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BOARDWALK: Project needs residents' approval

Dole victory in S.C. has some calling nomination his to lose

By John King Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Bob Dole's big South Carolina victory brought no instant surrenders in the Republican presidential race. But as Steve Forbes, Pat Buchanan and others battled on Sunday, their words betrayed a sense of inevitability if Dole is not derailed in the GOP's defining week ahead.

With eight primaries Tuesday and another on Thursday in New York, time is on Dole's side; rivals can't campaign everywhere against the revived front-runner, nor is there much time for any new advertising to take hold.

And with so many states in play at once — and a bunch more on the following Tuesday — the establishment support Dole can count on from governors, senators and others should prove an invaluable asset, as it did Saturday in South Carolina.

Senator Dole has enormous depth across the country," House Speaker Newt Gingrich said in an interview. And there's more to come: Texas Gov. George W. Bush could endorse Dole as early as Wednesday, providing a boost for that state's giant March 12 primary.

Gingrich talking about the presidential race at all, while Bush moves toward backing a candidate, was vivid proof of how South Carolina had changed the nomination calculus.

Dole was knocked from his place as front-runner two weeks ago by a showing of how South Carolina had changed the nomination calculus.

Dole's showing was a breakthrough but was running third.

Even as Buchanan vowed to contest the race, Dole's cultural conservatism, he was thinking about to the Gop convention in San Diego. He warned that his supporters would abandon the Republican Party if a Dole-led ticket changed the anti-abortion platform plank.

"If he has the kind of week he is capable of, at that point it becomes his to lose," said Gingrich, who said he wasn' t endorsing Dole but was eager for the party to settle on an often abrasive nominating contest.

An emboldened Dole was in no mood to cater to Buchanan. On ABC's "This Week with David Brinkley," he said he wasn't interested in Colin Powell — who supports abortion rights — along with others for the No. 2 spot on his ticket. "I don't have a litmus test for my selection if I'm the nominee," Dole said.

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This commentary is meant to be read by every male student at Cal Poly. So all of you men, make sure all of your friends of the same sex take a look at this. If you are a female, don’t overreact to what I’m about to say.

This letter is not a prediction of the future, but a warning to my male peers. No one is realizing it, but the power of women is rising and rising every day. So if we don’t remain strong (educationally), we may see women start climbing to the top. And once they’re at the top, over men, they can do some real damage.

Women are pissed off at every man on this planet for how our forefathers treated them, and even some men still today. They want revenge and now they have the power to ruin males in this society.

This first occurred to me when I was sitting in a class group discussion, consisting of four girls and two guys. The discussion was mainly led by the girls, while us guys sat back “lost in space.” They intelligently comprehended the question and came up with the correct solution together. I was amazed how efficiently worked together and showed their knowledge of the work, while the other guy didn’t show any kind of interest in what was going on. This was my first indication of my high school graduation. I was sitting up on the stage, and I thought that I was the only one who gave 100 percent effort. But I was also sitting at the front of the class, and the girls were sitting in the back. Now I really understand it.

What’s really inspiring about this is every song I did was my own. It’s one thing to be able to do cover songs, but it feels great to have such a warm reaction to your own work. I’d like to call it a “ Uberrama,” by The Innocence Mission to everyone who gave me the encouragement to show up and perform that night.

Know-it-alls, parking and jobs

Editor

I am annoyed with those students who sit in the back of the class and try to challenge the teacher by as­ king 100 questions. And on those days when the teacher is actually going to let us out 15 minutes early, she doesn’t because that one student continues to ask ques­tions.

The two or three students that always sit behind me in my lecture classes and talk or giggle the entire time the teacher is talking and I cannot hear a word that is being said, and the students behind me could care less.

When I spend two hours in the career services office trying to find a job and have all the employers’ phone numbers, I contact them and they all tell me that the position has been filled.

When I have been driving up and down every row in the parking lot and I finally see a spot with brake lights and I assume the car is pulling out, so I wait five minutes for the person to back up, but he ends up not even leaving and doesn’t bother to let me know that.

Michelle Nicole Briones Business freshman

False love

Editor

Very few things annoy me more than a couple saying “I love you” to each other, when they hardly even know each other. He says it to get her to have sex, and she says it to justify having sex. It’s really that simple; and it’s awfully pathetic.

Eric Carino is a computer science freshman.
The program also educates students and faculty about issues involving feral and domestic cats. The program urges students not to smuggle cats into the dorms and warns people that abandoning cats, or any animal, is inhumane and a violation of the law.

