Where do the beads go now?

By Ashley Wolf
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Beads are now being put around the city's rearview mirrors or put in box until next February, but the overall effects of Mardi Gras left nearly 200 people arrested over five days in San Luis Obispo, according to the San Luis Obispo Police Department.

After 11 more on Tuesday, the Mardi Gras arrests totaled 195.

The number is higher than past years, even with the increase of police force and security. SLOPD, aided by the California Highway Patrol, San Luis Obispo Sheriff Department, Cal Poly University Police and several other agencies, attempted to maintain order during the festivities.

On the same time last year, police made 136 arrests. In 2001, 84 people were arrested.

Tuesday night remained uneventful until about 10:30 p.m., when several hundred college-age people crowded in Mustang Village and started throwing fireworks, according to a SLOPD press release.

SLOPD officers broke up the crowd and arrested 20-year-old John Rogers on charges of assault on an officer, after he threw a can of beer at police.

At 12:50 a.m. Wednesday, Ian Barry, 19, of San Luis Obispo and Bernard Wedland, 27, of Oakland, were arrested for assault on police officers, after they threw an explosive device at a group of officers. Barry and Wedland remained in jail on Wednesday, with bail set at $500,000 each.

"We have to prepare for the worst and hope for the best," Sgt. Jim Hays of SLOPD said. "Thursday was a busy night with larger crowds than you see RECAP, page 2"

Crowd control across the nation

By Ashlee Bodenhamer
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Local police used an arsenal of non-lethal weapons and additional security to deal with Saturday's Mardi Gras merrymaking, running up a total cost of more than $100,000. Across the country, police in Tuscaloosa, Ala., home to one of the nation's top party colleges, have a different response to excessive rowdiness.

"When there's a big event, we're more lenient than we are the rest of the year," Tuscaloosa police chief Ken Swindle said.

The University of Alabama, until 2003, consistently ranked in the Princeton Review's list of top 10 party schools.

During university-hosted sporting events against rival colleges from Tennessee and Louisiana, the city deals with an influx of thousands of students, Swindle said. A free trolley service is provided to handle the crowds. Students are shuttled from downtown Tuscaloosa to their residences.

"Officers in Tuscaloosa introduce themselves to every resident, student and non-student, in their precinct. Swindle said. "We tell students to meet their neighbors, to take them a cake or something, get to know each other."

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GROCERY STRIKES
Supermarkets, clerks reach tentative deal

By Alex Veiga
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

LOS ANGELES — Negotiators for three supermarket chains and grocery clerks reached a tentative contract agreement Thursday, creating hope that the longest supermarket strike in U.S. history would end and send $20 million financially strapped employees back to work.

Greg Deedon, a spokesman for the United Food and Commercial Workers union, declined to disclose details of the agreement. The 4 1/2-month strike inconvenienced millions of shoppers in Southern California and led to hundreds of millions of dollars in losses for the three grocery chains, which had taken a stand against raising employee health costs.

Officials with the union must submit the proposed contract to members for approval. It was not immediately known when they might end pickets and return to work. Voting could begin as early as Friday.

Sunny Kim, a service manager at a Ralphs store in Los Angeles, said she was pleased to hear the tentative deal was struck but remained apprehensive.

"I'm hoping they'll let us get back to work," the single mother said. "We still have to vote on it." Her sentiments were echoed by Esther Barillas, a pharmacy tech at Ralphs. "We want to go back to work, but we hope it's a good deal," she said.

The strike targeted Albertsons Inc., Kroger Co., which owns Ralphs, and Safeway Inc., the parent firm of Vons and Pavilions, affecting 859 stores from San Diego north to San Luis Obispo and Bakersfield. Sympathetic shoppers flocked to smaller chains and specialty stores to avoid picket lines.

Negotiations had been deadlocked over the cost and scope of health benefits and a proposed two-tier wage system for future employees.

Workers currently pay no premiums for full health coverage and have a $10 copay for doctor visits and prescriptions. In a Dec. 2 contract offer, the companies sought worker contributions of $15 a month for family coverage by 2003.

Current employees are paid an average of $15 an hour and must not work full time. The companies' Dec. 2 proposal offered no raises.

The union sought hourly increases of 30 cents in the first year and 15 cents in each of the next two years.

Union leaders framed the dispute as a national bellwether in the fight to preserve affordable health care insurance for the working class.
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other," Swindle said. Tuscaloosa was known for its rowdy Thursday night party scene, until several years ago, when police took university officials to schedule more classes and tests for Fridays, Swindle said. Now students only have to worry about Tuesday and Thursday nights.

