Poly's Brown goes in seventh round to Cowboys, Shotwell signs three-year UFA deal with Raiders

IN SPORTS

Meet the candidates for ASI president

Three current Associated Students Inc. members have begun their campaigns for the presidency. Take a look at who is in the race and just what they hope to accomplish. Elections will take place May 9 and 10. Visit www.mustangdaily.com for more information on the candidates and ongoing election coverage.

Patrick Trautfeld

What will your main priority as ASI president be?

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Why are you the best candidate for ASI president?

"I'm a very well-rounded person. I'm the IFC president so I'm currently representing 800 to 900 men on campus. I also currently run a business that's grossing $150,000 a year with four employees. Aside from that, I am on the ASI Board of Directors currently so I know how ASI works."

What is an example of something you did in ASI that has made a difference for students?

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Arnold Sahelian
Civil engineering junior

Brandon Souza
Apparel business senior

Matthew Taylor
Business senior

"My main priority as ASI president is student safety and academic success."

"My main priority will be increasing the communication between students and their student leaders."

"Because I think experience matters and I am the most experienced candidate in ASI out of the three."

"I have been the chairman this year of the University Union Advisory Board; I served on the Board of Directors last year for ASI; my UUAB this year was instrumental in getting the Rec Center pool deck, which many students use the benefits now; as well as continuing plans for plaza redesign, the upstairs redecoration of the University Union and what to do with the former Insomniac space."

"I'm a good listener, I work well with other people, and I'm interested in bringing in the best people in and out of ASI to work together."

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Men strap on heels for a cause

Michelle Norgan

The Sexual Assault Recovery and Prevention Center (SARP) held its fifth annual Walk a Mile in Her Shoes event on Saturday, drawing the largest crowd in its history.

The event, which began at noon in Mitchell Park, challenged men to walk a mile in high heeled shoes to help inform the public about sexual assault.

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"Men wore everything from black stiletto heels to brightly colored flip-flops and walked beside their families to show their support for SARP's cause. Participants were encouraged to bring their family and see Walk, page 2

Last True Life debate looks at human existence

Justin Fassino

How can someone explain the world they live in? Is nature just a coincidence, or was it designed by some intelligent force? Why is there such a complexity to everything around us?

These questions were the topic of debate in Chumash Auditorium during the Associated Students Inc.'s True Life series discussion about intelligent design. Paul Nelson, professor at Biola University's Science and Religion program, and Michael Shermer, columnist for Scientific American as well as publisher for Skeptic Magazine, took to the podium in front of Cal Poly students to argue about how life began and how it managed to get to the present day.

Each speaker was given 30 minutes to present their case, which they did with the accompaniment of PowerPoint slides. Then the audience was given the opportunity to ask questions to the speakers.

Shermer kicked things off with a brief overview of evolution, focus-
Battle of the barbecue

Amanda Retzer
MUSTANG DAILY

They must be tender and definitely meaty. Juiciness is a main factor along with flavor but overall satisfaction is the most important.

These were the five categories of criteria used in the 22nd annual Rib Cook-off hosted by San Luis Obispo Downtown Association at Farmers' Market on Thursday night.

Mother's Tavern and F. McIntock's Saloon topped the list of the top two each. Mother's won for the Chief's Choice and Cal Poly's Choice, F. McIntock's was Judges' Choice Beef and People's Choice Pork.

There were seven different award categories: Judges' Choice Beef, Judges' Choice Pork, Chief's Choice, Cal Poly's Choice, Eve's Choice, People's Choice Beef and People's Choice Pork. The judges blindly tasted the barbecue so they didn't know which ribs they were trying.

The Chief's Choice was represented by San Luis Obispo Police Department Chief Deborah Linden, and Associated Student Inc. President Todd Maki was in charge of the Cal Poly vote. Eve's Choice was the combination of all female judges. The Judges' Choices were made by a panel of San Luis Obispo representatives from the mayor to a City Council member to a representative from the Downtown Association.

The Community Choice vote came from anyone at Farmers' Market whose month was watering for ribs.

"The people's choice were people who tasted the ribs on the street, and then there were ballots that were given to each barbecue," said Katie Hollingsworth, promotions coordinator for the Downtown Association.

Other winners were Downtown Brewing Co. with Judges' Choice Pork, Mart's Bar and Grill beef ribs for Eve's Choice and Old Country Deli with People's Choice beef ribs.

