ASI Elections campaign investigation underway

Mustang Daily Staff Report

Associated Students Inc. (ASI) officials have investigated allegations surrounding “dirty campaigning” during the recent ASI Elections.

The investigation began after complaints were filed against two still unnamed candidates campaigning for the ASI Board of Directors seats in the College of Liberal Arts. The allegations included campaigning while wearing an ASI shirt, soliciting door-to-door in resident halls and distributing candy during election days.

ASI Elections chair Kelsey Rice said she received complaints the Tuesday before the elections. In a prior article with the Mustang Daily, she said all candidates were notified about election policies prior to opening campaigning, which began April 25.

College of Liberal Arts candidate for ASI Board of Directors Lindsey Meredith sent an e-mail to the Mustang Daily on May 6 about the rules she said were being violated. She mentioned allegations the committee is now taking action against, as well as theft of campaign materials such as stickers and fliers.

“I think it’s important students know that their selected candidates have been given an unfair advantage since the beginning,” Meredith wrote in the e-mail.

Under the ASI Elections policy Article VII, students running for the board found guilty of irregularities can be charged up to $100 for each violation and can lose a $50 campaign deposit, which is usually given back once all campaign materials are turned in and a closing statement is given.

The committee met with individuals on both sides of the controversy to investigate the allegations and develop consensus among those involved. It unanimously decided to withhold the filing fee of the accused candidate because it said wearing an ASI-affiliated shirt while campaigning is a clear violation of the ASI Elections code and ASI personnel policy.

The other allegations were validated through written verification and are considered dropped as complaints.

“I think there are always issues with campaigning, but we do make a good effort to address all the rules,” Rice said. “I appreciate them bringing it to our attention and this is a lesson both for the campus and future ASI candidates.”

Jessica Barka contributed to this report.

Kinesiology and engineering students produce kayak for disabled paddlers

Anthony Pannone

A first of its kind, the Adapted Paddling Launch Vehicle, designed to give people with disabilities a more enjoyable kayaking experience, made its way through the fog in the waters of Morro Bay on Sunday.

The adapted launch vehicle was the result of a collaborative effort between Cal Poly’s kinesiology and engineering departments. Square metal tubing, four plastic wheels and a tricked-out braking system form this innovative piece of adaptive technology. It functions as designed: four kayakers and their assistants safely entered the water.

Working together under the guidance of kinesiology professor Dr. Kevin Taylor and local occupational therapist John Lee, students in the Adapted Paddling Program (KINE 407) implemented their creation at Tidelands Park.

“Your life is made much easier with this vehicle,” Lee said as he was being lifted and transferred into the kayak.

Lee was the first to test the vehicle. He was lifted and assisted by two students using a device designed to transfer participants from their wheelchairs to the kayak. Then, secured in the launch vehicle, Lee and an assistant were rolled down the boat launch and into the water.

The success of the launch is indicative of Taylor’s commitment to the paddling program. He said he teaches his students that life is about adapting to life.

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Lee works for Central Coast Assistive Technology Center, a company that provides technology to people with disabilities to help increase independence and function. He also serves as the paddling program therapist instructor. He said the launch vehicle is intended to minimize the amount of human assistance needed to get paddlers with disabilities in and out of the water.

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WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court set a potential blueprint Monday for upholding the recently enacted health care reform law and its mandate that all Americans have insurance, saying Congress has a "broad authority" to pass laws that are "rationally related" to its constitutional aims.

The Constitution not only gives Congress the power to regulate interstate commerce, the justices said, but also the authority to enact all laws that are "necessary and proper," or carrying out this authority.

The "choice of means" for carrying out its aims is left "primarily ... to the judgment of Congress," said Justice Stephen G. Breyer in U.S. v. Comstock.

The ruling arose from a constitutional challenge not of the health care mandate, but to the federal authority to hold sex offenders after they had served their prison terms. Thirteen years ago, the court upheld similar state laws, so the dispute involved only the reach of federal power.

Last year, a federal appeals court in Virginia struck down the law that authorized federal prisons to hold sex criminals who are deemed to be dangerous. It said Congress "had exceeded its authority" in passing this part of the Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act of 2006.

