ASl wary over campus alcohol sales

By Shehanna Hebib
Daily Staff Writer

Students denounced the California State Student Association (CSSA) and the sale of alcohol at the Performing Arts Center (PAC) throughout the ASI meeting Wednesday night.

ASI finally reached a decision after much debate and failed to retain CSSA after its secession three years ago. ASI based this decision on CSSA's internal problems and ASI's feelings of misrepresentation.

Many of the ASI board members voiced their feelings toward the membership rejection but ASI President Steve McShean stayed positive on the issue.

"I'm excited to move forward. I think tonight's discussion was healthy," he said. "The rejection opens the door to more discussions. There were comments made between board members and me that will allow us to come to a common ground that will put Cal Poly on the map legislatively and as a CSU as a voice," he added.

McShean expressed delight when one board member indicated that if CSSA were to prove itself as a united voice for all CSUs, this membership could deserve merit in the future.

Alcohol sales at the PAC and Vista Grande restaurant also prompted a lot of discussion at the meeting. Although ASI wrote a resolution earlier this quarter protesting the sale of alcohol on campus, they decided to create another one. The new resolution would ask the university to seek a policy that emphasizes consistency in issues relating to alcohol.

Three students voiced their views to ASI about the sales. Tiffany Marshall, a social science junior, led the discussion with her stance against the sale of alcohol, saying it showed inconsistency within the university.

She noted that Cal Poly has a responsibility to ensure that the students' hard-earned money is spent wisely, to set a good example for the community and to all the other CSUs as a role model.

Trisha Lowrey, a 20-year-old resident of San Luis Obispo and a soil science junior, addressed the board next. She commented that this was a change with an increase in parties and alcohol consumption.

She started a petition against the sale of alcohol and has collected signatures. According to a recent Newsweek article, Rohypnol is "a sedative related to Valium — but 10 times stronger."

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CAMPUS

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Opinion

Wow! People really do read the paper. The dialogue continues in today's opinion.

SPORTS

It was five years ago today that a student referendum preserved some of the Poly athletic program. We take a look back today.

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price increase from higher operat­
ing costs associated with using the center's Harmon Hall.

Artists and musicians who are accustomed to sellout perfor­mances may not fill all 1,350 seats at the PAC. However, the facility is such a draw that performers aren't worried about ticket sales.

"The professional level of the theater fits the professional level of the company," Kathy Schultz, executive director of the Civic Ballet Company, said. "There's a lot of excitement, the sound is excellent.

In terms of technical problems, one of the biggest problems encountered has been hardware contaminants for sound and lighting systems that have not been com­pleted or that need further refine­ment, according to Technical Service Manager Jim Chernoff.

In addition to the physical plant problems, staffing adjust­ments present ongoing concerns, Chernoff said. Typically, new­sters face months, even years of adjustments and working the "bugs out" of the many technical systems involved in theater opera­tions and in developing a dependable crew.

In spite of the fine tuning nec­essary, PAC officials say the facil­ity has the "makings of a really good (amplified) sound system," due to donated, state-of-the-art JBL sound equipment and the design of the auditorium. The iso­lation spaces created between the walls of the theater and the smaller pavilion "are fantas­tic," Chernoff said, relating how a rock band unobtrusively rehearsed at the same time the Muir String Quartet performed a concert in Harmon Hall, and there was no sound carry-over.

Supervising day to day opera­tions of the PAC is the responsi­bility of managing director Ron Regier.

The elements of success in the center, according to Regier, are usage, artistic quality and reve­ nue.

"We're very busy, beyond our wildest dreams," he said, adding that the staff struggles to find dates for interested performers, as evidenced by the fact that they are booked every weekend from mid January to June, 1997.

"We've been overwhelmed by public interest," Regier said. The community is interested in tours, holding meetings, dinners, recep­tions, fundraisers, trade shows and campus events in the center. Faculty and students are interested in the PAC as well. Cal Poly is one of only two CSU cam­puses without a theater dedicated to a theatre department, according to Mike Malkin, theatre and dance professor. Malkin said he was dis­appointed earlier this year when he learned that Cal Poly's theatre and dance students lost the right to use the Performing Arts Center Pavilion (PAC) as their campus theatre laboratory due to bud­getary restraints.

