35,000 jobs, close plants

By Frank Swoboda

(5:30) WASHINGTON — Ford Motor Co., the nation's second largest automaker, Friday announced plans to reduce its workforce by 10 percent and cut plans in production in North America over the next few years and eliminate four car models in a dramatic effort to return the trou­bled automaker to profitability.

The company will eventually eliminate 35,000 jobs, including nearly 22,000 in North America, cut dividends to shareholders, sus­pend bonuses for managers and eliminate matching contributions for 410(K) savings plans for salaried employees. Chairman William Clay Ford, Jr. will forego his salary and bonuses and accept only stock options.

The four models being eliminating are the Lincoln Continental, Ford Escort, Mercury Villager and Mercury Cougar.

Ford also said that there might be more changes if its assumption that the auto industry will sell a total of 16 million vehi­cles this year turns out to he too optimistic. Ford told a news conference this year turns out to he too optimistic.

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Last year, Ford dropped a full percentage point in market share to 23.1 percent and dropped to last place in quality in a nationally known survey.

The biggest impact of Friday's announcement will be in North America, although most of the job cuts and plant eliminations can't take place until Ford renegotiates its contract with the United Auto Workers in September, 2003. Ford can lay off workers, but it must pay them 95 percent of their base wage until the contract expires.

Ford said Friday it plans to elim­inate 13,000 hourly jobs and 3,000 salaried jobs in North America and the balance in Europe. Those figures include salaried and European jobs eliminated last year.

Ford has 345,000 employees worldwide.

Ford plans to close plants in Edison, N.J., St. Louis, Mo., Ontario, Cleveland and Dearborn, Mich.

In addition, the company plans what it describes as major down­swing and shift reductions at 11 plants and line speed changes at nine others.

Ford also plans to cut North American production capacity by nearly a million units, from 5.8 to 4.7 million, Ford said the company has never sold more than 4.8 mil­lion units in North America.

The number was tense, and onlookers appeared confused at first as the judge was asked to ask the fore­woman several times whether the defendant was guilty or not before he received an answer.

She finally replied, "Number three," referring to the verdict of involuntary manslaughter. Asked again to clarify the verdict, she said, "Three, guilty," as Junta's attorneys shook their heads.

Several of his brothers sobbed in the courtroom. Costin's sister, Mary Barbuzzi, appeared in the courtroom minutes later, holding the hand of his young daughter and surrounded by other weary family members.

She described Costin as a "loving brother, a caring son" and "a devoted father."

"Our family will never be com­plete again. Our family and Michael have paid the ultimate price," said Barbuzzi.

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Bushi plans development of fuel-efficient cars with FreedomCAR

By Warren Brown

WASHINGTON — The Bush administration might have found a way to ultimately win American from the hydrogen-fueled vehicle.

That might seem laughable to environmentalists, some of whom are still opposing the hydrogen-fueled vehicle. But for those willing to accept President Bush's strategy of factorial results over rhetoric, there is promise in the administration's announcement earlier this week that it will invest in the country's big Three car companies to accelerate the development of hydrogen fuel-cell vehicles.

Success in that admittedly ambitious endeavor could remove cars and trucks that are the source of and environmental debate altogether. It also could end U.S. dependence on foreign oil, something that the 1973 Corporate Average Fuel Economy (CAFE) program failed to do.

In fact, it could be argued that CAFE, which requires new automakers to meet federal fuel-economy standards, has actually worked to increase U.S. purchases of foreign-made cars.

"We'll come back to that point later," Brown said.

For now, let's look at hydrogen fuel cells, which produce electricity through a chemical reaction that yields water vapor as its only byproduct.

The electricity powers the drive wheels of a car or truck. There is no need to replace the batteries because the electrochemical process is continuous. That eliminates consumer concerns over the charge range — one of the biggest reasons behind the markertoppling of pure-electric vehicles that the Bush administration wants the government to buy.

This crop of fuel-cell vehicles is also a lot more practical than existing fuel cells, which rely on chemical fuels, such as relatively small amounts of gasoline or methanol, to produce the hydrogen needed to generate electricity.

But other models, such as General Motors Corp's Hydrogen 1 minivan — which drove last year in Texas, Oregon and Hawaii — are breakthroughs, meaning they carry a readily available supply of hydrogen onboard. In recent tests, the Hydrogen 1 met all non-trouble-free miles in one day in 150-degree Fahrenheit heat, setting a new endurance record for a pure hydrogen model.

But there are many problems to solve and challenges to overcome before something like the Hydrogen 1 can become a viable product. Chief among those is that there is no infrastructure in place to provide hydrogen to a broad range of consumers. And the community that would have to come to understand the differences in the variability between gasoline and hydrogen.

Here, "infrastructure" means more than the equivalent of hydrogen gas pumps. It means an informed and prepared public, including police, fire departments, auto-safety officials, automotive technicians and dealerships, and federal energy policy analysts.

Second, "infrastructure" means vehicle development, design and manufacture, with special attention being paid tourdial hydrogen storage and delivery modules.

"All of this is going to take time — at least another decade by the most optimistic estimates. It also will require a lot of money, patience and political will."

The Bush administration's FreedomCAR (Federally Cooperative Automotive Research) program, announced Thursday, is supposed to meet those challenges.

