Overall violence down, sexual assaults up

Camas Frank

Cal Poly students uneasy with the news that an attempted robbery and sexual assault allegedly took place at an apartment on Leff Street Tuesday should remember that Cal Poly is one of the safest campuses in the California State University system, according to University Police Chief Bill Watton.

The San Luis Obispo Police Department apprehended and charged a suspect with assault, while he was allegedly in possession of the stolen property. Though the number of sexual assaults reported has increased in the last three years, there has been an overall decrease in the annual number of violent offenses.

The Jeanne Clery Act statistics, released every year by federal mandate on Oct. 1, are tuned to get attention ahead of midterms and finals, said Jack Del Bene, administrative analyst with the university police. They mainly track violent crimes recognized universally in all 50 states.

"Most campuses have adequate enforcement. Some are better than others, but statistically speaking we're still a very safe campus," Watton said. "Almost no matter where students come from, they're safer here on campus statistically. We're doing well here."

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University Police Department Chief

While the department charged with guarding public safety might be expected to project a confident image, numbers reported to the FBI, which follows slightly different guidelines than the Clery Act, seem to back up the assertion.

Price was right for Poly student

Camas Frank

Cal Poly business junior Nikole Mackenzie's studying paid off this summer, not by gaining a degree, but by becoming the winner of an award showcase on "The Price is Right." Mackenzie organized a trip with 20 friends to CBS Television City in Los Angeles with the intent of making it onto the program.

After passing the preliminary interviews where the studio screens potential contestants for expressiveness and enthusiasm, Mackenzie found herself on stage, wearing a green Cal Poly T-shirt and being cheered on by her entourage.

"I've been watching 'The Price is Right' since I can remember. It's always been a dream to be on it," she said. "I wanted all my friends to be there. Usually I'm not much of an extrovert, but in this situation I made myself because I really wanted to be on.

Business junior Nikole Mackenzie won the award showcase on the gameshow, the "The Price is Right." She traded in the main prize, a party boat, for cash.
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Mackenzie had an opportunity to win $10,000 early in the program but lost out. However, she went on to win a spot in the showcase round, where she guessed closer to the correct price for the items than her opponent, who she speculated was unfamiliar with the format.

"The other girl said $75,000 and she knew she'd made a mistake. I didn't want to overbid, I went with $21,000. That's around what the prizes in the showcase are usually worth," Mackenzie said.

"Nikole really studied for this thing. Her boyfriend made a bound book of cards for her with pictures and prices of all the cleaning products and stuff," said Matt Pergam, a fellow business junior and friend who took part in the trip.

"When you've got a group that size they always have one member on the show," he added. "It was kind of like a late birthday present for her. When they asked at the entrance where she was from she told them, 'Cal Poly' and when they asked her major (her boyfriend) said, 'The Price is Right'."

Both agreed the experience was different than the television portrayal. During the showcase Mackenzie was out of her friend's line-of-sight and was unable to hear them.

"Once I got up on stage, for the rest of the show I couldn't hear a word that (host Drew Carey) said. The noise from the audience was just too intense," she said.

"The audience is really a lot smaller than it looks, the宝贝 is the guy he's fighting for," Obama said. "How many plumbers you know that a plumber is the guy he's fighting for."
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McCain tries to make peace with Letterman

David Bauder
ASSOCIATED PRESS

John McCain told David Letterman that he "screwed up" in canceling a "Late Show" appearance three weeks ago, then faced a sharp round of questions about Sarah Palin and his campaign tactics.

Not willing to risk the wrath of Letterman again, the Republican presidential candidate rented a helicopter to fly to New York after a weather delay grounded his campaign airplane in Philadelphia. He had canceled a Sept. 24 appearance during the brief suspension of his campaign because of the economic crisis, and Letterman has been hammering him ever since.

"The band played the Who's "I Can't Explain" as McCain walked onstage at the Ed Sullivan Theater. McCaskill was set down, Letterman asked, "Can you stay?"

"Depends on how bad it gets," McCain answered.

