**FRESHMEN AS VICTIMS**

Freshmen females are vulnerable to sexual crimes because they are often too naive. Inexperience with alcohol is another factor.

By Kendra Hodges

It's a typical Friday night in downtown San Luis Obispo. You're with a group of friends when you see a hipster-cutie giving you the eye. He turns to you, smiles a big smile, and offers to buy you a drink. "I'll have a Cosmo," you accept the offer.

"Justin Timberlake's 'Rock Your世界' comes on. Putting down your drink, you hit the dance floor to shake off your nerves. Before the next song begins, you reach over to get your drink. After a few more songs you return to the dance floor. This is a familiar scene downtown, and everyone knows what's going on.

"I have heard dozens of stories of women getting something slipped in their drink this past year," Bulls Tavern manager Denise Rege said. "In most cases, the drink was known as 'spike'." But the most common drug abused among college students is GHB, also known as "date-rape drugs."

**Precautionary rules**

- Never leave your drink unattended.
- Don't accept open drinks from others who you do not know or trust.
- When in bars or clubs, always get your drink directly from the bartender.
- If you drink from open beverage sources like punch bowls, pitchers or tubs.
- Keep your eyes and ears open; if a friend seems "too intoxicated" for what they drank, leave the party or bar immediately.

\[\text{hydroxybutyrate and ketamine hydrochloride are other known date-rape drugs.}\]

\[\text{All are tasteless, odorless, colorless and dissapate from the blood system within 34 hours.}\]

Kevin Bromley signs 5-year-contract

...or less and dissipate from the blood system within 34 hours," said Roh Bryn, press information officer for the San Luis Obispo Police Department.

**POLICE RIDE-ALONG**

A reporter finds out the view from inside a police car on Friday night is much different than what students see while they are out partying.

Jennifer Glimp

University Police officer

During her experiences, she has found a correlation between alcohol and sexual abuse. "The common denominator is always alcohol," Murphy said. "I warn men that you can't drink and then have sex with someone. If you see something suspicious, report it.

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What do you think about Mustang Daily's sex column?

“I don’t think he’s as good as — gosh — what’s her name?”
— Katie Muffat, business sophomore

“What do you think about Mustang Daily’s sex column?”
— Kristina Schumann, economics freshman

“My boy reads it all the time. He says it’s pretty funny.”
— Danielle Luce, modern languages & literature senior

“Cal Poly’s such a conservative campus, and it tends to ruffle people’s feathers.”
— Mary Regan, biochemistry sophomore

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About 10 minutes after ingesting “roflcopter” with alcohol, the drug produces a sedative effect, causing muscle relaxation and a slowing of psychomo-
tor responses with no recollection of what happened while under its influ-
ence, according to the National Women’s Health Information Center. And while the problem does exist, it is not prevalent enough to keep stu-
dents away from the party scene.

“It’s definitely not happening every weekend,” bartender and bouncer for The Library “Loose” Godher said. “It’s like a short attack, it doesn’t happen a lot so it doesn’t stop people from still going out.”

Overall students seem uncon-
cerned.

“Date rape drugs are more common at raves and huge clubs. As long as you’re careful, you’ll be safe,” said electrical engineering junior Katherine Brulka. “The rise in date-rap drug use does not stop me from going downtown.”

Ninety percent of date rapes involve alcohol and more than 50 percent of college women who were victims of date rape had been intoxicated with alcohol or drugs, accord-
ing the National Organization for Women Foundation.

To protect yourself, always follow these simple rules from the National Women’s Health Information Center:

1. Don’t ask someone to watch your drink for you.
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3. When in bars or clubs always get your drink directly from the bartender.
4. At parties, only accept drinks in closed containers: bottles, cans or tetta packs.
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NIAGARA FALLS, Ontario — A man who went over Niagara Falls with only the clothes on his back and survived will be charged with illegally performing a stunt, Niagara Parks Police said Tuesday.

Kirk Jones, 40, of Canton, Mich., could be fined $10,000. Stranded tourists described seeing Jones flop by on his back Monday in the swift Niagara River, go headfirst over the 180-foot waterfall and then pull himself out of the water onto the rocks below.

Jones was not seriously injured and remained hospitalized in Niagara Falls in stable condition.

Police said they were nailing out the possibility it was a suicide attempt.

BELFAST, Northern Ireland — A high-stakes plan for breaking a yearlong deadlock in Northern Ireland peacekeeping started to fall apart Tuesday as Protestant leaders rejected a new Irish Republican Army disarmament move as too vague.