While no restaurant can claim complete rib domination, certain judges definitely had their favorites.

"The criteria were flavor, meatiness, tenderness, succulence and overall satisfaction," Maki said, who chose the beef ribs from Mother's Tavern. "There were some ribs that were fantastic, in a few of the criteria, but fell short in others. Overall, I felt the beef ribs outperformed the pork ribs, though that may be because I'm a beef rib type of guy."

With good weather and enough ribs to go around, the streets were crowded with people and the event seemed to be a success.

ASI President
Todd Maki
was the Cal Poly representative for the 22nd annual Rib Cook-off at Farmers' Market last Thursday.

Walk

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friends to join them on the walk.

"The public needs to know that rape still happens," said walk participant Ron Wahlman, who is also a sexual assault detective for the San Luis Obispo County Sheriff's Department.

Wahlman said that he served on the SARP board of directors last year and has been walking in this event for three years now.

"We want to get the word out about this and encourage people to focus their time on preventing it," Wahlman said. This year SARP added a new aspect to their event by incorporating an awareness fair that featured booths for several San Luis Obispo agencies that serve all community.

"There are 10 agencies from the community: social service groups, health care and violence prevention agencies, all here," Kelly said.

At the heart of the event are the shoes the men wear, and SARP provides a wide selection for men to use if they do not bring their own. In addition, SARP members offered to paint participants' toe nails to enhance their connection to the ultimate cause.

The event goes to SARP's 24-hour witness, which is a group sponsored by the District Attorney's office. All of the money raised through the event goes to SARP's 24-hour rape crisis line, counseling sessions and sending members into the community to run prevention programs.

Although Walk a Mile in Her Shoes has only been held in San Luis Obispo for five years, it is a nationwide effort that has been going on for much longer.

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Debate

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ouling on some of the common misconceptions about the theory and then pointing out the underlying scientific methodology used to test it.

"I think it's one or the other," he said afterward when asked about whether or not intelligent design and evolutionary theory could coexist.

"Intelligent design is presented as an alternative to evolution," Nelson said, "If you want to argue that God created the laws of nature and set the universe up running and off it went, yeah, OK, that's fine. That's not part of science. It's perfectly legitimate to ask 'where did God come from?'" he added.

Nelson used his 30 minutes to ask the audience to consider other sources of knowledge outside of science.

"I want to rethink the foundations and try to do so in a way to get people thinking," he said. "I myself am doubtful that many of the problems of evolutionary theory will be solved using its current tools," Nelson said. "Evolutionary biology has learned a lot in 150 years; it's valid, solid knowledge, and that would have to be incorporated into any new theory of intelligent design." Nelson also felt, despite using many cellular examples to support his inference of intelligent design in nature, that appealing to just science would not reveal all the answers.

"I think that on these deep questions on where did we come from, what's our essential nature as beings and so forth, we don't evaluate them just using science or just using philosophy or theology," he said.

Most of the crowd stayed until the very end of the question-and-answer session and even wanted to speak one-on-one with the debaters themselves.

"This is the kind of talk I would want to hear if I were 18 years old and I was just beginning to think about these things," Nelson said.

Evolution and intelligent design were the main topics at the True Life series debate.

BRENNAN ANGEI MUSTANG DAILY

For 2007-08
Cal Poly Corporation
Board of Directors

Applications are now available in the ASI Student Government Office, University Union Room 202.

Applications are due: April 30, 2007 before 5 p.m.

The Cal Poly Corporation Board of Directors serves as the governing body for the Cal Poly Corporation.

Among the many duties of the Cal Poly Corporation is the management of its agriculture and research-related projects, Campus Dining and the El Corral Bookstore.

PTV

The student anchors define "McDreamy."
Arming everyone doesn't solve the problem

I can see it now. A guy walks into class with a gun. Someone shouts "Here's a gun!" Oh, and Eller, the violent crime rate did in fact decline after the Brady Bill. In fact, crime rates declined every year between its introduction and its expiration. And in case you're wondering, it's been going up since. Oh, and Eller, the violent crime rate did in fact decline after the Brady Bill. In fact, crime rates declined every year between its introduction and its expiration. And in case you're wondering, it's been going up since.
Got Flair? Wineries push memorabilia

Stickers, patches and temporary tattoos used to promote local wineries


What is Wine Flair? It's winery promotion using small colorful badges with a sticky adhesive on the back, which are perfect for sticking on shirts, chests, you name it. Wine Flair is the newest and greatest marketing scheme wineries could ever have thought of.

