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Green Job Fair
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Chumash Auditorium

Sustainability Project Showcase
5 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Bonderson building, room 104

Wednesday:
Student-led sustainability workshops
11 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Berg Gallery

Thursday:
National Teach-in
9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Chumash Auditorium

DJ and Sustainable Club Fair
11 a.m. to 2 p.m.
University Union Plaza

Drinking debate educates, stimulates student discussion

Cassandra Keyse
May 31, 2007

More than 100 students and community members assembled in Chumash Auditorium last Thursday to hear a debate that involved each and every one of them: The Drinking Age Debate.

John McCarron and James Fell spoke about the pros and cons of a lowered drinking age. McCarron, a former president of Middlebury College and founder of the group “Choose Responsibility,” believes that 18-year-olds are able to make responsible decisions about alcohol and speak in favor of lowering the drinking age.

Fell, senior program director of the Pacific Institute for Research and Evaluation and an expert on the societal effects of underage drinking, spoke in opposition.

The debaters initially spoke for 10 minutes each, then the floor was opened for audience questions. Finally, the speakers had five minutes to give their concluding statements.

Fell aimed to educate the audience about the history of alcohol and responsible decision making about alcohol.

“The students are not just looking at global warming and seeing what industries are out there,” Farrell said. “They want to know which types of careers they can lead in sustainability.”

The Green Job Fair runs from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Chumash auditorium. A sustainable project showcase will be held from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. in the Bonderson building, room 104. Students and faculty will be displaying projects on sustainability-related topics.
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relating to the field of sustainability. On Wednesday, Feb. 4, student-led sustainability workshops will be held in the architecture building from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. The workshops will teach students ways to incorporate sustainability into their daily lives.

On Thursday, Feb. 5, every university participating in Focus the Nation will be hosting a large-scale teach-in. Presentations and panel discussions will be held all day at Cal Poly at Chumash auditorium. Notable topics include the culture of sustainability, exploring sustainable business, innovations at Cal Poly and policies for a sustainable future.

About two dozen faculty and industry professionals will be lecturing. Big-name speakers include Cliff Bar CEO Rich Barango, Guayaki Sales Manager Thomas DeTurk and Vice-President of Engineering for SunPower Bill Mulligan. Students will see the private sector, the government sector and the non-profit sector.

Focus the Nation is an interdisciplinary event with faculty from seven colleges committed to participate. Last year, about 4,300 people attended and organizers are hoping for a similar turnout this year.

Tyler Hartrich, city and regional planning senior and the public relations coordinator for Focus the Nation, attributes Focus the Nation's popularity to a general interest in sustainability.

"Students who do know about Focus the Nation are very intrigued and those who don't know want to hear about this information, because they know what this event means in terms of finding a possible job once they get out of college," Hartrich said.

Last year, Focus the Nation coordinators hoped to send a message candidates running for local, state and federal office.

"We wanted to say to everyone who was running in office that sustainability is an issue that we care about and that climate change is real and we want real solutions both through policy and research developments," Hartrich said.

All events are free and open to the public. For more information about Focus the Nation, go to www.focusthenation.com.

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Fell said that there were two major results from setting the drinking age at 21.

"There has been a reduction in alcohol consumption by those under 21, and there has also been a reduction in driving and driving related fatal crashes by those under 21," he said. "Overall, raising the drinking age saves lives."

McCardell opened with a number of alleged misconceptions about the drinking age.

"First, the drinking age is not a settled question," McCardell said. "Second, not all the data are on one side of the question. Third, the public wants and need to have this debate, and finally, it's not just about drunken driving."

He said that though the law has banned minors from drinking alcohol in public places, it has been ineffective in preventing minors from consuming alcohol in places such as a locked dorm room or an off-campus apartment, where much of college drinking takes place. He said that it is in these kind of secret places that a person's health is at risk.

"The change in minimum age has not stopped student drinking. It has only displaced it," McCardell said.

Afterward, several students asked questions about the issue. One student asked why people drink in the first place. McCardell said the reasons people drink now are different from those who came of age when the law was passed, and that the policy needs to be reviewed. Fell responded by citing studies that have found, in general, college students drink for reasons such as stress relief, recreation, peer pressure and to have fun, and these reasons have not changed.

Both speakers said that they were impressed with the caliber of questions from the audience.