It was the first clear test of federal power, with ObamaCare, to order individuals to buy health care from private vendors.

Only Justices Clarence Thomas and Antonin Scalia set out the small-government theory of congressional power that has been voiced by those challenging the constitutionality of the health care mandate. Thomas said Congress has only the "powers enumerated in the Constitution," and holding prisoners beyond their term goes beyond a specific enumerated power, he said.

Breyer also rejected the notion that such prison terms invade the sovereign nature of the states - a complaint voiced in this case and in the dispute over health care. It is true the 10th Amendment limits "powers not delegated to the United States," Breyer said. If Congress has a delegated power, such as to prevent interstate commerce, it may regulate in a way that infringes on the state's authority, he said.


Justice Anthony M. Kennedy and Samuel A. Alito Jr. agreed with the outcome, but both said they took issue with parts of Breyer's broad statement of congressional powers.

Roger Pilon, vice president of the libertarian Cato Institute and a critic of the health care law, called Breyer's opinion "a breathtaking expansion of federal power. It could pave the way for the court to find that Congress has the power, with ObamaCare, to order individuals to buy health care from private vendors."

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"I don't think people with disabilities get enough opportunity to be able to live life to the fullest, and this couldn't be a better program in the world."
Supreme Court limits life sentences without parole for juveniles

David G. Savage
WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court for the first time on Monday put a strict constitutional limit on prison terms, ruling it is cruel and unusual punishment to send a young criminal to prison for life with no chance for parole for a crime that does not involve murder.

The ruling is the second in recent years to greatly expand the constitutional protections for juveniles. And once again, the justices in the majority said they agreed with international critics who say the United States is out of step with the rest of the world when it comes to decent treatment for the young.

There has been a "global consensus" among all nations but the United States that juvenile criminals should not be locked up for life with no chance to rehabilitate themselves, said Justice Anthony M. Kennedy.

"From a moral standpoint, it would be misguided to equate the failings of a minor with those of an adult," he wrote, quoting his opinion for the court five years ago that rejected the death penalty for under-age murderers.

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The second case involved Joe Sullivan who was sentenced to life in prison for rape when he was 15. While the court did not decide his case, its opinion in Graham's case will give him a new sentencing hearing, his lawyers said.

Among the 129 prisoners directly affected by Monday’s ruling, 77 are in Florida. The other 10 states which have at least a few such prisoners are California, Delaware, Iowa, Louisiana, Mississippi, Nebraska, Nevada, Oklahoma, South Carolina and Virginia.

In the past, the Constitution’s ban on cruel and unusual punishment has been used mostly to limit use of the death penalty. The justices have been wary of limiting prison terms.

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ASI to host Casino Night in Chumash

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In an attempt to replicate the thrill of Las Vegas, Associated Students Inc. (ASI) will host their first ever casino night on Thursday, May 20 in the Chumash Auditorium. Presented by Late Night with ASI, the night aims to serve as an educational experience about the dangers of gambling.

Courtney Serafin, ASI special events student supervisor, planned the event after successful nights such as poker and bingo earlier in the year. Serafin said the popularity of gaming among college students led her to offer something similar to the students at Cal Poly.

She said the event is more flexible than other events that ASI has put on, since people can leave at any point during the evening.

“It definitely going to be an open, welcoming environment,” Serafin said. “With Casino Night, it’s come as you please, which gives the students a lot more freedom to be part of an ASI event without having to commit their time to the entire night.”

Upon entering the auditorium, everyone in attendance will receive the same amount of chips and one raffle ticket. Serafin said students can then try to win as many chips as possible to gain more raffle tickets, which can be exchanged for prizes. She said prizes will be given out every 15 minutes throughout the evening.

With the end of the quarter in sight, the casino night gives students one last opportunity to get out and meet some new people, Dana Matteson, who serves as ASI Events student manager, said the casino night is designed to bring all students together in an effort to replicate the ‘Week of Welcome setting.”

“I think our focus for most of our events is for students to make new friends and allow them an outlet to interact with others,” Matteson said.

