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Candidates state issues
at last debate
By Kimberly Tahsuda
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Club hunting, one stop club shop-
ing and bridging the gap between
students on campus were some of the
highlights of Monday night's debate
between the Associated Students Inc.
candidates at a forum in Chumash
Auditorium.

The two-hour forum kicked off
with an opening statement from
both presidential and chair of the
board candidates. After their initial
results, president candidate Sam Aborn
said, "I want to move beyond the talk
and the politics and look at real results
for the ASI president." Aborn also discussed standing up
to monopolies on campus, petitioning
for a student voice, implementing
student complaint office, and allowing
students to delegate what club money
should be spent on.

Current ASI Vice President and
candidate for presidential candidate Aroon
Deborath focused on his plan for
one stop club shopping - putting Form
81's, event co-sponsorships assistance.

Prof spins wheels for cash
By Robin Nichols
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This June, SLO Spokes bike riders
and crew members who call themselves
SLO Spokes will be bus raising money to
participate in the seventh annual
California AIDS Ride. The course which
runs 600 miles, originates in San Francisco
and ends in Los Angeles.

"It's (fund raising) done by asking
friends, writing letters to relatives and ask-
ing for pledges. We have a couple of large
groups, I can see you get the money
worth," said biker Tomer中秋节, the oldest participant in the
ride at 70 years old and a retired Cal Poly
physics professor.

The first California Ride took place in
1994. There are events all over the United
States, with locations from Alaska to Florida.
The cause supports the memories of
local and national AIDS victims, whose
numbers have reached the hundreds thou-
sands. The ride has given more than $65
million to charities over the years, accord-
ing to the event's main sponsor Taragoust.

The money raised on the San Francisco
to Los Angeles ride will benefit organiza-
tions in these areas, such as the Los
Angeles Gay and Lesbian Center and the
San Francisco Jeff Goodman Special Care
Clinic. Each participant must raise $2,500
by May 15. These donations are collected in
cashing ways.

中秋节 said he was inspired to ride

showing first timers the ways of Poly
By Jennifer Beard
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The little booth at the front of
the campus does more than just sell
campus parking permits. The center
provides a wealth of information about
areas on and off campus to as many as
2,000 time visitors who drive
through campus daily.

At the forefront of those in the
know at the Information Center is
Lana Fleming, who has worked the
booth for the past 10 years. Fleming
has worked at Cal Poly for the last
25 years, with the first 15 years in
parking enforcement.

"We have to know everything
about where everything is all the
time on campus - all those little
differences on campus. We also
end up giving information about
areas off campus," Fleming said.

Cindy Campbell, program
administrator for Public Safety
Services, said Fleming is important
because she is the first person peo-
ple talk to when coming to Cal
Poly.

"It's not about selling permits, it's
about directing people where they
need to be and being a greeting
point for our university at the main
entrance to campus," Campbell
said.

The center started as a senior
project, but University Police
took over in 1991. At that time visitor
passes were free. It was not until
1993 that the center was used to sell
campus parking passes at a course.

Aside from selling parking per-
mits, the Information Center is
responsible for informing visitors
about the university and where they
need to be for meetings or tours.
Visitors can get self-guided tour
information, directions to a certain
place on campus, fast facts about
the university, information about

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News

Donations fund lab equipment
By Victoria Walsh

More than $123,000 has been donated to buy equipment for the Cal Poly polymers and coatings program in the chemistry and biochemistry department.

Two checks, one for almost $27,000 and one for more than $96,000, were presented to Diane Jones, chemistry professor and director of the university's polymers and coatings program, and Paul Zingg, provost and vice president for academic affairs.

The College of Science and Mathematics plans to use the $26,740 for state-of-the-art testing and analyzing equipment. The $96,651 donation established the Polymers and Coatings Equipment Endowment fund, a permanent source of funding enabling use of the best equipment.

The late Dave Kittredge, a Cal Poly soil science graduate, and Bob Abrams were two of the four coatings industry executives in whose name the donations were made.

The Western Coatings Foundation is an organization created to provide continuous aid for Cal Poly's polymers and coatings program.

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dents. The capacity is also decided based on the impact to the community, such as increased traffic, noise and environmental damage. Cal Poly is revising its Master Plan because currently it has reached full capacity. Cal Poly does not have the facilities, faculty or resources to increase its enrollment.

