Kate McIntyre

Someone complains to the police that their neighbors' backyard is filled with noisy, drunken people throwing ping pong balls and hurling themselves down a Slip N' Slide. A cop hands the host a $100 fine and posts a notice on the front of the house. The party is over.

San Luis Obispo Police Chief Deb Linden is currently developing recommendations on how to handle noise and partying in the city. He said the laws will mean larger fines on party hosts, guests and property owners. The fines are supposed to deter people from hosting large, noisy events, but some question their effectiveness in a college town.

Business administration junior Chris McCarthy said he's on the fence about the issue of noise and partying in San Luis Obispo.

This is a college town and parties happen, he said, but it doesn't mean students shouldn't respect their neighbors.

"We're dealing with a town that's basically divided among college students and senior citizens, which is basically oil and water socially," he said all about respecting the neighbors and college kids don't understand that coming right out of mom and dad's house, and so older neighbors end up the victims," he said.

McCarthy said he thinks the fines will be effective in quieting parties but not decreasing them.

"I've had friends who've had tickets, and they became very careful about who they invited to the rest of their parties and careful of noise, because college students are too broke to be paying $350 plus tickets," he said.

At a city council meeting on Sept. 29, Linden proposed the "unruly gathering ordinance," which fines residents, property owners and contributing guests who host or attend a party that creates a significant disturbance. If an officer thinks the party fits the criteria - 10 or more people gathered on private property who are engaging in unlawful conduct by, for example, being excessively noisy, drunk in public, serving alcohol to minors, fighting or littering - he would disband the crowd and issue citations.

He'd also post a notice stating that any subsequent unruly gatherings at the premises within a defined period of time will mean additional fines to the residents, owners and guests.

Rental property owners would be notified of the posting before being fined for subsequent violations. Owners who show they're working on controlling unmanageable tenants won't be held liable for violations.

UC Santa Barbara and Santa Barbara police crack down on visiting Halloween party-goers

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In addition to parking restrictions on campus, Del Playa Drive and parts of Trigo Road will be closed off to parking in order to curb property damage costs. Residents must move their cars else­where and police will set up different roadblocks around Del Blaya Drive and Trigo Road. Visitors will also not be allowed to park in many area lots, such as those around Calle Real, the Camino Real Marketplace, K-Mart, Girsh Park, University Village Plaza or in local Goleta neighborhoods.

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Many campus parking lots will be closed from Oct. 30 to Nov. 2 in order to steer visitors away from the area. Only UCSB or Santa Barbara Community College students (who must purchase a special permit), faculty and staff will be allowed to access the three open lots that weekend. Night and week permits will not be honored, and UCSB police will be chaining off large parts of campus. Visitors will also not be allowed to park in many area lots, such as those around Calle Real, the Camino Real Marketplace, K-Mart, Girsh Park, University Village Plaza or in local Goleta neighborhoods.

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The University of California, Santa Barbara (UCSB) and Santa Barbara police are cracking down on visitors in Isla Vista on Halloween weekend. The largely student-populated area next to the university is a top destination for students from Cal Poly and all around California looking to party throughout the year, and with Halloween hitting on a Saturday this year, local authorities are expecting about 40,000 to 50,000 people to be in Isla Vista.

Over 250 officers will be patrolling Isla Vista throughout the holiday weekend, Isla Vista Foot Patrol Lt. Brad Olmstead said at a forum on Oct. 20 hosted by Keep It Safe, a UCSB Associated Students campaign for Halloween weekend.

Police and UCSB representatives from most of the UC campuses, Santa Luis Obispo and others as far away as San Diego are coming to help keep the party under control.

"Last time we did 250 arrests and over 600 citations for alcohol citations," Olmstead said in a Daily Nexus article about the forum. "I would love to see that statistic go down. I would like it to be a local event rather than an out-of-town event; the out-of-towners do not respect Isla Vista."

UCSB Associated Students Vice President of Local Affairs Clayton Carson said that nine out of 10 ticket-able offenses in Isla Vista are given to visitors during holiday weekends. Carson, an environmental studies senior, also said that although Keep It Safe is trying to prevent visitors from coming, it is also trying to help visitors know what is going on in an unfamiliar town and inform them on local laws and ordinances.

"It's amazing that we have to do this to prevent people from going off a cliff or getting alcohol poisoning," Carson said. "We're spending millions of dollars just to cover our asses, but we have to make it safe."