The event is aimed at the more than 6,000 students who live on campus and provides them with alternative activities to drinking. Also, the event’s timing is helpful in that it provides students with an opportunity to enjoy an entertaining night before finals begin, Matteson said.

“This is a way for students to relax on a ‘Thursday night and not worry about tests or homework,” Matteson said. “They can enjoy some pure entertainment and release some of their stresses before the end of the year.”

Games will include blackjack, poker, roulette, craps and horse racing. Providing the equipment for the gaming is Admark Productions, a Chicago-area business.

Mark Shafter, the company’s founder, said he brings along educational material with his equipment to help people learn more about the dangers of gambling. He will fly out on his own dime to help train the dealers and educate them as well.

“I educate people about safe gambling and gambling addiction,” Shafter said. “I tell them about the odds and pitfalls that people normally make, so hopefully the light bulb will go on for college students so they won’t make those mistakes.”

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One of the best ways to protect yourself from an STI is to be able to trust the person you’re having sex with. Luckily, trust is one of the many benefits of being in a long-term, committed relationship, and if both people are monogamous, there is very little chance of either person catching anything surprising.

However, for heterosexual couples, there is another way sex can surprise you. Sometimes it’s a pleasant surprise, but it also has the potential to ruin your life. I am talking, of course, about making another human being.

All of the techniques you use to protect yourself from STIs can be used to protect yourself from being a mother or father as well. But if you and your partner are stable and not worried about STIs, there are at least three methods that may prevent any sperm from getting near an egg, without requiring you to spend a dime.

The most effective of these three methods scarcely counts as a birth control method at all, since it requires the woman to already have been pregnant. The production of breast milk can suppress ovulation for up to six months and ensure that women don’t give birth to more children than they can care for. However, since it is impossible to use breast feeding to prevent any pregnancies at all, couples usually use other methods.

One method that is considerably easier to use is the fertility awareness, or “rhythm” method. The secret behind this method is that a woman can only become pregnant if an egg is present at the time of sex. This is only true for a few days after ovulation, so if sex is avoided or protected with a barrier device on those days, pregnancy should be nearly impossible.

The difficult part of this method is determining which days are safe, since there are no obvious signs when a woman ovulates. It is marked by a slight change in body temperature and a change in the consistency of the mucous discharged by the cervix, and if this are recorded every day, the day of ovulation may be obvious.

However, it is much simpler to record which day menstruation begins, as ovulation usually occurs fourteen days before that date. If every woman had a 28-day menstrual cycle, the method would be easy. Since this isn’t true, it is important that the cycle length is known, so that the date of ovulation can be predicted. If a woman’s cycle is irregular, such as with many teenagers, then the rhythm method is probably not accurate enough to be effective.

Even less effective is the third method, withdrawal or “cervix interruption,” in which ejaculation does not occur within the vagina. This theoretically prevents any sperm from entering the uterus, but not only are sperm present in precum, which is emitted well before ejaculation, but the method is incredibly dependent on the self-control of the man. If he doesn’t withdraw in time, and hundreds of nerves in a man’s body try to prevent him from doing so, then the method is not effective in its slightest.

These methods are risky. There is no latex or polyurethane protecting the egg from sperm and no protection from STIs at all. Also, lactation is largely impractical. With withdrawal is prone to error. However, for people in relationships where STIs are not a worry, but pregnancy is, fertility awareness can be an inexpensive and simple solution to their quandary.

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Ben Fritz and John Horn

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First Days of Philanthropy begins

Ted Turner once said, “The world and life have been mighty good to me. And I want to put something back.”

California Polytechnic State University has "been mighty good to me," according to its students throughout the decades, and the Student Philanthropy Council (SPC) is reminding us all to put something back. SPC is a student-led effort created to develop a culture of philanthropy among Cal Poly students and to promote an appreciation of giving above private donations. In fact, it will inspire animosity about bringing change to those ideologically different. But the other ground-floor speaker has promoted an appreciation of giving above private donations, which is not making it "private." SPC re-established this tradition in 2009 by raising enough funds to purchase a bike rack that now rests next to Campus Market. After polling seniors through e-mail, the 2010 graduating class decided to give a scholarship as their senior gift.

