Students keep seniors 'in the loop'

By William Reitz

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Mil Harris is a senior citizen, but she dislikes that term and prefers “mature person.” She is one of eight siblings who stretched across the United States, and she uses e-mail to “stay in the loop.” She talks about her grandchildren, nieces and nephews and says that they all think she is a “wonder-woman” with the computer.

“I don’t tell them the truth,” Harris said. “I tell them I believe I am this smart.” The truth is, with the help of Computer Partners, a Cal Poly Student Community Services program that matches elderly local residents with student volunteers to teach them how to use a computer, she is now able to do more than just send e-mails to her many distant relatives.

The volunteer program was created by Paula Younse, a 2001 Cal Poly graduate. Younse combined his desire to use college student-volunteers to help the elderly and homeless with a proposal he had to do for an English class, and the result was Computer Partners.

“I wanted to get people involved in a way that they never had before,” Younse said. “I had great resources available to me as a college student, and I thought, to teach someone to type a letter and e-mail, I mean real basic stuff, it could make a big difference to someone who might never otherwise have the chance to use a computer.”

Younse said that he knew the pairing of senior citizens and Cal Poly students would be a good one for both parties. Harris said she especially enjoys the “generational mix” and hopes that the students get as much out of their time with her as she does from them.

“They are a tremendous bunch of kids,” she said. “I am just so proud to be involved with them.”

Avamell Ulrich, San Luis Obispo resident, heard about Computer Partners from a heifer in a name of the person the gift was given to, Harris said. Families who need the items are contacted and taught how to use the gift properly, St. John said. This enables them to become self-sufficient and utilize the gift to its maximum capabilities.

Not only are students purchasing a gift for a loved one, but they are also helping other people with a useful and resourceful gift, St. John said.

The prices for these animals depend on their size and function; for example, a heifer is more expensive than a chicken, St. John said. “It really takes the commercialism out of Christmas and brings it back to what it should be: Helping others,” St. John said.

If donating a gift is someone's wish, see INSURANCE, page 5

By Lisa Olmo

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

On the first day of Christmas, my true love gave to me...a heifer to give a family.

From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. today in the University Union, students have the opportunity to do some holiday shopping—in an unconventional way.

Cal Poly's Lutheran Student Movement Club, in conjunction with SERV International and the Heifer Project, is sponsoring a gift fair to provide students alternative options for holiday presents.

The Heifer Project allows students to choose a gift from an array of items including heifers, chickens, rabbits, goats, geese, trees and chairs, said chemistry junior Adrienne St. John, an organizer of the event. Instead of giving these gifts to loved ones, they are given to a family in a third-world country in the name of the person the gift was bought for. Families who need the items are contacted and taught how to use the gift properly, St. John said.

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Comedian sells out Tuesday

By Eric Henderson

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Well-known comedic Mitch Hedburg performed at Chumash Auditorium Tuesday night to a sold-out crowd of more than 700 Cal Poly students.

Hedburg's routine is a blend of stand-up and characters, such as a belly button, a chipmunk and a potato, as well as well-known topics like love, politics and life.

Hedburg's material is generally less political than other comedians, said chemistry junior Stuart Roets.

“I've seen a lot of people say that the material is a little too light for some,” Roets said. “I've seen a lot of people say that the material is a little too light for some.”

Hedburg's humor is high energy, according to computer science junior Jose Rios.

“Thanks to Mitch Hedburg, I'm not going to eat my homework anymore,” Rios said.

The audience responded similarly to Hedburg's material, according to speech communications junior Jared Wilczynski.

“Hedburg has a very wide range of topics,” Wilczynski said. “I particularly enjoyed his delivery of the jokes because I felt he really tied the jokes together.”

Hedburg received a standing ovation, according to robotic engineering sophomore Rich Mizevich.

“I'm not sure if he's ever sold out, but he was sold out tonight,” Mizevich said.

By Diana Krutop

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Medical emergencies alone are frequently strains on both mental and physical well being, and the stress is compounded when dealing with less-than-adequate medical coverage.

Beginning Jan. 1, Cal Poly faculty and staff will experience changes to their medical insurance provider. The California Public Employees' Retirement System (CalPERS) has ended contracts with several health maintenance organizations (HMOs). As a result some state employees in San Luis Obispo, including Cal Poly staff and faculty, are finding themselves in difficult situations.