Carson said that Associated Students and local authorities have had to look at previous events like this once to create a plan of action since Halloween has not fallen on a Saturday since 1998. For the first time, Carson's office is creating a 10-year long-term plan to deal with party weekends with local authorities.

"Isla Vista has that draw of being a party town," Carson said. "Police haven't figured out how to shut it down, so we have to keep people safe."

According to Carson, many students leave the area during holiday weekends in order to avoid the influx of visitors and police blockades. Locals also like to point out unwitting out-of-towners in the wrong direction when they ask where Del Playa Drive, Isla Vista's main party street, is.

Although the average amount of property damage during holiday weekends is not known, it has gotten so bad that Isla Vista landlords regularly write clauses into leases to prevent their rentals from being destroyed by overzealous partying. Many landlords make it so that students cannot have overnight guests or alcohol in their homes during holiday weekends, Carson said.

Others limit on how many people can be in a residence at a time during specific party-prone dates.

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California-Nevada rivalry heats up, despite Reno’s struggles

Dale Kader

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Massive Baghdad bombing casts doubt on Iraqi security during elections

Mohammed Al Dulaimy and Hannah Allam

A U.S. soldier carries pieces of a car believed to be the bomb that targeted Baghdad provincial council building, Sunday, Oct. 25.

State
SAN LUIS OBISPO, Calif. (MCT) — A woman bid narcotics in her body just before entering the California State Prison, San Luis Obispo to meet an inmate during visiting hours, a report by the county Sheriff’s Department alleges.

Guadalupe Ruiz, a teacher from Los Angeles, admitted to investigators that she was concealing the drugs after she was stopped at the prison during a law enforcement surveillance of her activities on May 17, according to the report.

Ruiz was one of 21 people arrested in June on suspicion of drug trafficking and plans to smuggle narcotics into the prison.

Authorities called the sting "Operation Broken Badge" because some employees of the local prison were allegedly involved.

After pulling her vehicle into the prison parking lot for a visit in May, a Sheriff’s Department narcotics investigator asked Ruiz if she had narcotics or marijuana concealed inside her vagina, and she initially denied it, according to the report.

Detectives had obtained a search warrant for her car and threatened to obtain a second search warrant to conduct a body cavity examination.

SAN JOSE (MCT) — A wind-whipped fire that broke out early Sunday morning has burned 600 acres west of Mount Madonna, in Santa Cruz County, Calif., forcing the evacuation of up to 1,000 households in the area.

The fire has already destroyed one home and two outbuildings, said Jim Crawford, a Cal Fire battalion chief at the emergency command center set up at the Santa Cruz Fairgrounds.

The area burning is the May 400 area, where last year's devastating Summit Fire began.

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National
SEATTLE — A teenager, who two weeks ago turned up in the heart of New York City without remembering her name or where she lives, has been identified as a resident of Washington state.

Detective Brita Nessa, a spokesman with the New York City Police Department (NYPD), confirmed late Saturday the 19-year-old is from Washington and her parents are flying to New York.

Nessa said the teen is in good health but still hasn’t regained her memory. He declined to provide further details about where she’s from in Washington or what happened to her.

The New York Post reported late Saturday that the break in the case came in a call to the NYPD tip hotline from an as-yet-unnamed caller.

... SAN FRANCISCO (MCT) — President Barack Obama called France’s President Nicolas Sarkozy and Russia’s President Dmitry Medvedev on Saturday to discuss a U.N. proposal related to Iran’s nuclear program, according to media reports.

Obama and Sarkozy agreed on their support for the plan proposed by the U.N’s International Atomic Energy Agency, or IAEA, under which Iran would send some of its nuclear material to other countries, such as France and Russia, for processing.

In his talk with Medvedev, Obama thanked Russia for its lead-up to developing the proposal and both leaders agreed that implementation should begin as soon as possible once all parties accept the plan, according to media reports.

The IAEA plan would have Iran send most of its stock of low-enriched uranium to France and Russia for processing into fuel for Tehran’s reactor.

International
JEDDAH, Saudi Arabia (MCT) — A Saudi journalist has been sentenced to 66 lashes for her involvement in the LBC program "Bold Red Line," aired in mid-July, Saleem Al-Bader, the Sawyer representing Mazen Abdul Jawad, the prime offender in the case, told Arab News on Saturday. "The journalist, R.A., the seventh accused in the case, accepted the verdict issued by Judge Muhammad Ammar Mandal of the Jeddah Summary Court. Her acceptance deprives her of the right to appeal," Al-Bader said.

