Activism week ends with two emotional debates

Congressional debate brings major, lesser known candidates to Chumash Auditorium

By Rachel Brady
Daily Staff Writer

Promises and plans for the future filled Chumash Auditorium when 22nd congressional district candidates and interest groups stage a candidates' night on Thursday.

The candidates were: Democrat Walter Capps, Independent candidate Steve Wheeler and Libertarian Party candidate Andrea Seastrand.

Hawkins, clad in a Hart Simpson T-shirt and plaid sport coat, spoke for the Libertarian Party.

He stressed that the government has too much control over the people, and said that "if you feel that small is beautiful, government is the enemy." He ended his statement with his personal motto. "The definition of an elephant is a mouse built to government's standards," he said.

Democratic candidate Walter Capps began his speech by discussing his background and responding to the television commercial attacks that had previously been made by the Republican Party. He said he knows what kind of person he is and that he is not the dangerous person that has been portrayed on television. "I know about your idealism, your hopes and what you're living for," he said.

Capps then criticized incumbent and Republican candidate Andrea Seastrand.

He said while he has been in office he has voted against pre-choice issues and agreed with Newt Gingrich in 70 percent of his decisions.

The last person to speak was Matt Higbee, a representative and fund-raising consultant for Seastrand. He said Seastrand was not able to attend because she was ill with her mother who had fallen and broken her hip. He later attained that she had not initially planned on being there because of another schedule conflict.

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Police Chief Gardiner brings tough message to fraternity meeting

Chief calls recent party problems worst start to school in nine years

By Jenny Jett
Daily Staff Writer

A recent stabbing at one fraternity house and a bottle being broken over someone's head at another house have leaders and community members worried about what the future holds for Cal Poly and its fraternities.

Gardiner, who meets with the IFC every year, expressed a high level of frustration about what he called the worst start to a school year in nine years.

"The reason we are here," Gardiner said, "is because of two serious situations, but also because noise complaints are up across the board."

Although upset, Gardiner said he always been an advocate of Greek life and community, and that they are an integral part of the community. He said that the fraternities do a lot of good in the San Luis Obispo area, but one bad thing can spoil everything.

By Tim Bregg
Daily Staff Writer

Passions and tempers flared at a panel discussion on Proposition 209, the California Civil Rights Initiative which would end state-run affirmative action programs and preferences based on both race and gender.

Approximately 100 people came to the debate held in Chumash Auditorium Thursday night, which was the final event of ASI's Political Activism Week.

Moderating the event was Mustang Daily editor in chief Steve Enders, who introduced the unseen number of panelists.

Opposing the initiative was Marty Jenkins, president of the American Association of University Women, Margie Lepes of the Mexican American Political Association and David Hawkins, a legislative advocate with the Faculty Association of California Community Colleges.

Outnumbered three to two was Kate O'Brien, Washington editor of the National Review, and UC Santa Cruz German language professor John Ellis.

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Steering Committee will develop with an ever-changing Cal Poly Plan

Jenny Jett
Daily Staff Writer

The Cal Poly Plan Steering Committee discussed the scope of the committee in its first meeting of the 1996-97 school year on Thursday.

President Warren Baker said it was his intention to have the steering committee look at issues which intersect the Cal Poly Plan and how those impact the objectives of the plan.

Enrollment and space were addressed as issues that would intersect the plan.

President Steve Mcshane said he sees the scope of the Cal Poly Plan going "above and beyond the actual Cal Poly Plan itself."

The steering committee is made up of representatives from the four major constituencies on campus — administration, faculty, students and staff.

This year the committee has more than $2 million, generated by a $45 increase in student fees, to help support different areas on campus.

One-third of the money generated from the campus fee has been set aside for financial aid, while the rest of the money is going to support 25 projects.

The projects fall into the areas of technology and equipment, instructional technology applications, instructional planning, and community planning.

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Police go undercover at weekend parties. See page 2 for details

Ingrid L. Glucksman
Daily Staff Writer

Increased student population at Cal Poly and Cuesta, fraternities having open parties, alcohol being served to minors and parties getting out of hand were all issues brought up during the meeting.

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Some members of the Greek system asked the officials if perhaps some of the problems in the past few weeks were caused by another campus organization, although no specific group was named.

Ken Barclay, director of Student Life and Activities, told the fraternity that the police suspected the hosts had not served to minors.

