Mardi Gras 2005: Part 1 of 2

**Natasha Toto**

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Associated Students Inc. Events will present sex educator Jay Friedman tonight in Chumash Auditorium at 8 p.m.

Friedman, an award-winning writer, speaker and sex educator will present "The J-Spot: A Sex Educator Tells All," his humorous and passionate quest to tear down taboos while addressing a wide range of topics.

"He unabashedly discusses gender roles, sexual attraction, cultural perspectives and the general state of sexual affairs in America," said Brian Bosch, ASI student supervisor of special events. "The self-proclaimed 'sexpert' will talk about love, sex, relationships and the cultural and political climate in America.

"He has his finger on the pulse of sexual issues in our society and tackle the toughest of topics in a refreshingly positive way," said Amy Friedman, a columnist for the Missouri Miner at Missouri University. "He takes his audiences on an extraordinary ride from ignorance and insecurity to intelligence and inspiration."

With 30 years experience, 13 of those on the college lecture circuit, Friedman leads his audiences on an oral journey from ignorance and insecurity to intelligence and inspiration.

"One of the reasons I am looking forward to the performance is because Jay does not sugar-coat anything," Bosch said. "It is not just sex education. He combines a little bit of everything and keeps his audience entertained.

Friedman's mission is to inform, provoke and challenge his audience while showing how to be safer and more pleasurable. He said his ultimate goal is to help everyone enjoy healthier relationships,

"This is far from a doom and gloom speech that you sometimes get out of sex education courses," Friedman said. "The whole point is to be provocative and I am not afraid to do that."

Friedman refers to his performance as a wide-angle tour of sexual topics to provoke the positive and not just the negative aspects of sex. He entertains while educating about what he says are the three Ps—prevention, pleasure and politics.
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publics and possible loss of licenses for minors caught drinking.
Since public nudity is illegal, Mardi Gras participants could be fined or
arrested for flashing.
"In addition to all these ordinances, we will not allow large, unruly crowds
in addition to those situations when it is too cold or if they present themselves," Blake Bolton, Associate Student
Government said.

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"I discuss prevention of pregnancy, disease and sexual violence," Friedman
said. "I also demonstrate how the political and cultural climate in
America cripples us as sexual ignorance and robs us of the pleasure we
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STATE NEWS

LOMA LINDA — With little time left before his organs would likely fail, Marine Lance Cpl. Chris LeBlu received a new liver Sunday for a mysterious ailment doctors said would kill him if he didn't get a transplant.

The unidentified donor from New Mexico was found late Saturday night. Doctors began surgery on LeBlu, who had been in a coma and on life support, around 4 a.m. In the hospital lobby his 21-year-old wife Melany found comfort in photos of her wedding last fall, shortly after LeBlu returned from Iraq.

LOS ANGELES — Representatives of Hollywood's two major actors unions voted Saturday to approve a new three-year contract and recommended that their members adopt the pact. About 200,000 members of the Screen Actors Guild and the American Federation of Television and Radio Artists must now ratify the proposal.

SACRAMENTO — State water regulators fined one of the world's largest cheese factories $4 million for illegally flushing waste on Merced County fields for nearly three years, creating a stink for neighbors and polluting water.

The action Wednesday against Hilmar Cheese Co. by the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board occurred the same day the company's co-owner, Chuck Ahlem, resigned as the state's under-secretary of agriculture, saying he needed to tend to wastewater issues.

—Associated Press

NATIONAL NEWS

NEW HAVEN, Conn. — A defense attorney for a serial killer whose victims included a 7-year-old girl and a 42-year-old man said Wednesday that his client believes he will remain on the case, a decision officials said keeps the inmate on track to become the first Connecticut inmate executed.

"I don't think there is any doubt that he wants to die," said defense attorney for a serial killer whose victims included a 7-year-old girl and a 42-year-old man said Wednesday that his client believes he will remain on the case, a decision officials said keeps the inmate on track to become the first Connecticut inmate executed.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

KHARTOUM, Sudan — The governor of North Darfur state said reports that a Sudanese government plane bombed villagers last week were fabricated by foreigners, and that he does not leave the country.

"This is the true face of the British army: brave, committed, professional the world over, doing an extraordinary job on behalf of their country," the prime minister said in a televised address from his Downing Street residence.

—Associated Press

IN OTHER NEWS

SHELBURNE, Vt. — A straightjacketed "Crazy for You" teddy bear has drawn rebukes from the governor, mental health advocates and human rights groups — but it's a hit among shoppers.

The $69.95 bear, which is accompanied by commitment papers, is selling well despite complaints that it insults and stigmatizes those with mental illness.