"Unless we get some of these current problems solved, it's very difficult to entertain ideas of growth on the campus," Baker said.

Before Poly can implement its Master Plan, changes must be made.

Plans are in order to renovate Poly's current science, engineering and math facilities, and to update the technology available to students using those facilities. For example, there has been a proposal to raise building 52 in order to rebuild a more technologically advanced facility in its place. Also, additional dorms and dining facilities need to be built to provide living arrangements and eating accommodations for the influx of new students.

The number of parking spaces available also need to increase. Baker said there is an idea to make Inner Perimeter and Outer Perimeter just pedestrian walkways. Consequently, parking spaces would only be available at the three main entrances to Cal Poly. Without such increases in facilities and parking capacity, Cal Poly would not be able to increase its enrollment.

In addition to revising the Master Plan, President Baker said he will not increase enrollment until some faculty issues were solved.

He said the faculty needs to receive appropriate compensation for the workload it carries. The faculty workload needs to diminish to ensure the continuation of quality education, said Baker.

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Campbell said Fleminy has been great about playing the information center detective. She has to dig to find information sometimes in order to direct people to the right places.

A wide variety of people come through the center every day. According to a report by University Police Business Services, from March 1999 to February 2000, approximately 91,000 people stopped at the center. Four visitors spend an average of five minutes at the booth getting permits and information about the campus.

"It's an interesting job because I meet every kind of person all the time. It's not the same every day. Most of the people are really nice and some of them are angry," Fleminy said.

Fleminy recalls an elderly woman who came by the booth needing help to find her doctor's office. Fleminy was able to point her in the right direction, and the woman kept returning for help.

"She came every day after that to find her doctor's office for a long time. I don't know if she really couldn't find it or if she was lonely and needed someone to talk to," Fleminy said.

Fleminy is often asked about restaurants and hotels in the area. She said the center will soon be using the Internet to access the Chamber of Commerce Web page in order to better direct visitors looking for a place to stay.

"People want to be sure that they're in the right place and that the information they have in their hand is correct. There is an interesting sense of arrival and a sense of security that people get from stopping to confirm that they've arrived," Campbell said.

Fleminy said she meets such a variety of people who are seeking so many different things from the university.

She needs to give them enough information, but not too much information, so that they can find what they're looking for. Fleminy added that it's harder than it sounds.

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Lana Fleminy

Information Center employee
Computer retailers: a buyer's guide

By Adam Jarman

For many computer buyers, the Sunday newspaper provides a page or two of potential purchases. Buying a new computer from a physical store is still a very popular way to go, but trying to distinguish one computer retailer from another can be a daunting task. Three key areas to look at are selection, price and warranty.

There's no secret that not all computer stores sell the same systems. Before getting too far, though, determine whether you want a Mac or a PC. Not all stores are authorized Mac dealers, so that will automatically narrow your field. For example, Sears does not sell Mac systems, but Staples and Wal-Mart do not.

Dave Krauss of Michigan State University wrote an online computer buying guide and said that people should know exactly what they want before talking to a sales representative.

"Take a copy of the specifications for your ideal computer... This will give you a basis for comparison when you look at systems from other computer manufacturers. Don't be afraid to show the salesman your ideal computer specifications and ask how their computer system compares to it."

Even Wal-Mart now has a fair selection of computer and computer accessories. Mostly, though, it sells computer packages, so picking out the monitor and machine separately isn't an option.

At large stores that sell many things other than computers, it may be difficult to find someone who can really explain the different systems during odd hours. If you need help, go shopping during the week in the middle of the day to have the best chance of consulting with an available computer manager. Or, call ahead and ask specifically for someone in computer sales and test their competency before driving to the store.

"Shopping at a large retailer is generally the way to get inexpensive prices on brand-name systems... You can talk to a representative to help make your decision. You also have the opportunity to get a hand-on feel for the computers instead of just looking at a picture in a magazine," according to an article written by Curtis Dinkel in Peak Computing's online magazine.

Price is a sensitive subject. With technology changing so quickly, what is bought today will undoubtedly be less expensive in a few months or even just a few weeks. But, in this respect, you have to bite the bullet; there will always be something new just around the corner.

Shopping the ads is a good idea because it gives you perspective as to the price of your ideal computer system.

When looking through advertisements, try to look for identical models for true comparisons and read the fine print. Just because a monitor or printer may be pictured, they may not be included for the price offered.

