Cal Poly Plan fails student test

By Alan Dunton
Daily Staff Writer

ASl Presidential candidates Cindy Entzi, Steve McShane and Jed Whiteley faced off on issues like student representation and current ASl President McShane's performance Thursday at University Union Activity Hour, exactly one week before elections.

Before a panel consisting of Juan Gonzalez, vice president for student affairs, and a Mustang Daily staff writer, the candidates were given time to answer questions and respond to comments made by their opponents. Throughout the debate, the large crowd managed to both cheer and boo for every candidate.

In the opening speeches, McShane explained his campaign goals are making ASI more accessible to students, continuing communication with student clubs and organizations, increasing the effectiveness of ASI representation and making ASI money go farther by acquiring off-campus donations. Whiteley's opening speech was not as complex as McShane's.

"I have one issue, making Poly a wet campus," Whiteley said. "A vote for me is a vote for beer."

McShane said the current alcohol policy at Cal Poly is inconsistent because although all consumption and possession is prohibited, some exceptions, like alcohol at the Performing Arts Center, are allowed.

"Whiteley has no plan. We need specifics," McShane said. "It's good to see he's interested, but he can do some research and can understand it more," he added after the debate.

Cindy Entzi said she wants to go to work for the students by creating new services and programs, as well as improving existing programs. Regarding Whiteley's proposed wet campus idea, Entzi said she would back anything the students voted for.

Whiteley and Entzi agreed that McShane has done a good job as ASI president, but both said it's time for change.

"Steve is very dedicated, but I'm worried about his life. He's missing part of college," Whiteley said in regards to McShane's huge time commitment to ASI.

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**Poly students suggest uses for Dinosaur Caves**

By Stacey L. Johnston

City and regional planning students presented Pismo Beach residents with three-dimensional models demonstrating possible uses for the city's Dinosaur Caves property.

"Their degree of impact and success is far greater than we had imagined and because of that we are utilizing these models and site plans to reach our action plans and proposals to the city council," said Marc Lebed, chair of the 21-member Dinosaur Caves Task Force, initiated by the Pismo Beach city council to find a way to maintain the property as public land.

The oceanfront land was purchased by the city for $26 million in 1993. Its fate has been uncertain since that time as residents and council members debated options to sell the land for commercial development or develop it for public use. A proposal for a Hilton hotel was rejected while trail walkways, botanical gardens and an aquarium have also been suggested.

As a final project last quarter, about 30 students in Design Fundamentals, a lower division city and regional planning class, designed models to illustrate their ideas of how to develop the 11.8-acre piece of land in a way that would best serve the public. They never thought anything would come out of their projects, but it looks like they're looking into some of our ideas," said Carrie Lorie, an architecture sophomore who plans to switch majors to city and regional planning.

Task force members came to Cal Poly during finals week last quarter to review the projects which ranged from "more developed" to "more conservative," she said.

"They were so pleased that they wanted to take them to Pismo," said Joe Kourakis, interim department head for city and regional planning whose team taught the course with Richard Schmidt.

"It was our first chance to apply our knowledge to a real situation," said Phil Dunsmore, a city and regional planning sophomore whose project was also chosen, "and that was a rewarding experience because we were able to talk to the public and meet other planners and have them evaluate our work.

Kourakis said the students worked with the task force from the beginning.

"We went (as a class) to a meeting of the task force and we heard their visions of what it should be," Kourakis said.

Lorie said she and class mates visited the site to do a site analysis which entailed analyzing the plants, soils, temperature and climate.

Dunsmore explained that they then outlined a plan in written form from which they constructed their scale models.

"I would say it was fairly time consuming because there were a lot of different requirements," Dunsmore said. "We had to consider handicap accessibility, community feelings which were different, and the history of the site and the area."

Lorie estimated the total time she spent to have been around 100 hours.

"We got a stimulating variety of solutions," Kourakis said. "The community taught us something and we helped them in our own ways."

The projects currently reside at the Pismo Beach City Hall.

"We're going to (actually) build on the projects) and using them as a springboard for our final conclusions of how to use the land," Lebed said.

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**Campus clubs come out to celebrate with Ellen**

By Rachel Brady

If you walked by the University Union TV room on Wednesday night, you probably heard bursts of laughter, loud clapping sessions and phrases like "I've been there."

Nearly 60 members of Gays, Lesbians, Bisexuals United and the National Organization for Women gathered there to watch Ellen DeGeneres "come out" on her sitcom.

"What was going on was so true," he said. "The tension created, that's how it feels. It's frustrating not being able to just say it because of fear of being rejected for how you feel."

Others were simply pleased with the idea of a celebrity coming out.

"I think that she's a positive role model," said Jessica Dowel, NOW co-vice coordinator. "People will be gay whether she comes out or not, but before now there were no positive models."