CalPERS provides retirement and health benefit services to more than 1.3 million people and nearly 2,500 employers. Membership consists of active, inactive and retired people from the state, school districts and local public agencies.

"The CalPERS board is a group that determines health care benefits and health insurance coverage for all (California State University) employees," said Jim Conway, member of Cal Poly's California Faculty Association (CFA) executive board and chairman of the speech communication department.

CalPERS has been eliminating certain HMOs offered to employees, while other HMOs have opted to pull out of some areas, Conway said. Lifeguard, PacificCare, Health Net and Cigna are among the plans that are no longer available to state employees in San Luis Obispo.

CalPERS eliminated certain health plans because they were requesting too high of an increase in their insurance rates, Conway said. There were also some other financial issues that resulted in the decrease. "Cal Poly employees are left with one HMO, which is Blue Shield," he added. "This makes it difficult for individuals to receive the coverage that they might need."

CalPERS is a representative for state employees and isn't limited to the CSU system. Caltrans, for example, is also included in this group. "The problem is the medical coverage through the HMOs are contracted through CalPERS," said Mansur Fooroosh, Cal Poly's CFA chapter president and history professor. "The CFA can not even bargain for them. It is completely out of their control."

The CFA is a statewide organization and faculty union. It has more than 10,000 members and is active on all 23 campuses. Each campus has its own president and executive board, Fooroosh said. Though the CFA does not deal with the contracting of medical insurance providers, a committee is being formed that will be concerned with statewide bargaining, Conway said.

Conway said he hopes to participate on the committee that will bring attention to the fact that the medical insurance providers need to offer comparable levels of benefits to all employees within the same system.

"We want to deal with the issue of equity," he said. "Many CSU employees who live in metropolitan cities have many choices among HMOs, while those of us who are in more rural areas don't have that same choice."

The Cal Poly medical insurance issues are part and parcel of the whole health care problem within the state, Conway said.

Cal Poly and the city of San Luis Obispo have problems with the government dictating certain levels of reimbursement and the economics of the areas. HMOs are trying to make money, and consequently there is less care available. It is a problem not only in California but in other parts of the country, Conway said.

The issue needs to be addressed for the entire city of San Luis Obispo, said history professor Daniel Krieger.

"We are losing doctors who have either pulled out or retired," Krieger said. see INSURANCE, page 5
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Partners from a friend at a bridge game and is now being tutored by business sophomore Andrew Bradley.

"I have had a computer for years, but I have always had a lot of questions," Ollrich said. "These computers have so much potential but I never knew how to use them."

The two meet on Tuesdays, along with several other seniors and volunteers, at a downtown San Luis Obispo city computer training room that the city allows the group use Monday through Wednesday from 3:30 to 5 p.m.

"Last fall quarter, I had so much free time during the afternoon," Bradley said. "I decided to volunteer with Computer Partners. I was just looking for something fun to do. It really is fun."

This year, Bradley is co-director of the group. Not only do the volunteers hold classes at the city's training room, but some of the volunteers go to retirement communities and individual homes for one-on-one tutoring as well, he said.

Bradley estimated that there are about 25 senior participants and 20 to 25 student volunteers at any time, between both the classroom meetings and individual one-on-one tutoring.

San Luis Obispo resident Evelyn Green was being tutored by biology sophomore Emily Becker at Tuesday's class. There was a look of mischief in Green's eye when she looked over the lesson for the day: online shopping.

"This is just what we needed for Christmas," she said. "But I have to admit I have done a little online shopping before. Mostly just e-mailing, but a little shopping."

The first half of the class was dedicated to the day's lesson, but any extra time was spent on questions the seniors had or special projects that they wanted to work on.

Tuesday, Ollrich wanted help putting her Christmas card list on disk and making address labels.

Madge Montague, who lives at Judson Terrace in San Luis Obispo and says she is "75 plus years old," is one of the program's participants that receive private tutoring. Her volunteer is environmental science sophomore Rachel Giosseffi.

Montague sought the help of Computer Partners after telling a friend of hers who lives in Wyoming that she was interested in learning how to type, so the friend sent her a computer disc that would help teach her. Montague did not even own a computer, but her apartment complex has one.