Residents of Myrtle Beach, S.C., a popular spring break destination among college co-eds, know what the police are getting into. Many of them move to the area, said Faith Gildey, captain of the town's police department.

"We are a tourist town. That's our bread and butter," Gildey said. "I couldn't live here. It's hard to even work here sometimes."

The town of 16,000 welcomes an average of 14 million visitors each year. It has an advantage over San Luis Obispo, Gildey said, because the majority of partiers stay within an area separate from residential zones. This "Amusement district," composed of hotels, parks, restaurants and shops — but no homes — is a key aspect of what both visitors and residents happy, Gildey said.

The spring-breakers who choose to vacation in Myrtle Beach come back year after year, she said. "We have repeat customers. They know the rules," she said. "We let them know what we expect and what they can expect from us."

In towns such as San Luis Obispo, where partiers move within earshot of full-time residents, police receive more complaints. Several years ago, police in Boulder, Colo., designed a campaign to end a Halloween bacchanal that took place each October in the downtown area. Locals knew this as the celebrated cultural event "the night crawl."

In its earlier years, the focus of the event was on the elaborate, sophisticated costumes students would don, but it soon escalated into a drunken brawl that caused 15,000 partiers into a five-block area, said Lt. Tim McGraw of the Boulder Police Department.

"After a certain number of years, it got to the point where it just wasn't worth it anymore," McGraw said. "It got really ugly."

Police began a movement to reason with students and inform students that the party was over. Through local media, the police sent the message that the thousands of drunken revelers would not be welcome back next Halloween. They also formulated the plan for the following year, local bars and other businesses closed down early, public parking lots shut down for the weekend, and officers rerouted incoming traffic in the area.

Students and residential communities are used to this "rowdy Thursday night party scene," Gildey said. "Everyone has the ability to create change, even through the smallest action," she said.

The conference will examine controversial issues such as "The Truth About Republicans," sex trafficking and illegal and ethical business practices. "We want to create discussion between different points of view to find a common ground, instead of going back and forth to the editor in Mustang Daily," Cox said. Friday's evening session will be more of entertainment with a message, with a buffet reception and slam poets, and it's free to the public.

"That way we can open up dialogue with people you never would have approached," she said. The conference is sponsored by ASI, Cal Poly College Republicans, Progressive Student Alliance, Students for Social Change and Cal Poly Wildlife Club contributed to the sessions.

The idea for the conference originated from a similar one in Humboldt that Reversing Mardi Gras would not be welcome back. "It got to the point where it just wasn't worth it anymore," McGraw said. "The more aggressive and violent Mardi Gras gets and the more alcohol there is, the more likely someone is going to get killed and no one wants that," he said.

Police will be meeting soon to discuss last weekend's events and how to plan for next year. Homeowners, like the owners of Cedar Creek, will also be meeting separately to tally up property damages.

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would expect on a busy weekend, but nowhere near the crowds on Saturday."

By 11 a.m. Wednesday, the crowds roaming California and Football boulevards had dispersed. The remaining eight arrests for the evening were for public drunkenness.

"In general, the weekend crowds on Friday and Saturday night were significantly larger than last year, most being college-age young people, many under 21 years of age," police said.

Yet, the supplies, marked by the police, of the 195 arrests reveal that 49 arrests were Cal Poly or Cal Poly college students, making up roughly 25 percent of those arrested for the weekend. Forty-one college students from outside the San Luis Obispo-area were also arrested, bringing the amount of college-age arrests to 90. Therefore, 105 arrests for the weekend were either high school students or other community members.

When contacted to explain the sortable number of outsiders who were arrested over the weekend, SLOPD Police Chief Deborah Lind had not responded by press time.

The main amount of arrests occurred at the Saturday night not off California and Football boulevards near the 76-unit Cedar Creek condominiums, the main party site for Mardi Gras for the past five years.

Owners of Cedar Creek spent $15,000 to $20,000 for extra security, lighting and fencing, said manager Larry Smyth. "The owners are frustrated asking why do we as owners have to pay for security when it isn't our event? It's a mystery," Smith said. "The Mardi Gras committee says that they are not responsible, but they have spent 15 years promoting an event that is supposed to be the biggest party West of the Mississippi. It's not called 'Poly Gras' or 'Mustang Gras,' it's called Mardi Gras. If they aren't responsible for all of this, then who is?"