"I never thought anything like that would happen," said Robert Kinports, a GLBU member. "I hope that they're going to come out or not, but before now there were no positive role models."

"It was our first chance to talk to the public and meet other planners and have them evaluate our work," Kourakis said.

"The social was also a way to get people involved in GLBU and the area," Lebed said.

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"I knew that it was history being made. It's not something that you experience all the time on television. This is something really special," - Jayson McAuliff, GLBU and NOW member

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Unocal agrees to pay $1.4 million for natural resource restoration project funding

By Emily Bradley
Daily Staff Writer

In 1992, a Unocal pipeline burst above Pikes Cove in Avila Beach, causing a major oil spill that left damages still scarring the Central California coastline and streams today.

Unocal and the Avila Beach Trustee Council signed a Federal Consent Decree and a parallel State Settlement Agreement stipulating that Unocal would pay $1.4 million to fund natural restoration projects.

The oil spill damaged geologic, biologic and recreational resources, including vegetation, intertidal and subtidal sediments and microbenthic life, fish, birds and marine mammals such as otters.

Last year, the nonprofit organization Land Conservancy of San Luis Obispo County was asked to aid the Avila Beach Trustee Council in determining the best allocation of the money allotted for restoration.

The trustee council is composed of members from the California Department of Fish and Game, the Office of Oil Spill Prevention and Response, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

The council ensures cooperation between the state and federal trustees.

According to Land Conservancy Project Manager Brian Stark, although no representatives from Avila Beach are on the council (which is stipulated by the agreement), they have been encouraged to participate in consultation with the Land Conservancy.

"The trustees are very interested in public input. We've received about 100 comments and we expect more over the next month," he said. "The more public comments we receive the better so that we can meet the needs people see as important.

The council has also been holding public meetings held by the Regional Water Quality Control Board to discuss restoration priorities.

In addition to soliciting public comment, the Land Conservancy continues to develop restoration projects to be proposed to the trustees.

Howard Kolb of the Regional Water Quality Control Board has been working with the Land Conservancy to determine the most necessary projects that must be funded.

"By virtue of having federal money (from the oil spill), it has allowed us to move forward and expand projects we have already been doing or have proposed,"

Howard Kolb of the Regional Water Quality Control Board

America Online, Prodigy, CompuServe settle FTC charges

By Kevin Galvin
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Three of the largest online services agreed to settle allegations that their free trial offers resulted in unexpected charges to customers, the Federal Trade Commission said Thursday.

America Online, CompuServe and Prodigy agreed to "clearly and prominently" disclose any obligation of customers to cancel service and to provide an easy way to cancel before automatically enrolling customers. There was no financial penalty.

In television ads, direct mailings and newspaper announcements, the three online services have agreed to free trial offers to attract new users. The FTC alleged customers weren't told they would be charged if they failed to contact the service to cancel when the trial period ended.

"We are pleased that these industry leaders have agreed to standards that comply with the laws enforced by the commission," said Jodie Bernstein, director of the FTC's consumer protection bureau. "We will continue to work, on an industrywide basis, to ensure that all companies understand and comply with the laws enforced by the FTC."

George Vradenburg III, America Online's general counsel, said the agreement had been reached months before it was announced and that many of the changes already were in place.

AOL believes this decree can and should be seen as a "best practices" standard for the entire interactive service industry," Vradenburg said.

The agreement is subject to a 60-day period of review by the commission.

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Confessions of an underground woman

By Amanda Burt

The column you are about to read involves smoking cigarettes. If you want to be up front with you. If you hate ciga­
rules. I don't drink, don't go out with

it's not always so easy

But suddenly, I'm chain-smoking at ska concerts in San Francisco and learn­ing

So suddenly I find myself at Gus's Grocery, buying a big slam of Pepsi

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...I watched how hard... think hard. You've got some... no way I'd do that to... thought that the person that... ...he didn't just throw down an obviously-

...because they all have, even for public officials. And... This type of machine-like "think­ing" is... 50% of the time... when getting a ticket...

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Hackers, con artists victimize Colorado campus computer system

By Nancy Simon
The Campus Press (U. of Colorado)

(U-WIRE) BOULDER, Colo. — Currently, much of the content on the Internet is up to the discretion of individual users. And as the Internet evolves into a mainstream medium, what is considered "right" or "wrong" is constantly in debate. No one agrees on where it's going or how to combat the problems and possible "crimes" this evolution may cause.

Just as there are different ways to change someone who has killed another person, there are many different types of computer crime. The crimes can range from incidents that occur in everyday life, such as harassment, to relatively new crimes, such as "hacking." CU has seen instances of both.