"I didn't even know how to turn on the computer, but Rachel was kind enough to come out and get me going," Montague said. "I am trying to determine now if I want my own computer. I do know it will give me access to a whole ocean of knowledge."

Youse is happy to hear that his program is a win-win situation, as rewarding for the seniors who donate their time as it is for the "mature people" they help.

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**National Briefs**

Former polygamists say kids are harassed at school

ST. GEORGE, Utah - Three women who broke from polygamous marriages say their children are being harassed at school for it.

The women pleaded Tuesday with the Washington County school board for a stop to "harmful politics" at a school serving the twin polygamous communities of Colorado City, Ariz., and Hildale, Utah.

The women say their children have been spat upon, ridiculed on school buses and harassed in class because their mothers broke ranks with the fundamentalist Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.

The Utah children are being sent to the Arizona school in Colorado City after the Washington County district closed Hildale's only public school and sold it for $1 million last month to the church.

Lenore Holm, who has seven children at the Colorado City school, said they were being treated as "sons of perdition."

"The women urged Washington County district officials to intervene for the sake of children. Two assistant superintendents, Rex W. Wilkey and James S. Johnson, plan to visit the Colorado City school Thursday to broker peace.

Bush says he's taking recording

WASHINGTON - U.S. counterterrorism officials believe a new audio tape attributed to Osama bin Laden is probably authentic and are treating it as evidence the long-absent terrorist leader is still alive, a U.S. official familiar with the tape said Wednesday.

President Bush said he was taking the tape "very seriously" though he was awaiting official word from advisers on its authenticity.

Technical analysis thus far by the CIA and National Security Agency shows bin Laden likely recording the tape, but officials said the full analysis to match bin Laden's voice to previous recordings of him continues.

"Assuming it is in fact authentic, it is an effort to boost morale among the rank and file," one U.S. official said, speaking on condition of anonymity. "It's an effort to show members of al-Qaida that top leadership is still around. It could also signal future attacks."

Bishops approve sex abuse policy, balancing rights of accused for victims

WASHINGTON - The nation's Roman Catholic bishops adopted revisions Wednesday to a policy that aims to protect the rights of accused priests while keeping molestors away from children.

The bishops voted 246-7 with 50 abstentions to approve the new plan, which would go into effect on Nov. 11. The policy "vehemently" called for their release.

Bishop Jorge Enrique Jimenez and the Rev. Desiderio Ospina were sent Monday as they headed to a religious ceremony in central Colombia. Army troops backed by helicopters scoured the mountains north of Bogota on Tuesday, but failed to find the priests.

The Colombian army blamed the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia, or FARC, for the kidnappings.

On the same day, an 1813 edition of Isaac Newton's main work and two other valuable books from the Russian National Library on Nov. 6, authorities said Tuesday.

Library official Anton Likhachev said two people came to the library that day and submitted passports and higher education certificates required for a temporary pass to the exclusive institution. They then ordered the two books and never returned them, he said, adding that the passports turned out to be fake.

On the same day, an 1813 edition of English philosopher Robert Owen's "New View of Society" was taken from the Russian Academy of Sciences Library, also in St. Petersburg.

Iraq accepts U.N. resolution, paving way for inspectors

UNITED NATIONS - Faced with a tight deadline, Iraq on Wednesday accepted a tough new U.N. resolution that will return weapons inspectors to the country after nearly four years.

Iraq's U.N. ambassador said Ambassador Mohammad Al-Douri said his government's letter, which officially accepts the resolution adopted unanimously last Friday by the U.N. Security Council, reiterates that Iraq has no weapons of mass destruction.

In Washington, President Bush said he wouldn't tolerate "deception or denial" from Saddam Hussein and he renewed his warning that if Iraq "chooses not to disarm, we will have a coalition of the willing with us" to do the job.

It won't clear whether Bush was informed of the Iraqi decision as he addressed reporters in the Cabinet Room. A senior administration official said the White House was studying reports of the Iraq move.

Under Security Council resolutions adopted after Iraq's 1990 invasion of Kuwait, U.N. inspectors must certify that Iraq's nuclear, chemical and biological weapon programs have been eliminated along with the long-range missiles to deliver them.