The fine print, in the ad or at the store, will also tell which parts have been used to manufacture the machine. Major brands often have a better reputation than generic-sounding names and may improve the performance of the product. A little extra money up front could save a lot more in repairs.

Many stores will offer a price guarantee. At Staples, if a cheaper price is found on the exact same item within two weeks, the store will refund the difference.

If software is also needed, look for computer packages that come with it. This can save literally thousands of dollars over buying everything needed separately.

As far as financing goes, Dinkel suggests shopping at stores that offer credit services.

"Many retailers have their own credit cards or plans, making it possible for people who couldn't otherwise afford a new machine to buy one. Some retailers even offer delayed billing and finance charges for six months to a year or more for computer purchases made under their credit plans."

 Sears offers a credit option on all purchases. The interest is not the lowest available, but if you qualify, a credit plan can put a computer purchase within reach.

Warranties come in many different forms. Systems generally come with a standard warranty of six months to two years. For an additional price, many companies will sell an extended warranty. The store may offer other warranty services.

Asking questions about the warranty stipulations can be just as important as deciding on whether you want a Mac or a PC. What kind of warranty is offered? Is it a standard manufacturers warranty? Does the store offer a warranty or the store may offer other warranty services.

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Faz Khan

Faz's Favorites

Faz Khan is an architecture junior who writes a weekly column for Polytechnics.

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After elections, campus needs ASI to deliver

Of all the days to be apathetic about campus politics, don't choose today and Thursday. Last year's 7 percent student-voter turnout is an embarrassment. Step out of the apathetic comfort zone and care about who will be running Cal Poly.

At Mustang Daily we will be out there showing our support, and we can only emphasize election day's importance so much. You need to do your part.

With that said, we want to clarify some election-related matters. First, the campus needs to see results beyond the clever campaign slogans and promises on posters everywhere for weeks. Don't let us down. Dump the cheesy slogans and let us see results. Be sincere and get down to business and stay visible. Next year, no one will remember the slogans. People will only remember what was accomplished.

Get into the real issues, like the Judicial Affairs student task force and relations between the campus and Greeks. Take tough stands on these difficult issues. Don't give in to the political schmoozing that we have the right to voice our opinions on. Always be fair and keep an open mind. Remember this is an election here at Cal Poly.

If you don't vote, you lose that right. If you do vote, you make a difference. You, too, can make a difference. You can trust.

Anyone walking around campus these days can see the signs implying us to vote for integrity, diversity and a long list of various promises.

But what does it all mean? I think it harkens back to the days of the Revolution when men and women fought for a say in how their government was run. They escaped oppressive governments overseas to find freedom. It is because of their struggles that we have the right to voice our opinions, whatever they may be. The most powerful tool we have to voice our opinion is the right to vote.

One can serve as an officer before and they have the right to voice their minds. Think about what it all means. I think it harkens back to the days of the Revolution when men and women fought for a say in how their government was run. They escaped oppressive governments overseas to find freedom. It is because of their struggles that we have the right to voice our opinions, whatever they may be. The most powerful tool we have to voice our opinion is the right to vote.

Checking off the box for Associated Students Inc. president in the April 26 and 27 elections is an opportunity to voice your opinion to your peers. This year we face a unique presidential election here at Cal Poly. Only one candidate, Samuel Aborne, is on the ballot. However, he faces the competition of three write-in candidates: current ASI Vice President Aron Ferrari, architecture junior Ishmael Hill and business marketing junior Vincent Machado.

This election is about taking the time to think about what you want to see happen here at Cal Poly. It's time to think about who you can trust. Maybe voting for a candidate who broke campaign policy will turn some people off. Others might be interested to see what they'll do next. Voters might wonder how the candidates will go about fulfilling their campaign promises. In order to find out, you need to look at the issues. Many of the candidates have Web pages outlining what they plan to accomplish if elected. Take note of the promises they make today, and see if the winner keeps them next year. Maybe one of the candidates has served as an officer before and they did a good job — or perhaps they did a lousy job. These are all things to take into consideration when preparing to vote.

Don't think that just because this is a student election your voice doesn't count. ASI is a multi-million dollar corporation that takes orders from the student body. You need to tell them how you want to see things run. Every vote counts.

There have been several elections throughout history that have gone one way or the other over one vote. The presidential election of Truman was so close that the newspapers went to press the night before with his opponent as the winner; they didn't even wait for the count of the last few votes, which ended up making a difference. You, too, can make a difference.