"I thought the questions were terrific from the students," Fell said. "Some of them were ones that we've heard before, but the questions like 'Why do students get drunk? Why do they drink alcohol?' were very pertinent."

"I thought the questions generally were excellent and I think that they allowed us to talk about some things that we didn't get a chance to cover in our presentations," McCardell said.

Audience members had differing opinions on the issue.

"I think they should lower the drinking age because it would create a lot less problems, binge drinking would be less frequent and the cops could go worry about other issues and be more efficient with stopping crime," biomedical engineering freshman Adam Altman said. "I'm sort of up in the air about it."

"I'd like if I were able to drink even though I'm not 21, but I don't know if it would be a good idea for all minors to be able to drink," liberal studies freshman Jocelyn Allen said. The debate was informative and helped her to better understand both sides of the argument.

"I pretty much came in not having a side, but probably leaning more on the 21 side," Allen said. "Leaving, I feel like I'm a lot more educated on both sides of the argument."

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WORD ON THE STREET

“Do you think Michael Phelps reputation is tarnished as a role model after the pot incident. Why or why not?”

“Yes, I guess it’s kind of personal since I don’t smoke. It’s not something people should be doing in the open since it is illegal.”

-Kate Orocjcin, architecture junior

“I think he’s an inspiration. He’s a role model and he’s done some amazing stuff. His reputation has changed, but it depends on how you look at it.”

-Ben Louwaert, civil engineering junior

“Yeah, I guess so because before he was a competitive athlete but now he smokes pot. It’s not compatible.”

-Ruth Huang, electrical engineering senior

“Yes, it will be tarnished because everyone looks up to him as a well regarded athlete.”

-Manuel Carrasco, mechanical engineering junior

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U.S. Olympic gold medalists Michael Phelps, left, and Carl Lewis laugh during the 3rd Global Competitiveness Forum in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.

Paul Newberry

Olympic great Michael Phelps acknowledged “reprehensible” behavior and “bad judgment,” after a photo in a British newspaper Sunday showed him inhaling from a marijuana pipe.

In a statement to The Associated Press, the swimmer who won a record eight gold medals at the Beijing Games did not dispute the authenticity of the exclusive picture published Sunday by the tabloid News of the World.

“I engaged in behavior which was regrettable and demonstrated bad judgment,” Phelps said in the statement released by one of his agents. “I’m 23 years old and despite good people have come to expect from me. For this, I am sorry. I promise my fans that I will support my sponsors and not be a distraction in any way. Phelps’ main sanctions most likely will be financial — perhaps doled out by embarrassed sponsors who might be reconsidering their dealings with the swimmer.

Phelps was in Tampa, Fla., during Super Bowl week to make promotional appearances on behalf of a sponsor. But he left the city before Sunday’s game between the Pittsburgh Steelers and Arizona Cardinals, abandoning his original plan to be at Raymond James Stadium.

The U.S. Olympic Committee said it was “disappointed in the behavior recently exhibited by Michael Phelps,” who was selected the group’s spokesman of the year. He also was honored as an AP male athlete of the year, and his feat in Beijing — breaking Mark Spitz’s 36-year-old record for most gold medals in an Olympics — was chosen as the top story of 2008.

“Michael is a role model, and he is well aware of the responsibilities and accountability that come with setting a positive example for others, particularly young people,” the USOC said in a statement. “In this instance, regrettably, he failed to fulfill those responsibilities.”

US Swimming said in Olympic championships are “looked up to be people of all ages, especially young athletes who have their own aspirations and dreams. “That said,” the governing body added, “we realize that none among us is perfect.

We hope that Michael can learn from this incident, and consider it a positive way.”

Phelps was part of a group of elite athletes who agreed to take part in a pilot testing program designed to increase the accuracy of drug testing. He opted out of the program at risk, said Tom’s Flores, head of the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency.

“The purpose of the Olympics is to keep heroes it’s disappointing, and we’ll evaluate whether he remains in that program,” he said. “But some good of education comes from this because he’s going to suffer some penalties.”

Phelps is vied differently from performance-enhancing drugs, according to David Howman, executive director of the World Anti-Doping Agency. An athlete is subject to WADA sanctions only for a positive test that occurs during competition periods.

“We don’t have any jurisdiction,” Howman said. “If he’s not banned out of competition, it’s OK, but you’re trying in some competition.”