Smyth said from a community manager and member's point of view, nothing good comes out of Mardi Gras.

"The only good thing that came out of Mardi Gras was that no one was seriously hurt or killed," Smith said. "The more aggressive and violent Mardi Gras gets and the more alcohol there is, the more likely someone is going to get killed and no one wants that."

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your experiences were stronger, you would be better prepared for a diverse world."

Each of the clubs and programs that sponsor the conference will hold a unique session. Civil engineering junior Alison Anderson and journalism senior Olga Bedel, ASI president and vice president, will discuss social action on campus. Although many of Poly's programs have differing viewpoints, students can benefit from ideas on how to actually change the campus.

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This unique opportunity allows people to gather information from the candidates themselves instead of relying on local news coverage to feed it to them. There can be valuable in helping people decide where to punch the ballot on voting day.

Scheduled speakers include state assembly candidate Stew Jenkins (Democrat), Son Blakelock (Republican), Matt Kolkman (Republican), Mike Zimmerman (Republican), Tom Hutchings (Green) and Michael Klinkkred (Libertarian).

The two hopefuls for the 23rd Congressional District seat, Don Regenbaum (Republican) and Michael Favorite (Libertarian) will also be there. Pig Proud (Democratic) who is nominated one state-wide senate will also be in attendance.

"We're really excited to have all these people coming," Swartt said. "We have a lot of candidates who are eager to work with the community.

Finally, there will be a representative of the county clerk's office to answer questions related to the voting process, and give attendances and a chance to register to vote.

There will also be an opportunity for people to sign up to volunteer for the different parties.

It's another way average people can get involved with politics without putting in a lot of money," Swartt said. Swartt also stressed the importance of students and community members alike recognizing the impact the local politics has on daily life.

"To understand politics helps make you a well rounded person," she said. "Local politics have a large impact on students and employees. Officers are giving up their own time to keep students safe."

The sponsors are hoping to make this an annual event to continue allowing the public the opportunity to meet those who could be representing them in office.

The event takes place from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. in Chumash Auditorium and is free and open to the public.

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National Roundup
WASHINGTON — A Senate agreement requiring child safety locks on U.S. handguns gave Democrats encouragement Thursday that renewing an assault weapons ban might also become part of a package to protect gun makers and sellers from gun crime lawsuits.

The GOP-controlled Senate voted 70-27 to require all handguns sold in the United States to have child safety locks, adding the measure to the legislation providing the gun industry immunity from suits when a legally sold gun is subsequently used in a crime.

Democrats Sens. Barbara Boxer of California and Herb Kohl of Wisconsin argued that requiring child safety locks on newly purchased handguns would help reduce the number of children accidentally killed by handguns in the home.

WASHINGTON — The House voted Thursday to subject assailants who injure or kill a pregnant woman and her fetus to two separate crimes.

The bill, also designated Elisha and Corner's law, would add to the list of gun crimes who injure or kill a pregnant woman and her fetus.

The bill, championed by conservatives, drew opposition from others concerned that conferring new rights on the fetus would under­mine abortion rights.

ANCHORAGE, Alaska — An Air Force pilot died on a night training mission when his A-10 Warthog jet aircraft crashed after takeoff from Elmendorf Air Force Base outside Fairbanks, base officials said.

The jet, a twin-engine ground-attack aircraft that became famous as a tank-killer in the Persian Gulf War, crashed about 8:30 p.m., about three miles from the base, Master Sgt. John Norgren said. Witnesses said they saw a bright flash and heard the concussion.

LAKEWOOD, Colo. — The state attorney general said Thursday he is investigating whether authorities tried too cover up what they knew about the Columbine High killers before their murderous attack.

Attorney General Ken Salazar said Thursday he has opened an investigation into the handling of the May 7, 1999, massacre.

The attorneys general said his investigation isn't complete and that it has grown since he was asked to look into contacts between the killers and investigators beginning in 1997, two years before the attack.

— Associated Press

World Roundup
BULGARIA, Bosnia-Herzegovina — Macedonia state radio switched to classical music and the government declared a day of mourning after a plane crash Thursday in southern Bosnia.

Mourners lit candles in front of Trajkovski's office in the capital, Skopje, and condolences poured in from world leaders. Secretary of State Colin Powell called the moderate Trajkovski "a great friend of the United States" who helped put his ethnically divided nation on "a stable footing."