Take a whole bunch of adults and get them to have a couple of drinks and suddenly, everyone wants to put stickers on each other. You walk around and see someone with the "buffalo" sticker and suddenly, you are grabbing your friends and recruiting them to actively pursue the Buffalo Winery. You're not actively seeking its blue ribbon winning Pinot Noir, but once you have a sticker, you are an avid audience for whatever the wine maker would like to tell you about Buffalo Winery.

So it comes down to flair. Everyone's seen "Office Space;" it's all about how many pieces of flair you've got. At a wine festival, there are several ways of marketing yourself as a winery. The first and foremost is your wine. This is probably the best sort of marketing because it clearly shows the product. Second, there is literature that you can give out like brochures and even DVDs about the winery. The third way of marketing is having other people market for you. This is where that charming flair comes in. This type of marketing normally includes flair, stickers, badges and temporary tattoos. Did I forget to mention that I love wine season? Over the weekend, I was at the Cal Poly Wine Festival and the flair present was unbelievable. Eberle has the boar. Tobin James has sun. Laetitia has a badge with a L. Norman winery has the cougar. On top of that, I saw so many temporary tattoos for wineries that I actually stopped counting them.

My friends even got caught up in the quest for flair. It started out being a educational experience and my friends earnestly did want to learn about each individual winery. But as soon as people with straw hats started showcasing their winery flair acquaintance, the deal was off. It became, that person has so and so flair, let's go get one.

This is not the case for wine festivals done alone. Wineries, especially those that are frequented by tourists on a regular basis, know the drill. Bus loads of unruly people have little interest for the smaller eccentricities of individual wines. At one point, those purple stained lips just want something to drink instead of savory. At this point, they have also become flair aficionados.

Flair can be taken home and posted on blackboards, put on photo frames with pictures taken from an array of copious digital images taken that day. Other observed uses of flair... face decoration and chest showcasing. You would really be surprised what eight or 10 wine samples make you do.

In any case, wineries are now catering in on our feeble attraction to sticky souvenirs. Do you have a creative use of flair? Please e-mail me and share your flair story. Well, Lauren Jeter here, signing off, saying Be Flair Conscious and Flair Responsibly.
Cal Poly’s improv troupe Smile and Nod kicks off a killer new quarter

Michelle Norgan

The Cal Poly improv comedy group Smile and Nod is starting one of their most exciting quarters on a high note.

On Saturday night, they performed their “Super Happy Fun Big Show,” which was a longer version of their usual improv shows. The event was a fundraiser that was held in connection with the Friends and Alumni Network of Supporters, a group of theatre department alumni.

Tanner Agron, theatre senior and Smile and Nod team member, said that the event was a chance for them to showcase some of their most talented members.

“It’s been interesting to see the transformation over the past few years,” Agron said. “The team has really matured.”

Agron said that over four years on the team, they went from a small group to a large group doing a wide variety of improv. By taking on a few new members every quarter, the group has the opportunity to increase its numbers and add new personalities to their shows.

“For the new members and the team, this is a time of transition where we throw things at them to see what they can do,” said Kelsi Copeland, a history junior who has been on the team for two years.

Copeland said that one of her favorite experiences since joining the team has been learning to be a referee. This job involves introducing the many improv games that the team plays during shows and generally directing the action.

“Learning to be a good ref is something special because just doing improv is hard enough,” Copeland said.

The team provides a great opportunity for its members to learn many different aspects of this type of performance. They do two main types of improv: short form, which is a series of games that last a few minutes, and long form, which are longer scenes.

“I’m still trying to be more confident with long form,” said Audrey Rufe, a history junior who has been on the team for two years.

One of the best learning experiences for long form is when the team travels to Scotland every other year. They participate in a festival there that not only gives them a chance to work on their art, but also to learn from other improv teams.

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The secret to improving is constant practice, because there is no real way to teach the skill of improv since it is different every time, Rufe said.

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Shown during Cal Poly's 23-17 Great West Football Conference win, the first Mustang defensive back chosen in the NFL Draft since 2006, former Cal Poly cornerback Courtney Brown (left) became the Associated Press after two unproductive seasons.