R.A. was accused of being an accomplice to Abdul Jawad who provoked a furor because he boasted on TV about having premarital sex and also provided explicit sexual descriptions and told how to pick up girls and women. His statements have been viewed as publicizing and promoting un-Islamic behavior and violating Saudi social norms on the issues of dating and premarital sex.

... DOHA, Qatar (MCT) — Iran has denied newspaper reports that its officials held secret talks recently with their Israeli counterparts to explore the possibility of Middle East a nuclear-free zone.

The Haaretz on Thursday reported Mirroring's editor, the Israel Atomic Energy Commission, and Al Aghar Soltan, Iran’s ambassador to the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), met several times on Sept. 29 and 30 in Cairo, the Egyptian capital.

But Ali Shariatzad, the spokesman for the Islamic Republic’s atomic energy organization, said there was no truth in the claim.

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The Ministry of Municipalities and public works was targeted in a car bomb in Baghdad, Iraq, Sunday.

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recent years. "The United States will stand with Iraq's people and government as a close friend and partner as Iraq is prepare for elections early next year, continue to take responsibility for their future, and build greater peace and opportunities," President Barack Obama said in a statement that condemned the bombings. Iraq Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki's administration was still reeling from twin truck bombings in August that killed about 100 people outside state offices. Together with Sunday's similar attack, insurgents have now rendered four key government buildings — the ministries of justice, finance, foreign affairs and municipalities — uninhabitable.

Al-Maliki, a Shiite Muslim, released a statement blaming elements of Saddam Hussein's predominantly Sunni Baath Party and militants from al-Qaeda in Iraq for the attack. As of late Sunday, no group had claimed responsibility. A somber al-Maliki visited the scene of Sunday's attacks within hours, perhaps mindful of the criticism he received after he failed for days to tour the site of the August bombings.

Although he remains popular with Iraqis, who consider him a less sectarian figure than some other prominent Shiite political leaders, al-Maliki faces a fearful constellation and security forces that still rely heavily on U.S. military assistance despite security improvements this year. U.S. Marines arrived at the scene of Sunday's attack with Iraq forces, in accordance with a U.S.-Iraq security pact that requires American forces to coordinate with their Iraqi counterparts before getting involved in combat or other operations. Americans at the scene asked Iraqi security guards for surveillance videos from buildings in the area, and investigators took soil samples and crawled off pieces of twisted metal. "The challenge is that we don't own heavy rescue equipment," said Iraq Gen. Abdul Rashid al-Zaidi, the commander of the Baghdad civil defense force, who toured the site. "Secondly it's hard for our men to arrive quickly to the sites of incidents because of checkpoints.

In interviews, residents and workers near the bombing sites said the attacks were politically motivated, reported collisions from the security forces and were intended to bring down the al-Maliki government before the January elections.

"Look at all these checkpoints surrounding us, so how did these cars enter," asked Radhi al-Amoudi, 30. "This government will never protect Iraq. Politicians seek office to live in luxury so it's impossible for this government or the incoming one to protect the country."
Obama declares swine flu outbreak a national emergency in procedural move

Janet Hook  

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama on Saturday declared that a swine flu outbreak is a national emergency, a procedural step designed to allow health care providers to speed treatment and slow the spread of the disease.

The action gives Kathleen Sebelius, Health and Human Services secretary, temporary authority to grant waivers that would expedite treatment of patients, some hospitals are planning to establish separate treatment locations in off-site tents or community centers. But without a waiver of current rules, the hospital may not get federal reimbursement if the facility is too far from the hospital property. Hospitals could also ask for a waiver of paperwork procedures if they are beset by an influx of flu patients. "If there's a surge in patients, you want to be able to put in place more efficient methods of triaging and treating people," Reid Cherlin, a White House spokesman, said. "It's a priority for providers not to have to waste time on the phone with federal managers."

Costs for U.S. project in Afghanistan soar as benefit hyped among officials

Louis Berger Group of New Jersey and Black & Veatch of Kansas, said the price tag would be only $15 million more than expected and $9 million. But the companies acknowledged delays.

