Americans suffer ‘discouraging’ day; death toll is 1,400

Jason Keyser  "AP 2005"

BAGHDAD, Iraq — A U.S. helicopter crashed in a desert sandstorm in the early morning darkness Wednesday, killing the 30 Marines and one Navy sailor aboard. Six other troops died in insurgent ambushes in the deadliest day for Americans since the Iraq war began nearly two years ago.

Only days before Iraq's crucial elections Sunday, militants set off at least eight car bombings that killed 13 people and injured 40 others, including 11 Americans. The guerrillas also carried out a string of attacks nationwide against schools that will serve as polling centers.

In Washington, President Bush called on Iraqis to defy terrorism and go to the polls despite relentless insurgent attacks. He said it was a "very discouraging" day when the U.S. death toll for the war rose above 1,400.

The CH-53 Super Stallion was carrying personnel from the 1st Marine Division on a security mission in support of the election when it went down about 1:20 a.m. near the town of Ruthab, about 220 miles west of Baghdad, the military said.

The crash occurred during severe weather, but its cause was still under investigation, said Army Gen. John Abizaid, chief of U.S. Central Command. An Accuweather map showed sandstorms Wednesday in the western region of Iraq near the Jordanian border where the crash took place.

A search and rescue team was at the site. The victims were 30 Marines and one sailor, said Lt. Gen. John Sattler, the top Marine commander in Iraq, the most American service members to die in a single incident since the March 2003 invasion.

The deadliest previous incident for U.S. troops was also a helicopter crash: a November 2003 collision of two Black Hawk helicopters that killed 17. Before Wednesday's bloodshed, the most Americans killed in one day came on the invasion's third day, March 23, 2003, when 28 troops were killed during the U.S. military's drive to take Baghdad and topple Saddam Hussein.

The U.S. military has not seen such a high loss of life in one day in 15 years, since an explosion ripped through a gun turret on the USS Iowa during a training exercise in the Caribbean in April 1989, killing 47 sailors.

Iraqi security forces and civilians have borne the brunt of violence in Iraq, with bombings often killing scores of people at a time. More than 180 people were killed on March 2, 2004, during a string of suicide attacks at Shiite shrines in Karbala and Baghdad.

Violence has only increased ahead of Sunday's election, which will create a 275-member National Assembly and regional legislatures. Sunni Muslim extremists have threatened to sabotage the election, and many Sunni clerics have called for a boycott of the presence of U.S. and other foreign troops.

The group calling itself al-Qaida in Iraq warned people to stay away from the polls, threatening attacks. "Oh people, be careful. Be careful not to be near the centers of infidelity and vice, the polling centers ... Don't blame us but blame yourselves if harmed," a Web statement issued in the group's name said.

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Deadliest day for U.S. troops since Iraq war began

A U.S. helicopter crashed Wednesday in a desert sandstorm, killing the 30 Marines and one sailor aboard, and the death toll rose to 1,400 American casualties in the hardest single-day loss for the U.S. military in 15 years.

Daily coalition troop deaths, including some of the deadliest days for U.S. troops in Iraq

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Sex used to weaken Guantanamo detainees

Female interrogator tactics included wearing miniskirts and thongs and smeading fake menstrual blood on prisoners

Paisley Dodds  "AP 2002"

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico — Female interrogators tried to break Muslim detainees at the U.S. prison camp in Guantanamo Bay by sexual touching, wearing miniskirts and thongs underwear and, in one case, smearing a Saudi man's face with fake menstrual blood, according to an inner's written account.

A draft manuscript obtained by the Associated Press is classified as secret pending a Pentagon review for a planned book that details ways the U.S. military used women as part of tougher physical and psychological interrogation tactics to get terror suspects to talk.

It's the most revealing account so far of interrogations at the secretive detention camp, where officials say they have halted some controversial techniques.

"I have really struggled with this because the detainees, their families and much of the world will think this is a religious war based on some of the techniques used, even though it is not the case," the author, former Army Sgt. Erik R. Saar, told AP.

Saar didn't provide the manuscript or approach AP, but confirmed the authenticity of nine draft pages AP obtained. He requested his home town remain private so he wouldn't be harassed.

Saar, who is neither Muslim nor of Arab descent, worked as an Arabic translator at the U.S. camp in eastern Cuba from December 2002 to June 2003. At the time, it was under the command of Maj. Gen. Geoffrey Miller, who had a mandate to get better intelligence from prisoners.