Malkin said the PAC has met expectations but thought stu­dents should have greater access to the PAC, pointing out that the 175-seat lecture hall dedicated to instruction in the center does not work for theatre students' needs since it lacks the sound and light­ing systems to run a show, he said.

The public's attraction is con­vincing, however. This is evi­denced by the long line of ticket buyers stretching across the courtyard, almost to the park­ing lot, when tickets went on sale for "Cats" last week. These folks paid $47.50 each to see the three December perfor­mances.

Students won't pay those prices to see the Cal Poly's choir holiday show. It will be performed in the main auditorium for last year's price of $5, but students have the option to purchase better seats for up to $9.

General admission has increased only 50 cents, but high­er priced tickets up to $12 are also available. The increased cost not only pays for increased technical support necessary to use the PAC's main auditorium, but also provides increased seating for increased ticket sales.

Program manager for Cal Poly Arts Peter Wilt remarked that the PAC's"new sound profile is a step up to his expectations." An example of acoustic excellence occurred last Sunday during the Muir String Quartet classical concert. The two violins, a cello and one viola could be heard distinctly, Wilt said. "The musicians told me this (PAC) was by far the best acoustic hall they've ever played, even compared to New York and Canada.

Artistically, the number one
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The helicopter rappel was the first event in the 1996 Ranger Challenge which took place earlier this month at Camp San Luis Obispo.  

Cal Poly ROTC gains recognition at Ranger Challenge
MUSTANG DAILY

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 1996

UC Riverside instructors urge leniency for protesters

Associated Press

RIVERSIDE, Calif. — Faculty at the University of California campus here urged the chancellor to drop sanctions against students who took over the administration building in an affirmative action protest last week.

AP-STATE

The Academic Senate, in an emotional meeting Wednesday, also voted a resolution asking Chancellor Raymond Orbach to try to have criminal charges dropped for 20 students arrested in the peaceful demonstration Nov. 11.

A third resolution asked for a delay in implementing Proposition 209 at UC Riverside. Orbach left the meeting quickly without comment after voice votes on the issues. Only a handful of faculty members opposed them. More than 200 people attended the meeting, including about 50 voting faculty members of the Riverside chapter of the UC Academic Senate.

Officials said attendance was among the largest for a senate meeting.

The Nov. 11 protest by about 150 students resulted in assurances by Orbach that the school would continue equal treatment preferences for minorities. And faculty at the University of California opposed Proposition 209, which prohibits hiring and enrolling minorities for the University of California.

"No one benefits from being vindictive or punitive," he said to cheers.

The Proposition 209 resolution urged the university to hold off implementation until discussions about its implications are conducted and until legal challenges are resolved. At least three have been filed.

The school announced it was putting the proposition into effect immediately after it passed in the Nov. 5 election. Although Orbach did not comment Wednesday, an administration spokesman has maintained the chancellor is staying out of the discipline process because student appeals could land on his desk for a final disposition.

Backstage Pizza

Tim Jackson plays Monday, Nov. 25 at noon. All shows are free and open to all ages.

SFO BREW

Peter Wilf and No Love Lost play rock on Friday, Nov. 22 at 9:30 p.m. No cover; The Glity Brothers play psychedelic funk and dance Saturday, Nov. 23 at 9:30 p.m. $4 cover.

UNNAEA's CAFE

Uncle Flotto plays new acoustic Friday, Nov. 22 at 8:30 p.m. Pass the hat; Lorin Hart plays folk rock Saturday, Nov. 16 at 8:30 p.m. Pass the hat.

OGS STREET SUBS

Herbal Fusion plays everything Friday, Nov. 23 at 9 p.m.

Latin pop singer and songwriter Perla Buollo performs at the Performing Arts Center Friday, Nov. 22 at 8 p.m. Tickets, $7 to $15, are available at the PAC ticket office.

The San Luis Obispo Symphony and Starbucks Coffee present, L.S. Bach's Coffee Cantata on Sunday, Nov. 24 at 3 p.m. at the Forum on Marsh. Tickets, $10, include music and coffee and treat, and are available at Starbucks or by calling 543-3533.

Reggae superstars The Iibs bring their classic sounds to the Forum on Marsh, Friday, Nov. 22. Tickets $12 in advance or $15 at the door.

