POLICE IN FULL FORCE

Mardi Gras 2005 brought in 400 police officers from throughout the state; they successfully dispersed crowds, averted riots

Allison Terry and Emily Wong

It started out quiet. It eventually ended that way, too.
Friday night was quiet throughout San Luis Obispo. Students attended small gatherings and house parties and the bars downtown were relatively quiet.
Saturday started out the same. But around midnight, partying peaked; however, the increased police enforcement dispersed the crowds within minutes.
A total of 36 arrests were made Saturday night, compared to 71 arrests last year on the same night. Those arrests brought the Friday and Saturday total to 73. A majority of the arrests were for drunk in public and we will continue our efforts," San Luis Obispo Police Department Chief Deborah Linden said.
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The city's strategic plan included increasing police presence to 400 officers, enforcing triple fines for violations and fining students for flashing, in accordance with the Public Nudity Ordinance passed last year.

Students expressed negative sentiments throughout the campaign.

"They were over the top," said Allison Terry and Emily Wong

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During Mardi Gras weekend, 400 law enforcement officers were on duty.
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The crowd would disperse and regather every block and then start moving when the police would approach them.

"This is some bad public relations," industrial engineering sophomore Clayton Blunt said of the police presence.

Blunt was walking around with a video camera in case anything like last year occurred.

At the corner of Lemon and Montana streets, people pushed over wooden roadblocks and walked up Montalban Street toward the freeway. From there they spun around and started to chant something like "We won't back down!" with one guy beating on a bongo drum. It's like watching a scalpel, very pinpoint Cold War recreation and naturally, the rebels are quickly dispersed.

The challenge, through this and thereafter, is to find a neutral haven while I wait for the night to wind down. For a time, I hunker around a nearby Arco gas station. Then, I head over to the corner of Lemon and Montana streets, where a small group of Cal Poly and Cuesta students stand inside the police van. Their feelings are mixed. They watch with amusement as the police continue to swerve the now near-empty park. One of the onlookers, Cuesta student Ralph Burrows, is frustrated about the waste of money on police though excited, like many people I've talked to, about the prospect of Poly Gras, the gorilla celebration students are planning.

"Hopefully, next weekend will be bad," Burrows says.

After the students say police told them to remain behind their gate, I ask to join. They open the gate and Burrows offers me a beer. After the harrowing past hour and 15 minutes, I'm almost tempted. Things have cooled though. Even when a few of the students go inside their house, grab instruments and start thrashing a cover of "Everlong" loud enough to be heard across the street, the police are inert. Within five minutes, several of them file into a dozen vehicles and leave.

My departure isn't far off either. I return to the Santa Rosa parking lot and interview a San Luis Obispo deputy sheriff who declined to be named but is pleased with the night, saying many people had their pictures taken with him and some females said they felt safer.

Around 2 a.m., I return Casa Street,limping home. In the way, I stop and interview a couple of non-students who stood fearfully by the entrance when they'd get arrested. However, one of the guys is still wearing beads, like many of the people I've seen on this night.

Off in the distance, I hear a crowd, perhaps at Cedar Creek. It's not enough for me to investigate but a definite sign that the party isn't over and perhaps won't be for a long time.

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In an attempt to escape the city's Mardi Gras regulations, students started to talk about an unofficial Poly Gras, to be held next weekend. These plans continue to reverberate among crowds of students.

"We know about it, we're monitoring the situation so that we understand what the dynamics are," SLOPD public information officer Rob Byrn said in an interview Thursday. "We are prepared to handle it.

Last year's Saturday night riot spurred the cancellation of Mardi Gras in San Luis Obispo. While the weekend passed quietly, officers will still be on duty for Fat Tuesday. Triple fines will be in effect through Wednesday.
LOS ANGELES — Four Iranian brothers jailed for more than three years for supporting an alleged terrorist organization have rejected a government offer to release them with certain restrictions.

The Mirmehdi brothers — Mohamad, Mostafa, Mohsen and Mojtaba — were arrested in October 2001 following an FBI investigation into a Los Angeles-based cell of the Mujahedeen Khalq, or MEK, which opposes Iran's regime.

LOS ANGELES — A 13-year-old suspected gang member driving a stolen Toyota was killed by police early Sunday after a pre-dawn chase in which he rammed an LAPD patrol car, authorities said.

The vehicle was moving erratically and police began their pursuit after suspecting the driver was drunk, said LAPD spokesman Krist Sundold. The driver stopped and a passenger, described as another suspected gang member, fled on foot.

OAKLAND — The California Interscholastic Federation is considering three proposals to guard against the use of performance-enhancing drugs by high school athletes but decided against imposing random drug tests.

One proposal would require all high school coaches to be certified in an education program on steroids and performance-enhancing dietary supplements. A second calls for student athletes and parents to sign declarations promising that athletes would not use steroids unless prescribed for a medical condition.