The president's party initially said he died in the crash, which happened in a remote, rocky area of mountainous southern Bosnia — treacherous in the bad weather and heavily mined from Bosnia's 1992-1995 war.

LONDON — Britain spied on U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan in the build up to the Iraq war, a former Cabinet minister said Thursday, triggering yet another postwar crisis for Prime Minister Tony Blair.

Blair refused to confirm or deny the accusation and branded his former international development secretary, Clare Short, "deeply irresponsible" for commenting on sensitive security issues.

CAP-HAITIEN, Haiti — Rebels began moving toward Haiti's capital of Port-au-Prince on Thursday and are awaiting the order to attack, a guerrilla leader told The Associated Press.

A rebel commander said Thursday he had not received an order to attack President Jean-Bertrand Aristide if he did not resign, so he could be tried on charges ranging from corruption to murder.

BEIJING — North Korea on Thursday proposed a comprehensive halt to its nuclear program in the next six months, a dramatic turnaround in what has been a hallmark of North Korean diplomacy. Still, Pyongyang's offer to end a 16-month standoff by stopping its nuclear activities was unusual because it was delivered in formal multilateral talks.

Both sides said there was no progress in a second round of six-nation talks on the nuclear stand-off.

In Washington, Secretary of State Colin Powell said the first two days of multilateral talks were positive.

— Associated Press

College Roundup
BOULDER, Colo. — The number of sexual assault complaints filed with the University of Colorado's police department in 2003 more than tripled from the year before, from seven reported cases to 22. In 2001, the number of reported cases was 10. Victim groups attribute the increase to more victims willing to report their cases to authorities and, because campus police are including in their reports more complaints, filed with other on­campus organizations.

CU campus victims' advocates said the increase is probably isn't that big of a jump in real sexual assaults and that the figure from 2001 was the lowest in recent years, and that they said that Wednesday in that in any case, it's a good sign that victims are getting help.

Some, though, expressed concern that the CU rape scandal and media hype surrounding it might discourage other victims from coming forth.

Candice Lopez, student coordinator for CU's Rape and Gender Education Program, said she thinks victims will be less likely to report sexual assaults in light of the negative attention surrounding the CU recruiting scandal and its alleged rape cases.

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By Kendrick J. Carson  
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A student yawning through a brutal 7 a.m. class. The next class does not start for a couple of hours, so maybe the student can catch up on some light reading. The walk to the library does not start for a couple of hours, so maybe the student seems longer than usual, in the wee hours of the morning, but because it has comfy chairs and is a place to keep warm between classes.

"Liberal studies sophomore Megan Duddy said she goes to the UU to nap because it has many options for napping. "The best places to sleep are ones without anyone around," Duddy said. "I really like the Math Library because it is almost always deserted. That's really the only thing that matters."

Parking on campus is a nuisance. That is nothing new. Since a student has to go through hell to get a parking spot, it might as well be used to the fullest extent. Sleeping in a car has its perks, since a student does not have to give up the spot, and can drive out to some smooth jazz or classical music on the radio. Just make sure the alarm is set on the cell phone before doing off.

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Places to take a nap on campus

By Kendrick J. Carson  
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

1. Library
2. Dexter Lawn
3. UU - Second floor
4. Department Lounges and Reading Rooms
5. Car

Rejection: How to dish it and how to deal

Tarrah Graves  
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

"I can't,"
"I'm considering becoming a priest."
"I'm a secret agent and my name's not really what you think it is, and I'm not allowed to get into any relationships — for your own protection, of course."

Heard these lines before? If the answer is "yes," chances are you've been rejected lately. Although rejection is not fun for the rejecter or the rejectee, it's face it: it's a part of life.

"Rejection is an unfortunate part of the human condition," said Chuck Sleem, Cal Poly psychology professor. One of the most common settings for rejection to take place is in bars, and the people most commonly doing the rejecting are the bartenders because they are frequently hit on.

Chalk it up to the happy hour puerile hooters, but most people find that at bars they have the confidence that it takes to lay pride on the line and ask out the fly honey who has been pooring them drinks all night.

"There is just a sexual element that surrounds drinking and partying," said John Bumberger, manager and bartender at Mother's Tavern on Higuera Street in downtown San Luis Obispo. "I've been asked out in a lot of ways, but mostly women give me their phone numbers on napkins," Bumberger said.

Everything from seductively asking the hot bartender for "Sex on the Beach" to referring to the "head" on a beer to asking if a person would like a drink bought for them is common at the local San Luis Obispo bar scene.