Phelps returned to the pool a couple of weeks ago to begin preparations for this summer’s world championships in Rome. He said he would take part in his first post-Olympics meet in early March, a Grand Prix event in Austin, Texas.

This isn’t the first embarrassing episode for Phelps after an Olympic triumph. In 2004, a few months removed from winning six gold and two bronze medals in Athens, the swimmer was arrested on a drunken driving charge at age 19. He pleaded guilty and apologized for the mistake.

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Wreck of renowned British warship found in Channel

Mitch Stacy

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Deep-sea explorers who found $500 million in sunken treasure two years ago say they have discovered another prized shipwreck: A legend — $5 million in sunken treasure two years ago.

Thirty-one brass cannons and other evidence on the wreck allowed definitive identification of the HMS Victory, 175-foot sailing ship that was separated from its fleet and sunk in the English Channel on Oct. 4, 1744, with at least 900 men aboard, the company said. The ship was the largest and, with 110 brass cannons, the most heavily armed vessel of its day. It was the inspiration for the HMS Victory famously commanded by Adm. Horatio Nelson decades later.

Odyssey was searching for other valuable shipwrecks in the English Channel when it came across the Victory. Stemm said exactly where the ship was found for fear of attracting plunderers, though he said it wasn’t close to where it was expected.

“We found this more than 50 miles from where anybody would have thought it went down,” Stemm said. Federal court records filed by Odyssey in Tampa seeking the exclusive salvage rights said the site is 20 to 40 miles from the English coast, outside of its territorial waters.

A Ministry of Defense spokesman said Sunday the government was aware of Odyssey’s claim to have found the Victory.

“Assuming the wreck is indeed the British warship, her remains are sovereign immune,” he said on condition of anonymity in keeping with government policy. This means that no intrusive action may be taken without the express consent of the United Kingdom.

First Hispanic chosen to lead school system

Jay Root

A Mexican-American pediatric surgeon will become the nation’s first Hispanic to preside over a major university system when Dr. Francisco Cigarroa takes the helm at the University of Texas System, which faces financial woes and complaints about diversity.

Cigarroa, a 51-year-old pediatric surgeon, will succeed Royal T. Roberts Jr., who presided over a turbulent five years at Texas Tech.

“Challenges really don’t daunt me from pursuing important opportunities,” Cigarroa told The Associated Press. “If you’re an optimist, you see the possibilities, and that’s the way I’ve been brought up.”

Cigarroa, as the chief executive officer of the UT System, will help administer an $11.5 billion operating budget and preside over 15 campuses with more than 194,000 students.

He faces complaints about soaring tuition costs, a growing battle over admissions policies and a hurricane-ravaged medical school and health center in Galveston.

To address those issues, the outgoing president of the UT Health Science Center in San Antonio will have to enter an arena far dicier than medicine politics: The state Legislature granted school officials the power to raise tuition rates in 2003, but has been pressing the school system to stop increases.

Cigarroa has refused to specify his views on tuition restraints but said school UT officials and legislators have to work together to resolve the issue.

He’s more passionate about the prospect of changing admissions policies, which currently dictate au-

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Olympic teammate Dana Torres said Phelps has become such a prominent figure that everything he does is news.

However, she said: “This in no way, shape or form diminishes anything he’s done.”

It’s sort of a double-edged sword,” Torres told the AP on Sunday. “When you’re recognizable, you’re looked up to as a role model. He’s recognizable and everything you do gets looked at and picked apart. I guess that’s the price of winning 14 Olympic medals.”

Jason Lenz, whose remarkable anchor leg of the 400-meter freestyle relay helped Phelps stay on course to break Spitz’s record, said he was “saddened” to hear of the report.

“While I don’t condone his conduct, I am a teammate and fan,” Lenz said in a text message to the AP. “Unlike many fast-food weathermen, I am sticking by him. If my wife and I can help him in any way, we will believe he will grow from this and be better person, role model and teammate.”

Last year, News of the World posted video on its Web site showing Max Mosley, the president of motor racing’s governing body, engaging in sexual acts with five prostitutes. Mosley admitted to being a part of the scenario but said for breach of privacy and was awarded $120,000. Another news break involved Prince Harry in 2002, smoking marijuana and drinking before the legal age of 18.

During the 1998 Nagano Olympics, Canadian swimmer Ross Rebagliati was stripped of his gold medal in the giant slalom after testing positive for marijuana. The victory was reinstated because the sport’s governing body did not have a rule banning the substance.