— Associated Press Saturday shows.

The pool of 600 likely voters shows 33 percent favor injecting new money into the program to keep it afloat, while 42 percent disagree. Five percent were unsure.

The Millennium Scholarships, first offered in 2000, provide Nevada high school graduates who meet academic requirements with $10,000 to enroll in state universities and colleges.

— Associated Press

The setting of Edwards' speech was as notable as its content. A visit to Saudi Arabia's crown prince called for the creation of a worldwide center could allow experts and officials worldwide to "exchange information instantly," to prevent attacks.

TRBLL, Georgia — Mourners streamed into a cramped living room where Prime Minister Zinab Zinabova's body lay in a coffin Saturday, two days after the man widely credited as one of the country's most honorable politicians was found dead.

Zinabova's death was officially attributed to carbon-monoxide poisoning from an improperly ventilated gas space heater at the apartment of a friend who also died. Though such deaths are not uncommon in Georgia, where central heating systems went out of service a day or two, doubts continued to swirl among Georgians.

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Moujahedeen Khalq, or MEK, was among the lead-off presidential primary, is considering a White House bid. Bloomberg, who supports allowing same-sex marriage, said a global intelligence-sharing center could allow experts and officials worldwide to "exchange information instantly" to prevent attacks.

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"Boogeyman" scares its way to top

Those scary boogeymen are continuing their reign of terror at movie theaters.

"Boogeyman" was the latest in a rash of horror flicks to top the weekend box office, debuting with $19.5 million to beat the romantic comedy "The Wedding Date," which opened in second place with $11 million, according to studio estimates Sunday.

The road-trip comedy "Are We There Yet?" came in third with $10.4 million, taking its total after 17 days to $53.1 million. "Hide and Seek," another fright film that led the box office the previous weekend, slipped to No. 4 with $8.9 million, lifting its 10-day gross to $35.7 million.

Business was relatively quiet because of the Super Bowl, which keeps many movie-goers at home. But for a Super Bowl weekend, Hollywood had a fairly strong showing, with the top 12 movies grossing $91 million. Over Super Bowl weekend because of the Super Bowl, which ran before home that is the source of his terror.

Many fright flicks tend to open over Super Bowl weekend, Hollywood had a fairly strong showing, with the top 12 movies grossing $91 million. Over Super Bowl weekend last year, the top 12 took in $73.4 million.

"Boogeyman" stars Barry Watson as a man who attempts to overcome the fear of what lurks in his closet. According to studio estimates Sunday.

Like "Boogeyman," "The Wedding Date" was a comparatively low-cost movie, with a budget under $15 million, meaning it should turn a solid profit.

Given Mescing's audience appeal to the female crowd. Women accounted for three-fourths of the movie's audience.

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Some of the music videos that were made are landmarks in music history. Artists like Michael Jackson, Guns 'N Roses, Smashing Pumpkins, Bjork and Madonna could do much better with music fans. Only if music because the artists could go further than the melodies, harmonies and lyrics to get their message across.

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COMMENTARY

At least give me some musical smut, MTV

The Parents Television Council released a study Feb. 1 entitled, "MTV Smut Peddlers: Targeting Kids with Sex, Drugs and Alcohol." In short, the study demonstrates that MTV displays more sex, foul language and violence than any other network on television.

Not only has the study been covered by nearly all of the major media outlets in the country and abroad, but it has been adopted by religion and family-oriented organizations as proof of a lingering enemy.

The study begins with a reference to the Janet Jackson Super Bowl disaster. The study ends with multiple statistics and examples from their study.

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Some of the numbers are staggering, but frankly, I found the overuse of the term "crotch-grabbing" even more so.

Without agreeing with everything in the study, I would say that MTV has simply followed the trends. Yes, they may have more smut than most networks, but there is plenty of smut elsewhere. Doing away with MTV content would not hinder the growth of these trends.

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Social Security: It's our money, isn't it?

Who here is worried that the Social Security system is not going to take care of our generation?

Chances are that most of us aren't too worried about it, but we should be. Even though we aren't thinking about our retirement now, the government is. They are making decisions right now that will forever affect how we will be able to save our money. We have an opportunity now to break free of Social Security and make our own decisions about the money we earn.

President George W. Bush set out an ambitious policy of major reforms for his second term during the State of the Union. One focus of his domestic policy for the coming years is the privatization of our Social Security system.

Expect this restructuring to be a central topic for debate in the first half of Bush's second term. Instead of bitter partisan policies, I think that this is a policy that everyone can agree on.

It would greatly benefit the people of our country, as well as the national economy.

We need only to look around the world for instances of how the transition from big government programs to personal savings accounts took place. Take a look at Chile for an example of the success of privatization.