Teams usually carry six to seven cornerbacks on their active rosters. Brown may have to compete with his two seasons in Oakland, and said he was thrilled and "excited to make the Oaklard Raiders ball club."

Brown said he became worried as his two seasons in the draft continued into the seventh round and he was still on the board. "I wanted to get stessed toward the end," Brown said. "I was really surprised (Brown) dropped that far," Shotwell said. "That's the thing. I'm going to try to be one of the best 53 on the team. We'll take it from there. My job is to make the Mustangs second string." Brown said he became worried as the draft continued into the seventh round and he was still on the board. "I'm going to try to be one of the best 53 on the team. We'll take it from there. My job is to make the Mustangs second string."

Eggleston takes 2 events at UC Santa Barbara meet

SANTA BARBARA — Cal Poly's Jessica Eggleston picked up two wins Saturday at the UC Santa Barbara meet. Eggleston led the women's team with a 100-97-96 win over the UCSB squad and the Gauchos men's team defeated Cal Poly 108-94.

Eggleston won the 100 in 11.31 and the triple jump in 37-0 3/4. She also won the long jump and the 400 meter hurdles.

Poly baseball team wins 13-0 at Fresno St., completes sweep

The Mustangs won the three games by a combined score of 35-13.

SPORTS INFORMATION REPORT

FRESNO — Sophomore right-hander Thomas Eager scattered five hits over seven innings and junior second baseman Pat Perez belted a three-run home run to help Cal Poly's 13-0 victory over Fresno State in the final game of a three-game nonconference baseball series Sunday at Peite Beiden Field. Eager (8-2) walked one and struck out eight — two short of his season high — on a warm spring afternoon, throwing 104 pitches, as the Mustangs completed a three-game sweep against the Bulldogs for the third straight year.

Cal Poly has won 10 straight over Fresno State since 2004 and improved to 24-20 on the season. The Bulldogs fell to 26-24 with their fifth straight loss.

Cal Poly scored a run in the first inning as Dermon Deane doubled off the left-field wall with two outs and Wess Dorens' bloop single to center field scored Deane. The Mustangs then broke the game open with a five-run second inning. Bryan Kepner and Kyle Carson were hit by pitches and Corey Barret belted scored runs with a single. Barret now has three hits and three RBIs on the season, all in the weekend series.

Kyle Smith followed with a run-scoring double to left-center and Dorell and Bres Morel singled to drive in the final two runs of the inning as Cal Poly stretched its lead to 6-0.

Morel singled in the fifth and Apud on an error. The Mustangs added four more runs in the seventh as Kepner doubled, came home on two wild pitches and Peterson belted his first home run of the season. In the second career Mustang round-tripper, a three-run shot to right field.

Adam Boschi smashed a two-run home run in the eighth for a 13-0 Cal Poly lead. It was Boschi's fourth home run of the year.

The loss went to Fresno State starter Tanner Schepers (3-4), who allowed six runs on six hits in just two frames of work with one walk and one strikeout.

Dorell went 3 for 5 with two RBIs for Cal Poly and Morel each had two hits as the Mustangs outhit the Bulldogs 13-8. Cal Poly scored 15 runs and 45 hits in the series.

Top batters for Cal Poly in the series were Boschi, who went 7 for 17 with 13 runs, and Smith, who went 5 for 15 with six RBIs. Morel went 7 for 17 and Carson was 6 for 10.

The Mustangs played the series without junior pitcher Marc Norel, who missed all of the weekend's series due to an ankle injury and sophomore center fielder Logan Schuler, recovering from a genus pull.

Cal Poly plays another nonconference game on the road next weekend, visiting Long Beach State for the Big West Conference series at Blair Field. Friday's game starts at 6:30 p.m., followed by a 2 p.m. contest Saturday and a 1 p.m. finale Sunday.
Poly tennis teams fall in Big West title matches

The Mustang men were upset by rival UC Santa Barbara after entering the tournament with a 3-0 Big West record and No. 1 seed.

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF REPORT

The Cal Poly men's tennis team ended its season Sunday with a 4-2 loss to UC Santa Barbara in the men's Big West Conference Tournament championship match. The Gauchos' victory was their second consecutive title and fourth in six years.