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Television poker ignites gambling

Big-money tournaments are incentive for college students to pursue a life of chance

Melissa L. Dorcak  "AP 2002"

Computer science senior Jason Smyth is as laid back as poker players come. While he plays, he remains calm and focused. He gets a rush when he wins, but he explained that his rush comes from his satisfaction of making the right decision to call, raise or fold.

"I like to outplay people. It's not a matter of gambling and getting lucky," he said. "I'm figuring out if I should gamble or not," he said.

Another rush for Smyth is seeing college-age poker players on television. It shows him what he calls "a chance at fame." Right now, Smyth is entering $300 tournaments for a chance to win a seat at a televised tournament in Las Vegas.

While casually playing poker online once or twice a week may seem harmless, the potential for problems looms over every gambler's head. If you suspect you have a gambling problem, controlling your playing is not possible, according to Eric Goffen, a clinical psychologist who specializes in compulsive gambling.

He said compulsive gambling is an impulse control disorder, similar to kleptomania, which is the compulsion to steal things. "Abstinence is the only way," he said. "It's important not to ignore gambling. It's a progressive problem and it doesn't magically go away."

Like many addictions, studies show there is a neurological component to gambling. According to About.com, researchers at the Massachusetts General Hospital found that when patients were set up with magnetic resonance imaging and played a game of chance, they had a neural response.

"The incentive of money produced blood flow changes in the brain similar to those seen in response to other forms of rewards," see Gambling, page 2
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such as euphoria-producing drugs."

"There's no question that some people are affected in this way by gambling. Dopamine is a hormone that is highly involved in addictions in general," Geffner said. "Dopamine is secreted into our systems when we feel in love, snort a line of cocaine or win money gambling."

But Geffner also said that while some people are very prone to this reaction, not everyone is having a neurological reaction when they gamble. "Compulsive gambling" can be very severe. It destroys relationships, futures and well-being," Geffner said. "Students need to understand that there are companies out there trying to feed off them and steal their hard earned money, it's a parasitic industry."

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including alleged al-Qaida members, caught in Afghanistan. Saar said he witnessed about 20 interrogations and about three months after his arrival at the remote, U.S. base he started noticing "disturbing" practices.

One female civilian contacts used a special outfit that included a miniskirt, thong underwear and a bra during late-night interrogations with prisoners, mostly Muslim men who consider it taboo to have close contact with women that aren't their wives.

Beginning in April 2003, "they hung a short skirt and thong under­wear on the door" of one interrogation team's office, he writes. "Later I learned that this outfit was used for interrogations by one of the female civilian contractors ... on a team which conducted interrogations in the middle of the night on Saudi men who were refuc­ ing to talk."

Some Guantanamo prisoners who have been released say they were tor­mented by "prostitutes."

Saar describes a female military interrogator questioning an uncoop­erative 21-year-old Saudi detainee who allegedly had taken flying lessons in Arizona before the Sept. 11 terror attacks. Suspected Sept. 11 hijacker Saeed al-Hazmi received pilot instruc­ tion for three months in 1996 and in December 1997 at a flight school in Scottsdale, Ariz.

"His female interrogator decided that she needed to turn up the heat," Saar writes, saying the repeatedly asked the detainee who had sent him to Arizona, telling him he could "cooperate" or "have no hope what­soever of ever leaving this place or talking to a lawyer."

The man closed his eyes and began to pray, Saar writes.

"The female interrogator wanted to 'break' him," Saar adds, describing how she removed her uniform top to expose a tight-fitting T-shirt and began taunting the detainee, touching her breasts, rubbing them against the prisoner's back and commenting on his apparent erection.

The detainee looked up and spat in her face, the manuscript recounts.

The interrogator left the room to ask a Muslim linguist how she could break the prisoner's reliance on God.

"The linguist told her to tell the detainee that she was menstruating, touch him, then make sure to turn off the water in his cell so he couldn't wash."

"Strict interpretation of Islamic law forbids physical contact with women other than a man's wife or family, and with any menstruating women, who are considered unclean."

"The concept was to make the detainee feel that after talking to her he was unclean and was unable to go before his God in prayer and gain strength," says the draft, stamped "secret."

The interrogator used ink from a red pen to fool the detainee, Saar writes.

"She then started to place her hands in his pants as she walked behind the detainee," he says. "As she circled around him he could see that she was taking her hand out of his pants. When it became visible the detainee saw what appeared to be red blood on her hand. She said, 'Who sent you to Arizona?' He then glared at her with a piercing look of hatred. 'I wiped the red ink off his face. He shouted at the top of his lungs, spat at her and hanged for­ever,' so firmly that he broke loose from one ankle shackles."