Vermont Teddy Bear Co. President Elizabeth Robert said the bear is meant as a funny Valentine's Day greeting.

—Associated Press

BRIEFS

Monday, January 31, 2005

THIS WEEK IN ASI EVENTS

Monday, January 31
8 p.m. in Chumash Auditorium —FREE

Join us as we celebrate the release of "Crazy for You," our new musical!

Tuesday, February 1
8 p.m. in the UU Plaza —FREE

Show your support for the local community by attending a performance of "Crazy for You"!

Wednesday, February 2
8 p.m. in the UU Gallery —FREE

Join us for a special screening of "Crazy for You"!

Thursday, February 3
8 p.m. in the UU Gallery —FREE

Discover the beauty of the American music scene through the lens of "Crazy for You."

Friday, February 4
8 p.m. in the UU Gallery —FREE

Celebrate the release of "Crazy for You" with a special performance!

Saturday, February 5
8 p.m. in the UU Gallery —FREE

Join us for a special performance of "Crazy for You"!

Sunday, February 6
8 p.m. in the UU Gallery —FREE

Join us for a special screening of "Crazy for You"!

TICKETS ON SALE NOW

Papa Roach, live in concert
Show at 8 p.m., doors open at 7 p.m. — in the Rec Center

Papa Roach will perform with special guests F.U.P.S. and Skidred!

Purchase your tickets early, as is sure to be a sold out performance!

Tickets on sale at Valiitix outlets including www.valiitix.com and the Mustang Ticket Office. Tickets are $18.00 or $20.00 at the door, plus ticket fee.

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INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Mustang Ticket Office
Tickets are $18/presale or $20/day of event.

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Jackson speaks at a news conference after his arraignment at the Santa Maria courthouse, April 30, 2004.

Linda Deutsch

Sleepy Santa Maria braces for invasion of media and fans from around the world as the court combats through potential jurors.

SANTA MARIA — The child molestation case against Michael Jackson is finally ready for a trial that promises to be like no other.

Jury selection begins today, with Jackson expected to appear, in a case that has become a symbol of the American obsession with celebrity.

Early Sunday, Jackson issued a court-approved video statement on his Web site, calling recent media leaks in the case "disingenuous and false" and predicting he would be acquitted and vindicated when the truth is told.

Jackson’s longtime nemesis, a balding, mustachioed Santa Barbara County district attorney, has pursued Jackson and his Web site, calling recent media access to court information a "cold man" with a vendetta and that the pop star ignored the whitewash on information. Cameras have been forbidden in the courtroom.

"I expect and know that you will, evidence proves beyond a reasonable doubt, that he shouldn’t drink alcohol because of his medical condition.

It was the latest flurry in a media blaze that has only intensified since last January, when Jackson danced atop an SUV outside the courtroom and was swarmed by fans as he tried to leave.

The uphill task of finding jurors who haven’t prejudged the case is a mere prelude to a courtroom contest that will include testimony from the boy who accuses the pop icon of molesting him.

On the defense side of court sits a glowering superstar who appears in makeup and theatrical outfits and glittering superstar who appears in makeup and theatrical outfits and glittering superstar who appears in makeup and theatrical outfits and glittering superstar who appears in makeup and theatrical outfits and glittering superstar who appears in makeup and theatrical outfits.

On the prosecution side is the pop icon's criminal trial has had brushes with celebrity before, yet still tries to retain ties to agriculture and the cattle business.

The referee is Superior Court Judge Rodney Melville, 63, a veteran of the bench who has refused to RCMP outside the courtroom.

Among other things, the transcript included the accuser's testimony that Jackson closed his eyes tight­ly while molesting him on a bed, and that the pop star ignored the child's warnings that he should wait to have sex because of the child's medical condition.

The challenge facing the court is not to find jurors ignorant of the case. Instead, it's to find those who say they can put aside everything they have heard and look at what the evidence proves beyond a reasonable doubt.

Another challenge is finding jurors who can serve on a case that could last up to half a year.

Unlike the O.J. Simpson trial, cameras have been forbidden in the courtroom, but E! Entertainment Television plans to use actors to create daily re-enactments.

"Please keep an open mind and let me have my day in court. I deserve a fair trial just like every other American citizen."

— Michael Jackson

international pop-assassin
Oh, to be with you, Mr. Big

I got sucked into VH1 last weekend. They were having an "I love the 90s" marathon and it was frightening how much I remember from the 1990s, and family at that. Of course, the decade does account half of my life thus far, but who's counting.