Belfast launched a day of diplomatic drama by confirming that an election for Northern Ireland's Parliament would be held on Nov. 26. The IRA-linked Sinn Fein party welcomed the move, and the IRA speedily escorted disarmament chiefs to a secret weapons dump.

DENPASAR, Indonesia — Three years ago, consumption of sea turtles was decreasing due to a police crackdown and a campaign by local animal rights activists against the killing.

But the practice is on the rise again. Earlier this year, police rided three boats carrying more than 250 turtles destined for Bali from other parts of Indonesia — a sign, conservationists say, of the increasing demand for the meat.

Turtle traders are fighting back. In June, around 50 people armed with sticks and machetes punched and kicked a group of conservationists as they tried to research the trade on Bali.

SEOUL, South Korea — North Korea test-fired an anti-ship missile off its east coast Monday as President Bush and other leaders opened an Asian summit. It was the communist country's latest military exercise amid tensions over its nuclear program.

South Korea's Joint Chiefs of Staff on Monday declined to further comment on the launch.

PERSYDAN, Indonesia — There is nothing different in the U.S. Congress threats to cut off federal funding to colleges that raise student tuition faster than the rate of inflation.

Introduced Wednesday by a California Republican, the Affordability in Higher Education Act would penalize universities that raise student tuition more than twice the rate of inflation for a three-year period.

Supporters say the bill would combat soaring college tuitions across the country. Course fees rose 48 percent at public high schools in Pennsylvania between 1995 and 2000, echoing trends in other states and nations, according to the U.S. Department of Education.

SOUTH BEND, Ind. — Students who are caught bringing or consuming alcohol to Notre Dame Stadium during showing of Notre Dame football games will later on be expelled from the stadium and have their ticket books confiscated by stadium personnel.

"There is nothing different in our enforcement. We are still going to be the marshallows sheriffs," said Cappy Gagnon, coordinator of stadium personnel.

Gagnon said the crackdown on the senior tradition of throwing marshallows at the stadium's windows began because students were throwing marshmallows with rocks, coins or other hard objects in them, in addition to throwing other objects.

— Associated Press

AMDEN, N.J. — A 15-year-old boy accused in an alleged plot to go on a shooting rampage will plead guilty to a single count of carjacking.

Prosecutors will recommend Cody Jackson be sentenced to five years without the possibility of parole, Superior Court Judge Louis F. Horstine said Tuesday.

Jackson, Christopher Olsen, 14, and Matthew Lovert, 18, were arrested July 6 after a carjacking attempt. Authorities said the teens had several guns, swords and 2,000 rounds of ammunition and were planning a shooting rampage.

NEW YORK — In contrast to the "Tonight" show — Arnold Schwarzenegger's unofficial late-night venue — David Letterman is airing material that would make most politicians consider a career change.

Over the past week, Letterman's "Meet the Governor" segment has spotlighted footage of the meanest California governor grasping a woman's buttocks, asking manicurists and getting visibly dazed in an Italian factory.

There's no political motivation: Letterman just wants to be funny, said Bob Burnett, executive producer of Letterman's late-night show.

PASADENA — A 17-year-old cheerleader, swimmer and president of her high school senior class was named Tuesday as a queen of the upcoming Tournament of Roses.

Megan Chanon of Pasadena will reign over the 115th Rose Parade and the 90th Rose Bowl football game on New Year's Day.

WASHINGTON — Some dessert mixes sold as refills for Easy-Bake ovens are being recalled because they contain ingredients that are not listed on the labels but could cause allergic reactions.

The company said the mixes contain milk, wheat and eggs that were not declared on the label. The recall was announced in conjunction with the Food and Drug Administration.

NEW YORK — Pamela Anderson says hepatitis C, which she was diagnosed with in 2001, will probably kill her in a decade.

"I think I've got a good 10 years left in me, which is sad, too. Maybe 15, if I'm lucky," Anderson tells Us Weekly magazine for the Nov. 3 issue.

Hepatitis C causes inflammation of the liver, which can lead to cirrhosis, liver cancer and liver failure.

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Garbage Pail Kids make triumphant return

By Tessa Jeffers

LINCOLN, Neb. — After a 15-year hiatus, they're back.

An imbalance of everything morbidly fantastic — beagles, bowel movements, bile, acne, gum, blood, reptiles and even death — the satirical artwork that is the Garbage Pail Kids is engaging.

It's hard to deny greats like Little Brittle Anna, Adam Bomb, Jack Splat and First Scary.

The disgustiness of the cards is what makes them so popular when they come out in 1985, said Telephone Bunk, one of the original artists who painted the images of Garbage Pail Kids cards. "Kids like to see things that they usually don't see," he said.