Joe Cranen and his "Countdown"

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**Letters To The Editor**

Puh-leeze ... no PC!

Editor,

Wow, I'm stunned! The mental acuity displayed by Greg Manifold in his "Stop the Chop" commentary was simply spell-binding. I'm sure he's right; sports teams like the "Redskins" and the "Indians" are showing the ugly side of ethnic bias. How could those teams dare to name themselves after the indigenous peoples of the Americas? No wonder Native Americans are protesting outside of stadiums.

In fact, I'm surprised more of these affiliated groups aren't protesting their exploitation. Shouldn't there be the Steel Workers Union protesting in Pittsburgh? What about Meat Packers in Green Bay? Gold Miners in California? Cowboys in Texas?

And where has the animal rights' people? There are Dolphins, Buffalos, Broncos and Falcons to protect! What's wrong with you people? Are you going to let these teams get away with exploiting animals?

And how about Pirates? Isn't there some kind of Pirate lobby? And shouldn't Jiffy North, George Bush, Andréa Seasebrandt and Tom Bordonaro be protesting outside of Patriot games?

By almost a minute, these teams names aren't meant to be derogatory. The idea is praise. Otherwise, these teams would be calling themselves the Los Angeles Weenies, or the Dallas Jerky, or the Texas Meat Packers.

Who are you calling a redneck?

I want a team named after me. How about the San Luis Obispo Otio Moe Beals? It sure beats the San Luis Obispo Politically Correct Whiners.

Glen Starkey
English graduate student

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Editor,

It's interesting, that Leon Freeman seems fit to stereotype people and his different views that some are white to the name of equality. Yeah, I play hango, I guess that's a criminal act in his book. As for living in a trailer, I've lived in a few Tornado Specials, and go, I guess that makes me white trash, now don't it?

To top it all, since my views of politics are to the right of that supposed center. I guess I better head to the South and pray for some sundown on my neck.

Accusing me of forming with family members is like saying that everyone from the Bay Area is a homosexual. You wouldn't endorse that bit of logic, would you, Leon? Before you get on your liberal soapbox, make sure you put on mint-flavored socks.

As for me, to quote a great line, "I think I'll go gnaw on some jerky and whittle me a gun rack for my Monster Truck."

Uli Gulje
Agribusiness senior

I want my AIX

Editor,

In response to the article in the Nov. 20 Mustang Daily concerning the chaos found in Cal Poly's modem pool system in the Nov. 20 Mustang Daily, I'd like to say that the modem pool is a very useful and essential resource that students should be able to use without any fees or any other forms of restriction. The free modem pool, although constantly crowded 24 hours a day, is one that gives many students the opportunity to explore the "Internet world" around us.

Creating a barrier, namely a fee, on this valuable resource, it hinders and deters students from gaining the experience of going on-line. I realize that the school can only budget so much money for modems and such, but the school should really realize that a majority of us students use the free modem pool and so should allocate the number of modems to a pool accordingly.

Placing a fee on the use of school resources would be exactly like charging admission to the computer lab and the library.

Larry Chang
Aeronautical engineering sophomore


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**Commentary**

OK, here comes the enlightenment ...

By Ken Reed

One again, the spectre of overseas military involvement looms large in the minds of the people, prompting many to question the purpose of military involvement in another state's matters. Why should U.S. troops get involved in matters of states with which we have no affiliation?

The end of the Cold War saw the beginning of an era for the typical deterrent role played by our armed forces. No longer do we face a "red menace" or the threat of complete nuclear annihilation. The military is no longer needed in the business of combat. It needs a secondary duty that will maximize its potential to the fullest.

That new job has been coined Operations Other Than War by those who dictate military doctrine. This job requires the military to take on a whole new role, the role of peacemaker, peacekeeper, arbiter of disputes, or supplier of food.

Why? Because the U.S. military is the only organization capable of rapidly deploying personnel and supplies in large quantities anywhere on Earth. No nongovernmental agency has the experience or equipment necessary to function effectively in a hostile or potentially hostile environment. No other agency has the will to commit itself on such a scale due to lack of a profit motive.