"He began to cry like a baby," the draft says, noting the interrogator left saying, 'Have a fan asking in your cell without any water to clean yourself.'"

Feucht Saar describes several previous reports of abusive female interrogation tactics, although it was impossible to independently verify his account.

In November, in response to an AP request, the military described an April 2003 incident in which a female interrogator took off her uniform top, exposed her brown T-shirt, ran her fingers through a detainee's hair and sat on his lap. That session was immediately ended by a super­ visor and that interrogator received a written reprimand and additional training, the military said.

The military reported that in early 2003 a different female interrogator "wiped dye from red magic marker on detainees' shirt after detainee spit on her" telling the detainees it was his blood. She was verbally reprimanded, the military said.

Sexual tactics used by female inter­rogators have been criticized by the FBI, which complained in a letter obtained by AP last month that U.S. defense officials hadn't acted on com­plaints by FBI observers of "highly aggressive" interrogation techniques, including one in which a female interrogator grabbed a detainee's geni­

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In addition to Wednesday's crash deaths, four Marines were killed in fighting in Iraq's Anbar province, the military said.

A reporter embedded with those troops, Jim Dolan of WAHC in New York City, said the deaths came when insurgents ambushed a Marine convoy leaving the town of Haditha, north­west of Baghdad. A truck with a rocket-propelled grenade.

Also Wednesday, insurgents attacked a U.S. Army patrol near the northern town of Duluiyah, southwest of Mosul, killing five soldiers.

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The attack temporarily closed the airport road, one of the country's most dangerous.

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STATE NEWS

SACRAMENTO — The state board of Corrections on Thursday unanimously decided to ask a national panel of experts to investigate this month's fatal stabbing of the first corrections officer to die in an inmate assault since 1996.

The expert won't begin their work until the San Bernardino County District Attorney's Office decides whether to file criminal charges. The San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department turned its case over to prosecutors this week.

SAN MARINO — Laws prohibiting a gay couple from suburban Orange County from marrying are a violation of civil rights equivalent to racial segregation, an attorney for the men argued Thursday in a case that is one of the few challenges to ban on same-sex marriage pending in federal court.

Calling gays and lesbians "the most oppressed minority since slavery," attorney Richard C. Gilbert urged U.S. District Judge Gary Taylor to overturn the California and federal laws against same-sex marriage.

SAN FRANCISCO — Environmentalists said the federal government Thursday over plans to log Giant Sequoia National Monument, which they say would violate the presidential proclamation creating the preserve that is home to two-thirds of the world's largest trees.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

BRZESKA, Poland — Snowflakes swirled around the cre­matoriums and barbed wire of Auschwitz, and a shrill train whistle pierced the silence as frail survivors and huddled world leaders remembered the victims of the Holocaust on Thursday, the 60th anniversary of liberation of the Nazi death camp.

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MOVES were also under way in Sri Lanka to ease tension between Tamil Tiger rebels and the government. The two sides agreed to meet to resolve disagreements over the distribution of aid to rebuild tsunami-damaged areas, in exchange for a cease-fire, the brightest hope in years of ending a three-decade separatist conflict that has more recently has threatened to disrupt mass relief efforts.

Strengthening the prospect of peace in the region, the U.S. State Department Wednesday signed a five-year, $29 million agreement with the Sri Lanka government to expand a joint project to help women and children in the region. The agreement was reached during a visit to the State Department by Sri Lanka Foreign Minister Lakshman Kadirgama.

The United States to double its aid and help end poverty in Africa.

Other representatives of the World Economic Forum including Microsoft chief Bill Gates and Britain's Princess Anne were in Washington on Thursday to urge quick rich countries to reach deeper into their pockets.

"You want to go save 4 million lives," Clinton asked. "Give them the money, and it's so cheap compared to everything else all these rich countries do."
Suicide attempts by train more common than people know

Suicide by train is an underreported method, railroad professionals say, with most attempts resulting in death

Leslie Miller
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Scores of times each year, people intentionally attempt resulting in death

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If you've ever wondered where the music is coming from while dining in The Avenue, it's mtvU, a new channel from the MTV network geared specifically toward college students. The station is played exclusively on college campuses and features mostly up and coming, independent artists.

"We are trying to emulate MTV in the early days, when it was great," said Sharon Liveten, publicist for mtvU. "The goal of mtvU is to be different from everything else and we are trying to provide a voice and a place for college students to air their points of view as well as being an incubator for college talent."

The majority of the programming on mtvU is music videos from bands that are more obscure than those featured on MTV and music that is heavily drawn from college playlists. "I like mtvU because they show a lot of independent artists," said mechanical engineering senior Jordan Harpole said while watching mtvU in The Avenue.