I was watching the show with my best friend and I was cooing and crossing at every movie I loved and every marvelous invention that lasted a month, almost driving my friend insane. But as the song "To Be With You" by Mr. Big became the topic of conversation, I must have blown my friend's cand芜湖.

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Teaching a man to fish—tough love

There has been so much talk about the merits of liberalization lately that I decided to chip in.

When it gets right down to it, a liberal is someone who wants the government to give you money generously, and we can see it in most Democratic policies. Liberals want to give away health care, social security and employment to everyone who wants it. At first glance that seems nice, and it does help to alleviate the problem in the short term. But communism taught us that if everyone is taken care of by the government, they will become unmotivated and dependent. This led to low productivity in these countries and the eventual collapse of their economies, as it is in Russia.

People who get paid to not work have very little motivation to go out and look for work. They will lounge around until their unemployment benefits run out and then look for a job. Meanwhile, the country as a whole suffers from inertia.

Take France and Germany for example. These two countries have very generous compensation for people who cannot find a job, so people don’t look for work.

We always hear about unemployment here in the United States (5.8 percent), but we have far better unemployment rates than either France (9.1 percent) or Germany (9.8 percent).

This reminds me of an old parable that teaches a valuable lesson: If you give a man fish, you feed him for a day; if you teach him how to fish, you feed him for a lifetime.

We then liberated Italy, Germany and Japan from tyranny in WWII and they have thriving economies as well.

That brings us to Afghanistan, where successful democratic elections prove that they too are ready to become a self-reliant country, committed to freedom.

As a public citizen, I believe that Iraq will ultimately be able to take care of itself because the invaluable help our soldiers are now providing. The vast majority of Iraqis have yearned for freedom for the past 30 years of Saddam’s reign. Democrats try to run the country by assuming that people are helpless without the government. Republicans want to empower people to manage their own retirement funds. He is also against the administration of Poly and San Luis Obispo for the following reason to students:

“You are the best and brightest in the world, and we trust you to make the right decisions. But just in case, we’re sending in the riot police.”

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Business administration junior

Mustang Daily corrections

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From right field

Political viewpoint

Muscaton Daily

The Student Connection by ASI president Blake Bolton

Letters to the editor

Overrated: Mardi Gras celebrations with police

That’s right. I said it. Mardi Gras is officially not that cool. You know the hilarity has lost its meaning when all you need is a few pounds of hay and a digital camera. I don’t really want to brave rubber bullets and tear gas to watch a drunk girl get fed up by some Abercrombie mutant from Santa Barbara.

It’s like wandering through the West Bank, except the women are wearing tube tops instead of burkas, and you have a slightly better chance of being shot here. (By the way ladies, I appreciate your enthusiasm for this joyous occasion. But is $2.79 in plastic beads worth having to explain to our children someday how Mommy got on the Internet, or what Girls Gone Wild is?)

Oh, and there’s been very much to the administration of Poly and San Luis Obispo for the following reason to students:

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You know the hired guns from Salinas are just itching to nail you with a pepper bullet. Let’s see the city waste some of the money we faithfully contribute through our outrageous rent, constant parking tickets and hour of community service. And you know what? Let’s reinvent the whole thing while we’re at it. First of all, I know it’s hard, but try not to set anything on fire. Second of all, be respectful to all the women out. They just want to have a good time. Don’t be that guy that grab the fence of young ladies during her moment of glory and cut it short. No one likes that guy.

Finally, let’s all just go out, have a good time, meet some new people and hurl beads at them.

Let the whispers spread through the coffee shops, apartment buildings and bars. Poly Gras is Poly Gras! Erich Meschkat

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The Student Connection by ASI president Blake Bolton

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This week’s Editorial

Gras is offically not that cool.

You know the hilarity has lost its meaning when all you need is a few pounds of hay and a digital camera. I don’t really want to brave rubber bullets and tear gas to watch a drunk girl get fed up by some Abercrombie mutant from Santa Barbara.

It’s like wandering through the West Bank, except the women are wearing tube tops instead of burkas, and you have a slightly better chance of being shot here. (By the way ladies, I appreciate your enthusiasm for this joyous occasion. But is $2.79 in plastic beads worth having to explain to our children someday how Mommy got on the Internet, or what Girls Gone Wild is?)

Oh, and there’s been very much to the administration of Poly and San Luis Obispo for the following reason to students:

“You are the best and brightest in the world, and we trust you to make the right decisions. But just in case, we’re sending in the riot police.”

Bad news, city council: you want the millions of dollars that Polyp dips into the San Luis Obispo economy, you’re going to get the 18,000 students that come with it. But instead of meeting halfway and perhaps setting up a Mardi Gras zone (and being able to concentrate all the extra thugs in one spot), you banned Mardi Gras.

