

Election Campaign Made Harder

by Joe Kupec

While SGA candidates don't have to worry about raising large campaign war chests like their counterparts in this year's presidential primaries, their campaigns are not without headaches.

Michelle Sutton, candidate for SGA presidency, had trouble with disappearing campaign posters.

Sutton used half sheets of poster paper and computer printouts as the primary vehicle for her campaign.

Last week she started putting up posters on bulletin boards around campus following the SGA election policy.

At 9 a.m. Wednesday morning she noticed that the half sheets of poster board were missing from several bulletin boards.

"I was too furious to bother counting exactly how many were missing," said Sutton.

Only the more elaborate posters were taken and Sutton hoped to continue using the computer printouts for the rest of the election.

Pornography Forum Held

by Levette Parish

Have you ever gone to a convenience store and been bombarded by pornographic magazines?

At 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 23, in the Gallery Lounge of the Capital College a program dealing with pornography was held. The exploitation of women through the means of pornography was the main topic of the panel discussion and film.

"Pornography degrades women," said Linda Collins, Executive Director of The Women's Center of Montgomery County. "Men prefer to dominate women," and, in pornographic films, women usually play the submissive role, she said.

"More money is made in pornography than in movies and music combined," said Collins.

According to Collins, between \$5 and \$9 billion a year (\$10,000 a day) is grossed in the sale of pornography. Videos outsell films because VCRs are at the disposal of nearly everyone today, as compared to a few years ago when the

cost of VCRs was outrageously high, she said.

"Pornography stirs up violence in our culture," Collins said. "One out of every four women will be sexually assaulted [in her life time]," she said.

Collins said pain and loneliness often cause people to resort to pornographic readings, films and acts because there is a need to dominate or be a part of something. "Sex is used as [a form of] dominance," said Collins.

"People become desensitized to pornography," she said. People are exposed to pornography so much in their everyday lives that they tend to ignore it, Collins said.

"The only way to overcome [this problem] is to write [to publishers and editors] about it," she said.

After the film, a discussion took place. Collins probed the audience for their feelings about the film. An atmosphere of hostility filled the room when participants expressed their emotions. Nevertheless, the film and discussion made it an interesting evening.

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The current tax reform legislation that is proposed is reported to include a hidden tax increase, he said. The plan will reduce taxes and will increase taxes for those who earn \$30,000 a year and live in an apartment, he said. Tax equity is stressed and two main goals of tax reform are "to make taxes more fair and to provide a revenue base for localities and school districts," he said.

When asked to comment on the current presidential race and make a prediction as to who would be our next president, Singel declined on the latter.

Singel did say that "Jesse Jackson's victories and campaign make-up take us back to the premise of social service by government."

Jackson will not be seen as a part of the presidential ticket due to his "lack of a qualified resume," Singel said. Thus contradicting his earlier statement that anyone who wanted to get into politics should do it. Singel clarified by saying that there should be some political experience for those who wanted to be the chief executive officer of the nation. But, so that we don't underestimate the power that Jackson possesses, Singel said that Jackson's role will be one of a power broker with the potential to catapult blacks into influential positions within the political internal structure of the nation.

Singel declined to comment on Gov. Casey's predictions for the presidential nomination race.



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Lt. Governor Mark Singel paid a visit to the Capital College last week at the invitation of DTK.

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