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Key West's Fantasy Fest 'festive' Nudes Endure Arrests

By Shirley Mason

Police continued to bear down on the Fantasy Fest nudity, busting a number of women and at least one man for wearing only a hat and a small covering for his privates.

Although the Key West Police Department described the crowd as "mellow," officers stayed busy late Wednesday and early Thursday controlling the throngs of Fantasy Fest



revelers and making about 40 arrests.

More than 20 people, mostly women, were arrested in nudity related incidents, said police spokeswoman Cynthia Edwards.

As an example, an Ormond Beach (FL) man was arrested for disorderly conduct after police say he was seen by "women and children wearing a large penis on his head."

Sgt. John Hardy said the 54 year-old man was also carrying a cardboard sign that said "Will Flash for Bucks."

Others arrested by Hardy:

- A 45-year-old South Bend, Indiana woman caught exposing her right breast for photographers;
- A 51-year-old Sarasota woman for "shaking her breasts by bouncing up and down";
- A 30-year-old Delray Beach woman for shaking her breasts which the officer captured on a floppy disc from a digital camera;
- A 50-year-old Charleston, SC woman who works in Key West as a hostess, for showing her breasts for beads;
- A 46-year-old Kentucky woman who works as an officer manager in Marysville, Ohio for pulling her blouse down and exposing her right breasts;

- A 27-year-old Connecticut woman, employed in Boca Raton as a makeup artist, for exposing her breasts in public and "reaching to expose her crotch";

- A 51-year-old Tennessee psychologist for "flashing her breasts to the public for beads";

- A 33-year-old Virginia cost-analyst for showing her breasts after Hardy asked her to stop. "She walked five feet away and did it again," he said.

- A 24-year-old Pacific, Washington, cosmetic saleswoman for exposing her crotch in public to a large crowd;

- A 20-year-old California saleswoman for exposing her genitals to a crowd;

- A 28-year-old Lake Worth waitress for exposing her breasts;

Men arrested included:

- A 19-year-old Ohio foreman for exposing his genitals as he walked down the street;

- A 30-year-old Guyana resource manager for showing what Lt. Al Flowers described as "a real looking plastic penis coming out of his pants";

- A 34-year old Englishman for holding his genital in his hand for "photographers." ✨