Police report normal weekend despite crowds

By James Barcelo Daily Staff Writer

Campus and city police boasted smooth sailing for last weekend's Open House, after students and visitors proved respectable.

"Open House was wonderful," said Tom Mitchell, chief of campus police.

"There was not one problem, we got everyone in and out of here safely," he said.

Mitchell commended the Open House committee for the lack of problems during this weekend's event and attributed good planning to the success of the weekend.

"Andy Entzi and her crew did an outstanding job in planning the weekend," he said.

Community Service Officers (CSO) put in some overtime to help things run smoothly for the weekend. Twelve officers were assigned on Friday and seven were assigned to patrol on Saturday, according to Jason Dimberg, a CSO supervisor and social science junior.

CSOs answered questions, directed traffic, directed patrons and patrolled campus to maintain safe conditions.

"It was the smoothest Open House that I've seen," Dimberg said.

While campus police maintained the busy atmosphere within campus limits, city police prepared for busy Friday and Saturday nights throughout town.

According to Jim Gardiner, San Luis Obispo police chief, Friday night in the city was quieter than an average Friday night, and Saturday night was as busy as any for the department.

"There were the normal party calls but nothing out of the ordinary or different because of Open House," he said.

However, there were some students who may think differently about police responding to Open House weekend partners.

"I think that our party got broken up early because of Open House," said Mike Carroll, a mechanical engineering senior.

Carroll was referring to the five police vehicles stationed outside of his residence at 9:45 p.m. Saturday. For the belated birthday party featuring a live band that played in the living room, Carroll said that police were waiting outside before they approached him in his residence. He said he thought that the amount of police cars was excessive in this case.

Carroll said an officer told him that if he could not get everybody out of the house, he would receive a warning. According to Carroll, police officers then entered the house and wrote him a ticket for $150.

"They basically said, 'You are getting a ticket because there are five or six kids that had to come out here and someone has to pay for it,'" Carroll said.

In response to Carroll's claims, Gardiner said that five police units responded to the noise, but not necessarily the party, according to Gardiner, police were responding to a disturbance.

"They told us that if we could not get everyone out of the building, we would receive a ticket," Carroll said.

"It took them until 11:34 p.m. to clear it out completely."
Pell Grants cause division between community colleges, universities

By Harrison Arendbian
The Florida Flambeau (Florida State U.)

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — While presidents from universities and community colleges across the nation are split over the funding formula for Pell Grants designat­ed by Congress, Florida's college leaders have offered some solu­tions of their own.

The debate centers around an effort by groups representing four-year colleges and universi­ties to limit the size of the Pell Grants to students at two-year colleges.

The two sides are arguing over whether or not the value of the grants should be tied more closely to the cost of the college he or she is attending, so that a student who attends a less-expensive community college would receive more Pell Grant money than community college students would receive, Stonecipher said.

"We are not the one's pressing this issue to limit two-year insti­tutions," Stonecipher said. "It's the American Association of State Colleges and Universities that's making this an issue."

Tisha Brand, office manager for Florida State University's Office of Financial Aid, said Pell Grants are funded according to the estimated family contribution as well as the tuition cost of each institution.

"If you have lower cost at the community college level, Pell Grants would be less," Brand said. "But some community college students will simply be pawns in a game of accelerating costs to generate more financial aid dollars."

T. K. Wetherell, president of Tallahassee Community College, said that public institutions are forcing them to raise tuition and encourage them to maximize the dollars. "If the weather continues to be dry as it has been, we can cer­tainly see an early start of fire season in the national forests, particularly in the higher eleva­tions," said U.S. Forest Service spokesman Matt Mathes.

But an essentially average snowpack in the Sierra Nevada will help slow the onset of fires some in Northern California, officials said. SACRAMENTO - Fire season began Monday in the San Diego, Riverside and San Bernardino areas and other regions of California were expected to follow soon, officials said. Warm, dry weather forced the three southern states to be on the first to go on fire season this year, according to the state Forestry Department. It was an unusually early start, officials said.

"The wildland areas of Southern California are ready to burn. As always, we ask for the public's cooperation to make this fire season as safe as possible," said CDF Director Richard Wilson. "The fire season declaration means firefighters will continue to staff engines and hire sea­sonal firefighters. Officials also asked that homeowners remove flammable material from around structures and from roofs.