Dale Smith, the veterinarian at Cal Poly's veterinary clinic, believes the feral cat program allows his students to gain valuable experience that can help those who wish to pursue a career in veterinary medicine. Greg Marsolais, an animal science senior and volunteer at the clinic, said the program helps students determine if they want a career with animals. "Students will either really like it, or really hate it," he said.

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Tourney loss closes door on season

By Remi Sklor
Daily Staff Writer

For some, Cal Poly's 71-66 loss to Sacramento State in the American West Conference tournament Friday ended the pain. Head Coach Karen Becker put a dismal 5-22 season behind her and can now look toward the future, forgetting her inaugural season as a Division-I head coach.

For others, the Mustangs' final loss dug the nail ever deeper.

Senior Kelly Hoffman, who played in her last game and finished with eight points and eight rebounds, could not contain the tears. After the game, she was almost too choked up to say anything.

"I think it takes a lot of effort for a team to stick together," Hoffman said.

Undoubtedly, it has been tough for Cal Poly. The Mustangs only strung two wins once in their season.

Cal Poly entered the game splitting the two games this season with Sacramento State (10-18) this year. Some said the tournament game was a toss up. But this game conjured images like all the other losses Cal Poly endured this season.

Turnovers and poor shooting plagued the Mustangs once again.

"We've had a tough time with turnovers all season," Booker said.

"I'm so proud of how this team played every night out," Ogas said.

"The effort was there," Bevien said. "Going into halftime we were all really juiced."

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"It was a great job," said Smith. "We just have to continue to work hard, and continue to grow," Schneider said. "Which we will do.""We played with a lot of intensity and teamwork," Rafal said. "It felt like we were playing because we really came together.""After the long-weekend tournament away, the team was glad to be back playing at Cal Poly.

"It felt good to win on our home field," Ogas said.

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BASKETBALL: Cal Poly guards Shanta Cotright and Ben Larson earned AWC All-Tournament Team honors after Saturday's game, along with Abie Ramirez of Sacramento State, Trenton Cross of Northridge and Crosbie and Gaines of Southern Utah.

Cal Poly senior guard Kellie Hoffman scored eight points and grabbed eight rebounds in her last career game against Sacramento State during the AWC Tournament Friday / Daily photo by Dawn Kalmar

Powerful swings straight through the ball, strong pitches right over the plate and incredible catches.

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"The wins can be attributed to overall great softball, said Head Coach Lisa Boyer.
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SPORTS

Bittersweet Ending

The champagne bottles remained sealed for the men's basketball team. But, in the toll you, they bubbled all year long.

An amazing turnaround that grabbed nationwide attention from ESPN and the Los Angeles Times eased the loss of the American West title. Cal Poly was named the most improved team in the nation, depending on the University of Rhode Island's run for the NCAA tournament.

Most likely, the newcomer to the conference will be placed last in preseason yet performed as a comfortable place for Cal Poly.

The team started dead last in Division 1, ranked No. 305. The team climbed up to where to No. 222 before the American West Tournament — an accomplishment that had me surprised.

I believe that Cal Poly will finish at the bottom of the conference next year. A team that worked as hard as they did this year will never be cellar dwellers again.

The Big West is not a dominating conference like the Pac-10, and the NCAA championship in 1991, the conference seemed to slide from its riches.

Now, UNLV led the headlines and the conference. The Running Rebels will join San Jose State and move to the Western Athletic Conference and the Big West conference.

The gem team in the Big West is Long Beach State. After that, the competition seems to drop. Cal Poly is playing for the Big West team this year. The University of Idaho, which the Mustangs split a home and away series with.

Southern Utah played Big West teams and UC Irvine in the second place in the standings — and the New Mexico State in the seventh place. They lost to New Mexico State, 81-75, and UC Irvine 85-75. Both games were played away for Southern Utah.

Head Coach Bill Evans said Cal Poly should compete next year and might surprise a few teams. His experiences with New Mexico State and UC Irvine has him to believe that the Mustangs in the American West are under-rated.

And Cal Poly can only become better. The team just learned Schneider's new system this year and this is only the beginning.

With the national attention and the media hype for Cal Poly, recruiting became enjoyable for Schneider who sold a 2-sport program to seven new players last year.

Now he carries even more weight with the spring on campus and the recruits to campus.

Junior Guard Shanta Cotright mentioned the team's final game that the team would like to win 20 games next year. Of course, Schneider whispered, "Don't put as much pressure on yourself."