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Saturday was more of a pitcher’s duel, though. Junior left-hander Olson ultimately earned his first win of the season, striking out eight, walking three and allowed one run and six hits. Mike Balle gave up two hits in a scoreless ninth for his second save.

Cal Poly’s six hits included a double and single by Josh Landolf. The double, hit to right center in the first inning, gave Cal Poly a 1-0 lead. UCLA answered with an RBI single in the fourth by Chris Deno. The Bruins didn’t score thereafter, though, ultimately collecting eight hits and standing nine runners Saturday.

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Basketball jumps off the losing bandwagon

The Mustangs exploded offensively, recording their second-highest point total, behind their 98-point performance in the win over Santa Clara. The Mustangs went to the free throw line 40 times, hitting 33 and were 25-of-52 from the field. Six Mustangs scored in double figures, led by 20 each by Nick Enneweiler and Phil Johnson, who also had 11 rebounds. Dawwn Whitten added 15 points off the bench. Junior guard Rickey Porter led UCR, in scoring with 15 points.

The game went back and forth until the second half, when Cal Poly went on a 19-4 run, fueled by UCR breakdowns and turnovers to seal the game. The big blow came with the Mustangs leading 48-43 when junior forward David Mikes was called for a foul on Glenn Jones drive, and Steve Williams received a subsequent technical foul for contesting the call. Enneweiler hit the two free throws, and Jones followed with one of two free throws. Following a Fernando Sampson layup, Jones got a steal and a lay in and moments later Porter turned the ball over and Phil Johnson put it home for a 13-point Mustang lead.

Cal Poly did not trail thereafter. UCR trimmed the margin to three or so twice left, but could get no closer.

It was a change of pace for the Mustangs. Thursday, forward Titan Yehptek King scored a career-high 26 points to lead all five starters in double figures. A losing streak was indeed snapped, but it was a three-game one belonging to the Titans, who improved to 9-7 and 4-4 in the Big West. Joe Henry scored 18 points in his first career start, going 4-for-5 from the field.

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Stumbling through the weekend

It can't get much worse than Saturday's second half for Cal Poly women's basketball. Shooting 16 percent from the field, the Mustangs went more than nine minutes without scoring and dropped their second game over the weekend. The Mustangs lost to Cal State Fullerton on Thursday 64-37, despite forward Nicole Yarwsky's impressive performance in her first career start, and dropped a decision to UC Riverside 63-43.

Cal Poly clearly missed the post presence of Katy Paterson, who was out recovering from mononucleosis. Yarwsky scored 13 points, but the rest of the team struggled to shoot from the field. The Mustangs dropped to 3-6 in conference and into seventh place.

On Saturday, Cal Poly was led offensively by sophomore forward Jessica Eggleston and sophomore guard Sparkle Anderson, each with eight points. The Mustangs' 43-point total is a season low and the 13-point second-half total is lower than the 14 points Cal Poly scored against UC Santa Barbara in a game last year and Cal State Northridge two years ago.

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Baseball finally turns the tide against UCLA

Between 1953 and 1970, Cal Poly faced UCLA 20 times in baseball and only won three times. This weekend, they did it twice.

Bret Berglund belted a two-run, go-ahead home run and reliever Frank McLaughlin pitched six shutout innings as Cal Poly scored an 8-3 victory Sunday afternoon to earn the series win. On Saturday night, Garrett Olson pitched eight strong innings and Brent Walker hit a late tie-snapping sacrifice fly as Cal Poly defeated UCLA 2-1. UCLA won the first game 7-4.

Cal Poly, ranked No. 38 coming into the season, is now 5-1 for the first time since 2001, following the Sunday which placed Muscles head coach Larry Lee. "This was a big turnaround for our club from how we started the season Saturday," Larry Lee said. "We played sloppy baseball in the beginning of the doubleheader, but played with more energy today and played pretty solid baseball. McLaughlin improved to 2-0 on the season, relieving Bud Norris. The starter allowed three runs in the first three innings while Cal Poly straddled five runners, falling behind 3-0. Still, McLaughlin retired the first 12 batters he faced and set the Bruins down in order in the ninth. The seventh strikeout struck out, walked one and only allowed one hit.

"McLaughlin throws six quality innings," Lee added. "He made the difference in today's game. He allowed for our hitters to catch up" UCLA reliever Scott Buttermann got the loss, surrendering the homer to Berglund in the fifth inning that gave Cal Poly a 4-3 lead. The Mustangs added another run in the fifth and added two more in the seventh and one in the ninth. Altogether, Cal Poly had a dozen

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