Bunk, who is also an artist for MAD magazine, said he does humorous art because of the freedom it gives him. He also likes to be disgusting. "I've always liked the anarchic side (of art)," he said.

Bringing back the Garbage Pail Kids cards is mostly for the delight of big kids who are all grown up now but still gross inside.

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Garbage Pail Kids cards are available at selected Wal-Mart and Target stores in the United States, but they will soon be available at virtually every location of the two chains.

The original Garbage Pail Kids card collection had 19 series. In 1989, a 16th series was created but never published, as sales fizzled out, and Garbage Pail Kids received a backlash from critics who said the content was too graphic.

This "lost series," along with 12 new cards, was re-issued in August, Bunk said. Garbage Pail Kids cards are available at selected Wal-Mart and Target stores in the United States, but they will soon be available at virtually every location of the two chains.

In Lincoln, K-B Toys in the Westfield Shoppesgown Gateway appears to be the lone outlet to get a Garbage Pail Kids sick-fix.

Jim Almond, associate manager at K-B, said he thought the new Garbage Pail Kids card series would be mostly a collector's favorite. "A lot of older people are excited and buying them, but younger kids aren't buying them up as much," he said.

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Andlig also said knowing a male does not automatically make him safe. National studies parallel this belief.

According to a 2003 study released by the Justice Department's National Institute of Justice and Bureau of Justice Statistics, 88 percent of victims of complet­ ed and attempted rapes knew the off­ ender. The perpetrator was usually a classmate, friend, co-factor or acquaintance. The idea that males take advantage of acquaintances may be explained througharchaic reasoning and treatment. "Senior class males that use their status to exploit freshmen females reduce these women to sexual objects," Shawn Barr, professor and associate chair of the Cal Poly psy­ chology and child development department, said. "They represent an old-fashioned masculinity that is in the way out among college males." Barr said these outdated percep­ tions contribute to negative stereo­ types and distrust of males.

The prevalence of freshmen vic­ timization is hard to determine because of the numerous assaults that are left unreported each year. A 2002 Bureau of Justice Statistics report supports this finding. According to the Crime Victimization Survey, only 53.7 percent of all sexual assaults and rapes were reported to the police.

"The biggest thing a woman can do is report if something happens," Andlig said. "If men are prosecuted, they see that they can get away with (sexual assault). This is the best preventive measure we have."

The lack of statistical evidence causes many students to look at freshmen victimization as an over­ generalization and state that people need to be responsible for their actions and their bodies.

"I stopped going to fraternity parties a long time ago," Will Dev, theatre and computer sci­ ence senior, said. "However, I think the guys mean no harm but they would if they were buying someone a drink in a club. Women need to watch what they drink and take responsibility for their personal safety."

Barr said she would like to see males take women's studies courses to learn about the effect of sexual ob­ jectification and exploitation has on their mothers, sisters, female friends, as well as to partner together, focusing on alcohol-related violations.

"The advent of this new, weekend pattern ought to provide the opportunity to ride with SLOPD officer Kevin Phillips and University Police Department Officer Ray Scherr," Glimp said. "The four-hour experience illustrated how alcohol affects people's judgment and actions."

Phillips, on average, there are about 2.5 to the SLOPD per night, and 90 to 95 percent are alcohol-related incidents, such as noise violations.

"Ironically, that was how the night started. A noise complaint was reported to the party that was just a few blocks away at Oceaneer Drive. Officer Phillips, Glimp and I jumped into the patrol car to check out the situation."

10:25 p.m.

Students mill around the street searching for new parties, waiting for rides and chatting up the officers. The only law that the female had been involved in was the open-alcohol container ticket and the noise violation. People from the street are crowding around the officers, talking back to the officers. A Breathalyzer test shows that he is within the blood alcohol limit.

Meanwhile, Phillips talks with the woman and attempts to find out why she did not know the driver of the car or the male passenger. They had been drinking too much to realize it was a party when he offered them a ride.

The females said they usually would not accept the ride, but there was already another female passenger in the car, so they thought it would be safe.

"It's a perfect example of how people put themselves into bad situa­ tions," Glimp said.

Phillips agreed. He said that if he saw a woman walking alone at night when he is on patrol, he will offer her a ride.

"I would rather give a woman a ride home than see her get hurt," Phillips said.

1:05 a.m.

The officer has to respond to another noise violation. People from the Student Neighborhood Assistance Program are already crowded in the street. The shift is hard to determine because of the numerous assaults that are left unreported each year. A 2002 Bureau of Justice Statistics report supports this finding. According to the Crime Victimization Survey, only 53.7 percent of all sexual assaults and rapes were reported to the police.