UCSB squeaked by Cal Poly in doubles when the Gauchos used a five-point run to break a 4-4 tie, pushing them to the 1-0 match lead.

The Mustangs took an early lead in singles, as both Matt Baca and Rob Fox pulled in wins. Just as Cal Poly settled into its 2-1 cushion, the Gauchos' Jack Hui tied the match with 6-2 and 6-3 wins over Fred DeWitte at No. 4 singles. Facing each other in singles, UCSB's Anders Dahkov defeated Darren Zeyn in two of three sets, clinching a Gauchos victory.

UCSB aways its selection and seeding for the NCAA Championship, which begins May 11.

With the season over, the Mustangs fell to 11-13 overall and 4-1 in the Big West. UCSB improved to 17-6 overall and the Mustangs concluded their season on 9-7.

The 49ers took the upper hand in doubles with wins at No. 1 and No. 3. In singles, Cal Poly challenged the 49ers' seconds of the ladder but couldn't muster any wins.

IBIU will hear of its selection and seeding for the NCAA Tournament on Tuesday. The tournament takes place from May 11 to 13.

The selection show will be broadcast on ESPNews from 2:30 to 3 p.m. Tuesday.
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MUSTANG DAILY

After splitting the first two games of a three-game series against Big West Conference rival UC Santa Barbara on Saturday, the Cal Poly softball team fell 6-5 Sunday after a late comeback pushed the game to nine innings at Bob Janssen Field. “We definitely didn’t play our game,” Cal Poly shortstop Melissa Pura said. “We’re definitely better than that team.”

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Before Sunday, former Cal Poly pitcher Denise Kupfer held the record with 798 strikeouts in her career.

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Cal Poly finally answered in the fifth, putting three singles and scoring one run.

Then in the sixth, an error cost the Mustangs as it allowed a Gaucho manager roster — or at least stick as a practice-squad player — was more important than the length of contract offered to his client.

“The term of the contract really isn’t relevant,” Tollner said. “It’s the best opportunity to make the team. In the Raiders’ case, they didn’t draft a linebacker. Kyle has a great opportunity to compete at weakside linebacker. Kyle’s going to be a particular asset to play special teams.”

Tollner said he felt Shotwell should have been drafted, but that there was nothing more the latter could have done.

“In my opinion, he certainly deserved to be drafted,” Tollner said. “That’s the nature of the deal. They pick you and you need to be a perfect fit for them. A lot just has to do with the scouting process. Kyle did everything he could do. The key here with the draft is that it’s just the starting line. I think Kyle’s got a real great future in the NFL.”

The Raiders’ current starting weakside linebacker is Thomas Howard, a second-round steal in 2006 who was second on the team with 110 tackles in his rookie year. Despite a 2-14 season, he was part of an Oakland defense that ranked third in the NFL in fewest yards allowed in 2006.

Showell will likely have to compete with former USC safety Darrell Bing — a fourth-round pick in 2006 — for the backup spot to see Draft page 6.

UCSB edges Poly softball team 6-5, takes series 2-1

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With the score 4-1 UCSC, Cal Poly’s defense held the Gauchos as a three-up, three-down top of the seventh. In the bottom of the seventh, Cal Poly rallied back.

The Mustangs’ first batter, catcher Jackie Gebrke-Jones, was hit by a pitch. The team then went on to score four runs on four hits. Puta hit a three-run double that tied the game and made her the Big West leader in doubles (18). The hit came after Puta slugged a foul ball to left field that just missed the pole and would have made for a walk-off home run.

Still tied in the eighth inning and facing two Gauchos base runners on first and second, Cal Poly center fielder Lisa Modglin fielded a ground ball and hopped it to home plate where Gebrke-Jones, stretching out to make the catch, was mooved over by Gaucher catcher Adrienne Anderson. Gebrke-Jones held onto the ball, getting the last out of the inning and keeping the game tied.

In the bottom of the ninth, UCSC scored a one on single to center field by Hansen.

Unable to muster any offense in the bottom of the ninth, Cal Poly lost after three batters hit three consecutive infield grounders.

Now in a three-way tie for first place, Cal Poly looks ahead to games at Cal State Fullerton and against visiting Pacific to close the season.

“Fullerton is going to be just as hard or harder,” Hively said.

Cal Poly head coach Jenny Condon remained optimistic about the final six regular-season games.

“We still control our own destiny,” she said.