Fulks said Ride-On was recognized San Luis Obispo’s Regional Rideshare Program, using different means to get around at least once a week will help remove vehicles from the roads, reduce traffic congestion and air pollution, as well as free up parking within the university and downtown districts.

The Association for Commuter Transportation (ACT) recently recognized San Luis Obispo’s TMA as the best for 1996.

To close the week’s activities, “Ride to Work Friday” will have a “Hot Dog Roundup” at the County Government Center from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. All bicyclists who “peddle” up will receive hot dogs and water bottles.

Pledge cards, which commit people to at least one day of alterative transportation during the week, will enter participating students in three drawings — one for the school, city and state.

Pledge cards are available today at the Rideshare Booth in the University Union from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and can be picked up at Public Safety or the Rideshare office at 1505 Osco St.

Paulsen said the week’s incentives will hopefully get people into the habit of carpooling at least once a week.

“There’s an awareness out there,” she said. “We just want people to get better at it.”
CANDIDATES: Voiced opinions on education

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Higbee, a Cal Poly graduate, said Seastrand would handle education issues in Congress and that she would not run again.

Porter also stated that Seastrand would handle education issues in Congress and that she would not run again.

A desire to keep government out of education decisions was expressed by Beresof.

"Education is too important to put in the hands of the government," he said. "Everyone should pay for their own expenses."

Capps stressed that he would give education high priority, having been a professor of religious studies at U.C. Santa Barbara for 30 years.

"I think that two years of college should become as universal as four years of high school," he said.

Higbee finished the responses by explaining that Seastrand had been a public school teacher.

"She knows the value of education," he said.

After a discussion about special-interest groups, the speakers were then able to make three-minute closing statements.

Higbee began the series of closing remarks, declaring that Seastrand deserved re-election for another term.

Statements against government control filled most of Beresof's three minutes.

"I believe in your personal freedoms," he said. "This is your business, not the government's business."

Wheeler ridiculed the fingerprinting and the attacks of the other candidates and based his closing remarks on his occupational qualifications.

He asked, "Who do you want to trust with your money, a certified accountant or people funded by special interest groups?"

Porter ended the forum with closing remarks on his occupational qualifications.

"The Congress is the cause of the nation's problems," he said. "This is your government, to lend a hand to the area's home­less, hungry and unemployed."

The effort comes in the form of the new $250,000 Prado Day Center located at 50 Prado Road.

The center will provide a secure site for the People's Kitchen and offices for volunteer support services, as well as showers, restrooms, storage and laundry facilities for families in need.

The center's grand-opening ceremony on Thursday morning attracted approximately 75 people including Jim Gardiner, chief of the San Luis Obispo Police Department, Mayor Allan Settel and County Supervisor David Blakely.

The first phase of the center is expected to be complete within two months. This segment will include the new People's Kitchen facility.

The San Luis Obispo People's Kitchen has been serving free meals to needy people every day for 15 years.

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"Everything else is just getting started," Dalton said. "All of the programs should be implemented by the end of the year."

The committee decided that it will now meet six times a quarter to try to get more work done.

Irene Hoffman, a faculty representative to the committee, voiced concern that information about the plans aren't getting out to the students.

Dalton said that in the future they will be using various forms of communication to get plan information out to the campus.

PLAN: Steering committee plans to meet more frequently this quarter

New center built to aid homeless

By Jan Thomas

Recently, the organization had to move from its location in Mission Plaza, to a temporary facility, due to numerous complaints from surrounding business owners.

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Fennel revenge

By Dawn Pillsbury

Someone has run over the fennel plant again.

Those of you who walk to or from school across the train tracks may know the plant. I'm writing of it. About five feet tall, light green with a strong licorice smell — especially when it's run over. And as it is on a corner around which students frequently turn, it being run over is not an uncommon occurrence.

Don't worry: the plant will be fine. We had a fennel forest in the back yard when I was a kid, had many happy hours watching watering away at it with wooden "swords" and we never did any real damage to them. If there's ever a nuclear war, you can be sure cockroaches, crabbagre and fennel will survive.

But it's still dismaying that someone would show such disregard for nature. This isn't the first time this bush has been run over. Last year, there were distinct tire tracks through it at least once. I wonder how the Mormons feel about such a sin occurring within the tire treads of the car that ran over it and falls out on that person's lawn.

