Students bake up race debate

College Republicans hold bake sale to protest affirmative action

By Holly Wells

College Republicans tried to cook up some controversy yesterday, holding a bake sale to protest affirmative action.

The group displayed a sign that said the sale would charge white males $1, blacks 50 cents and white females 75 cents. The booth was set up to draw attention to the unfairness of affirmative action, said Pete Seat, president of the UA College Republicans.

“We wanted to send the message that affirmative action is discrimination towards all people, and we want it to be over and done with,” Seat said.

The sign advertising the prices of the baked goods sparked a friendly argument between Jeremy Wells, a philosophy senior, and Shane Pulliam, a science education senior.

Pulliam said although he felt the College Republicans’ method was ineffective, he doesn’t believe in affirmative action.

“I think it’s a joke; it’s socialistic,” he said.

Wells said he supports affirmative action.

“It’s really not democratic, but it’s payback time,” he said.

Robins Carnagie, a communication senior, said she wasn’t sure what the sign meant at first. But after walking up to the booth, she said the sign was effective.

“It draws people’s attention. It makes its point,” she said.

Members of the College Republicans also asked students to sign a petition against affirmative action.

Seat said the petition would be sent to state legislators to influence the process.

“It makes people think about what the sign means,” she said.

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Bush backs Israel’s plan to withdraw

By Dana Crudo

WASHINGTON — Breaking with longstanding U.S. policy, President Bush yesterday endorsed Israel’s retention of part of the West Bank in any final peace settlement with the Palestinians. In a show of support for Israel’s leader that brought immediate condemnation from the Palestinians, Bush also ruled out a one-state solution to the Palestinian refugee problem.

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Students don shirts all month to win iPods

By Dana Crudo

If you sit near Ray Jaffe in class, you can smell how badly he wants a free iPod.

Jaffe has been wearing the same bright yellow shirt since April 5, hoping to win Apple’s promotional campaign. Jaffe is one of 30 members of the Kappa Sigma fraternity who are participating in Apple’s new promotional campaign that requires participants to wear a bright yellow shirt from April 5 to April 29 in order to win free iPods.

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