Later that year, Olympic swimmer Gary Hall Jr. threw a three-month suspension after testing positive for pot.

“It’s one of those substances that every year there’s debate over it,” said Homwan, the WADA official.

The USOC’s code of conduct only covers the period from the finish line to when an athlete makes the Olympic team until the end of the games. But Homwan suggested that U.S. swimming officials or the sport’s world organization, FINA, could punish Phelps if there is “sufficient evidence to indicate possession, supply or distribution.”

FINA officials said they would not comment on the matter until Monday, as did the International Olympic Committee.

“We have to be strong on these things,” Homwan said. “We certainly are relying on those who are responsible to look into this.”

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After spending the last decade floating around in the oblivion that is indie-rock obscurity, a string of increasingly successful albums ("The Mysterious Production of Egg," "Arachnaphobia") have left Andrew Bird poised on the verge of breaking into the mainstream.

But you wouldn’t know it if you listened to his off-beat new album, "Noble Beast.

The first track, "Oh No," begins with 20 seconds of pensive violin before bursting into Bird’s trademark surrealistic lyrical opacy: "In the salubrity maws of what was thought but unmade / All the calcified were doing the math.

Aside from having a vocabulary that can make Noah Webster blush (sulphy (n): a purple-flowered plant), Andrew Bird is a classically trained violinist who dabbles in mandolin, guitar and the unfortunately-named glockenspiel. Oh, and he also has a penchant for whistling.

Quite frankly, this man couldn’t record a disc of "mainstream" rock if he tried.

Nevertheless — and despite spanning four centuries of art rock, gypsy folk and chamber-music in four minutes — "Oh No!" is an undeniable pop hook. The rest of "Noble Beast" happily follows suit. The clap-and-whistle-along refrain of "Fitz and the Dizzypills" Or the winning "Not a Robot but a Ghost" — which percolates with scatter-shot percussion and ominous electric guitar until Bird’s weary, urgent voice emerges, crying: "I crack the codes that wins the war.

Through it all, Bird’s language never ceases to captivate, whether bubbling like an underwater Dr. Seuss on "Zazimimal" ("See a sea anemone") or ranting like an ancient history professor on "Tenounassies" ("Proto-Sanskrit Mi-noans to porto-centric Lisboans / Greek Cypriots and Hobishots.

The esoteric diction can be more than a tad alienating, but it makes songs like "Soverian" that offer glimpses of a more intimate, less verbose Bird all the more poignant.

Furthermore, Bird’s worldiness is more than mere wordplay. When he weaves together the seemingly disparate worlds of insurance salesmen and sailors on "Privatizers," it isn’t just strange, but strangely enlightening. Unfortunately, even when "No­ble Beast" is at its best, something is lacking.

"Nomenclature," for instance, triumphantly simmers with drum rolls and mounting feedback only to boil over into nothing in particular. "Masterwarum" promises greatness but fizzles when it needs to explode. It’s sort of like a good joke that’s been robbed of its punch-line: "Noble Beast" is all conflict, no resolution.

Admittedly, "Noble Beast" can be challenging, but it’s even more rewarding. These rich, quirky tunes won’t likely boost Andrew Bird to the top of radio playlists, but at the very least they ought to boost your vocabulary.
As the week of Nov. 4 wound down, there was only one issue that made me nervous. It wasn’t the economy, it wasn’t science and it wasn’t social rights. I was scared about what may happen to our efforts in the War on Terror.

Obama was elected and, to be honest, I was un-resolved about his good-natured approach to everything. I thought the attribute that almost lost him the election could cost us the war. See, it’s been shown that it’s in his nature to look for the best in everyone, even if it is not there. For example, he found a pious man in Reverend Jeremiah Wright and he found a justified man in William Ayers. I was scared of what he might find next: a reasonable man in Obama bin Laden.

In some situations, diplomacy isn’t effective in bringing about change. Diplomacy wasn’t effective against Hitler, Stalin or Hussein and it won’t work with terrorists (can we include Almanjianed in that group?).

People don’t answer well to being told what they should and shouldn’t do. However, they often have nothing left to say when the world provides some resistance to their bull.

Obama is trying his hardest to resolve some of the Middle Eastern conflicts, and that deserves applauding. But he will soon find out that politics don’t work as usual.