Letterman had replaced McCain with the GOP hopeful's persistent critic, MSNBC's Keith Olbermann, on Sept. 24. Olbermann was waiting in the wings Thursday — and McCain had a perfect expression when he noticed that.

Although Letterman said he was "willing to put this behind us," he came after McCain hard with questions. He asked whether Palin was his first choice as vice president.

"Absolutely," McCain answered. He said he didn't know her well before choosing her, but that he was impressed by her reputation as a reformer.

Letterman repeatedly pressed McCain on her qualifications, asking if he was confident she could lead the country in a time of crisis.

"In all due respect, one of the people I admired most was an obscure governor of a southern state called Arkansas," McCain said, complimenting Bill Clinton. "Ronald Reagan was a cowboy, no experience in international affairs, I think she has shown leadership."

As Letterman pressed on, McCain asked, "Have we pretty well exhausted this?"

"No, no," Letterman said. "I'm just getting started."

Letterman questioned him about Palin's claim that Democratic presidential candidate Barack Obama "pulled around with terrorists," and McCain backed up his saying his opponent needs to better explain his relationship with former Weather Underground activist William Ayers.

"Did you not have a relationship with Gordon Liddy?" Letterman asked about Watergate burglary Gordon Liddy.

McCain said he knew him. Then, after a commercial break, McCain said, "I know Gordon Liddy. He paid his debt. He went to prison... I'm not in the business of embarrassed to know Gordon Liddy."

You understand the same case could be made of your relationship with him as is being made with William Ayers?" Letterman said.


Six weeks ago, McCain was embarrassed to know William Ayers. McCain talked about a relationship with him as is being made with William Ayers?

SoCal's big wildfires nearing containment

Firefighters neared full containment Thursday of smoldering remnants of big Southern California wildfires that destroyed more than 300 residences, killed a man and forced thousands from their homes.

Santa Ana winds continued to diminish but weather remained a concern because of low humidity. Forecasters said warnings of conditions creating critically dry vegetation would be in effect in many areas until 10 p.m. Friday.

For people affected by the fires, Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger issued an executive order suspending fees for replacement of many kinds of records and late fees on such things as vehicle registrations. It also suspended a waiting period for unemployment insurance applicants and statutes that might delay cleanup.

Combined, the three worst blazes burned areas totaling more than 35 square miles since the first broke out early Sunday amid howling Santa Anas.

The size of the region's largest blaze, located in hills above the western San Fernando Valley, was raised to 14,125 acres Thursday, but containment also increased to 79 percent. Costs of battling the fire reached $7.9 million.

Exponential growth of the fire caused two helicopters to be grounded over the weekend.

The fire was confined to a 24-square-mile area centered in Angeles National Forest near Castaic Lake. It threatened the Castaic Reservoir, which supplies water. The fire was burning in an area with a lot of brush.

A 4,824-acre fire at the east end of the Angeles National Forest was contained Thursday evening. Firefighting costs there topped $4.4 million, the fire command said.

In San Diego County, a 4,026-acre wildfire on the Camp Pendleton Marine base was 90 percent contained.

The fire's cause was under investigation by the Naval Criminal Investigative Service, the state forestry department and the county Sheriff's Department, said Capt. Priscilla Vitalo, a base spokeswoman.

Marine Corps officials have stressed that the fire was not caused by any live artillery or explosive ordnance training. Vitalo said that at the time the fire started a Marine unit was participating in a land-navigation exercise that did not include the use of any blanks or live ammunition.

Concerns have been raised by neighboring communities over the cause of the fire and another one last week that also began on a training range and burned 1,500 acres.

Vitalo said base officials have restricted training at the base because a high fire danger persists. Elsewhere, a fire that erupted on the edge of Cleveland National Forest on Wednesday was all but contained.

-Associated Press
An Afghan policeman fired on a U.S. soldier in eastern Afghanistan on Thursday, killing the officer, the military said. The soldiers returned fire, killing the officer.

"He seems a little more angry than he usually is," Biden told Jay Leno on NBC's "The Tonight Show," after Biden said McCain was making odd facial expressions during their debate Wednesday night with "Democratic Barack Obama. "John doesn't seem comfortable right now," Biden added.