Michael Micucci, a sophomore computer science major, had a problem with people subverting his e-mail account when he forgot to log himself out of Office Computer Center (OCC) terminals. Sometimes they did — renaming the command that normally lists files so that it would list his files instead, sending prank e-mails to his supervisor and changing his fingerprint information — could have been more harmful if he hadn't known how to fix them.

"It wasn't a big problem, because it only affected others that did it," Micucci said. "They're not going to delete all your files. Just as robbers may feel accountable if they had left their doors unlocked, Micucci felt some responsibility for the pranks because he had left himself logged on."

"After it happened, I kind of felt I got what I deserved," he said.

"It was pretty funny," Micucci said he didn't report the incidents because he didn't think there was anything Computing and Networking Services could do about it.

"It would be tough, because what can you do?" he said. "You can revoke their e-mail accounts, but it would be your word against theirs." According to the CNS responsibilities of users, "users shall not intentionally seek information on, obtain copies of, or modify files, tapes, passwords or any other type of data belonging to other users unless specifically authorized to do so." If Micucci had decided to tamper, his co-workers could have faced a loss of computing privileges, or a punishment more severe, such as suspension or expulsion from the university. Many of the more severe penalties have yet to be applied.

A CU student, who wished to remain anonymous, said he "hacked" into the CU system before being caught. He created accounts for himself on every CU server and set up bogus accounts using fake user names and social security numbers. Many of the accounts were deleted after someone else was caught hacking into the system. These extra accounts not only gave him more e-mail addresses, but allowed him extra space to store files.

Although he knew the punishment, he said he wasn't concerned with what might happen because it didn't seem like a big deal.

"I know that students that were caught would have to see a student misconduct representative and possibly lose their account privileges — although this hardly ever happened," he said.

He said the students who did get caught weren't always treated as criminals either.

"I've heard rumors that some of them were actually given special privileges for agreeing to not compromise the university computer network. But bigger breaches ones that could disable the system for days, are almost nonexistent at CU.

"CNS has extensive security precautions built into multiple computing units and its security is constantly monitored, said he would log in recommendations students use Cliffs Notes when they have trouble understanding Shakespearean language.

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Earl Woods not surprised by Fuzzy Zoeller's comments

By Russ Shirk
Associated Press

NEW YORK—Tiger Woods' father is not surprised at the racially insensitive remarks by Fuzzy Zoeller but is disappointed the comments distracted from his son's Masters victory. Earl Woods, who said he believed Zoeller's remarks about fried chicken and collard greens were meant as a joke, also said Thursday his son waited three days to accept Zoeller's apology because he was unaware of the controversy.

"I was shocked that he said it in the venue he said it in," said Earl Woods, referring to Zoeller's comments from Augusta National on the final day of the Masters. "But I'm not surprised that he said it. I've heard him say worse. Fuzzy is a joker.

Woods, in New York to promote his new book "Tiger," said he knows Zoeller and felt his remarks were meant not as a slur but as an indication of the significance of his son's victory.

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Thaddeus Wolfe/Associated Press

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Racism is a part of Tiger winning the Masters," Woods said.

The remarks were broadcast by CNN-SI the Sunday following the Masters and Zoeller apologized the next day. Woods did not accept the apology until Thursday night of that week.

"We found out about it on Wednesday," the elder Woods said. "Monday we were in Chicago to tape the Oprah show. When cases are reported, they often don't receive much media attention, though the Connecticut Police Department has noticed an increase in the number of complaints on the Internet, e-mail harassment. But the problem isn't at the top of its priority list."

"It's not a huge concern like theft, like Internet hacking," said Brent Bickert, a CT Police officer. "The numbers aren't there yet. As these things get more common, we'll address them, but it's not a very major issue yet."

Woods said the reaction to Zoeller's comments showed how important race is in this country.

"Race issues are an integral part of our society," Woods said. "There is conflict, communication and hopefully cooperation."

East Woods also defended his son's decision to turn down an invitation from President Bill Clinton to be part of the Jackie Robinson tribute at Shea Stadium the Tuesday after the Masters.

"It was not a slight of the president," Woods said. "It was an acknowledgment that Jackie Robinson deserved his day in the court. He did not want to do anything to detract from that — and he wanted to enjoy his Masters victory."

Woods, 64, also said it was possible he would need further heart surgery. He had a bypass operation in February. "I don't think he's going to back in," he said. "We will evaluate it if he gets back home at the end of the month.

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public interest in the lawsuit."

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According to the draft plan prepared by the Land Conservation trustees, the money will be divided, providing $150,000 to the Port San Luis Harbor District for beach cleanups and restoration of physical damages to the harbor area. Another $14,000 will be paid by Unocal, $100,000 will go to a sea otter enhancement project. This money will be invested in the existing Otter Rehabilitation Program at Monterey Bay Aquarium which specializes in the care of stranded or injured sea otter pups. Specifically, funding will allow for further research on the effects of oil spills to the already threatened otter population.