"The original target dates were a "best case" schedule," the statement said.

Kohkheith Hanaroon, technical deputy at Afghanistan's Ministry of Energy and Water, said a diesel-fired plant had appeared to be the only alternative at the time because hydro-power would have taken seven years to develop. It was only later that another option emerged: importing electricity from neighboring Tajikistan, which now provides cheaper power to Afghanistan than the plant does.

"It is an urgent need for Kabul city, and the cost of the power is funded through international money," Hanaroon said.

The new plant will use about half as much fuel to produce electricity as an older 45-megawatt facility in Kabul, but Hanaroon said the Afghan engineer said it wasn't backup power but provided both summer and winter.

He declined to comment on the quality and cost of the two companies' work overall, however, referring a reporter to the U.S. government. "It is difficult for us to assess how they have done their work, good or bad."

The plant, near a sprawling industrial park, is part of a five-year $1.4 billion contract to build many of the roads and energy projects that now are under way in Afghanistan. The USAMID awarded it jointly to the two U.S.-based companies in 2006.

Like Halliburton, which by some estimates saw more than $10 billion in Iraq reconstruction contracts, Louis Berger Group and Black & Veatch received a so-called "cost-plus contract," which reimburses costs and pays a percentage of costs.

At the time, U.S. officials thought that cost-plus was the best way to encourage two major companies to take on the risks of overseeing a wide range of complex projects in a region in which expenses and security are difficult to predict.

Carl Iham, a senior public affairs representative for Louis Berger Group, said the company has "enjoyed doing projects in Afghanistan and has been pleased with the results."

For representing Afghanistan's budding energy independence, emergency rooms to treat potential flu victims apart from other patients.

Administration officials said the move was not made because of any particular troubling developments, but as a pre-emptive measure to ensure that the tools are ready for a quick response.

"The potential exists for the pandemic to overwhelm health care resources in some localities," the White House proclamation said. "Thus, in recognition of the continuing progression of the pandemic, and in further preparation as a nation, we are taking additional steps to protect the American people." According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 46 people have died in the United States so far this year from the swine flu, also known as H1N1. Since the outbreak of the virus in April, there have been more than 20,000 hospitalizations from laboratory-confirmed infections, and more than 1,000 deaths.

The declaration is the second step in the government's response effort. In late April, HHS declared a public health emergency, which allowed the government to release antiviral medications from federal stockpiles to states that might need them.

The national emergency declaration allows Sebelius, on a case-by-case basis, to waive federal rules governing routine medical operations if requested by doctors or hospitals.

For example, to isolate infected patients, some hospitals are planning to establish separate treatment locations in off-site tents or community centers. But without a waiver of current rules, the hospital may not get federal reimbursement if the facility is too far from the hospital property. Hospitals could also ask for a waiver of paperwork procedures if they are beset by an influx of flu patients. "If there's a surge in patients, you want to be able to put in place more efficient methods of triaging and treating people," Reid Cherlin, a White House spokesman, said. "It's a priority for providers not to have to waste time on the phone with federal managers."

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Kara Dimitriou

Monday, October 26, 2009

Author questions the concept of rights during Constitution Day speech in PAC

In his lecture, Bedi presented two serious case studies to prove his principle: same sex marriage and abortion.

In the discussion of same sex marriage, he expressed the thought that those who are gay fight for equal rights. "We do best not to speak in the language of rights, rather we ought to limit democratic debate and secure liberty by rejecting rights," Bedi said. Both believe that rights are not a proper way to rationalize laws. He argued that reason provide better grounds for democratic deliberation.

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ASI haunted house looks to frighten students

Leticia Rodriguez

Foggy graveyards, twisted labyrinths and dark dungeons are just some of the frightening treats Associated Student Inc. (ASI) hopes to scare students with in their first haunted house tomorrow night.

ASI Special Events Student Supervisor Courtney Serapis said that even though she's terrified of haunted houses, she's looking forward to showing the students what ASI has to offer.

"I want them to see that ASI can bring events to the campus that are new and fun," she said. "I want people to walk out and be like: 'That was really cool. I'm glad I came tonight.' Everyone here at ASI is really excited about it. It’ll be a good little scare here and there."

ASI Program Coordinator Misi Bullock said that it’s the unknown that makes people so frightened. The event is free for students with a Cal Poly ID and $10 for the community and will only take place Tuesday in the Chumash Auditorium from 8 p.m. to midnight.