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Google Inc. shook off the economic turbulence to deliver a third-quarter profit that topped analysts' forecasts, supporting the company's advertising system is delivering returns even as the U.S. economy. The company said Thursday it earned $1.35 per share, or $3 billion, or $4.24 per share.

The reassuring performance comes as CEO and co-founder Larry Page announced the search engine company is investing more than $1 billion in a new data center near its campus in California. The center will be able to store 2.5 exabytes of data, or enough to hold about 200 billion videos, or $1 trillion.

BAGHDAD (AP) — The Iraqi government sent blankets and food Thursday to help thousands of Christians who have fled a violent campaign against them in the northern city of Mosul.

The recent killings in Mosul, widely blamed on al-Qaida in Iraq, coincided with stepped-up lobbying efforts by Christians to ensure their representation in upcoming provincial elections in the primarily Muslim country. The president said Thursday that the rally was a "big mistake."
Joshua Ayers

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** WEEKEND ENTERTAINMENT **

Check out these movies opening tonight at the Downtown 7 Cinema in downtown San Luis Obispo (D7C) and at the Regal Movie Grand Stadium 10 (RAGS10).

- "Max Payne" (Action/Crime, PG-13) stars Mark Wahlberg, Mila Kunis, Beau Bridges, and James Hector. (D7C)
- "The Secret Life of Bees" (Drama, PG-13) stars Queen Latifah, Dakota Fanning, Jennifer Hudson, Sophie Okonedo, and Alicia Keys. (D7C)
- "Sex Drive" (Comedy, R) stars Josh Zuckerman, Amanda Crew, Clark Duke, James Marsden, and Charlie McDermott. (RAGS10)
- "W" (Historical Drama, PG-13) stars Josh Brolin, Elizabeth Banks, James Cromwell, Ellen Burstyn, and Thandie Newton. (RAGS10)

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** PHOTOGRAPHS BRING FOREIGN SIGHTS TO DOWNTOWN **

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**At the PAC**

Kris Kristofferson
Friday, Oct. 17, 8 p.m.
Singer-songwriter, three-time Grammy winner will be at the Performing Arts Center for a solo performance.

"Silents Please!"
Saturday, Oct. 18, 7:30 p.m.
96-year old film organist Bob Mitchell will play with "The General." A birthday reception will follow for Mitchell.

Wild & Scenic Environmental Film Festival
Saturday, Oct. 18, 7 p.m.
The Wild & Scenic Environmental Film Festival will take place at Spanos Theatre and will feature short films that focus on several environmental concerns.

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**BRIDGET VELTRI MUSTANG DAILY**
Local organizations team up to spread political awareness

Samantha MacConnell  
MUSTANG DAILY

With only three days remaining to register to vote, students scrambling to have a voice in the upcoming election will have a final opportunity at The Last Chance Dance, this Saturday. The event starts at 7 p.m. at Odd Fellow’s Hall on Dana Street and will allow students to register as well as dance the night away.

Students and community members will have a chance to get involved in local issues Sunday night at Chumash Auditorium. The New American Revival, which will take place at 7 p.m., will feature author and renowned environmental activist Diane Wilson, as well as a variety of bands.

Both events are being coordinated by a coalition of several local organizations who aim to bring social and political awareness to Cal Poly students and the community at large. CodePink, an international group for peace and social justice, along with Cal Poly’s Progressive Student Alliance, the Alliance for Nuclear Responsibility and the Earth Day Alliance are all working to inform San Luis Obispo residents about ways to get involved in their communities.

“We are hoping people will connect the dots and understand that this is a crucial election,” said Dian Sousa, coordinator of CodePink. “People need to vote, especially young people. Their vote does count,” she said of the Last Chance Dance.

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“Once a year, we get people to dance the night away,” said Johnson.

“Some of the best tracks of the year will be available at the door. Tickets to the Last Chance Dance are $8 for students with a valid student I.D. and $10 for general admission. Student registration will be free as well as dance the night away.

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“It’s a fun way to entice people to vote,” Sousa said.

“The world is in a scary place right now and we hope that the event will bring everyone together,” Allenpach added.