There are so many other countries in the world where the citizens don't even have the right to voice their minds. Think of how lucky we all are to be able to say what we think without worry of incarcera­

tion or punishment.

If you don't vote, you lose that freedom to choose. You'll have no say in how your government is run or the laws that are enacted. You'll have to live by the decisions made for you by others.

Jennifer Beard is a journalism senior and a Mustang Daily staff writer.

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Letters to the editor

Don't eliminate greeks
Editor,
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I want to discuss two points that Mr. Blackwell addressed. First, his idea that friendships aren't made in a fraternity due to hazing. Hazing is defined as forcing someone to do something that is degrading. As far as hazing is concerned, I, along with other members in other fraternities, have not experienced it. When I joined Phi Delta Theta as a pledge, I was encouraged to do certain things, but I was always able to say "NO" if I did not feel comfortable with a certain action. As far as my friendships, I have made some valuable friendships in my house that will last a lifetime.

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Unfortunately, I know too many greeks who allow their organization to be their whole life and don't branch out. But my point is that it is up to the individual and it is possible to branch out. There is not a code that says once one joins a fraternity, one can only hang out with his brothers.

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Jason Dudum is a business administration senior and an alumni member of Phi Delta Theta fraternity.

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Editor,
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Christy Mountain is a kinesiology senior.

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1 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING AGENDA
Wednesday, April 25, 2900 Meeting #00-17
5:10 PM - University Union 220

Highlights
- Approval of FY 2000-2001 UU Budget
- Approval of FY 2000-2001 ASI Budget
- Marquee Presentation
- Winter Quarter Capital Expenditure Report

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2 ASI NEWS

- ASI ELECTION CALENDAR
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- Tutor/Teaching Assistants positions: The Upward Bound Summer Program employs Cal Poly students as tutor/teaching assistants to provide supplemental instruction to fifty program participants grades 9-12. Subjects include Math, English and Science. The application deadline is May 5, 2000. Stop by the ASI Student Government Office (UU202) for more information.

- Cal Poly Student Arts Awards: Each year, the Cal Poly Arts Board of Directors selects two recipients for the Student Arts Awards. These awards recognize current Cal Poly students who have maintained high levels of involvement in the arts during his/her enrollment at the University. The general criteria for these awards includes: (1) service to the arts and (2) achievement in the arts. Nominations are due no later than 5:00 p.m., Friday, April 28th, 2000. Applications are available in the ASI Student Government Office, UU 202.

- Asian American Donor Program
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Asian American Donor Program event held on April 29, Saturday, 12:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. in Lumash Auditorium, UU 204.

ASI/LLU Programs & Services Committee Meetings are held every other Thursday beginning April 6, 2000, 6:00 p.m. in UU220.

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4 POLY ESCAPES

We've learned more about Poly Escapes, find out about upcoming trips, and meet some incredible people! Then you need to attend our Tuesday night meetings held in University Union room 220 from 7:00 PM- 8:00 PM. The meetings are run by our Chair, Brett Chariez, and are filled with great information. We hear stories of how the past weekend trips went, discuss general announcements, and announce upcoming trips. Following this information is a slideshow of a past trip put together by one of the participants, or the leader of the trip. But before the slideshow starts, fresh, homemade cookies are passed around the room!!! Come and hear the information, stay and enjoy the slide show, and leave with the knowledge that you can get free cookies every week.

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CLUB 221

Club 221(0.U) proudly presents "Drawing on Inexperience, an exhibition of children's art." Exhibit dates: March 29 thru June 2. "Drawing on Inexperience" features an insipid compilation of SLO County children's art emphasizing the creativity, spontaneity and inter subject relationship of art in educational curriculum. Additionally, Club 221 can be reserved for private functions. (i.e. poetry reading, private receptions, guest lectures) Questions? Contact. Club 221 (805) 756-6119.

ASI EVENTS

ASI Concert Committee
It's not too late to become a member of the ASI Concert Committee. Weekly meetings are held every Thursday, 5:00 PM in UU220. We have two great concerts coming up this quarter. On April 20th, Asif Bifranc, and his part of the MTV Campus Invasion, on May 1, BUSH with special guest Moby perform live in concert.

If you have worked on past concerts, we thank you for all of your hard work and encourage you to participate in our upcoming event. For more information, call Tori Walse, concerts chair at 756-1112 or the ASI Events office at 756-7007.