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Briefs compiled from The Associated Press wire service by Mustang Daily staff writer Laura Dietz.
Two people with such dissimilar interests who not only got along but were also in agreement about opposites. Nothing is more different from a human woman than a fictional human struggle for happiness and companionship. Duh, Brittany."

"Let's see an educated (high school) person who loses his job working 8 to 5 Monday through Friday at eight bucks an hour take $5 an hour (most immigrants are not paid minimum wage), breaks his back and stays in the job. I don't think so."

An unemployed high school grad would sooner go on welfare than subject himself to that kind of work, for that little a wage. You now have people hungering for that little a wage, because their food is either rotting in the field or costs a fortune in the store, since the labor cost was so high to pick it. You have many more disability claims against employers for people that are working, and many unemployment checks to shell out."

Besides that, you eliminate the money spent by those immigrants while in our state and you impoverish the families of those workers that are no longer helped out by their immigrant sons and daughters."

This is just an example. Many immigrants entering the United States today are highly skilled, such as the large inflow of low-level computer jobs to Indians, Arabs and Asians.

The Cal Poly Psychology Department would have you think otherwise. I can just see them now - scheming and plotting in a dark cave, conspiring against poor innocent Paula! The professors think that just because they have "degrees" and "knowledge" and are "featured in several acclaimed journals," they can bad-mouth Paula's advice. They say no, opposites don't attract; in fact, more similarities lead to higher levels of comfort, intimacy and much sex."

The long-awaited Battle Royale between Paula Abd and the Psychology Department has begun. I went to the public for reactions. Many responded Republican (14 percent) and nine responded Democrat (32 percent). OK, Kelly Foster obviously doesn't understand how many of those workers have now left the country, because their food is either rotting in the field or costs a fortune in the store. Is that all this Kelly Foster nonsense is about? Is she confusing our average pricing with what we are actually getting?"
Insurance

The biggest concern has dealt with changes in medical insurance, Melvin said. HMO plans are more expensive than provider plans (PPOs). The PPO has a lower copay, but they offer more flexibility than HMOs, but they offer more flexibility and choices, Melvin said. Plans are more expensive than

Insurers have to negotiate every doctor's fee, Melvin said. "Blue Shield has added a viable number of doctors under the plan," Melvin said.

Under the new medical situation, Cal Poly employees will have a choice between an HMO and two preferred provider plans (PPPs). The PPO plans are more expensive than HMOs, but they offer more flexibility and choices, Melvin said. HMO plans have less out-of-pocket expenses but are more limited when it comes to choosing doctors.

Employees who don't have HMOs end up having to pay higher fees for services like doctor visits and prescription drugs," Conway said.

Effects of the decrease in medical insurance providers have already been felt on personal levels. Previously, Forooshar was covered under PacificCare, which is no longer contracted by CalPERS. She is currently changing her insurance to Blue Shield and said she is having problems finding a doctor who is taking new patients.

The amount of doctors available under the plan is still a concern for some.

"The biggest insurance in the world is not going to do any good if there aren't any doctors," Krieger said.

For those employees who may have medical emergencies, the outcome could be more of a stress, Forooshar said.

"I am lucky," she said. "I don't have any major medical problems, but we do have faculty and staff who have a lot of problems and I don't know what is going to happen to them. It is very frustrating."

The medical insurance issue is a concern to all of San Luis Obispo, care for our region because of this concern to all of San Luis Obispo, work for Cal Poly or for the state at large.

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In these times of fast food, quickie marts, super highways, and millions of other examples of immediate gratification, the slow, lazy spin of a red and white barbershop pole appears out of place. The trademark pole stands as a symbol of simpler times, in which people slowed down to socialize in the relaxing setting of their local barber’s chair. The men would gather to discuss the news of the day and grow nostalgic for times past.

Across the street, the ladies sat under the dryers to gossip and reminisce about the days when their skin was taut and their hair much softer. These shops, usually run by eccentric beauticians – consider Dolly Parton and the gang in “Steel Magnolias” – acted as a safe haven for women everywhere to be themselves and seek refuge from the day’s grinding demands.

These Norman Rockwell images disappeared, along with the innocence of the past. However, the relationships between stylists and their clients still remain strong. Current “salon relationships” have adapted with the times to fill a need in today’s pop culture.