Harpole discovered the music of Sondre Lerche while watching its video on mtvU. He then went on the mtvU Web site to learn more about the artist. "I like the mtvU Web site too because they have a lot of videos that I can watch online because I don't have as much time when I am eating lunch on campus to watch new videos," Harpole said. Even though mtvU is more independent and smaller than its parent network, they have VJs, events, concerts and even its own spring break.

"mtvU is more than a network, it's a lifestyle," mtvU VJ Mayleen Ramey said. "We have an interactive Web site, scholarships available, we come out to the different universities, and it is the epitome of youth culture and music."

Ramey, 25, who graduated from the University of California, Santa Barbara, is one of six VJs who travel to different college campuses hosting concerts and events. As a VJ, "we bring what students want and what they see on mtvU and online to them on their college campuses," Ramey said.

In addition to music and pop culture, mtvU encourages students to become involved in world events such as the crisis in Sudan through Amnesty International, the tsunami disaster relief and HIV and AIDS awareness with World AIDS Day.

"I think it's a surprise to many people that we are such a well-rounded network," Ramey said. "I think that it is important for young people to get involved and to see what's going on in the world."

The channel also hosts contests for college students to participate in, including "mtvU Strips," which searches for the best college comic strip, an mtvU Grant that gives away money for social entrepreneurship to help improve the community and Best Film and Best Music on Campus Contests.

Not only does mtvU bring concerts to universities from its featured artists, it organizes surprise appearances through a feature called "Stand-In." Recently, Marilyn Manson crashed a Temple University class to fill in for the professor and Snoop Dogg shocked the Trojan players when he took over as the coach of the USC football team for a day.

"With the growth of the network and an overwhelming amount of positive feedback, Liveten said that mtvU hopes to be on as many college campuses as possible that want the channel. "I think we've really hit on something big, and people really enjoy watching mtvU," Liveten said.
Save some money and eat well, too

College is an interesting time in a young person's life when it comes to food. Issues with food surround us. From late night at VGO to learning how to cook for one (or cook all at for that matter). But, after awhile, even pizza and beer become boring, and you must face that stark, scary place called the kitchen. But, in a while, even pizza and beer become boring, and you must face that stark, scary place called the kitchen. Here are some guidelines to help you whip up a face that stark, scary place called the kitchen.

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- English muffin
- Whole wheat bread
- Bagel
- Tortilla

Protein:
- Peanut butter
- Cream cheese
- Ham
- Cottage cheese
- Yogurt

Veggies:
- Baby carrots or carrot sticks
- Green beans/soy beans
- Sugar snap peas
- Tomato
- Mixed greens
- Avocado slices

Fruits:
- Banana, apple, orange
- Individual apple sauce containers
- Fruit cocktail cans
- Dried fruit or fruit leather

In addition, do not forget about beverage costs. For caffeine enthusiasts, consider bringing a thermos of coffee with you to school or stash individual tea bags in your backpack. Campus Market, Julian's and The Avenue all supply complementary hot water. Bring your own water bottle to school, so you can stay hydrated throughout the day and save a buck or two. Don't get caught grazing your pockets to buy non-nutritious convenience foods. When you can prepare your own healthy lunches and snacks from home for a lot less money.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Don't let the unqualified kid become your leader

Bush right, eh? The Kyoto admittance would have ended with U.S. companies paying huge sums to foreign countries for doing nothing. That's the point though. Economic incentive for environment friendly. Here some homegrown engineers to fix your plants and save money. But the treaty did little to avoid the corruption that follows such international transactions.

I agreed with Bush, but that cannot be said for the rest of his environmental policies. Humans pollute. Volcanoes can produce 1,000 times more. That's a bad statistic. Pollutants go up, they fall down. Global temps go up, temps go down. But what if the pollution is continuous? It is akin to leaving the heater on for two hours versus two months. The truth is global temperatures are rising and carbon dioxide reflects thermal radiation. Is there a correlation? Undoubtedly. Is there more to it? Probably, but lets not ignore what we do know for an optimistic faith in what we don't want.

It is worse than the movies tell when masses suffer, and at this rate you know we'll be learning this one the hard way. No big deal, standard wait for shit fire contact methodology. You people gonna die and we'll learn our lesson right? Not necessarily. Some lessons are never learned like letting the unqualified offspring of former leaders run the country for no reason.