We'll be interviewing on campus at the career center April 29, 1997
DEA raids San Francisco marijuana club, prompting owner complaints

By Koryn Hunt
Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO - After a short truce, the medical marijuana battle resumed Monday when the Drug Enforcement Administration raided a distribution club, seizing 331 plants and a number of other items.

Agents kicked in the door of the Flower Therapy Club in San Francisco's Mission District around 6 a.m. and seized the plants. 15 grow lights and various other paraphernalia, co-owner Beth Moore said.

No arrests were made.

"We've really followed the rules here and it's sense­less why they should target us," Moore said.

The Flower Therapy club opened last September, just before the passage of Proposition 215. Approved by voters, the measure legalized the cultivation and distribution of marijuana for treatment of the seriously ill people with AIDS, cancer and other diseases.

Since then, Moore said, they have operated with the full knowledge of the police and health departments, acquired a business license and obeyed all bureaucratic requirements.

Unlike the Cannabis Buyer's Club, raided by authorities last summer after undercover agents observed sales without the required note from a doctor, Flower Therapy required that its 1,500 customers present a doctor's prescription, Moore said.

She said they intend to remain open for business.

DEA spokesman Stan Vegar said they raided the club because its activities are illegal under federal law, which prohibits mari­juana cultivation. Federal law is not affected by the state initia­tive.

"They didn't go by the fed­eral law," Vegar said. "The federal statutes state that cul­tivation of marijuana - and in this case, high level, sophisti­cated, large scale indoor mari­juana cultivation - is illegal."

"It's been the DEA's policy since well before Proposition 215 was even a dream and since Proposition 215 that we will investigate these types of grow­ers," he added. "Proposition 215 simply did not change federal law and it did not change the San Francisco DEA's interest in these types of cases."

He said the DEA has contin­ued to raid marijuana growers since the November vote and has sent agents in to seize plants from several large-scale growers in Northern California.

The decision to raid the club did not come from a higher source, he said.

"We're trying to get away from the idea that we're making a statement or we're taking a stand. We are commanded by the Constitution to uphold the laws, pure and simple. And a judge (U.S. Magistrate Owen Woodruff) agreed. He approved the search warrant."

The raid renewed the fight over drug policy. California NORML, which fights for the reform of marijuana laws, quickly issued a statement call­ing the federal government's drug policy "morally and consti­tutionally bankrupt, and a direct affront to the people of California who voted for Proposition 215."

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Topham, Public Information Officer for city police.

"We expected it to be busy, but it was pretty much routine calls," Topham said.

Two SNAP officers were on duty and there was no increase in preparation for the weekend.

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Playin' Dice...

By FOAD KHOSMOOD

"God does not play dice." —Albert Einstein

"...but if He's everywhere, He's in casi­
on with us all the time." —Roland Orsabah

Is there randomness in the universe? Do things happen the way they were supposed to or is it impossible to say how something might happen?

Einstein's famous quote, meant partly as a criticism of Heisenberg's uncertainty principal, had a profound effect. It demonstrated that the existence of randomness is a result of our concept and is not a result of the universe. By analogy, one could claim the uni­
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Greenwald said he has known and worked with McShane for a number of years.

"I really like Steve and think he is an extremely effective leader," Greenwald said.

"I think he really does communicate well and that he spends a lot of time with clubs and students. I think that's what he set out to do and he's done very well," he said.

Cal Poly officials aren't the only McShane supporters.

"Steve's an awesome individual," said Dave Romero, San Luis Obispo city councilman. He has certainly shown much more energy than any other president I can remember.

Romero added that McShane has initiated more communication between students and the city.

"He's brought ASI and students much closer to the city, which we're very happy about," Romero said.

Romero's colleague Councilwoman Dodie Williams said McShane deserves more than a little credit for increased student involvement.

"It seems there's more participation in the clubs and in campus activities in general," she said, citing such events as Good Neighbors Day that 700 students were involved in.

She said McShane's re-election campaign is fairly solid.

"It's his exuberance that helped him win the first time and will probably help him this time," she said.