At The New American Revival, author Diane Wilson will speak about her new book “Holy Rolster,” which recounts her childhood in Texas and her passion as an environmentalist.

“We are hoping people will connect the dots and understand that this is a crucial election,” said Dian Sousa, coordinator of CodePink. “People need to vote, especially young people. Their vote does count,” she said of the Last Chance Dance.

“It’s an opportunity to learn more about their community and participate,” said event music coordinator Jan Allenpach, of the Last Chance Dance. “It’s a really good opportunity for (students) to be a part of the change that we need to happen.”

Jill Knight (above) and The Dirty Pink Slips (below left) will perform at “The Last Chance Dance.” The event is designed to encourage local voter participation.

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work in Afghanistan.

Fugile admires Liz for her work and her bravery. “She is one very gutsy lady,” she said. “These are trouble spots, places that are not safe... she goes there and connects with people and brings back images that are very rich and humane,” he said.

Hanging on the walls of a local gallery with people wondering by or displayed in a modern downtown restaurant as diners gobble up their meal beneath them, Liu’s photographs radiate perspective about a country a world away in culture and custom but not necessarily in heart. “When you see photographs like these, you see a mysterious part of Afghanistan that will stay with you,” Liu said. “It will stay with you until you see (visit) it, and then you understand.”

The photos will be on display at the San Luis Obispo Art Center through the end of November.

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(Hey, it’ll give you something to talk to Mom about.)
Stop trying to make ‘maverick’ happen!

If I were Tom Cruise, I would be pised. I would be upset because John McCain and the Republicans are trying to change the badass, aviator-shades-wearing “Top Gun” character image into that of a cranky old politician desperately trying to get a position in the wrong direction.

The original definition of the term “maverick” came from Texas rancher Samuel Maverick’s refusal to brand his cattle because, according to his critics, that allowed him to claim all unbranded cattle as his own. Maybe the same strategy applies to third party candidates. They can’t be applied to a man who只要你被贴上“maverick”标签就可以。“Works something he does not.

He’s their last and only hope (and I doubt that he, unlike Obi-Wan Kenobi, has the skills to actually follow through) for any kind of redemption after the Bush administration. As a party, their entire identity is being taken over by a never-ending list of scandals, rights violations and policy flameouts over the last eight years.

This is a campaign that is so desperate it’s all about trying to sell himself as the “go-to guy” — governor from Alaska as a running mate just because of an “x chromosome.” Since Sarah Palin’s unexpected entrance into this race, the political battlefield has become a danger zone (“Top Gun” reference intended).

Wednesday’s presidential debate came personal (and not just for Joe the Plumber) and I think the mudslinging will get dirtier, pettier and just plain desperate as we get closer to Nov. 4.

In the long run, I don’t want McCain tricking the American people into thinking he has rights to anything he wants. Not like Samuel Maverick back in the 19th century. I hope his excuses don’t fog the judgment of those around him. For all his and Palin’s talk of bringing an independent thinker who will do what’s needed, his past portraits of a politician who is in it to win it, not stay true to any of his promises is needed.

To borrow a phrase from “Mean Girls,” stop trying to make ‘maverick’ happen! The powers that be at Cal Poly are clearly mismanaging funds when they start sacrificing the quality and the quantity of instruction. The “numbers”—aka part-time lecturers—who lost those jobs this holiday season worked tirelessly to ensure they remained “ranked” high. We worked for a fraction of what tenured professors earn. We took classes at 7 a.m. or 7 p.m., often left the experience of a family time. We worked hard to bring new ideas to general education courses. We taught the masses. No one else wanted to teach, and we did so cheerfully—because we love teaching.

In lieu of keeping those dedicated instructors employed during lean times, Cal Poly squandered those reserves, erecting fancy buildings at the expense? Perhaps your human resources department should have been a higher ranking instructor like cattle going to Nov. 4.

Response to “The story of a number would seem a logical, bold, indeed empowering next step towards remeasuring his/her pride of service to country and heartless system.

Brian G. Kennelly

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The Mustangs (3-3) lost to Mc Neese State 46-44 in triple overtime Oct. 4.