This small South American nation was the first country in the Western Hemisphere to scrap their bureaucratic system. In the two decades since the overhaul, their economy has been growing at its fastest pace ever. The shift took a large portion of the country's wealth out of the government reserves and invested it into the free market. The government could then focus on other major issues facing the country. Companies also benefited from the increased capital and the workers reaped benefits through increased wages.

The people of Chile also earn about 10 percent interest on their retirement accounts, much better than the 2 percent the U.S. government promises. All this is good, but the real reason why we need to privatize social security is that your family gets to keep your assets.

Most people do not realize that if you do not make it to 62 years old, your deposit is gone.

If someone were to work their entire life paying social security and passed away, their family would lose out on that money forever. The best feature of Bush's privatization plan is that the money would go into a personal savings account and would be considered part of that person's assets. That money is theirs to keep.

We need to be aware that there will be many things about privatization over the next few years, but there are a few things that you need to know. Social Security will not be able to support us forever. Analysts on both sides of the aisle agree that something needs to be done about the widening gap between deposits and payouts. Another thing to consider is the advantage of passing retirement savings onto future generations.

Come to think of it, there is no good reason to be against this common-sense policy change. Let's take responsibility for our futures and reap the rewards of a better economy and better retirements for our children.

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**Basketball**

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Idaho outrebounded Cal Poly, 45-39, led by Lionel Davis with 11. Henry Johnson for Idaho had five boards for the Mustangs, who made just 33 percent of their floor shots compared to 42.4 percent for the Vandals. Cal Poly turned the ball over 15 times, four more than Idaho.

In Thursday's game, Utah State connected on 63 percent of its floor shots and used a 22-2 run midway through the second half to turn back Cal Poly 81-57 in a Big West Conference men's basketball game Thursday night before 1,827 in Mott Gym.

Senior forward Spencer Nelson scored 17 points, freshman guard Jacyre Carroll added 12 and junior center Cas Matuson scored 10 off the bench as Utah State improved to 16-5 for the season and 7-3 in the Big West.

The Aggies have won five straight, Cal Poly, which fell to 4-15 and 2-9, was led by freshman guard Amanda Haskins with 12 points off the bench and senior guard Glenn Jones with 10.

Cal Poly, which trailed 41-31 at halftime, pulled within points early in the second half and was within six at 46-42 with 12:53 to play.

But the Mustangs would score just two points in the next 7:57 as Utah State sprinted to a 70-44 cushion with 5:26 to play.

Utah State outrebounded Cal Poly, 34-26, led by Nelson and Nate Harris with seven each. Jones and Henry each had three rebounds for the Mustangs. While Utah State connected on 29 of 46 floor shots, including eight of 17 three-pointers, Cal Poly made just 33 percent of their floor shots compared to 42.4 percent who made just 33 percent of their floor shots compared to 62.1 percent for the Vandals.

Last week, Cal Poly was led by Jessica Eggleston, who scored 13 points and had seven rebounds. Cal Poly shot just 28.6 percent from the field and committed 19 turnovers.

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**Road**

dipped below a respectable mark in the second half.

The Mustangs made 62.1 percent in the first half but just 32 percent in the second half.

On Friday, Brittany Tredler hit a layup with 40 seconds left to break a 52-52 tie and propel Utah State to a 55-52 victory against Cal Poly in a conference game.

The Aggies scored the game's final seven points to improve to 11-8 overall and 6-4 in the league, while Cal Poly fell to 9-9 and 3-7, losing its fourth straight.

Cal Poly led most of the second half before USU gained its first lead of the second period at 44-43 with 8:54 left in the game. The teams battled back and forth and were tied for the seventh time of the half at 1:52 after USU's Jessica Freeman hit a short jumper to make the score 52-52. Tredler's layup made it 54-52 for USU and then Camille Box hit a free throw with 14 seconds left and Taylor Richards sealed the victory with a pair of free throws with 1.3 seconds remaining.

Ali Aird led the Aggies in scoring as she had 11 of her team-high 12 points in the second half.

She was the only USU player in double figures, but Tredler and Freeman, each had nine points.

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Ali Viola has been assistant coach for two years and has emphasized on-field coaching and recruiting.

Viola talked with the Mustang Daily about all things new — new season, new roster and new coach.

Q. — With the season just beginning, what are some of the goals you have for the team?

A. — We just want to take the season day by day. There’s been a lot of change, so I think we are really excited about the process. Our goal is to improve every day. We are addressing all aspects of the game. We’re improving the hitting philosophy and the pitching staff. We’re looking at the inner-workings of the game and strategy. Every area has needed an improvement and coach Condon has provided a lot of good leadership to tackle those things.

Q. — What else has the new head coach, Jenny Condon, brought to the table?

A. — Condon’s brought structure, consistency, motivation and inspiration. She really upped the expectations level of the team. She’s brought a lot of coaching techniques that are fresh and we’re super excited about it.