Unfortunately, no other agency is as susceptible to naysayers and fickle public opinion as the military. When humanitarian disasters comparable in size to the Somalia or Rwanda/Zaire examples appear, the logical frontrunner for relief is our military.

Some think of overseas military commitments in terms of Vietnam-style quagmire or vortex. The fear of losing our brothers and sisters for no seeming purpose is enough to prompt many people to vociferously protest the notion of humanitarian commitment. The fear is not wholly misplaced; soldiers are notorious for their ability to attract hostile fire. To those who fear the quagmire, think of this: Vietnam is over.

For the most part, we've learned our lessons. Somalia provides a convenient counterexample, but one must remember that a successful humanitarian effort was in place before "mission creep" reared its ugly political head.

Today, successful operations other than war can be initiated by a responsive and responsible president with proper military guidance from military representatives. In Somalia, a show of American force can be enough to bring violent conflict down to levels where resolution becomes possible.

This whole concept of a noncombatant role for the military is new for all parties involved, military and civilian alike. It will take time to change people's concepts of the role of the military as to include these humanitarian missions. In the meantime, objections to these operations are to be expected.

The United States has a stake in maintaining the global status quo because it benefits economically, politically and socially from the effects of peace. Instability in one state can spread to other surrounding states, thus causing regional instability. An unstable region cannot negatively affect trade, diplomatic relations or our collective conscience. Can we sit idly by as thousands or more die needlessly, knowing full well we possess the ability to prevent such human catastrophe? Does the policeman watch passively as a man is beaten to death?

Attitudes toward foreign policy are cyclical, alternating between internationalist and isolationist sentiments. Sadly, we are currently in an isolationist era at a crucial point in world history. New states are cropping up all over the globe. Race, ethnic, ideological and religious conflict is on the rise due to tensions uncovered by the end of state sovereignty. We have a responsibility to use what tools we have to usher in a new post-Cold War world where small states are treated as equals with the larger states and helped when needed. The military is that tool. When human life is at stake, it is better to do something than nothing at all.

Ken Reed is a political science senior and the Mustang Daily war correspondent.
Sonoma State students vote on yearly fee hike

Associated Press

SONOMA, Calif. — Voting continued Thursday at Sonoma State University, as students cast ballots on whether to hike annual fees by $300.

AP-STATE

The voting began Wednesday, and about 50 percent of the school's 5,500 students were expected to visit the polls.

The votes were to be counted Thursday night.

"For this kind of an issue, you really want a strong student voice," said Bonnie Moody, administration adviser to the Associated Students, which is holding the election. "A meager turnout would be disappointing." The measure was getting mixed reviews outside polling places.

"I can barely afford to go to school now," said Kate Van Camp, who lives in the student dorms. "My parents are paying for it, but they can barely afford it. Any higher and I might have to drop out."

"It's a state university and it should be for everyone," said student Sheryce Allendorf.

"Three hundred dollars doesn't seem like much, but for a lot of students it is." But other students think the increase is a good idea.

"We don't have enough beerkegs in my biology lab for everyone to take back to their work stations, and they're the most basic of equipment," said Joshua Troll of Sebastopol. "I don't see any other way to deal with the problem."

SSU administrators are asking for the increase to make up for a decrease in state funding the past several years that they say is eroding the university's ability to fund educational programs.

The fee would raise annual tuition to $2,410, making it the most expensive university in the state system. If approved, it would take effect next semester and generate $1.6 million to hire teachers, buy instructional supplies, provide more student aid and add extracurricular programs.

In addition, the administrators would borrow $100 million to build more dormitories and a university center, renovate buildings and add athletic facilities.

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150 signatures from Cal Poly and from the community.

Lowrey added that she had spoken with freshmen who had been served alcohol at the PAC.

Dr. Juan Gonzalez, vice president of student affairs, noted that he would look into that problem.

Chris Larkin, speech communication junior and chairman of the Liberal Arts Student Council, spoke about his concerns last.

Larkin said that he sees a double standard when the university does not want alcohol at sporting events, such as football games, but serves it at the PAC and Vista Grande.

"People who are attracted to the PAC are older people, older clientele. The people who are attracted to football games are students," he said, adding that he saw a clear bias.

Larkin said that he had a problem because the PAC's alcohol policy chooses which events will serve alcohol. He said a Chris Ledoux concert held at the PAC earlier this year did not sell alcohol because it attracted mostly students.