He is supported by a number of officials outside of San Luis Obispo too. In his work with McShane on the California State Student Association and President's Council, Keith Rothman, Cal State Fullerton's ASI president has gained respect for both McShane and Cal Poly. In a memo to the Mustang Daily Rothman expressed his support for McShane.

"McShane has been an advocate for student's rights throughout the CSU system," he wrote. "He is a strong supporter of student input and involvement. Under his leadership, Cal Poly has truly become one of the leading campuses in the CSU system."

Even with the confidence of outside officials, McShane is still facing the issue of student trust, or lack of it. Many students still don't trust McShane said past ASI members are partly to blame for this.

"The reason I think that's happening is because of the way ASI has performed and operated in past years," Mcshane said. "They haven't taken the responsibility seriously to get out there and talk to people and get away."

"When you don't have representatives out there helping students get to know their ASI and get involved, they see ASI as the 'man, they see it as the 'organization' and they don't trust it," he said.

McShane said he is making an effort to change this, citing events such as Cal Poly President Warren Baker's visit to the Lighthouse.

"We increase the visibility," he said. "We go out to students and make them feel like this is their club."

Unlike many critics of students' apathy McShane has always said that's not so at Cal Poly.

"Our students are more dedicated, more driven and more successful than many students in the state or the nation," he said.

He says he is setting himself apart from his opponents by not making broad, all-encompassing campaign promises.

"I'm making specific promises. Look at the specifics," he said.

"I believe this year I've taken the job of ASI president to a new level," McShane said. "I referred to folders and binders of detailed information about ASI and issues involving it, as well as accountability charts for where money is spent and how. Sitting on his desk is a special log, one of all the lessons he's learned this year."

His only regret is not spending enough time with family and friends. However, he said in spite of his busy schedule he does find time to get away.

He says his garden is his getaway. He also makes time at the end of each quarter to reflect and take time for himself.

"I literally shut myself out for a week," he said.

"Although the job involves a huge commitment of time and energy, McShane said he is ready to do it again."

"I'm more excited than ever. I'm more driven and more successful than many students in the state or the nation," he said.

"It was a kind of a culmination of Gene's dreams and visions. It was gratifying to see," Majel Roddenberry, widow of the "Star Trek" creator, told The Associated Press after watching the launch on television.

A Stratolaunch L-1011 air­plane lifted the Pegasus rocket over the Canary Islands off the coast of northwest Africa. It dropped the rocket at 30,000 feet. Seconds later, the rocket blasted off, leaving a trail of white smoke in the cloudless sky.

The 24 "ashtrays" traveled in lipstick-size aluminum caps­ules. The capsules accompanied the rocket's main payload, the first Spanish-designed and built satellite, which will conduct scientific research.

The remains, which will trail the satellite in an orbit 300 miles above the Earth, represent three generations of America's involvement in space. Among those whose ashes were on board:

- Krafft Ehricke, a former Nazi rocket scientist who worked for the United States after World War II.

- Princeton University physi­cist Gerard O'Neill, a proponent of space stations.

- Benson Hamlin, who worked on NASA's moon mission for Boeing, the Seattle-based air­plane manufacturer.

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and Brown has publicly taken the blame for the Pacers' underachievement during his three-year contract — even if new general manager Don O'Connell said that the arena, normally the team's top money generator, is being renovated and not being used, it could not offset overall operating costs this year.

"This is one that was, in effect, done before Nellie got here," Perot said.

The $8 million projection is not final. Additional costs and revenues turn up every day, Perot said.

Nelson would rather bring in someone else.

"If we could find a general manager with a bit more international feel, then we'd sign him," Perot said.

The Vancouver Grizzlies also will be looking for a new coach. General manager Stu Jackson took over on an interim basis after firing Winters, and he plans to return exclusively to the front office.

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"The fans are entitled to their opinion...let's leave it at that," he said. "Believe me, I would take it back if I could. What happened was totally out of character for me."

After being ejected from the game and then splitting at Hirschbeck, Alomar compounded his troubles by suggesting that the umpire was still "better" over the tragic death of his 8-year-old son.