Q. — What do you see as the biggest obstacle for the team?

A. — We have a small roster right now, so we need to make sure everybody stays healthy. We also need to make sure everyone stays on top of their academics and remains eligible. Our numbers are small, so that’s kind of a challenge to make sure we have enough depth. Other than that, we’re go-getters and winners. We don’t really see that we have any obstacles.

We feel that we’ll overcome them when we’re presented with them.

Q. — What are some adjectives you’d use to describe the team?

A. — They are hungry, focused and conscientious. They bring their best game every day and give us everything they have. They’re going to see some results for the hard work they’ve put in.

Q. — What do you enjoy most about working with the players?

A. — Their desire to get better. They show up and want to learn. They rebound well, too. I think sometimes people are shocked by the intensity level, come game time, that our players have. They definitely come to play.

Q. — What players should we keep our eyes on this season and why?

A. — Keep your eyes on Condon and our pitching staff for sure. In particular we’ve got a freshman pitcher that I think is really going to help our team. Also, all the seniors who have been here a long time and put in so much effort.

Nicole Stivers

Steve Schlick
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Emboldened by two straight losing seasons after bringing Cal Poly volleyball into national prominence, coach Steve Schlick stepped down as the Mustang volleyball coach Thursday.

““This was a very difficult decision to make, but a good one,” Schlick told the Mustang athletic department. “After 26 years of coaching, I believe it is a positive time to move in a different direction, and that opportunity has presented itself right here at Cal Poly.”

Schlick now assumes an administrative support position with the Cal Poly athletics department.

“Last season, Schlick’s squad went through what was classified as a rebuilding year with a young and promising team that went 13-16. But the 2004 season was anything but a step in the right direction.

A dispute with team policies prompted standout player Vanessa Gilliam to quit as the team entered disarray.

The team finished 5-22 and 3-15 in conference.

In nine seasons at the helm, Schlick led Cal Poly to 135 victories and three NCAA Tournament appearances.

I have been blessed to coach and work with an incredible group of players and people within the volleyball program and the athletics department,” Schlick said. “My hope is to be able to continue supporting this phenomenal group, but in a different capacity. I believe that the future of this volleyball team is a bright one.”

A search for a volleyball coach begins immediately, said Athletics Director Albie Condon.

“We greatly appreciate all that Steve has done for our volleyball program and we will miss his leadership in that program,” Conde said.

Schlick led the Mustangs to three NCAA Tournament in four years, from 1999 to 2002.

Cal Poly has made 12 NCAA Division I Tournaments in its history. For the first time in a decade, Schlick led the Mustangs to the national tournament in 1999.

Steve Schlick

COACH’S CORNER

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Softball assistant coach Ali Viola

Reserves shine, Cal Poly does not

The Mustangs learned it’s not who starts strong, it’s who finishes strong.

Cal Poly spurted out to a 19-8 lead in Saturday’s game, but Idaho started the second half with nine straight points and took over to win 75-63 at Mott Gym.

Anton Lyons and Tanoris Shepard combined for 43 points to lead Idaho.

But Lyons was too much for the Mustangs, scoring 22 points and sinking seven of 14 floor shots. Shepard added 21, hitting five of 11 floor shots.

Idaho improved to 8-14 overall and 6-5 in the Big West.

Cal Poly, which fell to 4-16 and 2-10 in the Big West, came back on to lead by as many as 19 points in the second half and coasted to the win.

Cal Poly never got any closer than 11 points in the final eight minutes of play.

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Mustangs hands w. basketball its fifth straight loss

In the midst of a four-game losing streak, Cal Poly women’s basketball ran into the Big West’s top team on Saturday.

Emily Faurholt poured in 26 points and three of her teammates added at least 16 points as the University of Idaho defeated Cal Poly 81-70, in a Big West Conference women’s basketball game Saturday night in the Cowan Spectrum.

Idaho is in first place in the Big West, as it improved to 9-2 in conference and 14-6 for the season.

Also contributing for the Vandals were Heather Thoelke and Jesica Summers, each with 17 points, while Leilani Mitchell scored 16 points.

Faurholt led the nation in scoring last year and hit nine of 17 floor shots.

Cal Poly fell to 9-10 for the season and 3-8 in the Big West.

The Mustangs were led in scoring by junior forward Courtney Cameron with 18 points off the bench. Junior forward Sarah Greive contributed 11 points for the Mustangs.

But the Mustangs turned the ball over 22 times and Idaho led at halftime, 42-39.

At 5:52 in the game, the Mustangs tied the game at 61 before the Vandals scored off of a 16-7 run.

As has been a recent problem, the Mustangs failed to protect the ball.

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Sparkle Anderson and the Mustangs struggled to protect the ball.