A few days after the inauguration, the first missile attack on Pakistan under Obama’s administration proved to be a successful one that took out Abu Laith al-Libi, a wanted al Qaeda terrorist. When most people would have been happy, they may have been anxious or they may have been happy, but I was encouraged. I wasn’t encou...
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momentum, crashing three times. "We took to many threes. Actu­ ally it's how we took them. We took too many quick shots," Cal Poly head coach Kevin Brownley said. "We left a couple of free throws out there. The Mustangs made 67 per­ cent of their free throws."

Tina Shelton led the team in reb­ bounds (seven) and assists (four). Cal Poly shot 36 percent from the inside and 23 percent from 3-point range, while Cal State Northridge hit 53 percent from both.

"Staying positive, Bronley point­ ed out that he has seen improve­ ment especially from the bench. "David Hanson is coming along and Bo Hening is giving us some solid minutes."

Former Cal Poly guard Trac­ j Clark was seen rooting for his team sitting the stands. Clark was once the leading scorer for the Mustangs but is no longer allowed to play after he was ruled academically ineligible last month. Since then Thomas' per­ formances have grabbed much at­ tention.

"Chaz is starting to learn what life without Trac Clark is like and is starting to give us some good lead­ ership," Bronley said.

On the flipside Bronley said the Matadors are "starting to learn what life without (Deon) Tresvant is like. Tresvant was Cal State Northridge's leading scorer, but was dismissed from the team after get­ ting arrested in connection with a burglary along with another Mata­ dor player in early January."

Cal Poly returns to action at 7 p.m. Thursday when they visit UC Irvine.

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Mastung sophomore Karin Schleicher won in the 100 Breast and 100 Free with winning times of 1:06.83 and 53.36.

"I just went for it and it's very exciting," Schleicher said. "I think our team got really hyped up and we try to encourage each other and it works pretty well. I try to focus on the technique more than the whole aspect of racing."

The Cal Poly swim teams are not only competing against their opponents, but each other, as well. However, the team camaraderie remains strong.

"There's still that good team en­ vironment where you want (your teammates) to do well," Buck said. "I mean obviously you are competing for yourself, but you want your team as a whole to do re­ ally well."

On the men's side, freshmen Thomas Chaud and Zack Strum­ bell won two races each. Chaud won in the 100 and 200 Breast races, while Strumbell dominated in the 200 Free and 100 Fly.

Other outstanding swimmers include: sophomores Matt Wag­ gner, who won in the 500 and 1000 Free races, and Peter Klein, who had winning times of 1:52.43 and 1:54.77 in the 200 Fly and 200 IM.

"I did pretty well in the 200 Fly. I never swam in the 200 Fly before, so I felt pretty good," Klein said.

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At No. 2, Matzenauer and sopho­ more Amy Markhotf won 8-5 and at No. 3, Malec and junior Diane Filip won 8-6.

The Mustangs have clearly im­ proved as a team this season. Last season they lost to the Matadors 3-4 and the year before they lost 2-5. The Matadors' roster has not changed much this season.

The Matadors dropped to 0-3 with the loss.

The Mustangs face No. 5 Stan­ ford next week. Head coach Hugh Bream is hopeful.

"I feel like the girls have been working really hard and I've seen improvement out of every player on the team," Bream said.

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"Chaz is starting to learn what life without Trac Clark is like and is starting to give us some good lead­ ership," Bronley said.

On the flipside Bronley said the Matadors are "starting to learn what life without (Deon) Tresvant is like. Tresvant was Cal State Northridge's leading scorer, but was dismissed from the team after get­ ting arrested in connection with a burglary along with another Mata­ dor player in early January."

Cal Poly returns to action at 7 p.m. Thursday when they visit UC Irvine.

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The new president held some in­ centive for the players, too, with the customary invitation for the winning team to visit the White House.

With the nation slogging through its worst financial crisis since the Great Depression, there was buzz that America's No. 1 sporting event could be played to empty seats.

Super Bowl or Recession Bowl, some asked.

That it was Pittsburgh vs. Arizona, steel country vs. Sun Belt didn't help. These weren't exactly football's glam­ orous teams.

The game, though, took care of that. By kickoff, the stadium was filled, maybe boosted by Pittsburgh fans who drove down for the weekend looking for tickets.