RECREATIONAL SPORTS

Congratulations to Men's Roller Hocks - 3rd in the nation, Men's Volleyball - 22nd in the nation, and Women's Waterpolo who are the Pacific Coast Division Champions!!!

The Cal Poly Wheeleman are hosting the Conference Championships this weekend.

MCPEE'S CENTER

All The Pizza I Can Eat! All The Bowling I Can Handle? That's right every Monday night from 6:00 to 10:00 at McPees you can have all of the pizza you can eat plus all of the bowling you can handle, all for just $7.50 per person! Don't forget all video games are set at just $.25 per play.
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students across nation call for sweatshop protests

Students nationwide are joining in protests against sweatshops, attempting to coerce administrators to leave the Fair Labor Association and join the WRC, a watchdog group that implores clothing manufacturers to disclose the whereabouts and employee conditions of their factories.

The FLA is an organization with a mission similar to the WRC, but involves corporations in monitoring the facilities that produce their own members' apparel.

Sam Brown, executive director of the FLA, calls the recent criticism of his organization a "diversion" from the real issue — sweatshops.

But WRC supporter Marika Wissink said the issue is the FLA and its allegiances.

"Our problem with the FLA is that we are meaning credibility to an organization that supports Nike and Kathie Lee Gifford," said Wissink, a senior in the College of Visual and Performing Arts and a member of the Student Coalition On Organized Labor. Nike was sued in 1998 after allegedly producing its apparel under sweatshop conditions and in 1997, it was revealed that the Wal-Mart clothing line of television personality Kathie Lee was being manufactured in an illegal sweatshop.

But Brown contests the criticisms of the FLA, calling them unfounded. He added that his organization began in September and has not had adequate time to begin monitoring.

At the WRC's first boarders meeting April 6, members discussed definite policies for the organization. But the consortium does not monitor the facilities and instead employs non-governmental organizations.

"It is just going to tell everyone that there are terrible conditions," Brown said. "We know that."

WRC representatives could not be reached for comment after more than a dozen attempts.

The FLA grants the facilities making its members' apparel two to three years to improve employee conditions, according to its Web site at www.workerrights.org. The association will tag the apparel that meets its standards and those that do not pass will be stated in a yearly report.
Campus Dining Exceeds Health Standards

Campus Dining's goal is to serve students good food, and they abide by the strictest food standards and health regulations. For instance, they participate in SERVSAFE®, a certification program with the goal of educating food service workers on safe food handling techniques and practices. It entails a series of classes with such topics as food microbiology, foodborne diseases, and regulatory standards enforced by regulatory agencies. Food industry regulations stipulate that every food service organization needs at least one employee that is sanitation certified. Campus Dining has exceeded this standard by certifying 69% of its regular employees to date, with a goal of 100%.

Anyone who is a regular patron at any of the many Campus Dining facilities has heard the rumors about the food. These rumors range anywhere from pumping the lettuce full of starch to fatten us up to the use of low quality, inedible meat. These rumors are all false. Lettuce is simply cleaned, chopped and rinsed in water. Campus Dining always uses "Select" or better grade meats, purchased from reputable companies such as Iowa Beef Packers and Foster Farms Chicken. Have you ever wondered where all that wonderful food you eat was made or what's at the end of the mysterious dish belt? Campus Dining is more than happy to give tours to anyone who wants one. During the tour one can view where lettuce becomes salad, flour becomes cookies and pasta becomes lasagna. Tours are given as often as there is interest for groups of anywhere from four to twenty, and last anywhere from 10 minutes to an hour, depending on the group members' interests. If you are interested call Mike Voth, Assistant Director of Operations, at 756-5945 or e-mail cdining@polymail.calpoly.edu.
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a work room and access to knowledgeable advice in one place on campus specifically designated to clubs. DeFerrari also touched on providing legal assistance for students in regard to Judicial Affairs and talked about his plans to develop a lobbying core committee to keep student issues alive at the state level.

"Knowledge, understanding the issues experience, knowing the process and presentation, how to work with people and be diplomatic are the three aspects of credibility," DeFerrari said.

Write-in candidate Ishmael Hall focused on his future plans to give Cal Poly fraternities and sororities a voice at the state level. Hall also discussed ideas to build a skating rink and skate ramps on campus. He also discussed ideas to build a new student advisor council. Hall said, "I am excited because I will be the best job possible as ASI president."