So, whoever ran over the fennel bush, you needn't go far to find another fennel plant. Within a few weeks you will notice small, green shoots near your driveway. Two to three months after that you will have large, healthy fennel bushes populating yet more seeds on your lawn. And everyone will then know who you are. Drive safely.

Dawn Pillsbury is a journalism senior. She will often be seen over the next week surreptitiously depositing fennel seeds on students' lawns.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Editor,

This is addressed to the young lady in the little, black car that almost ran me over Friday (Oct. 4) morning, before 8 a.m., at the intersection of California Boulevard and Campus Way. The crosswalks are there for a reason. Next time you see someone crossing the street in a crosswalk — STOP. We're both lucky I saw you com­

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Hey, I'm a nice guy

By Dan Rhoads

On Tuesday, Oct. 1, Karen E. Spader painted a fairly grim tale about the "Dating Scene." Unfortunately, she seems to have hit the nail on the head. "Scopers," "Scammers," "Men On The Hunt" — whatever anyone wants to call them — refers to men out on a mission when we hit the bar scene.

However, I should be careful when I use the word "we." Obviously, Ms. Spader has had enough experience with men in the bar scene to be able to figure out all the secrets of scamming and be able to spot the "scopers" and depict them with such accuracy. (If you haven't read the article, you should — sorry, guys, the secret is out.) Of course, there are the predatory groups that women feel they need to fend off.

And let's not kid ourselves — we all know who we're talking about, from the guys who fit Ms. Spader's description to the women who are attracted to them. But in all the commotion, we, including Ms. Spader, seem to have forgotten about an often overlooked, seemingly-forgotten section of the bar-scene population: The Nice Guy.

Nice Guy is definitely out there, though maybe unadorned. He is either busy having a good time with friends, not burying himself with the acrobatics of scamming, or is mistaken for one of the professional scammers on the "scoping team" and is given the "brunholf" like water off a duck. It's not that Nice Guy possesses any character flaws or lack of personality, he just isn't equipped with the weapons and powers of a full-time "scammer" or "scoper" to stand a chance of sur­viving in the harsh environment of the "dating scene."

I, too, find the whole sport called "dating" to be a very rough environment. I enjoy going to bars with my friends. I enjoy the atmosphere, the entertainment and the beer. It it feels rather pes­simistic about my chances of finding Miss Right in a bar.

A longtime friend of mine had a theory about the bar scene and shared his little bit of wisdom with me at the end of a long evening. He said, "You know, the kind of women who go to bars don't go there to meet nice guys. They go to meet guys who are dicks."

Well, if that's the case, then I seem to have two options: 1) Become a "dick" and wear my personal on my sleeve so that I might as well have the word "dickhead" written on my forehead to eliminate any doubts; or 2) Give up completely on the idea of cutting cuteness and donning a bar scene.

Well, my chances of becoming a "dick" are about the same as the chance of me finding a corner in a round room. But, I also refuse to believe that all the girls at the bars have no interest in Nice Guy. I know that somewhere out there is the counterpart of Nice Guy — Nice Girl.

I still think it could happen. I'm just managing my own business, hanging out and having a laugh with my friends, listening to good music (and sometimes not-so-good music), drinking a Bass Ale (no Bud, please!) and basically having a good time. Then, when I turn around to go for a refill I bump into that girl who probably could have launched those famous ships, with that twinkle in her eyes as hers meet mine, with the sweet-smelling perfume and a radiant smile that appears when I say "Hi."

Who knows where an encounter like that might lead, when Nice Guy meets Nice Girl.

Two people, unpretentious and genuine, with no objec­tions to that fabled "intelligent conversation" and whose egos aren't so big that only one of them can pass through the doorway at one time. It could happen. So don't despair, Nice Guy — you know who you are. Don't give up on the world and look forward to a life alone. And don't be afraid to say "Hi" to that Nice Girl in the bar, or the U.U., or Rec Center or wherever. If those scammers are so blatant as to stand out so much — and women obviously know about all them — then Nice Guy should stand out of the crowd just as strong by contrast.

So, girls, don't overlook Nice Guys. There are more of them out there than you think — we promise not to bite.

Nice Guys unite!

