Wakeboarding club kicked off campus

Michael Townsend, electrical engineering senior and former member of CPWBC is shown hitting the wake at Lake Nacimiento.

Due to high risk liability and possible involvement in hosting a Halloween party, CPWBC had its privileges revoked.

Christina Joslin
MUSTANG DAILY

The Cal Poly Wakeboarding Club was recently kicked off campus and is no longer able to hold a booth in the University Union or affiliate itself with the university.

CPWBC had its privileges revoked as a university-affiliated club because members violated the bylaws held within the club's charter.

"Essentially, the wakeboard club was asked not to promote organized activities off campus due to the nature of the sport and its risk to the members," assistant director for programs Dan Connott said. "Administration recently discovered that the club's Web site directly violates this bylaw."

At the end of spring 2004, CPWBC was informed that in charter was not going to be renewed due to the high-risk liability of the club.

"We were told that our sport was too dangerous," said Lindsey Gross, agricultural business and viticulture senior and activities director for CPWBC. "So, we sat down over summer and reworked our bylaws and reorganized the club to meet the university's standards."

In essence, under in new charter, CPWBC was able to hold meetings on campus to discuss wakeboarding, but no scheduled trips to the lake were to be made with the club as a whole.

The second violation made by the club was during Halloween. On Oct. 30, there was a party on O'Connor Street with more than 1,000 people attending with a total of 17 kegs; director of Student Life and Leadership Ken Barclay said.

"We discovered, from an outside source, that the party was co-hosted by the Cal Poly Wakeboarding Club," Barclay said. "This creates a problem due to underage drinking, having no third party vendor for the alcohol and no security guards."

The party was broken up by the San Luis Obispo Police Department leaving hundreds of people walking the streets.

"As a whole, CPWBC was never associated with the Halloween party," said Jason Adamson, indicated technology senior and president of CPWBC.

"A few club members were friends with the home owner and helped keep the party under control. Actually, the sheriff's even took pictures with some of us because they were impressed by how well the party was controlled and how quickly we got people out." CPWBC considers itself to be a club more about friendship than about anything else.

"At least 80 percent of my friends come from the club," business junior and activities director Chris Arena said. "We love going camping together, playing mud football, having bonfires at the dunes and taking our boats to the derm."
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Most of the original mission bells dotting El Camino Real — more than 400 of them — were stolen.

John Kolodz, the Saratoga mortgagor broker who owns the project, announced his candidacy for the California Department of Transportation is finishing a two-month-long project to install 559 replicas of the mission bells. The 79 original bells already in place were reinforced or replaced. The $1.24 million project was financed primarily through a federal grant.

Westlake Village-based TDS Engineering was hired to install the bells, including 56 in Ventura County, and the last of 59 bells in Los Angeles County will be installed by today.

REDWOOD CITY — In testimony occasionally marked by tears, Dr. Janei Peterson testified, including when she told jurors about the first time she met Laci.

"She was just bubbly and fun and energetic and beautiful," she testified, while Scott Peterson's mother and sister also sobbed in the gallery.

"The defendant, who maintained a stoic presence through much of the five-month-long guilt phase of the trial, also appeared to cry when Janei Peterson tearfully recalled a pair of "fuzzy bear slipppers" she gave her as a gift one Christmas.

WASHINGTON — President Bush said Thursday that Iraq's elections must not be delayed from their scheduled date of Jan. 30, rejecting calls from more than a dozen political parties there to postpone them until security at the polls can be ensured.

"It's time for Iraqi citizens to go to the polls," Bush told reporters. "It's a start of a meeting with Nigerian President Olusegun Obasanjo.

WASHINGTON — A horn-like patch that works to restore a woman's sex drive should not be approved until additional studies to determine in risk, federal health advisers said Thursday. The advisers said they were uninformed with the number of women studied so far as well as the length of the studies.
‘Tis the season for easy gift ideas

Nicole Stivers  
MUSTANG DAILY

‘Want to know the secret to getting gifts for everyone on that holiday list without breaking the bank? It’s the thought that counts. The price tag of a gift is not important to most people. Family and friends are much more appreciative of a gift that shows a little thought and effort.