"Our hopes are for the senior class donations to grow each year so we can provide our future students with even more resources than we have," SPC President Sarah Storelli said.

Before 2009, the last time a senior class tried to give a gift was in 2001. Funds were raised to build a fountain to be built in the University Union. But not enough money was raised for the project. The fountain was never built and the funds have been discovered by SPC — they are in the process of being directed to a scholarship endowment. The plan is to start a scholarship by fall 2012. "Not only can graduating seniors donate but also parents, friends, alumni, undergraduates, graduate students and anyone who loves Cal Poly," Storelli said.

If you are interested in joining the SPC or making a donation, check out our website www.spc.calpoly.edu.

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'wear down opponents until they are

't able to score,' Paton said. "I didn't really trust myself that I could compete at this level. I think it was right around when we started conference is when I started becoming comfortable with myself and the team and talked to know that I could do it." Paton said the older players on the team really helped her to settle in and realize what it took to be successful. She said the team is going to especially miss senior Krysten Cary, who was always there for support and tips.

'She's a great leader and I know the team will not be the same without her next year,' Paton said. "She was the team and was like a big sister to everybody."

Also, Paton said the experience of the other two pitchers, Cain and senior Helen Pezo, helped her to settle in and overcome her struggles. "Cain and Pezo both went through the same struggles that I was going through, and just having them there helping me push through was great. I wouldn't have been able to do it without them," Paton said.

Now that this season is over, the Mustangs are looking forward to the spring and the 2010-2011 season. The Mustangs were left in the conference with mixed emotions, since it will be their final season at Cal Poly.

"I'm excited, but I'm also sad because I will not be able to go on the field and compete next year," Cain said. "I've definitely worked really hard and played this game for so long. I want a national championship and believe that this team can win one next year."

With preparations already beginning for next season, the Mustangs are eager to regain their standing as the top program in the Big West. Cal Poly will be looking to rebound from a year in which they had the most losses since Cain has been at Cal Poly. Paton said the experience that everyone gained this year will benefit the team for the future, and she is ready for the possibilities next year.

"I'm really excited about playing with this team and becoming stronger as one," Paton said.

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The obvious - he makes the first traffic play really well," Pavelski said. "We can definitely get to him, though. We've just got to keep going. I had more than enough looks, it felt like. The puck was laying down at my feet at times. I think it's going to come."

In Pavelski we should trust.

By now, we all know the deal. In terms of strategy, the Sharks have a Plan B and another Plan B. They manhandle the puck along the boards, pound the puck at opposing goalies and try to wear down opponents until they are too weary to make plays or saves in the final minute of a game or the final game of a series.

If Sunday looked familiar, that's because it was. Last month, the Sharks lost their very first game of these playoffs by a score of 7-1 when the Colorado Avalanche scored a late goal to win. And in Game 3 of that series, the Sharks put 51 shots on net against goalie Craig Anderson but failed to score before losing 1-0 in overtime on the infamous Dan-Boyle-no-fluke goal. Recall, however, the Sharks eventually won that series. All of the early pounding and puck-shooting paid off late.

"We've seen this throughout the playoffs so far," Pavelski said. "There were games like this againstander- son early on where he played well. We've got to keep doing it, wear him down and the shots are going to go in. Those second opportunities are going to pop off our sticks instead of our skates, someone's going to handle them and they're going to go in."

"That will be the mission for the Sharks Tuesday night. The two teams might need that long to catch their collective breath. This series will be must-see hockey for six or seven games if both teams consistently perform the way they did in Game 1, making please-visit-the-website highlight plays at hyper-speed and pushing things to the edge."

There was also a rapid-move chess game going on between Chicago coach Joel Quenneville and Shark coach Todd McLellan. Quenneville tried to match up his top checking line against Thornton's group (with Dany Heatley and Patrick Marleau), while McLellan had the last line change and kept trying to match up the Thornton threesome against any of Chicago's other three lines.