These relationships provide a service far beyond the simple act of cutting and coloring hair. The variety of relationships is extensive, spanning the numerous needs of different people. Some stylists build lasting, loyal friendships while others merely perform the service of a trim in the detached and speedy manner characteristic of our times.

When looking at the different types of relationships, a few categories emerge. These categories are as diverse as the individuals whose needs they fill.
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Sadly, one of the most common relationships found is the "Supercuts of developing any kind of lasting convenience.
A short-term connection that simply serves the function of effect is a short-term connection with no intention of developing any lasting relationship with the stylist. The effect is a short-term connection that simply serves the function of convenience.
Further up the pole of intimacy is the "New Love." As animal science sophomore Maggie Young walked out of her hair appointment, she beamed with the light of a newly-wed.
"This is the first time I can honestly say that I am 100 percent happy with my hair," she said.
Young plans on returning to her new stylist, and the seeds of loyalty are sown.
Next is the "Old Married Couple," which is characterized by extreme loyalty despite the lack of innovation and fun.
"I go to my girl because we are friends," said biology senior Kelly Wolf. "But I feel like she does the same thing every time. But I could never go to anyone else because I would feel like I was cheating or something."
Kelly Wolf, client

Jackie Leonard of the Tom-Mel Salon in downtown San Luis Obispo, works her magic on John, a client of 15 years.

"I could never go to anyone else because I would feel like I was cheating or something."
Close ly related to the married couple is the "Hair Affair." This relationship often begins by accident.
"My stylist kept postponing the appointment, and it made me sad because I was looking forward to talking to her and catching up," said psychology senior Julie Johnston. "So she set me up an appointment with another stylist."
It might seem innocent enough, but when one likes what the new stylist did to his or her hair better, the situation gets sticky.
"Now I'm torn because I don't know if I should go to the new guy or not," Johnston said. "I love what he did to my hair but they work at the same damn place. I'd never get away with it!"
The most intimate stylist relationships span years and continue outside the boundaries of the salon. Cindy Barnard has been seeing her stylist for more than 17 years. She continues to come in.
"I love a lot of my clients, they are my friends and I really care for them," she said. "When I do their hair, it is kind of like fun and we get to visit." Often, stylists end up becoming a sort of therapist. They listen to their clients and offer friendly advice.
"I end up becoming a therapist," Salinas said. "Everything from husbands cheating to dumping boyfriends. I just listen."
Once in a while, a stylist doesn't connect with a client, yet the client continues to come in.
"I have a client whose wife is one of my favorite clients, but with him and I there's really no connection," Leonard said. "He's not very nice but I still do his hair and act professional. I still take him as a client and respect him and I am glad when the visit is over."
Stylists attempt to fill the need each individual client requires, but it is a two-way street. Stylists gain satisfaction and friendships, and the clients get the relationship that best fits into their life. In this culture of transient relationships that can change instantly, perhaps the one between a stylist and a client may be one of the few constants in life.

Tips for Happy Hair

* When looking for a new stylist, ask around. If you admire someone's hair, ask them who does it.
* Bring a photo of your favorite hair. It helps communicate not only what you want in a style, but how you view yourself.
* Be realistic. If you have straight hair, don't bring a photo of Cher and one of her curly wigs.
* Respect your appointments. If rescheduling, always give 24-hour notice like you would for a medical visit. If you do flake, apologize profusely and cut a check.

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A kinder, gentler Mullet resurfaces

By Sara Howell

When one thinks of a mullet, often times the image conjures up thoughts of the 1980s porn star or the hard rock legend swinging his sweat-drenched coif on stage. How can a style that evokes such negative connotations find a place in mainstream style today?

The answer lies in the concept of evolution. The mullet that modern stylists see with more frequency is more of blended style incorporating layers into the look, rather than itself a prominent player in today's popular culture. It indeed making a comeback into classrooms. The most likely reason is that it is kind of a cross between MTV's now-dated "Loveline" and the beloved series "Golden Girls." The host, clad in a lime green blazer and matching skirt, laughs and then promptly replies with helpful advice on how to live a better sexual life.