The most important thing to remember when giving someone a gift is to think about what interests them. Does the person like to listen to music, cook, watch movies or pamper themselves? (Gift buying is easy with a theme in mind. Still don’t know what to get for your mom, brother, significant other or roommate? Here are some ideas to get those wheels turning.

The computer can be used to create a one-of-a-kind calendar. Personalize the gift by adding pictures for each month and important dates, like birthdays and anniversaries.

If you have a collection of photographs to choose from, give your friend a disposable camera and an album to put the photographs in, once they are developed. Frames and albums can be purchased at craft and discount stores.

Undoubtedly there is someone on your list who enjoys cooking or baking. Create a themed recipe collection. Pick one type of food or ingredient they like, such as brownies or garlic. Search cookbooks and Internet Web sites for a variety of recipes featuring their favorite fixings.

Make it even easier for the food-lover by providing them with cookies-in-a-jar or a meal-in-a-basket. For cookies or other baked goods, collect all of the dried ingredients and layer them in a mason jar. Attach the baking instructions and list of required wet ingredients. For ready to cook meals, collect items such as a package of pasta, a jar of sauce, focaccia bread mix and a bottle of wine and place them into a decorative basket.

Magazine subscriptions are an easy and inexpensive gift. Many companies offer discounted rates online. Since magazines take six to eight weeks for delivery, wrap up a current issue and attach a card letting the receiver know what they will be getting in the mail.

A great theme basket for any woman is a pamper kit. Purchase sample sizes of lotions, bath gels and add votive candles, chocolate and a loofah. For a caffeine lover, include a coffee mug, gourmet coffee packs and chocolate-covered espresso beans. If someone on your list enjoys movies, include a certificate for a movie rental, microwave popcorn, soda and their favorite candy.

If you really cannot afford to spend any money at all, there are still things you can give as gifts. Write cards to all of your friends and family telling them how much they mean to you. If you are not into being mushy, suggest a holiday swap party. Ask everyone to bring things they have not used in a few months and everyone can take turns choosing what they like.

Remember, it is the thought, not the price tag, that counts.

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A dark and entertaining ‘Dream’

Louise Dolly

Goodbye America. Hello absurdity. The student-run production of Edward Albee’s “The American Dream” opened Thursday in the Blackbox Theatre on campus and it makes a mockery of American society in a black comedy featuring characters such as an 86-year-old grandma and a cross-dresser.

Set in the 1950s, the play follows five characters: Mommy (Katie Hunter), Daddy (Ben Payer), Grandma (Dickie Copeland), Mrs. Barker (Chris Farley Elleo) and Mike Matzke as the young man.

Mommy and Daddy are a generic couple in a sexless, dysfunctional marriage where Mommy is constantly challenging Daddy’s masculinity and belittling his role as “man of the house.” To Mommy, he is her puppet she can control and blame as she pleases. “We (American society) are falling apart. I’d like to think of this play as optimistic and that we can catch ourselves and get out of this, that we do have a chance. This message in the play is subtle so people can come to their own conclusions.”

Everything in the play is symbolic. From the costumes and set design to the seemingly nonsensical dialogue, “The American Dream” asks the audience to consider their own lives and find humor in the absurdity of reality. “In the play, like in life, almost anything goes,” Pohl said. “Things happen for no reason.”

The play challenges audiences to search for satisfaction and not chase the ideals of the American Dream since they are based on status and power, rather than personal values or true happiness. “The American Dream” continues its run tonight and Saturday at 8 p.m. in the Music Building room 212. Tickets are $6 for students and $7 for general admission and can be reserved by calling 801-4561.