Bumberger said some people are very discrete in coming on to a bartender, "and then there are the women who just flash you or know how their data work when they lean forward to order a drink."

Due to advanced strategies like these, Bumberger said women are the ones more inclined to pick up bartenders.

(They) know they can get away with more, so it's more of an annoyance," Bumberger said. "They can say literally anything to me, and it won't affect me."

How does Bumberger combat the bombarding of women selectors? "When they invite me back to their house I ask my girlfriend come too!" Bumberger said. "But no matter how hard a girl flirted they'll probably go home alone even if she didn't have a girlfriend.

Playfully letting the pursuer know of a significant other is always a good way to let them down gently.

"When you're wounded by a tactless phrase it's more difficult," Bumberger said. Because Schulte would never date a customer, she has been forced to get creative in order to get the point across that she is not interested.

On occasion, the polite, "thanks but no thanks" excuse is just not sufficient.

Schulte's favorite way of rejecting is to say, "You're very nice, but I only date males."

Yikes! Hard! — but sometimes necessary. Which method of rejection would Sleem recommend? "It depends on your knowledge of the other person and their sensitivity," he said. "It's usually best to be honest and kind."

For those who are rejected a lot, don't worry. There is still light at the end of the tunnel. You can learn from the rejection," Sleem said. It can be a useful device. First licking your wounds is just part of the process.
Chocolate wishes and sweet dreams

By Ashlee Bodenhamer
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There are two types of people in this world those who inhale their food and those who savor it. It may be OK to chow down a cereal stick, or carrots, but chocolate, should be relished slowly and thoughtfully.

Mindless devouring of food, especially chocolate, is a factor in America's obesity epidemic, food science professor Tom Neuhaus said.

"We don't pay attention to our food," Neuhaus said. "We simply inhale it, as my dog does."

When it comes to chocolate, the higher quality the product, the more likely people are to think about what they are eating, and the less of it they will consume.

"Savoring is eating while attending to the food, paying attention to it," Neuhaus said.

Neuhaus heads up Cal Poly Chocolates, a student-faculty business which pairs chocolate with unexpected ingredients such as apricots, hazelnuts, fortune cookies and Trrx cereal.

"Our chocolates are made to be eaten in small quantities—one ounce—and eaten slowly," Neuhaus said.

When shopping for chocolates, inspect the product for bloom, a grayish film that appears when the chocolate has partially or completely melted, Neuhaus said.

"Sometimes you'll find them in your local grocery store or the hardware store. Sometimes you'll find them in chocolate gift shops," Neuhaus said.

"If it looks homemade, it's probably real," Neuhaus said. "If you were raised on chips and salsa, you're not going to be a chocolate eater."

Many of Rocky Mountain's products, including all of the dipped products and baked goods, are made in the store.

"It looks homemade, it probably is," Bowen said.

Rocky Mountain stocks a selection of sugar-free chocolates made with maltitol, which is safe for diabetics, Bowen said.

However, sugar-free chocolate is more wasteful than regular chocolate. A 1.5 oz. bar of the multi-sized, individually packaged chocolate contains 170 calories, compared with 220 calories in a normal bar.

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At See's, boxes and boxes of chocolates are categorized by type: soft centers, nuts and chews and truffles. See's also makes an assortment called a "Bridge mix," a mélange of molasses chips, caramels, butterscotch, raisins and brittle, covered in milk and dark chocolate.

A one-pound box of any assortment of See's confections is $13.20. The fancier one-pound gold boxes are a bit more expensive, at $15.20.

"You're paying more for the containers," Mattel said. "But the chocolate inside is the same."

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"You're paying more for the containers," Mattel said. "But the chocolate inside is the same."

See's will dress up their plain white boxes with ribbons and paper at no extra charge.

Mattel said people's sentiments toward chocolate are closely tied to their childhoods. Chocolate-buyers gravitate toward "whatever mom fed them when they were a kid, whatever grandma gave them," Mattel said.

"If you were raised on chips and salsa, you're not going to be a chocolate eater."

Many of Rocky Mountain's products, including all of the dipped products and baked goods, are made in the store.

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Rocky Mountain stocks a selection of sugar-free chocolates made with maltitol, which is safe for diabetics, Bowen said.

However, sugar-free chocolate is more wasteful than regular chocolate. A 1.5 oz. bar of the multi-sized, individually packaged chocolate contains 170 calories, compared with 220 calories in a normal bar.