Days later, the Orioles released an apology in Alomar's name. But AL president Gene Budig's decision to suspend Alomar for only five games - after the postseason - caused umpires from both leagues to attempt a strike. They were stopped only by a federal court order.

Hirschbeck accepted the apology and asked the issue be put to rest. "Maybe, that's the way it ought to be, with everything back to normal," Orioles owner Peter Angelos said. "I think both men will do what is required and soon or later, people will recognize Roberto Alomar solely for what he is - a great baseball player."

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defense, which outfielder Stan Javier credited after Sunday's 2-0 victory over the Florida Marlins. "When you play good defense, you're going to win those 2-0 games," he said. "I mean, you see we've won 13 home games and how many home runs have we got?"

Shortstop Jose Vizcaino said teamwork was the key. "It's not like basketball where one guy can win the game. Here, all nine players have to win the game," he said. Last season, the Giants were the worst team in the NL West and the fans avoided the team's games. In the offseason, the team traded away popular third baseman Matt Matarazzo, who in his departure, held a protest and the fans got to go with his search for a new team to cheer for.

But as Barry Bonds said: "That was the past, this is the present."

Now local sports talk radio shows are buzzing with praise for the hometown team. On Sunday, there were 10,000 walk-up fans at 3Com Park.

"We're having a lot of fun out there," Vizcaino said. About the only thing missing this season is Bonds, who is hitting .350 with only six RBI and one home run. The last time the Giants had 11 homers and 32 RBI was in 1988. To be fair, however, Bonds has walked 22 times, which isn't doing much for his average.

Asked whether he would rather have a bad year personally or a winning season overall, Bonds was emphatic. "I've had a lot of great years when I haven't gone anywhere," he said. "I'll take a good year, a sub-par year, whatever year, as long as we win."

BY STEVE MOORE
More NBA housecleaning: number of fired coaches at 9 and counting

By Chris Sheridan
Associated Press

The year of the coaching change didn’t end with the regular season, jettisoning nine Monday when the Denver Nuggets made their second change of the season, petitioning Dick Motta and his entire staff.

The Philadelphia 76ers fired Johnny Davis on Sunday in the first of what is expected to be a series of offseason dismissals.

M.L. Carr is expected to be replaced as coach of the Boston Celtics, Larry Brown is free to leave the Pacers if he chooses, and Rick Adelman is said to be in danger of being fired by Golden State.

There were seven firings during the regular season: Cotton Fitzsimmons in Phoenix, Bernie Bickerstaff in Denver, Jim Lynam in Washington, Brian Winters in San Antonio, M.L. Carr is expected to replace Carr as coach and-or general manager had already been made.

“IT’S BEEN DECIDED by whom?” Celtics president Red Auerbach said when reached Monday at his office in Washington. “There’s nothing I can even comment until we meet.”

Brown told the Pacers on Sunday that he would decide in 8-10 days whether to return to the team.

Both have rejected the idea of meeting before the game to bring further closure to the incident.

“I’m just going to play baseball,” Alomar said this weekend in Cleveland about the upcoming Orioles game. "I have a lot more things in my life.... I try to get every pitch right; I try to get every play right. That’s how I’ll approach going into the future.”

Glenallen Hill has driven in 12 runs in his last 10 games, and 18 overall, when the team was in New York.

The Giants took their winning streak into series with Braves Monday as the team was in New York.

The Giants, who currently own the best record in the major leagues, are off to their best start after 16 games since the 1938 sea- son, when the team was in New York.

According to Baker, the team’s success is based on an all-around approach to the game.

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By David Goldburg
Associated Press

Baltimore — Roberto Alomar and umpire John Hirschbeck have no intention of sharing anything more than the same field Tuesday night at Camden Yards.

The game between the Baltimore Orioles and Chicago White Sox will put Alomar and Hirschbeck on the same baseball field for the first time since the second baseman spit at the umpire Sept. 27 at Toronto.

Alomar repeatedly has apologized and expressed his desire to put the incident behind him.

“He’s a good man, and I want to do my job with as few distractions as possible,” Hirschbeck, similarly, said he wants to do his job with as few distractions as possible.

Both have rejected the idea of meeting before the game to bring further closure to the incident.

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