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DEBATE: Students in audience were quick to have their voices heard

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Those opposed said affirmative action was needed to remedy years of racial discrimination. But supporters said affirmative action was discrimination of the worst kind: the kind supported and encouraged by the government.

"No past discrimination can ever be remedied by a racial or gender preference," Olleirein said. "A racial preference causes social discrimination for those who are not members of the preferred class."

But members of the opposition said affirmative action was not the monster that supporters of the proposition said it was.

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WASHINGTON: Women's soccer finishes third in Husky Invitational

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The Mustangs' celebration was short-lived. Less than three minutes later, Portlandia's Baumgardt passed the ball into the Mustangs penalty box where Jody Dutra was there to finish the cross with a goal.

Regulation time ended with both teams tied. Neither team scored in the first overtime, and the second overtime produced the same result. After 120 minutes of play, the game ended in a 1-1 tie.

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MEN'S SOCCER: Mustangs outshot Northridge

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SPORTS

Volleyball sweeps Fullerton and Irvine

By Andrea Miller
Daily Staff Writer

The Cal Poly women's volleyball team defeated Cal State Fullerton in a five-game battle, 3-2, on Saturday at Mott Gym. The Mustangs now have a 10-4 record, 3-1 in Big West competition.

• Women's Volleyball

Cal Poly took the first game, 15-11, and lost the next two, 11-5, to the Titans. Cal Poly then won the fourth, 15-10, and the tie-breaking fifth, 15-11.

Head coach, Steve Schlick said the team came to the court motivated and ready to play. "We played at a much higher level of execution," Schlick said. "It is nice to win."

Cal Poly fell behind, 5-13, in the first game when Fullerton's Heather Basset and Melissa Blacklack killed the kills coming.

Sophomores Tita Jensen and Jill Butts used their power blocking to create a wall above the net for Cal Poly and the team came back to win with consecutive kills by Jensen.

Outside hitter Colleen Moore had a total of 15 kills for the night and made several key digs. "I am so happy we won," Moore said. "It was really a critical match."

Both teams understood the importance of the match and sacrificed their bodies, rolling over backwards, forwards and sideways to save the ball. The next three games were a struggle of sideouts with strong serving and passing from Butts and Melissa Pierce.

Freshman middle blocker Kari DeBono, who had 11 kills on the night, said the team came together in winning.

"We showed a lot of heart," DeBono said. "I was confident in the way we know how to play."

Rally serving, where a point is awarded after every play regardless of sideout, was used in the fifth game and kept the fans on the edge of their seats.

"In the fifth game it comes down to who is going to play harder and who is going to push for one more step," Moro said.

In last game DeBono made significant digs to give Cal Poly the lead. Kills from Fullerton's Shelle Smith brought the Titans within range, 12-10, until Moro's kill gave Cal Poly the first half match point.

After losing two consecutive games and coming back to win the two final games, Cal Poly embraced the winning match.

"It was great to be down and pull it out," DeBono said. "To qualify we have to beat Fullerton and we have to beat Irvine."

Moro said the team needs to be at least fourth in its league at the end of the season.

"We want to go to the Big West Tournament," she said. That is why these wins were so important.

By Greg Manifold
Daily Sport Editor

With less than a minute to play in the game, and the score knotted at one goal a piece, the Cal Poly and Cal State Northridge men's soccer teams seemed destined to go into overtime Friday night.

• Men's Soccer

With the ball out of bounds deep in the Matadors' end of the field, the Mustangs had one chance to come away with the victory in regulation time.

Cal Poly forward Danny Hill was lying on the ground trying to stretch out leg cramps, and defender Scott Hoon was passing the ball in. Hill was unmarked when he received the throw-in and made a quick cut on the corner of the goal mouth.

The pass found Cal Poly midfielder Tony Chebana-Banda, who put the header past Northridge goalie Victor Lopez. The goal gave the Mustangs a 2-1 victory to the delight of the fans at Mustang Stadium. The win gives Cal Poly a 1-0 record in the Mountain Pacifying sports Federation (1-7 overall).

"It was a perfect ball. It came right to my head, and I lost it to put it in," said Chebana-Banda. "The win is a big boost for us," he added. "I thought we played well in the first half, besides the (Matadors) corner-kick goal. The second half we kind of let them have a chance to come back, but we kept on pressuring them."

"But I'm happy," he added. "The guys worked hard today and I'm proud of them."