"I think they're saying that FreedomCAR is a Bush ruse to do away with PNGV and undermine CAFE. That's baloney. FreedomCAR continues and improves PNGV. It simply does so by facing market realities. In 1993, when the Clinton group launched its effort, family cars were the dominant force in the U.S. auto market. But car companies last year sold 17.1 million new cars and trucks in the United States, 49.6 percent of them light trucks and sport utility vehicles, minivans and pickups, and their crossover derivatives.

"But car manufacturers are responding to consumer demand for a new light truck market. The Bush administration simply figures that it's best to put high-tech dollars where the consumer wants."

Besides, hydrogen fuel-cell development has long been a part of the PNGV program, along with the development of gas-electric hybrid vehicles such as the new Toyota Prius, Honda Insight and Civic, and the upcoming D Code, Ford F one and GM Captiva. PNGV also pioneered the development of new lightweight, high-strength automotive materials. None of that is being lost. It's simply being transferred to FreedomCAR."

"Yes, the CAFE thing. That program produced more fuel-efficient vehicles. But it's had nothing to do with decreasing gasoline consumption in a country where a gallon of unleaded is bought for less than a hour of a half-bitter of Penta water. CAFE simply made gasoline cheaper, which largely is why more Americans began buying more trucks and higher horsepower cars."

"FreedomCAR also encouraged petroleum companies to buy more oil from overseas, where they could get it more cheaply than pulling it out of the ground or ocean in the United States."

"Consider this: The United States is the only country in the developed world with a CAFE law. Yet it consumes more gasoline than any other country in the world."

"It puts the worker in a lose-lose situation. They get hurt doing the job, then they're essentially fired for being hurt and unable to continue even though they want to continue with some minimal accommodations."

"And the ruling might deter people who are not qualified for protection from filing lawsuits because of the law's recent interpretation."

"Dennis Borel, executive director of the Coalition of Texans with Disabilities, said the decision is 'illegitimate, and people who were severely disabled in their ability to function throughout their lives, not an inability to perform a single job,' he said.

He said the act is in place to protect people who are disabled, not to protect people with temporary, or permanent, impairments. Sindle Tiede, spokeswoman for the Great American Chamber of Commerce, said the chamber staff has not taken a position on the ruling.

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BY UTAH TODAY

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Rugby Mustangs shut out Bruins

Cal Poly keeps national ranking, stomps UCLA 34-0 at Sports Complex

By Eric Rich

Proving that they deserve to be ranked sixth in the nation, the Cal Poly rugby team demolished UCLA last Saturday at the Sports Complex with a one-sided score of 34-0.

From the opening whistle, the Mustangs played with an aggressive nature that the Bruins couldn’t match. Cal Poly dominated early with a strong showing from their forwards in the scrum and by capitalizing on turnovers.

The tempo was set in the opening minutes when John Kennard broke through the pack for an open-field run, which resulted in a try by Bryan Archibald. Archibald had a strong game by scoring a try, kicking for four points and adding an assist. A try is the ultimate goal in rugby — the equivalent to a touchdown in football.

Overall, the rugby team had an excellent offensive showing, as Ed Franzi, Tony Petruella, Brian Bernard and Jimmy Hamlin all scored tries. Kennard, Petruella and Jeff Stangs all added assists.

Head coach Charles Zanoli said there are numerous reasons behind the rugby team’s success.

“The key to our game is that we string several phases of open-field play together,” he said. “We combined dominating first-phase play with repetitive open-field runs to gain some scoring opportunities.”

But offense wasn’t Cal Poly’s only strength. Hard tackles and effective rucking characterized the defense, which didn’t allow a single point. On a few occasions, the Bruins drove down into the Mustangs’ goal line, only to be stopped by the relentless defense.

“Our strength was that we communicated well on defense,” said fullback Bryan Archibald. “We were constantly letting each other know where the weaknesses were and when to fill the gaps.”

Up and down the line, the Mustangs are full of athletic talent. Zanoli credits the quick backline as an improvement from last year’s squad, adding an integral part of the team’s success. In addition, the team trains hard four days a week.

“We’ve been putting a lot of effort into our play,” said flanker Matt Frantz, Tony Petruzela, Brian Ona, Tori McCutcheon and head coach Kevin McCutcheon who won the 100 and 200 butterfly, said he thought the men’s team’s performance was impressive.

“We’ve turned the corner, especially after the meet in Irvine,” he said. “I know today I saw a lot more intensity and a lot more focus on tackling.”

Head coach Rich Firman agreed. Despite the final score, the Mustangs led by six points at the half. Cal State Northridge shot 50 percent from the floor, while the Mustangs led 49 percent from the floor, the Mustangs managed just 36 percent and made only two of 10 three point shots.

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Men’s basketball drops second straight game

By Matt Szabo

The Cal Poly swim team faced challenging back-to-back meets Friday and Saturday, resulting in two big wins for the men’s team and two losses for the women’s team.

On Friday at Mont Pool, the men’s team beat Cal State Northridge, 184 points to 111, but the women’s team lost to CSUN, 124 points to 112.

Both teams were already behind at the half, and CSUN’s spread their swimmers too thin.

The Mustangs will play host to UC Santa Barbara on Saturday, with two more home games next week against Long Beach State and UC Irvine.

Minnesota basketball player transfers to Poly

By Matt Szabo

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Athletic Director John McCutcheon and head coach Kevin Bromley announced Friday that former University of Minnesota guard Shineshackleford has transferred to Cal Poly and will be eligible to play Division I basketball in 2005.

Shackleford was projected to be a selection for the Big Ten All-Conference team this year. Last summer, he played throughout Europe with the Big Ten Conference All-Stars.

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