"If there is an event at the PAC that involves a large student audience, I think they have the right to choose, and if they have the right to choose, I don't think that students will be given the right to drink. So there's another double standard," he said, adding that Cal Poly should adopt a consistent alcohol policy.

Larkin reminded the board that Cal Poly is the students' institution and that if the students do not think that alcohol should be served at the PAC or at Vista Grande, then it shouldn't be served.

Executive Assistant to the President Daniel Howard-Greene stated that the standards of practice of the alcohol permit for the university isn't an encouragement to sell alcohol at other places such as at sporting events.

Cal Poly Police Chief Tom Mitchell reported that alcohol is the university's No. 1 drug problem.

"Every act of violence in the last three years, except for one, is from alcohol," he said.

"People lose common sense, and terrible things can happen from alcohol," Mitchell added, using the case of missing student Kristen Stewart as an example.

As for the PAC, Mitchell recalled that the center's first function, the Hard Hat Ball during the summer, experienced many problems mostly due to poorly trained alcohol servers.

Mitchell guaranteed that those problems spurred resolutions such as stricter enforcement of age requirements for alcohol, restricting patrons' purchases to two drinks throughout the entire night, not allowing peace officers to purchase alcohol and ceasing sales for one hour before the end of a performance.

An ad-hoc committee investigated students' opinions on the alcohol policy. Committee and board member Amanda Bailey reported on the committee's survey results taken from 83 students.

When asked if they supported the sale of alcohol at the PAC or at Vista Grande, 54 percent said no, 45 percent answered yes and two percent were unsure. The other question asked the students if the university should allow the public sale of alcohol on campus. Thirty-eight percent said yes, 55 percent said no, and five people were unsure.

The committee recommended that President Warren Baker reconsider the alcohol service at Vista Grande, because they said proximity to the residence hall dining area presents a problem for the students.
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PAC: Is the local community happy with it?

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Featuring the nonamplified acoustics, and performances have received rave reviews, Regier said. "There have been no complaints."

He pointed out that the amplified sound is as good as it will be when permanent installation is completed.

In spite of client enthusiasm and the sold-out weekends through next June, the facility is more labor intensive than many theaters, specifically the Cal Poly theater. Rent helps to cover some of what it costs to run the building, Regier said. Additional costs that must be charged back to the client are higher than we expected. However, he said the rent is affordable and for the most part, groups are able to do well in terms of ticket sales.

Comparing the PAC to similar facilities in the area, Regier said that San Luis Obispo "feels like this. But then, few people have what it takes to be a Marine Officer. Invaluable training that could only be received if you would be able to walk into a drink, it is odorless, tasteless and colorless. The victims have no idea they are being drugged.

"They are using it for rape purposes but you can't see them and not know what's going on and die from it," Reynoso said.

GREEK

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implemented in the past but the rules were only enforced for exchanges that occurred between sororities and fraternities, not for all parties.

"GAP, as it exists, is set up to go check on fraternity and sorority events," Kennedy said. "Sometime, during the night, a representative from some other house will be at the party with a checklist."

The new, amended policy will put the requirements on all parties that are held by a Greek organization. The rules require that only members of the Greek organization and those on a guest list attend events. Those who are over 21 years old will be required to wear wristbands.

"That includes a list of brothers in the house that are 21 (and) identification checks for anyone who is not in the house," Kennedy said. "There will be a bar area, and drinks will only be served to those with wristbands."

Kennedy added that those in violation of the amended policy will be subject to varying penalties.

"It's still too early to determine financial success, Regier said. "This small community is not used to the type of costs confront­ed in this type operation," Regier said. But the flexibility to accommodate varied genres is excellent here; not all facilities are as versatile. "If this same facility was plunked down in a large city the costs would be much higher," Regier said.

Even though 60-75 percent of user groups are selling out at this time, he said, "it's too early to pro­nounce judgment."

The first serious evaluation should not occur until the second year of operations, the typical time frame required to determine success.

"We don't know everything right away," Regier concluded. "We learn new and better ways to do things the second, third and fourth time through."

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DRUG: It is odorless, tasteless and colorless

"It's difficult because we haven't had any rapes reported to us this year," Kennedy said. However, the department is investigating another suspicious case which happened last year, he said.