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Here are the Top 10 selling songs in the United Kingdom for the week: Download something you don’t recognize and you might be the first to hear tomorrow’s hit.

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5. Nelly & Christina – “Til Ya Head Back”
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7. Eminem – “Just Lose It”
8. Gwen Stefani – “What You Waiting For”
10. Shania Twain – “Party For Two”

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The Cardigans
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A better booze: holiday survival tips

As the holiday season approaches, we know dreams of sugarplums (or rum and diet Coke) are in your head, but maybe not sugarplums — but how about some eggnog! With a whopping 200 calories per 12 oz serving, this delicious treat is bound to pack on the pounds. Here are four tips to keep your belly from jiggling like a bowl full of jelly this holiday season.

1. Set your limit. Before you go down that “occasional” Christmas spirit (no pun intended) decide how many drinks you really want to have. Remember, alcoholic beverages are loaded with calories and sugar (7 calories per gram compared to 4 calories per gram found in protein or carbohydrate foods). If you’re planning on eating a feast, you might want to reconsider that second, or third, cocktail. In addition, the more alcohol you consume the more hungry you feel. That’s because alcohol increases appetite and speeds up digestion, which in turn increases calorie and healthy fat. Snack on whole-wheat crackers and cheese or peanut butter and jelly on whole wheat bread. This will help prevent overeating and minimize cravings for high-fat party foods.

2. Cut the calories. It is possible to drink wisely when you’re watching calories, although a little planning is involved. For instance, stock up on low-cal or calorie-free mixers to whip up drinks such as vodka and club soda, rum and Diet Coke or gin and diet tonic. Try cutting your wine serving in half and make up the difference with club soda to create a refreshing wine spritzer. Better yet, fake it. Order a non-alcoholic drink that looks like the real thing. For example, order club soda to create a refreshing wine spritzer. Better yet, fake it. Order a non-alcoholic drink that looks like the real thing. For example, order club soda to create a refreshing wine spritzer. Better yet, fake it. Order a non-alcoholic drink that looks like the real thing. For example, order club soda to create a refreshing wine spritzer. Better yet, fake it. Order a non-alcoholic drink that looks like the real thing. For example, order club soda to create a refreshing wine spritzer.

3. Eat before you drink. If you imbibe on an empty stomach, the alcohol will be absorbed into your bloodstream more quickly and the liquor will go straight to your weight, food intake, menstruation or the presence of prescription drugs. By-products of fermentation that provide unique flavor and aroma to alcohol, known as congeners, contribute to hangovers. The more congeners present, the more severe the hangover. In order of significance, the worst hangovers come from brandy, red wine, rum, whisky.

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Shopping mall security guards are being trained to spot suicide bombers

Matt Apuzo
ASSOCIATED PRESS

MANCHESTER, Conn. — In a shopping mall outside Hartford, past the Abercrombie & Fitch and the cell phone kiosks, tucked away by the Barnes & Noble, a conference room full of security guards is learning how to spot suicide bombers.

They are being taught blunt patterns and behavior profiles, how a bomb is packaged and how a bomber is recruited.

Suburban shopping mall security guards are receiving the type of training that just a few years ago was reserved for the Israeli police and the U.S. military.

"If they're carrying a bag, look for that white-knuckle grip ... They're carrying that package and they're holding onto it for dear life," Patrick Chagnon, a Connecticut State Police detective and national counterterrorism instructor, told his class of 10 students at the Shoppes at Buckland Hills mall buds with holiday shoppers carrying bags and boxes of all sizes.

Chagnon's students are also told to watch for people wearing oversized clothes, and are instructed to make eye contact with shoppers and look for either extremely focused people or those who won't return a look. Another tip—terrorists often read instructions aloud before carrying out a suicide bombing, he says.

Around the country, enrollment in these suicide bombing classes has increased in the past year, and the students include not just elite SWAT team members, but also local patrol officers and private security forces.