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Rocky Mountain also makes chocolate-dipped marshmallows, dipped pretzels, dipped caramel apples, gussied up with nuts and sprinkles and chocolate-covered strawberries are snapped up by people in love.

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Gaming not a jackpot for California

California has seen better days financially. Income rates are down and job losses are up. A quick fix solution to the economic downturn is legalized gambling.

The idea does sound sexy, with shimmering signs and bright lights illuminating West-coast cliffs and beaches. Tourists would flock to the Golden State and the money would roll in.

As tempting as this sounds, there are drawbacks. Harvey N. Chinn, the state director for the National Coalition Against Legalized Gambling, said the churches are against legal gambling for three reasons: economics, quality of life and public opinion. They believe casinos create more problems than the tax dollars they bring.

There are other states that oppose legal gambling in California. For instance, Las Vegas and Atlantic City increased their gambling in an effort to handle excessive unemployment. Atlantic City, the largest coastal gambling city in the United States, was named by the gambling industry with a $700 million dollar debt.

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A little known fact is that gaming in California is already a $14 billion industry. Socially acceptable and health promoting investments could be made with the money the state would allocate to gambling, like fixing our freeways and giving school kids a decent education.

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Mustangs snap losing streak

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF REPORT

Junior forward Katreen Peterson scored a career-high 25 points as Cal Poly snapped a four-game losing streak with an 85-76 victory over UC Riverside in a West Coast Conference Women's Basketball game Thursday night in Mott Gym.

Junior forward Heath Watson added 11 points and matched her career high with 13 rebounds. Three other Mustangs scored in double figures — freshman point guard Sparkle Anderson with 17, sophomore guard Courtney Logan with 10 and sophomore Jennifer Dooley with 12, all on three-pointers.

With the win, Cal Poly improves to 11-13 for the season and 7-6 in the Big West. Peterson, who did not start, made 12 of 17 field goal attempts. Cal Poly outrebounded the Highlanders 45-36.

Consie Reaves tallied 26 points for the Highlanders.

Cal Poly scored the first 11 points of the game but were forced to settle for a 41-40 halftime edge.

UC Riverside, which never led, tied the game for the third time at 74-74 with 2:17 to go, followed a layup by Jodi Reber. But Cal Poly scored the final seven points of the game — a three-pointer by Dooley with 1:30 to go, a layup by Uphoff with 38 seconds to play and two free throws by Watson with 28 seconds to go.

Kendra Hodges

WRESTLING HEADS TO PAC-10S

• Mustangs head to Tempe in search of Pac-10 title and NCAA championship bids

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The Cal Poly wrestling team, ranked No. 26 in the nation, returns to action Feb. 29 through March 1, as they travel to Wells Fargo Arena in Tempe, Ariz. to compete in the Pac-10 Conference Championships, hosted by the defending champion Arizona State University Sun Devils.

The Mustangs are now 8-8 overall, 4-4 in the Pac-10. They are coming off an 82-17 win over UC Davis.

Cal Poly has three wrestlers in the top-10 of the NCAA Division I Top-20 Individual Wrestling rankings released by Intersport Wrestling on Feb. 24.

Wrestling heads to Pac-10s

By Kendra Hodges

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Two of Cal Poly's finest women's basketball alums aren't ready yet to leave the court.

After graduating in 2002 from Cal Poly, Odessa Jenkins stayed to be assistant coaches for Cal Poly's women's basketball team.

In their second year of coaching, the women are bringing the team to the NCAA Division I Top-10 of the NCAA Division I.

Jenkins was the first person she met when才 entered college basketball.

"Without the scholarship, I would not have been able to afford to go to a university on my own," Jenkins said. Jenkins was the first person on both sides of her family to graduate from college.

"For me, going to college was about more than playing basketball and having a good time, it was also about getting a education," she said.

The 5-foot, 6-inch point guard finished her college basketball career as the team's leading scorer in 2002-03.

"I take coaching very seriously," Jenkins said. "As long as I keep elevating as a coach I'm going to stay.

"The coaches not only utilize their basketball knowledge everyday but also the skills they obtained in the classroom. Jenkins was a sociology major, while Baker earned a degree in psychology.

"We are not only developing the players as athletes and students but also as people," Baker said.

"I love the idea of giving back to the sport that has given me so much," Jenkins said. "I am thankful for the two things I love; people and basketball.

"The team is currently tied for fourth in the Big West Conference. "We have never been in a situation where we are at currently," Jenkins said.

"We are a dynamic team and have our own best season so far."