"We have suspicion but we've never met any of these people or incidents," he said. "Just because victims haven't come forward, doesn't mean that incidents aren't happening here in San Luis Obispo."

Hamilton did say that over the past two to three months they had an increased number of suspicious calls about cases that involved Rohypnol.

The fact that Rohypnol may be here worries many of these offi­cials and illustrates the impor­tance of victims reporting the sus­picion of the crime. Kennedy said that if a victim wants to talk or go through the legal process, it is still important they report it.

"One person is concerned about where they were or who they were with to look for similarities," he said.

Rohypnol is not the only drug people are using to take advan­tage of others. GHB, a hypnotic drug, is being used by Rohypnol and causes many similar results. Like Rohypnol, it makes people lose inhibitions and although vic­tims remember what happened to them and are conscious, they don't want to stop whatever they're doing. They are awake but have no ability to fight off their desires.

"The drug was blamed in an accident at a Hollywood club last weekend where six people were hospitalized," he said.

Cal Poly Director of Health and Psychological Services Marty Jerny said drugs like Rohypnol are nothing new.

This kind of medicine has been a very popular drug of use since the 60's with Quaaludes, to really enhance sexual experi­ence," he said.

Even so, it was only last month that President Bill Clinton signed legislation to help curb the production of Rohypnol.

According to an article in the San Francisco Chronicle, the new law adds 20 more years to a prison sentence if a criminal uses drugs as a weapon. This is the first time such an action is illegal under law.

With the threat of these drugs, officials say it is extremely impor­tant to not leave a drink unat­tended and to constantly be aware of who is around and what they might take.

"You need to know where your drink has been at all moments," Reynoso agreed.

"Get a bottle, and if you get up and leave it, don't hand it back," he said. "It's really sickening."

"These idiots are taking advantage of women to get high, or to kill somebody," Reynoso added. "You mess with this stuff and you're likely to kill somebody.

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MARSINE OFFICER

Dr. Ron Mullisen, Cal Poly professor and former Marine pilot, will be speaking about his experiences as an A-6 jet pilot in Vietnam. Meet him, as well as the Marine Officer Selection Team on Monday, November 25th at 5:00 PM at the local Marine recruiting office located at 956 Foothill Blvd., or call Captain Fegley at (213) 294-3704.
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"There's different levels for violations, and there's lot of specific details," he said. "It depends on what rules were broken. If it's a flagrant violation then things are going to be handled more severely." 

Kennedy said IFC and Panhellenic plan to meet with Gardner to discuss the new policy and its ramifications. Gardner brought up concern for details such as limiting the number of students at a party and banning drinking games.

"We've taken the biggest step we can," Kennedy said in response to comments at the meeting that the amended policy did not go far enough.

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When the two teams faced each other earlier this season, the Vandals beat the Mustangs in three games. Schleck sees this as a reward for a season well played by the Mustangs in their first year in the Big West Conference. He sees the tournament as a chance for the Mustangs to be seen by other teams.

"We have the opportunity to be tested against a good team," he said. "We are pleased to have the chance to compete."

Regardless of the outcome, the women's volleyball team has achieved two of their three pre-season goals — to reach the Big West tournament and to improve in specific areas of play on the court. They fell just short of the third goal of finishing the season at or above .500.

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SPORTS

We’ve come a long way

In 1991, Cal Poly students turned out in record numbers to vote on the IRA Athletic Referendum. Over 10,000 students voted and the referendum passed by just 267 votes. The referendum saved eight sports and changed the face of Cal Poly sports forever.

By Megan Lehman
Daily Staff Writer

Cal Poly men’s basketball tailgating party set for opening game today

A tailgating party to kick off the start of the Cal Poly Men’s Basketball inaugural season in the Big West Conference will be held Friday, November 22 at 5 p.m. on the Mott Gym lawn.

The event will feature music, barbecue food, and special guest appearance by men’s basketball coach Jeff Schneider. There also will be games for fun and prizes, including a three point “Shoot off.”

“The Full-Court Press Grill” will feature a tri-beef steak, hamburgers, chicken, turkey, fresh corn, and sodas.