"Everyone has an obligation to be a soldier in this war," Connecticut Homeland Security Director John Buttril said.

In Israel, mall security guards, bus drivers and hotel managers are added eyes and ears for the police. That is what state and federal officials are trying to build in the United States.

In New York City, apartment doormen and supers are being trained to be on the lookout for cars or trucks that are parked outside for a long time; for anyone who takes pictures of the building or lingers too long outside; and for new tenants who move in with little or no furniture.

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Cal Poly students, coaches and athletes give their two cents on the recent NBA fan-player fight involving Ron Artest and others

Christina Joslin
MUSTANG DAILY

On Nov. 19, Ron Artest, Jermaine O'Neal and Stephen Jackson of the Indiana Pacers created a hideous display with a number of fans at the Detroit Pistons — Indiana Pacers game at the Palace in Auburn Hills.

After a short run-in with Ben Wallace of the Detroit Pistons, Artest lay on the scorers table before a cup was thrown at him. Along with Jackson, Artest bolted into the stands and traded punches with some of the fans.

Ever since, a media storm has surrounded the issue of fan-player interaction and the right response to such a situation. Cal Poly students and athletes have been suspended for a number of games. Artest will lose almost $5 million.

"Artest could be millions of kids' idol and now look what it does to his image as a player and as a person," Voss said. "I think it is right for him to be out for the season and lose millions of dollars because he needs to learn his lesson and know that fighting with fans is no way to act in the game of basketball."

Just a few days after Artest's display of aggression, he was smiling and laughing on the Today Show. He even managed to mention the upcoming release of his new CD.

"Nowadays, players are more worried about their attitude and huge bank rolls," said Shuan Hart, business senior and intramural sports supervisor. "It's not about the game anymore. Players have to keep a certain composure, no matter what the circumstances are. They are really hurting the integrity of the game."

— SHUA HART

That ongoing search has not yet turned up a result, but it has finally turned up a qualified candidate that will be seriously considered for the job and called his wife.

One of the harshest non-drug related penalties in NBA history was a one-year suspension of Latrell Sprewell in 1997, which was later reduced to 68 games, for choking Golden State Warriors coach P.J. Carlesimo at practice.

In addition, Dennis Rodman was suspended for 11 games for kicking a court-side cameraman in the groin and six games for head-butting a referee.

"Players need to stop being so cocky," Hart said. "They should be there for the love of the sport, not just to get a little publicity."

Ron Artest is held back after moving into the crowd to fight a fan that threw a beer bottle at him. Since, Artest has been suspended for the remaining of the season. Other players who participated were suspended.

Holton's giving it another try

Brian J. Lambdin
MUSTANG DAILY

For more than a year the Cal Poly athletic department has been searching for a new athletic director. That ongoing search has not yet turned up a result, but it has finally turned up a qualified candidate that will be seriously considered for the job.

Steve Holton, the first real candidate that Cal Poly has acknowledged, is being considered for the job and appeared at an open forum Thursday to answer questions about himself and make the case for why he would be a good choice for the athletic director.

Holton, a 12-year veteran of the Cal Poly athletic department, has worked in a variety of capacities since his arrival in 1984. Holton has worked in the athletic department at Long Beach State. When he came to Cal Poly in 1992, he served as intramural sports supervisor.

Under his administration, graduation rates for athletes went up from 38 percent to 66 percent. The money the school raised for athletics also went up. When Holton arrived, the school was grossing just 20 percent of its own income and by the time he left the school it was providing 40 percent of its own income.

The quality of athletics on the field also improved during Holton's time at Northern Arizona. During his 10-year tenure his team won 44 Big Sky Championships and had numerous NCAA playoff appearances. Holton also had influence during his time at Long Beach State. He helped initiate and gather funds for the project that built the Pyramid, the arena that houses many of Long Beach State athletic events.

Holton is in favor of random drug testing.

When asked about the situation at Cal Poly, Holton said "The future is really bright."