Hall also focused on the issues of activities on campus as well as the problem of not having enough clubs using the co-sponsorship program. "I want to designate more money for clubs," Hall said.

Eddie Drake was first in line for the opening statements of the chair of the board candidates. Drake focused on three aspects of his campaign: accountability, leadership and advocacy. If elected, he plans to make the board accountable by putting attendance online, showing leadership through spring and summer training programs to get the board moving right away, and showing advocacy by facilitating and leading outside the board room.

"I will create a new student advisor council," Drake said. "Everyone who wants will be heard, and action will be taken." Kris Elliott said he will implement office hours for board members to learn more about the issues in order to represent their respective college better. He promised next year's board members would have a place to go to work on their duties.

"The chair of the board is not an advocate," Elliott said. "The chair of the board cannot be biased. The job is to make sure the board of directors is heard fairly at the meetings."

Current Vice Chairwoman of the Board Melissa Varca focused on student development and education. "A good chair is a good facilitator," Varca said. "Currently, we have a Board of Directors that is not educated on the issues. I will give it the tools necessary to run ASI. It's about quality representation — your Board of Directors is truly educated at the issues at hand so they can effectively represent you."

Two guests, Kristen Osnut-Member of Mustang Daily and Ryan Half of CPTV, each asked both groups of candidates a question. Topics ranged from how the board handled a recent controversial situation to issues concerning the transportation system.

The floor was then open for questions to all candidates from the audience, followed by a short closing statement from each candidate. "I was excited people showed up to the forum," Machado said. "The biggest thing is interaction between the students and the ASI representatives." Voting begins today and continues through tomorrow between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. on Dexter Lawn.

VOTE GREEK!!!

Support our brothers and sisters by electing them to ASI positions. About the same number of students in Cal Poly fraternities and sororities voted last year. If we work together, we can make ASI ours.

Vote Greek April 26, 27 on Dexter Lawn

President(Write-Ins)
Aron DeFerrari and
Vince Machado

Chair of the Board
Kris Elliott

Board of Directors

Agriculture
Marc Busalacchi
Erlik Jones(write-in)
Chris Madsen
Seth Wollenman
Jason Pacheu

Engineering
Scott Davis
Bryan Pennino
Ryan Stotts
Ryan Piper(write-in)

Business
Trevor Ashley
Robert Hernandez
Corey Reihl
Gregory Szalaly

Liberal Arts
Kim Jacobs(write-in)
P. Ashley Bridges(write-in)
Lauren Russell(write-in)

Architecture
Kevin Cleary

COSAM
Tuan Nguyen(write-in)

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Melissa Varca chair of the board candidate

Flag sparks Civil War controversy

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Sacramento breaks from ranks of obscurity

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Just that they wanted back in the NBA.

And far, far, so good. The Kings were 27-23 during the lockout-shortened 1999-2000 season and extended favored Utah to five games before losing in a first-round playoff series.

It was also with the Redskins that Beathard showed his flashes for first-round draft picks. He traded them away in order to keep some of their most talented players in the second round. He used only three first-round draft picks in two years in Washington, and continued that trend as boss of the Chargers. But his habit of gambling often backfired in recent years.

He spent 15 years as Chargers GM, building them from perennial losers into a Super Bowl team in five years.

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Jackson calls Lakers awful

EL SEGUNDO, Calif. (AP) — It's a good thing the Los Angeles Lakers didn't have a game scheduled Tuesday, coach Phil Jackson said, because they didn't have a good practice.

"These guys were awful today, it was one of our worst practices," Jackson said. "Our minds weren't here. Maybe we watched too much film. Maybe (the delay) had something to do with it."

The Lakers, favored to win their first NBA championship since 1988, beat the Sacramento Kings 117-105 on Sunday in the opener of their best-of-five first-round playoff series, and didn't have a flood practice.

"It's disappointing to the coaching staff when we put so much preparation into it," Jackson said. "We're trying to keep our practices just diverse enough. We lost them today. They didn't prac­ tice well. Maybe we'll get them back tomorrow.

Jackson said the Lakers still had some adjustments to make for Game 2, "Some of them have to do with not being in the right place, not getting back on defense," he said.

Regarding Sacramento's Chris Webber, who scored 28 points in only 27 minutes before fouling out Sunday, Jackson said: "We just think we can play better team defense, make it tougher for him without the ball.