The remainder of the money, minus $200,000 for managerial expenses, will go to enhancement of the San Luis Ojai Ojai Creek Watershed. This $850,000 has been allocated to bank stabilization and revegetation along the creek, natural habitat restoration and funding barrier removal projects.

Almost half of the money will go to the bank enhancement projects. The problems caused by evoking banks include sedimentation on the channel bottoms which is one of the most critical problems facing fish in the creek. Brian Dietterick, a Cal Poly natural resources management professor, has worked with the Land Conservancy to survey the creek area and determine problems throughout the stream.

"With the Land Conservancy, we prioritized projects and identified a number of places along San Luis Creek and Stenner Creek (on the Cal Poly campus) we hope to improve to restore fish habitat," Dietterick said. "Water quality benefits will be felt all the way downstream for as far as Arillo, which justifies these projects upstream. One such project will be implemented this summer as a result of the research of Cal Poly natural resources management graduate student Chris Rose. Rose has identified significant erosion that threatens prime agricultural fields near the pumpkin patch on campus. By improving the water quality in upper Stenner Creek, Rose and the Land Conservancy hope to restore fish spawning areas.

Although fish do not currently make it up this far in the creek, other projects will work to remove barriers in the creek to facilitate fish migration. According to Stark, opening up possible spawning areas in less contaminated areas will be more effective and less expensive than attempting to completely restore current migration areas affected by the spill. Prior top was given to barriers that inhibit adult Steelhead Trout to and from areas of high quality spawning and rearing habitat. According to Stark, the trustees determined that on-site restoration of the intertidal zone (the primary impact zone) would be technically difficult and expensive. Most importantly, technology applied to this area is unproved and the trustees and Land Conservancy agreed that money would be best spent working in the fishing spawning areas.

During the next few months, the trustees will make their final decision on which projects will be funded based on public comments and the criteria established in the plan prepared by the Land Conservancy.
Big bats look to cash in vs. Titans

By Kimberly Knox
Daly Staff Writer

Swim, bike, run. Swim, bike, run. Bike, no, swim, run, no.

While many students are simply trying to get through midterms and prepare for the second half of the quarter, around 1,000 Cal Poly students are also trying to balance their thoughts of this weekend's big event.

Wildflower, the second largest triathlon in the world, is this Saturday and Sunday, and the excitement of the festival and races is in the minds of many.

Along with the student volunteers and spectators that will attend the event, Cal Poly athletes will head to Lake San Antonio to test their swimming, biking and running skills.

The Cal Poly triathlon club is sending 10 representatives to compete in the long-course collegiate race on Sunday, as well as four other California schools.

The collegiate race will consist of a quarter-mile swim, 12-mile bike ride and a 12-mile run on Sunday.

The Mustangs must do well against Cal State Fullerton (30-18-1, 17-7 Big West) to prove worthy of a conference appearance.

The race, which consists of a quarter-mile swim, a 10-mile bike and a two-mile run, is a favorite among those athletes who are working out on their own.

"Competing in the triathlon initially seemed like a good physical challenge for someone who's not in tip-top physical condition," Elskie said.

"We are counting on our pitching to keep their bats quiet," Horton said.

Six Mustangs have hit ten or more home runs so far this season. First baseman Brandon Dodder has 14 and is four shy of the school record set in 1985. Third baseman Camacho has 12, second base- man Kidd, catcher Matt Press, first baseman Maser and left fielder John Arnold all have 11.

As a team the Mustangs now have 471 runs, breaking the old record of 442 set in 1985. Cal Poly also has 118 doubles, breaking the previous record of 113 from the 1985 season. The homer record of 57 was broken weeks ago; it is now at 87. The Mustangs set a new mark of 422 RBI, breaking the previous record of 381 set in 1990. Cal Poly's 1,025 total bases breaks the record of 910 set in 1993.

Many players are individually close to breaking long-held league records as well.

"We can swing a heavy bat and they can throw the hammer," said Cal Poly assistant coach Tom Kunis. Kunis said both teams are well offensively. Fullerton's team batting average is .327, while Cal Poly's average is .340. Defensively Fullerton might have an edge, he said.

"At times we haven't pitched as well as we anticipated," Kunis said.

The Mustangs' older pitching staff has missed most of the season due to injuries. Novi (1-0) will possibly make his seventh start of the season.

"We are going to give them hell, but we need all the fan support we can get," Kunis said.

Student triathletes gear up for Wildflower

By Marley Blackwell
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The Mustangs will keep fighting to get above .500 this weekend against the Titans. This marks the last home series for 13 seniors who will be honored before the game Sunday.