This kick-off event is sponsored by Mustang Technology, Mustang Athletics, KCPR Radio, The Investment Society, and Running Thunder.

Women’s basketball has home and away games this weekend

The women’s basketball team hits the road tonight to face the Pepperdine Waves.

“I think (Pepperdine) is going to be a challenge for us,” said head coach Karen Booker. “We want to have a quick tempo and push the ball up and down the court and make sure we take care of the ball.”

Sunday, the Mustangs return home to face University of Montana. Game time is set for 2 p.m. at Mott Gym.

“University of Montana is a team that reached NCAA post-season play since 1982,” Boeker said. “So we’re not starting our season off soft, we’re starting out with strong teams.”

Stanball was very pleased with the results of the election.

“The overall feeling was elation. We savved the department,” she said.

Marilyn McNeil, who was Assistant Athletic Director at the time of the election, said that if the referendum would have failed athletics at Cal Poly would’ve dwindled to a minimum.

According to McNeil, this result caused a lot of tension within the University and the athletic department.

It was an extremely emotion-al election, but (the athletic department) tried to be as up front and informative as possible,” McNeil said.

But according to math professor Bernard Strickmeier, who opposed the referendum in a debate before the vote, that wasn’t the case at all.

“I think that the students were misled,” Strickmeier said in a recent interview, “I was very disappointed with the end result.”

The motivation behind upgrading to Division I, as stated in the IRA Referendum Task Force Report, was due to a decrease in available teams that made it hard for Cal Poly to find opponents to play against.

According to the report, moving to Division III wasn’t an option because it is made up of small, private liberal arts schools which wouldn’t want to compete against a larger university like Cal Poly.

The referendum did not budget money for facilities or scholarships. Scholarships are funded from four places, a basic 87 student athletic fee, the Cal Poly foundation, private donations, and program-generated revenue.

The latter of the two have grown significantly over the past two years.

Four years ago, the scholarship budget was $400,000, and it is now climbing to more than $800,000.

Current athletic director John McCutcheon said that the move to Division I was one of the most beneficial things that could have happened to the athletic program.

“I don’t know if I’ll be here now,” McCutcheon said. “What got me interested in the job was the department’s dedication to moving from Division II to Division I.”

Since the referendum passed, McCutcheon is one of many new administrators to come to Cal Poly. The athletic department itself has gone form 21 staff members to over 50 since the move to Division I.

Overall, McCutcheon feels that Cal Poly athletics have continued to build over the past four years and he’s expecting it to only get better.

“This is our third year as a Division I member,” McCutcheon said. “We don’t know what our potential is yet. All programs are different, and we definitely have our own unique strengths and weaknesses.”

 Mustangs face Idaho in first round

Dolly Self Report

The good news is that the women’s volleyball team made its way into the Big West post-season tournament. The bad news is they face Eastern Division champion University of Idaho in the first round.

Women’s Volleyball

The Mustangs received a wild card into the tournament and are ranked No. 4 in the Western Division with a 14-15 overall record, 7-6 in the Big West.

They face the University of Idaho Vandals, who finished the season at 24-5 overall, 13-3 in the Big West.

“The tournament gives us a chance to play a bit longer,” said head coach Steve Schlick. “We have to play a very good team match for us to win.”

Schlick added that the Idaho team is very big and the Mustangs need to gamble on defense and choose specific things they will guard against.

“We need to diversify the location on the net we attack,” Schlick said, “and force Idaho to make decisions.”

The Mustangs face Idaho in the first round of the Big West Tournament on Saturday in Santa Barbara. Their first game is at 12 p.m.

Season opener tonight against Simon Fraser

By Franco Centinni
Special to the Daily

It seems the first two weeks of college basketball accumulated more upssets than the last 10 years.

• Men’s Basketball

Oklahoma defeated Kentucky on opening night and on Wednesday night Tulsa pulled off an overtime win against UCLA.

So much bad karma exists for college basketball teams opening their seasons against teams they should beat.

Has the thought crossed Cal Poly players and coaches about a possible upset in their opening game against Simon Fraser?

Simon, what’s it like to be in college and not look over anyone,” said senior forward Damien Levesque. “We have to be focused and well prepared. And we are prepared.”

The Canadians-based university travels to Mott Gym for a 7 p.m. Friday game.

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