"Shaquille O'Neal said he was cer­ tain the Lakers would have a better practice Wednesday, which he would "have his game face on."

"We set in film for about an hour and a half," O'Neal said. "Guys were kind of stiff. It wasn't terrible, it was just stiff."

About Game 2, O'Neal said, "We'll be readier." O'Neal, who had 46 points, 17 rebounds and five blocked shots in Game 1, said he doesn't have a prob­ lem with the level of games.

"It's good for me, I can get a lot of rest, chill out at the crib," he said.

 Kobe Bryant, wearing an ice pad on his sprained right wrist, said he ap­ preciated the time off, too.

"Actually, I have a chance to recov­ er," he said.

Bryant sprained his wrist last week, didn't practice with the Kings, getting 23 points, seven rebounds and five assists in 39 min­ utes.

Jackson was disappointed in his players and coaches certainly

"Those who criticize us for

trying to play games with one day rest are concerned that three days are

because our skilled positions are just

the Lakers would have a better

Wins three, seven
day rest and read about it for

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NBA schedule not so fan-tastic

NEW YORK (AP) — The NBA schedule isn't so fantastic

first NBA championship since 1988, which

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worrying. Intense, I'm excited

about the playoffs. As it

replays the season, it

and the Networks?

The eight first-round series could

end the June 20th — in try­

"It's a long time to stew in our

doubts about that."

"The Commissioners' Perspective"
Central Coast Roadrunners
picked to win conference

The Central Coast Roadrunners were picked to finish first in the Western Conference of the Premier Development League by 41 coaches in a preseason poll.

The Roadrunners were picked to win the Southwest Division, one of four divisions within the Western Conference. In other divisions in the Western Conference, the Spokane Shadow, Colorado Comets and the Wichita Jets were chosen to win the Northwest Division, Rocky Mountain Division and the wildcard spot, respectively.

The Mid-Michigan Bucks were chosen to win the National Championship.

The Roadrunners are two-time National Champions of the Premier Development League and have reached the finals the last two years. The Roadrunners begin their season May 5 in Mustang Stadium against the San Fernando Valley Heretics.

The opening two games of the season are U.S. Open Cup qualifying matches and the second two matches count for both Open Cup qualifying and league standings.

Sports Trivia

Yesterday’s Answer:
Al Arbour was the New York Islanders coach who led the team to four consecutive Stanley Cup titles.

Congrats Jed Hwang!

Today’s Question:
Who holds the NFL single-game record for most passes attempted and completed?

Please submit sports trivia answer to: sports@mustangdaily.calpoly.edu
Please include your name. The first correct answer received via e-mail will be printed in the next issue of the paper.

Former Mustang QB retires as Chargers GM

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Ever the non-contender, Bobby Beathard started off into his endless summer on Tuesday, retiring as general manager of the San Diego Chargers, even though he thinks the team will return to the playoffs.

"As on my own terms," Beathard told The Associated Press on hour before he was to make it official at a 4:30 p.m. news conference. The laid-back Beathard, still an avid surfer at 63, was dressed as he often is in a polo shirt, shorts and running shoes.

Beathard, who built Super Bowl teams on both coasts during his 37-year NFL career, has come under increasing criticism in recent years over many of his player acquisitions. One of his biggies will be mortgaging the club's future in order to take quarterback Ryan Leaf with the second overall pick in the 1998 draft.

Leaf has been nothing but trouble to the Chargers, both on and off the field. In November, Leaf cursed Beathard, drawing a four-game sus-

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Cal Poly needs to replace all-time leading rushing leader Craig Young

By Christian von Treskow

The Central Coast Roadrunners have been selected as the top team in the Western Conference and were also selected to win the Southwest Division.

The shoes of Craig Young, Cal Poly’s all-time leading rushing leader, will be hard to fill for the Mustangs.

By Christian von Treskow

To ask any member of the Cal Poly football program how he plans to replace all-time leading rushing leader Craig Young would be a mistake. It simply can't be done.

Mustang head coach Larry Webb explained why.

"He's your all-time rushing leader at the school," Webb said. "Obviously, that's an enormous gap to fill. He did things here no one else has done."

For the first time since 1993, the Mustangs will be without the services of standout running back Craig Young and Antonio Warren. Young took the all-time leading rushing title from Warren last season during a 176-yard effort against Portland State. He compiled the season with 1,389 total rushing yards, including eight touchdowns.

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