Morgan Elam
Counseling center assistant

What liberals believe and why they support those ideas

Contrary to Jeff Corner's unsubstantiated opinion, I do my homework. Unfortunately, it doesn't seem like he does. He posed the question: why should people support liberal beliefs? Basically, he's asking what the core beliefs of liberals are. So, to all you conservatives/moderates out there, you can either do a five minute Google search, or read the rest of my letter.

Excellent. You've chosen my letter. Here are the basics of what liberals believe and why we support the idea we do. Basic healthcare should be either free or next to free for all citizens. Public education is not a privilege of all people and there should not be an education divide between children growing up in Newport Beach and Compton. Human rights cannot be violated for the sake of obtaining information. There is still rampant racism and sexism in America, and it cannot be overlooked. The environment is important and its destruction is unacceptable. Finally, there is a growing division between the rich and poor, and it must be addressed. We derive our policies from these basic beliefs about the world. If you agree with us on any of these, we can go from there. Thanks for letting me do my homework for you. Jeff, Jonathan Allen.

Jonathan Allen
Biology senior

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MARGARET SCOTT

Terrorists are human beings who know right from wrong

If terrorists are "crazy," as Matt Randle says, they do not have enough conscience to know what is right and wrong. Why, then, should they be destroyed? They are human beings who can feel pain and suffering, so why should they be bombed? Perhaps, because they will try to kill Americans first. But then I do not see the difference between the United States and these terrorists. They are two nations at war, with neither taking the higher, moral position.

Moreover, Bush refuses to recognize the Geneva Convention as a reason to treat terrorists with human rights. He chooses to find loopholes (read: create loopholes) and torture prisoners to his malicious heart's content. He does not see them as human, but as objects used to gain information. He, and other Republicans, wax on about the rights of the unborn but fail to see human rights for those already born. The fact that the Bush Administration values American lives over foreign lives is the reason this country is so screwed up.

Jonathan Allen
Biology senior

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Mustang Daily corrections

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**SPORTS**

Friday, January 28, 2005

**Flashback**

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After allowing them to fulfill dreams," Garrido said.

Garrido is still coaching at Texas and seems content to stay there under a new and better challenge coming along. He has never had a desire to coach in the pros saying, "The problem with professional baseball is they use people for the betterment of the game. Baseball is just a game, it should be a learning device and when used properly in a university setting it can be." Garrido may have traveled far from San Luis Obispo but he still has ties here. His daughter and son-in-law live in Los Osos with their two children. He spends time with them during Christmas and the summer months.

The career of Augie Garrido is one that many coaches would love to have. Garrido is proud of what he has accomplished, but there is one thing he wishes he could have changed.

"I did my career in reverse, I started my career at the most desirable place to live," Garrido said.

Having that as your only regret after a 35 year career is an accomplishment in itself. One that only enhances the legend that is Augie Garrido.

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**QUOTE OF THE DAY**

Mom, romance is dead. It was acquired in a hostile takeover by Hallmark and Disney, homogenized, and sold off piece by piece.

Lisa Simpson, The Simpsons

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**SPORTS**

**Many challenges faced, but one regret**

Brian L. Lambdin 8 Friday, January 28, 2005

Garrido tells a lot. Longhorn. The former Mustang coach is in his tenth season in the Big 12. The University of Texas had an opening to coach their baseball team.

The Texas program is a prestigious position and Garrido became only their fourth coach since 1911. In 2000, he brought them back to the College World Series for the first time since 1993. In 2002, he won his fourth national championship. This championship, like all the rest, Garrido acknowledged as "unique."

"There was a lot of satisfaction winning that championship. The idea was wanted and deserving, buying into that proved to be a proven success," Garrido said.

**COURTESY PHOTO**

Garrido won national championships at Fullerton and Texas.

**Mustangs and Bruins to rematch after three-decade break**

**Mustang Daily Staff Report**

Cal Poly, which opened its 2005 season last weekend by sweeping a three-game series at the University of San Diego. hits the road again for another three-game set this weekend against UCLA at Jackie Robinson Stadium. Friday's game will start at 6 p.m., followed by 1 o'clock contests Saturday and Sunday.

The Mustangs and Bruins have met 19 times in baseball, but this weekend's non-conference series will be the first between the two schools since 1970. UCLA holds a 10-8-1 advantage in the series and all 19 games have been played in Los Angeles.

First meeting in the series was played on March 6, 1953, and was won by the Bruins 6-3. Cal Poly's head coach that season was Tom Lee, father of current Mustang mentor Larry Lee. Last Mustang win over UCLA was a 14-11 slugfest on March 12, 1966. UCLA, which is opening its 2005 season this weekend, is tied for 40th with Cal Poly in the preseason ball program at Gal State Fullerton.

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