"If it's dark, you can't see what's going to happen; and it's that surprise," she said.

One of the creatures of the night people can expect to see is the grim reaper, the large, hooded representation of death. City regional planning junior Brian Spannute will be dressed as the grim reaper and said he can’t wait to scare students. More than that, he’s glad to see a Halloween alternative being made available to students.

"It's the first year they're doing it, and I'm really excited to be a part of it," he said. "I think it's great that they're putting something out to students that aren’t as concerned with partying and just want to have a good time and celebrate Halloween. I really hope it goes well."

There is no age limit to attend the event, and ASI is requiring that no one wear a costume. The event is free for students with a Cal Poly ID and $10 for the community and will only take place Tuesday in the Chumash Auditorium from 8 p.m. to midnight.

In Jane Austen’s "Persuasion," the main character asserts "that it was the misfortune of poetry, to be seldom safely enjoyed by those who enjoyed it completely." I don’t know that I agree entirely, but when it comes to the emotional Holocaust of a break-up album like Former Ghost’s "Flour" it’s probably best to keep yourself a few feet away from total identification with the despair on display.

Former Ghosts started out as the solo project of Freddy Ruppert. He had no intention to release music after retiring his Song is a Mess But So Am I moniker but then heartache took a big old messy shit everywhere.

After a rather devastating break-up he began to work on this collection of emotionally distressing songs that detail the sort of overwhelming emotions we all have when forcibly becoming single. Initially conceived as little more than an artistic break-up mixtape, Ruppert pulled his project into a band consisting of himself, Nika Roza (Zola Jesus) and Jamie Stewart (Xiu Xiu).

On "Flowers," the band manages to rescue overwrought break-up despair from emo music and Bright Eyes and return it rightfully to the throne of Joy Division’s late vocalist Ian Curtis. To be honest, telling someone you are near suicidal over your heartache is only works when you’ve got the true ability to pack some heavy weight behind it.

Emotionally, this album lives up by being heavy as fuck — layers of reverb that supposedly play for seven full years when swung together, many abstractions tearing into your soul and vocal range that can truly express the overpowering immensity of sadness.

The album closes with one of the most obliterating triple punch­es I’ve heard in the past few years. Roza leads the band through "The Bull and the Ram," a blistering call for honesty in the end of a relationship with calls of "Tell me the truth" eventually erupting in "Speak louder, damn your heart." Ruppert follows with "Hello Again," a please-just-wait tear-jerker that eventually gives way to the final track, "This is My Last Goodbye."

The final track is a true emotional trainwreck that, on paper, looks like little more than middle-school goth poetry. Ruppert chokes out, "It's ok, everything dies," only to give way to Roza’s report for a more "I’m not going to love you like I love you." Yeah, it sounds a little overly hysterical, but the performers manage to capture what we actually do say these things in that moment when being nuanced has totally escaped us.

So, what does it mean to completely enjoy the album? Ruppert, recently entirely separated from the female who inspired the album, just sprang out on tour to sing about the exact emotions every night. His wanderings have been covered by bandmate Jamie Stewart for the sex and entertainment blog Nerve. So far, Ruppert has managed to lay on a bartender’s "pass-puss" while tequila is poured on his face, have sex in a car outside of a waffle house, mail a copy of the album to his ex, puke on a stripper mid-lap dance and realize that "the solution to pain is drugs."

The band hits San Luis Obispo on Oct. 30. They will be playing at the SLO Art Center with Maga Fingers and Secret Tones.

Graham Culbertson is an English graduate student, a KCPR DJ and a "Hipster Bullshit" contributing columnist.

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you are the only one around, then are you obliged to save the person? Bedi brings in the point that there are only six states with forced Good Samaritan laws - and, for not being a Good Samaritan in Vermont is a mere fine of $100. He asks, then why is abortion looked at differently?

Bedi closed his lecture with words from Alexander Hamilton, who objected to having a Bill of Rights in No. 84 of the Federalist Papers. Hamilton felt that rights were things that were granted by kings and not needed in a democracy. If you have reasons, you should not be confined to rights.

"This lecture was great," Dr. Bedi is very knowledgeable and brought up some important points. It is a debatable matter, but he argued it well. It makes you think in a different way," Bade Hassam, an environmental horoscopes science senior said. Political science senior Erin Mel­lon agreed, adding that this is a topic that most people only look at in one way.