"That was the toughest loss we've

suffered in my tenure," 12-year Jack
rabbits head coach John Stegmeier
said. "I think the feeling over the bye
was good — not the healing of our
bodies, but the healing of our spirit."

Stegmeier was straight-faced when asked if the game was must-win in order to stay in the playoff hunt.

"It's a win, advantage Jackrabbits, be-cause of (Cal Poly)'s unique systems," he
said.

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Mustangs battle UCSB for conference lead

After a slow start to the season, the Mustangs (8-6, 3-0) have come on entering conference play. The backfield has been stingy recently, giving up just three goals in its last four contests.

Cal Poly, done with three byes over a five-week period, visits South Dakota State trying to avenge losses last two years

Donovan Aird

It may seem as if South Dakota State isn't at all the same football team that tumbled over Cal Poly last year. There's no more Cory Kickhefer, the senior running back who took 21 carries for 291 yards and four touchdowns — including three on distances of 32, 46 and 52 yards — in the second-most dominant running performance ever allowed by Cal Poly. "They ran the ball all over us just running the same play every time," Mustangs junior safety David Fullerton remembers.

And quarterback Ryan Berry — now a senior — is throwing nearly eight more passes per game than he did a year ago and almost 18 more per game than the year before. He had to lead against the Mustangs last season.

Cal Poly head coach Rich Ellerson isn't buying it heading into the teams' meeting at 4 p.m. Saturday in Brookings, S.D.

"I still feel like the personality of their football team is in their physical running game," he said. "They do things the old-fashioned way.

But after losing the first two installments of the series in 2014 and 2015, the Jackrabbits placed a bye before their football team is in their physical running game," he said. "They do things the old-fashioned way."

Whatever way they've done it, the Jackrabbits have done it well against the Mustangs lately, scoring 23 unanswered points in the final eight minutes of a 29-26 win in San Luis Obispo in 2006 and never trailing during a 48-35 win at Coughlin-Alumni Stadium last year.

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Cal Poly's James Noble (27), Stephen Field (78) and Ramos Banden (11) — all seniors now — line up against South Dakota State on Oct. 21, 2006.

Cal Poly sweeps away Gauchos

Cal Poly's Ali Wader (3) had 13 kills and Dominique Olowolafe (10-7, 5-1 Big West Conference) host UC Irvine at 7 p.m. Saturday.

The defense has been stingy recently, giving up just three goals in its last four contests. Ellerson credits the defense as a large part of the turnaround.

"We had a lot of little hiccups early on in the season, where we'd give up a goal here or a goal there," Ellerson explained. "That's not happening quite as much anymore."

The defense will have to remain solid against UCSB (8-4-3, 2-1), which scores an average of two goals per game.

"They have a very dynamic group of forwards who are veryanton on offense," Crouser added.

Crouser said the Mustangs' last 1-0 win over Cal State Northridge on Sunday gave Crouser a milestone 200th win on a last-minute goal by Monica Hemenez.

"You couldn't script a better kind of finish," Crouser said of the bow. "I think (200 wins) is a great accomplishment but I haven't really thought about it. I'm sure after the season it will sink in."

The Cal Poly offense will need to provide a big spark against probable starting goalkeeper Ali Cutler, who has a just a 0.62 goals-against average this year.

Still, Crouser says the team can improve and has its best soccer ahead.

"We're still getting better," Crouser said. "We haven't reached our potential yet."

South Dakota State 44

The Silvey Lining

This is another fight pitting a relatively unknown English fighter against an accomplished American counterpart. Lytle has sparred with some of the best fighters in the world in a career that has spanned more than 50 fights.

This may be both fighters' last chance to stay in the UFC. With all that pressure, I like Lytle, who has much more experience, to come through in the clutch.

Winner: Chris Lytle via third-round KO

Rameau Thierry Sokoudjou (5-2) vs. Luiz Cane (9-1)

Look for explosives early in this fight, which one would think may not last through the first round. Sokoudjou is making his third appearance in the Octagon after a two-fight unbeaten streak of destruction through the Pride middleweight division.

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