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Daily Staff Writer

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TOMORROW'S GAMES

• Women's Volleyball vs. Cal State Northridge at Mott Gym, 7 p.m.

ARENA

The Cal Poly volleyball team swept Fullerton and Irvine Saturday night at Mustang Gym. Daily photo by Sean McNamara

MUSTANGS DROP NORTHBRIDGE ON LAST SECOND GOAL

By Sean McNamara

Northridge goalie Victor Lopez.
The goal gave the Mustangs a 2-1 victory to the delight of the fans at Mustang Stadium. The win gives Cal Poly a 1-0 record in the Mountain Pacifying sports Federation (1-7 overall).

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30-point second half not enough for Mustangs

By Sean McNamara

Daily Staff Report

The Cal Poly football team nearly pulled off the unthinkable. The Mustangs rallied for thirty points in the second half of Saturday's game, falling just short of beating the No. 1 passing team in Division I-A, the University of Idaho, 58-38.

Behind quarterback Alii Abrew, Cal Poly outgained the Vandals 471 yards to 437, but could not recover from their lack of offense in the first half.

Abrew completed 31 of 62 passes for 410 yards and 2 touchdowns, setting school records in completions, attempts and yards.

Wide receiver Ryan Thomas had 13 receptions for 200 yards, with his longest reception of forty yards contributing to the fourth quarter rally.

Receiver Kamal Lond wasn't far behind, with 12 receptions for 130 yards.

The offensive gong of the game also came in the fourth quarter from defensive back David Lombardi, who forced a fumble and recovered it for a 45 yard touchdown. This brought the Mustangs within eleven points.

With 1:18 left to play in the game, Cal Poly brought the score to 29-21 with a seven-yard touch- down pass from Abrew to Thomas.

Cal Poly unable to complete the comeback, leaving the Mustangs 1-4 on the season.

Outside hitter Melissa Paniere reads herself for a spike from a Portland player during Saturday's match / Daily photo by Sean McNamara

Bryan Cox has another outburst after Bears loss

MIDWEST

By Aaron Re CD

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SPORTS

Volleyball sweeps Fullerton and Irvine

By Andrea Miller
Daily Staff Writer

The Cal Poly women's volleyball team defeated Cal State Fullerton in a five-game battle, 3-2, on Saturday at Mott Gym. The Mustangs now have a 10-4 record, 3-1 in Big West competition.

• Women's Volleyball

Cal Poly took the first game, 15-11, and lost the next two, 11-5, to the Titans. Cal Poly then won the fourth, 15-10, and the tie-breaking fifth, 15-11.

Head coach, Steve Schlick said the team came to the court motivated and ready to play. "We played at a much higher level of execution," Schlick said. "It is nice to win."

Cal Poly fell behind, 5-13, in the first game when Fullerton's Heather Basset and Melissa Blacklack killed the kills coming.

Sophomores Tita Jensen and Jill Butts used their power blocking to create a wall above the net for Cal Poly and the team came back to win with consecutive kills by Jensen.

Outside hitter Colleen Moore had a total of 15 kills for the night and made several key digs. "I am so happy we won," Moore said. "It was really a critical match."

Both teams understood the importance of the match and sacrificed their bodies, rolling over backwards, forwards and sideways to save the ball. The next three games were a struggle of sideouts with strong serving and passing from Butts and Melissa Pierce.

Freshman middle blocker Kari DeBono, who had 11 kills on the night, said the team came together in winning.

"We showed a lot of heart," DeBono said. "I was confident in the way we know how to play."

Rally serving, where a point is awarded after every play regardless of sideout, was used in the fifth game and kept the fans on the edge of their seats.

"In the fifth game it comes down to who is going to play harder and who is going to push for one more step," Moro said.

In last game DeBono made significant digs to give Cal Poly the lead. Kills from Fullerton's Shelle Smith brought the Titans within range, 12-10, until Moro's kill gave Cal Poly the first half match point.

After losing two consecutive games and coming back to win the two final games, Cal Poly embraced the winning match.

"It was great to be down and pull it out," DeBono said. "To qualify we have to beat Fullerton and we have to beat Irvine."

Moro said the team needs to be at least fourth in its league at the end of the season.

"We want to go to the Big West Tournament," she said. That is why these wins were so important.