In the days leading up to the game, hotels had vacant rooms and restaur­ ants had empty tables. A gala at the aquarium hosted by former star War­ ren Sapp dashed the price in half once it started.

Some of the usual trappings were missing, with several big bashers can­ celled, but Super Sunday was still a super show.

Springsteen rocked the house with a four-song set, closing with "Glory Days," OK, so what if those lyrics open with the image of an ag­ ing baseball player? No one minded.
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**Mustangs fall to Cal State Northridge**

Cal Poly sophomore guard Shawn Lewis (23) bounds Cal State Northridge junior forward Kenny Daniels on Sunday night in Mott Gym.

Chris Jagger

**Monday, February 2, 2009**

Cal Poly had a dominating performance at home against the Cal State Northridge Mustangs with a 79-68 victory.

**SCORES**

Cal Poly 79, Cal State Northridge 68

**Tennis**

The Mustangs came into Mott Gym with two consecutive away victories, but were put away by the Matadors led by Josh Jenkins’ 18 points.

Jenkins was one of four Matadors scoring in double-figures.

Cal Poly now has four upcom­ing away games, including a rematch with Cal State Northridge.

The Mustangs looked to take command of the game, a Matador was there two hits.

**Women’s Tennis**

Cal Poly’s sole loss was at No. 1 doubles. Blalock and junior Steffi Wong lost 8-4, which was a surprising result considering the duo was well regarded and seeded at No. 4 in the NorthWest Championships last October.

**Basketball**

The Mustangs fell to Cal State Northridge by a game-high margin of 17 points early in the second half.

Cal Poly senior guard Chaz Thomas had a season high 24 points, including four 3-pointers that started a momentum build up in the first half, but his four were overshadowed by Jenkins’ five.

The entire game was built on that premise when the Mustangs took to command of the game.

**Swimming**

Samantha MacConnell

Students and community members crowded the stands of the Sinsheimer Park swimming pool Saturday to cheer on the Cal Poly men’s and women’s swimming teams as they overwhelmingly defeated the UC Santa Cruz Banana Slugs 183-104 and 170-118.

Cal Poly freshmen Amy Morales, Lucy Buck and Kyle France won two races each on the women’s side.

**Rags to Riches:**

Holmes savors Super Bowl performance

Ben Walker

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — From selling drugs on the street corner to Super Bowl MVP, that’s a story Santonio Holmes will share forever.

In a game that stunningly got better with every play, the Pittsburgh Steelers saved their very best for the end.

Somewhere, Holmes managed to keep his feet planted in the end zone as he pulled in Ben Roethlisberger’s 6-yard touchdown pass with 35 seconds left, and the Steel­ers shocked the Arizona Cardinals 27-23 Sunday for their record sixth Super Bowl championship.

It was a fitting finish to a game of wild swings, a game featuring heroes and zeroes in step with today’s economic times: first the Steelers’ James Harrison, cut by so many teams that he thought of quitting football to be a bus driver, and then Cardinals quarterback Kurt Warner, a former Super Bowl MVP since deemed over the hill by three different teams.

The biggest feel-good story, though, belonged to Holmes.

Earlier this week, he chose this setting to tell the tale of his childhood in poverty-stricken Belle Glade, Fla. The speedy receiver admitted he didn’t need the money for food or to help his family but mostly spent it on shoes and gifts for himself.

He hoped his story would inspire others who have made bad choices at some point along the line.

“I’m pretty sure some kids can get a feel for changing their lives and not doing those type of things, and can get an opportunity to get out of the ghetto, the ‘hood, to be successful,” he said a few days ago.

He couldn’t have found a better stage to deliver his message.

Harrison set the tone for big plays with the longest one in Super Bowl history, a 100-yard ramble with an interception for a TD that closed the first half. Beat up and bruised, the Cardinals called and took the lead 23-20 with a safety and Warner’s 64-yard strike to Larry Fitzgerald with 2:37 remaining.

But Pittsburgh wasn’t through. And the Steelers, who relied all season on a stout defense reminiscent of the Steel Curtain days in the 1970s, won it with offense.

Roethlisberger lobbed a pass over three defenders into the back right corner of the end zone, and Holmes stretched every inch of his 6-foot-11 frame to catch the ball. Officials went to an instant-replay review and confirmed what every Steel­er fan picked up on in Raymond James Stadium already knew — touchdown.

As Bruce Springsteen sang at halftime — Glory Days!

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