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## Candidates throw down in Tempe

### Students travel to ASU for prez clash

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TEMPE — While Sen. John Kerry and President George Bush traded barbs at last night's presidential debate at ASU in the Gammage Auditorium, 74 UA students watched with thousands of others at Wells Fargo Area, just minutes from the debate.

The UA students joined a crowd of 10,000 spectators to watch the final presidential debate at an Arizona State University-sponsored debate-viewing party intended to increase political participation among young voters. Most attendees were ASU students.

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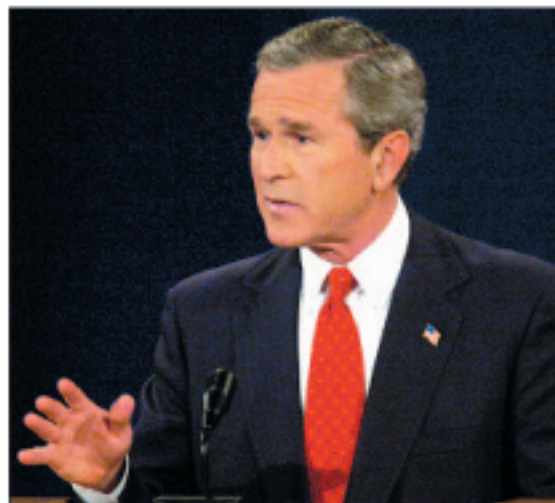
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Sara Birnbaum, executive vice president of the Associated Students of the University of Arizona, said students were bussed to Tempe in order to continue ASUA's theme of civic engagement through voter involvement and education.

"We want student voters to come out in full force," Birnbaum said.

ASUA Sen. Pita Salido, who organized the trip, said last night's debate was significant, as it was the last debate of the election race and

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President George W. Bush and Sen. John F. Kerry during their final presidential debate in Tempe Wednesday. Both candidates talked about health care, education and other domestic issues in a debate that lasted approximately 90 minutes. With less than three weeks before the general election, polls show both candidates in a dead heat.

### America's homeland focus of last debate

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TEMPE, Ariz. — Jobs, health care and other concerns of daily life were the focus Wednesday as President Bush and challenger John Kerry met for their third and final debate, each hoping to stamp a last favorable impression on millions of voters before Election Day.

Both candidates were likely to bring up the Iraq war and terrorism as well, though the debate was supposed to be restricted to domestic issues.

Republican Bush entered the debate touting his record of tax cuts and a new prescription drug benefit. His line of attack was no secret: He has repeatedly labeled Massachusetts Sen. Kerry a liberal who would turn the nation's health care over to government bureaucrats, raise taxes and weaken national defenses against terrorists.

Democrat Kerry came to the faceoff promoting a detailed health care plan and a promise to ease the financial pinch on middle-class families. He's put a spotlight on job losses and lobbed accusations that the Republican administration has spent four years doling out favors to powerful friends while raising the tax

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## Union could 86 Redington faculty dining program



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Patrick Call (left), assistant director for residence education, and Pima Residence Hall Director Mel-Lynn Engle, enjoy a conversation over lunch yesterday in Redington Restaurant in the Student Union Memorial Center. Redington After Hours, a program designed for faculty and staff, may be eliminated due to a lack of interest.

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Redington After Hours, a program exclusively for faculty and staff, might be eliminated due to a lack of interest.

In response to faculty requests for a gathering place on campus geared specifically for them, Redington After Hours is only open for UA faculty and staff Wednesday through Friday from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

But not many faculty or staff have visited the restaurant during the designated hours, said Dan Adams, director of Arizona Student Unions.

"At this point, we're trying to gauge what services faculty and staff are interested in, or if there is something else keeping them

from using the space," Adams said.

Jory Hancock, faculty chair and head of the UA dance department, said possible reasons faculty and staff are not attending Redington After Hours could be that alcohol cannot be served and the hours do not appeal to faculty and staff.

Avery Carter, a UA psychology junior, works as a hostess and cook during the Redington After Hours program and said many faculty and staff have requested alcohol.

The UA is a dry campus so it is illegal to offer or sell alcohol anywhere on campus, said Martha Ramirez, dining services supervisor.

However, Hancock said he thought it would help with attendance.

"I think faculty would like to have alcohol," Hancock said. "I think that would make a difference."

Ramirez monitors the traffic at the Redington Restaurant, and said an average of 140 to 160 students, faculty and staff dine at the Redington daily during regular business hours. Most of them are faculty.

"Sometimes we don't have room to sit them down and we get a lot of reservations too," Ramirez said.

Since last semester, Ramirez said the number of faculty and staff dining at the Redington Restaurant has increased during regular hours, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., possibly due to word of mouth.

Carter said some faculty mem-

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