"I thought it was interesting. It flips what you originally thought into a whole new concept," she said.

The lecture was presented by Dr. Soma Bedi’s book, "Rejecting Rights," is now available.
Wal-Mart and the high cost of 'cheap'

Ellen Ruppel Shell

A few weeks ago, a busy day of high-ratio conversations took place at the Manhattan offices of the Center for American Progress. The purpose of the day was to help the Center's president, Neera Tanden, and his staff to articulate a strategy for the organization's political work in the months ahead. The center, a policy think tank that has become a key player in Democratic politics, is now facing a critical challenge: how to translate its considerable expertise on public policy into an effective political agenda amid a potentially stiff challenge from the Republican Party.

The day started with a breakfast meeting with officials from the White House and then moved on to a series of small group discussions on various policy issues. The topics included health care, education, immigration, and energy. The discussions were lively and intense, with participantsfrom both the Center and the White House sharing their views and ideas.

The Center's staff has been working closely with the Obama campaign in recent months, and the goal of the day was to build on that relationship and help to shape the center's strategy for the coming months. The center's president, Neera Tanden, has been a frequent advisor to the campaign and has been involved in many of its key policy decisions.

The discussions at the Manhattan offices were part of a broader effort by the Center to develop a unified message and strategy for the upcoming election. The center is facing a significant challenge, as the Republican Party is expected to mount a strong challenge to the Democrats' hold on Congress and the White House. The center's leadership is aware of the stakes and is working hard to ensure that the organization's policy work is translated into effective political action.

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Men's soccer tied for Big West top spot

Tim Miller

Cal Poly men's soccer is still tied for first place in the Big West Conference after a win Saturday over Cal State Northridge.

Both teams get off to a slow start with a scoreless first half. Cal Poly head coach Paul Ho-lischer said his players were lacking energy early in the game.

"In the first half, we were second to a lot of balls," he said. "We didn't have good movement!"

Cal Poly notched their first goal of the match in the 60th minute with a header by David Zimora from a cross from Chris Gaschen. Holischer credited Gaschen, a second half substitute, with giving the Mustangs a boost in their play.

"In the second half, we put a freshman, Chris Gaschen, in who gave us a little bit of a spark. He had some energy up top," he said.

A run by Zimora a minute later resulted in a penalty kick and two yellow cards to Northridge players.

Zimora said that he had been frustrated going into the match because he hadn't scored in a while.

"As a forward, you need to score to build confidence, and my first goal gave me that," he said. "The second goal came after a good run. I saw that the guy was not running as hard as he should, the defender, so I just went for the ball, and luckily I was able to draw the PK."

Zimora took the penalty kick himself and put the ball past Michael Abu, the Northridge goalie, for a two-goal lead.

The second hat trick in two weeks was completed in the 73rd minute by Zimora. The goal came off a rebound after a shot by Gaschen. This was Zimora's first career hat trick and only the seventh in school history. Zimora's hat trick comes 10 days after junior Burgos scored his own hat trick against Cal State Fullerton.

The Mustangs goals continued in the 74th minute with a goal by Cameron Sinn off of a free kick right outside the box.

There was a scuffle initiated by a Northridge player after the goal that resulted in the Mustang's Brain Jones receiving a red card. Jones had received a yellow card earlier in the match for a dangerous challenge.

Cal Poly captain Josh Didion said even though they were down a player they did not want to be tuned.

"We had to keep pressing. We didn't want to sit in too much," he said.

Northridge player Chad Barak received a red card after a Northridge shot in the 80th minute; the reason for the red card was unclear. Whatever the reason, Northridge head coach Terry Dangella was not happy and received a red card of his own for running on the field.

Next Wednesday the Mustangs will take on University of California, Riverside, which is struggling this year with only one win on the season and none in the Big West Conference. Cal Poly will then travel to UC Davis, whom the Mustangs already beat this season.

"Every Big West team is a must-win. Our goal is obviously to win conference and go to the playoffs, and in order to do that, we need to win out," Smith said.

Cal Poly will have a conference battle against North Dakota in the Aresus Center this Saturday. Kickoff is set for 2 p.m.
Quarterback Tony Smith passed for over 100 yards and tallied four total touchdowns against Dixie State in Alex G. Spanos stadium Saturday.