"Women need to take personal responsibility," Murphy said. "Always take a female friend with you, and watch out for each other. Make sure they haven't had too much to drink and are in control of the situation."

"I hope the woman finds her friend and makes it home unharmed," Phillips said.

11:23 p.m.

We witness a woman trying to support her intoxicated friend. Phillips and Glimp decide to stop and make sure the woman can handle the situation. She said they were going home soon.

"Sometimes like that would be the first one to be attacked and dragged to the nearest bush," Phillips said. "As we pull away from the curb, I watch the friend guide the woman along the sidewalk. She stumbles over her feet and is obviously drunk. I would not able to take care of her. I wonder if she will remember this in the morning."

"If these women didn't drink to such an excess, they would know what is going on and there would be less incidents of rape," Murphy said.

"If they could have had the education with them, they wouldn't deal with the bar brawls surrounding rape and ground," Kevin Phillips

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WHAT'S THE BIG IDEA?!
Editor, 

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"Everythi ng I believed was taken out from under me."

After the first incident, Erin decided to tell her family and begin the process to regain her sense of self.

"The family circled around Erin like a wagon on the westward jour­ney," Tom Murphy, Erin's father, said.

Her efforts were soon concentrat­ed in ReMember Week, as she worked to educate people on sexual assault. At the same time, she was rebuilding herself and becoming the person she was before the incident.

Then the unimaginable happened. During an internship last summer in Santa Cruz, Erin quickly became close to two of her male compan­ions. One night the group of stu­dents held a party celebrating the end of the summer. Having a few too many drinks, Erin ended up black­out­ing and waking up naked in a hotel bed.

"Here I am older, wiser and done healing," Erin said. "I worked through (the first rape), and I know what I should and shouldn't do, and yet it happened to me again."
**Basketball coach signs extension**

**By Sean Martin**

MUSTANG DAILY SPORTS EDITOR

Men’s basketball coach Kevin Bromley will have five more years to get that Big West Conference championship the Mustangs came painstakingly close to last season.

Bromley has signed a five-year, $525,000 contract extension, making him the highest-paid coach on campus.

"I would rather do something special here, that hasn’t been done before, than go to Duke or the University of North Carolina where they may not be anything new," Bromley said.

Getting a long-term commitment from such a big-time school was a luxury for athletic director John McCutcheon.

"It is an extreme positive," he said. "It gives the program stability because there is now a known entity, somebody who is dedicated and wants to be here for some time to lead the team."

Bromley’s long-standing goal has been to lead Cal Poly to its first-ever appearance in the NCAA Tournament. Last year’s team lost the conference championship game by three points; a win would have fulfilled his dreams. The Mustangs were 16-14 overall and 10-8 in the Big West Conference in 2002.

He has a career 35-35 record in his previous three years on the job. He was promoted to interim coach in the 2000-01 season after then-coach Todd Vetter was fired. Bromley said Kevin is "the highest-paid coach on campus."

The contract is not only the most expensive in the athletics department but it is also somewhat longer than the average agreement between the department and head coaches.

"When you compare his salary with a jump at 5 feet, 10 inches behind Chante Howard of J.W. North High School in Riverside. Day was one of the most highly recruited high jumpers in the nation with offers coming from UCLA, Cal-Berkeley, Columbia, Arizona, Arizona State and Texas A&M."

"As soon as soccer season is over my main focus will shift to track." Day said. "Unfortunately I have not had the opportunity to train for track season due to the responsibilities that come with soccer."

Day’s soccer experience started when she was nine years old playing in American Youth Soccer Organization for two years.

She progressed and was selected for the Orange Coast United club team for four years and the Irvine Lasers for one year to further improve her skills.

Day played on varsity all four years at Costa Mesa High School and she was team captain her junior and senior years. Her contributions to the team included offensive most value player her freshman year, team MVP all years following and leading her team to Division III CIF championships.

Day is always strong on the ball with tremendous speed and a dominating presence on the field, Crozier said.

"This is an extreme positive," he said. "We have a place for her on the team."

Kevin is "very upfront."

"I would rather live here than anywhere," he said. "I have lived in Arroyo Grande with his wife and two stepsons."

"The budgeting process is always challenging," he said.

Bromley had reasons outside of Matt Gym for signing at Cal Poly.

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The school re-negotiated the fourth-year coach not just for the team’s improvement in the win-loss column. (The athletics department) always looks for a coach who will represent the institution properly, McCutcheon said. "We believe he is going by the rules and trying to do things the right way. In Kevin we saw those attributes. He is very up front."