Topics can range anywhere from menopause to impotence to penis size. Johnson often sees her hands to simulate sexual activities. Her wrinkled fingers oddly flex to configure various positions, through encouragement. "The vagina has endless capacities," Johanson said. "It won't hurt to wait 'til he covers his mate.""The Sunday Night Sex Show" is a cross between MTV's now-dated "Loveline" and the beloved series "Golden Girls." The host, clad in a lime green blazer and matching skirt, listens to callers and then promptly replies with helpful advice on how to live a better sexual life.

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"With these kinds of games, in this kind of weather, it almost doesn't matter who's the better player," said goalkeeper Greta Shirdon, who played the game with a fractured spine. "It's all about toughness, whoever's playing with more heart and whoever wins the game more."

The Mustangs came into the game holding a half-game lead over Santa Barbara, having climbed into first place in the Big West with a 2-0 win over Riverside on Nov. 3. The Mustangs needed to win or tie to assure their title.

"Our game plan was don't let any balls bounce in the six or the 18-yard box because we wouldn't be able to judge the skip or anything," Shirdon said. "Santa Barbara did come out playing a little dirty at the outset of the game, said midfielder Crozier said. "We would've had that tonight but we decided we wanted to come back out and get a shutout."

The Mustangs clinched the last day of the season for the second time in three years, replicating a 1-0 clincher against Santa Barbara in 2000.

"The Gauchos were getting a little tough, but nothing we can't handle," said head coach Alex Crozier, who won his fourth title in 11 seasons at Cal Poly. "We received one first-place vote and that was mine."

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Cal Poly midfielder

"It was tough," fullback Brooke Flaman said. "But we decided we wanted to come back out and get a shutout.

"They were 1,000 people at that game," Crozier said. "We would've had that tonight but the rain kept people away."

Only 700 people were at the game. Still, Crozier said, "They sounded like 3,000."

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the final game of the 1997 season when the Mustangs blanked Sacramento State 41-0.

Cal Poly (2-7) outgained Humboldt State (1-8) 337-229, gaining 270 of its yards on the ground. Peterson finished with 127 yards on 23 carries while junior running back Brandon Shepard added 63 yards on 14 tucks. Peterson completed six of 11 passes for 67 yards, with Jones the leading receiver with four catches for 33 yards.

Junior cornerback David Richardson intercepted two passes for Cal Poly.
Mustangs shut out Big West rival

UCSB 2-0 on the final day of the season to earn NCAA playoff berth

By Graham Womack

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pouring rain, sparse attendance and a season-ending showdown with the second-place UC Santa Barbara Gauchos could not keep the Cal Poly women’s soccer team from winning its fourth Big West title with a 2-0 victory Friday night before 700 at Mustang Stadium.

The Mustangs finished Big West play 8-1, 14-6 overall, in posting their 10th shutout of the season. The Gauchos fell to 6-2, 13-5 overall, finishing second in the Big West.

With their victory, the Mustangs gained an automatic berth in the NCAA tournament. The team will play their first tournament game in two years on Friday against Stanford in Palo Alto.

Senior Megan Schlegel and Sophomore Alexa Jontulovich scored two goals Friday night. Schlegel put the Mustangs up 1-0 right before the half, sending a penalty kick to the left corner of the net at 42:50.

Jontulovich later sealed the victory, punching in a short shot from just beyond the six-yard box at 72:26.

The game was certainly not epitomized by offensive display. Strong Mustang defense and a slow, wet field shut down the Gauchos’ vaunted offense. Strong Mustang defense and a slow. It rained throughout the game, drizzling during the first half but clearing up at the half, only to return to a driving rain after the 70th minute.

Sophomore midfielder Katie Collins speeds uphill during Cal Poly’s 2-0 win over UC Santa Barbara Friday at Mustang Stadium.

The shutout was Cal Poly’s first at home since 1997 shutout at home since 1997. Senior quarterback Chris Peterson scored three touchdowns to lead Cal Poly to a 30-0 victory over Humboldt State in a non-conference football game Saturday afternoon in Mustang Stadium.

Peterson scored on a recovery of his own fumble in the end zone with 3:04 to play in the first quarter. Ninety seconds later, Peterson scored again on a nine-yard run, giving Cal Poly a 14-0 lead.

Midway through the second quarter, Peterson scored on a one-yard run for a 21-0 Mustang lead. Peterson has scored 12 touchdowns this season, all on short runs.

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By the numbers

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Cal Poly Football

Mustangs manhandle Humboldt State, 30-0

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