"There were times when we got what we wanted," McLellan said. "We just didn't finish." Thornton will likely endure the most-finger-pointing after Sunday's game -- and not just because he had the last chance to score. But it would be wrong to put the onus for this one entirely on him, even though Chi­ cago's first goal was swiped when Thornton lost possession of the puck in the Sharks offensive zone, and the Blackhawks' second score happened just after Thornton lost a faceoff.

Simply put, those are the haz­ ards of being the team's focal point. Thornton is on the ice for more shifts than any other Shark center. He takes more faceoffs than anyone. He's like a point guard in basketball. When you handle the ball -- or puck -- more than anyone, there are going to be turnovers.

The trick is to counterbalance those turnovers with enough offense to overcome them. This, the Sharks did not accomplish, despite winning 57 percent of draws and earning all those power plays. The real question is, where were the goals from the people who are supposed to score them?

Sunday, the only Shark offense that mattered came from a rare source, rookie defenseman Jason Demers on a corker of a power-play wrister. But what about Pavelski and Dany Heatley, who each put five shots on net with no luck? What about Devin Setoguchi and Dan Boyle, who took six shots with the same result?

"We created some great chances," Thornton said. "We couldn't capitalize. We've got to do better in Game 2." Sunday, the Sharks dominated play for long stretches. Next time they set the table, they can't leave leftovers.
Softball finishes season short of championship

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Following last season’s record-setting campaign, the Cal Poly softball team had high expectations for the 2010 season. The team was set to defend their title and pick up where they left off at the end of last season. In 2009, the Mustangs finished with a 41-12 overall mark en route to an NCAA regional berth, where they were knocked out of the tournament with a loss to Stanford. This year, the Mustangs couldn’t continue the momentum, finishing 2-7-24.

“Couldn’t get all of it,” Thornton said. “We can’t hang our heads,” Shark goalie Evgeni Nabokov said afterward, setting the locker room meme, “We had a lot of offense, a lot of shots. Those are two good, skilled teams out there.”

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Sharks look to rebound from missed opportunities

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SAN JOSE, Calif. — In the final seconds, the Sharks were holding a two-man advantage and were ready to feast. As usual, Joe Pavelski set the table. He slid the puck across the ice to a wide open Joe Thornton, who pulled back his stick for a one-timer and mistimed his whack. The puck dribbled harmlessly toward the net.

“We dropped quite a few series in conference play and that’s been disappointing for us,” Condon said. “The inconsistency of playing really well at times and really poorly at times has been the most frustrating part for us as a coaching staff and a team.”

The frustration could be seen in the final home series of the year when the Sharks hosted U.C. Davis. Davis led the Mustangs by one game in the Big West standings heading into the series. Highlighted by a 10-0 loss on Senior Day, Cal Poly could not handle the Aggies and Davis swept the Mustangs, dashing any hopes of repeating as Big West champions.

Furthermore, Condon said the team fell short in every aspect of the game. She said the pitching needs to be crisper and more consistent, while the defense needs to take care of the ball more since the Mustangs committed 58 errors this season, four more than last year’s team.

Condon also said the offense needs to be more aggressive at the plate and needs to improve with runners in scoring position, which will allow the Mustangs to put more runs on the board.

Despite leading the team on the mound and at the plate, junior Anna Cahn said this year was a struggle for her. She said it was tough for her to remain mentally strong after having to say goodbye to the five seniors from last year’s team. Cahn said this year’s team learned valuable lessons as the season progressed.

“I think we learned to keep your mind open to anything because you never know what positions you are going to be in or what the game plan is going to be,” Cahn said. “I think sometimes we might have gotten caught up in who was in the other lineup or what happened in the previous game and that might have carried over a little bit into the next game.”

She said the disappointments from this year serve as motivations for the offensive and as reminders of what is needed to win softball games at the college level.

“It shows you how much harder you could work, and I think we saw situations that we could work on and make ourselves better for next year,” Cahn said.

Despite the struggles, many of the younger players were able to gain valuable experience. Cahn said the team saw some great performances by their younger players in conference play.

The San Jose Sharks fell to the Chicago Blackhawks 2-1 in the first game of the Western Conference Finals Sunday.