Health labels required
Cal Poly says its products will be tagged

By Cindy Utter
Daily Cal Poly

"By Food and Drug Administration mandate, all packaged, processed foods must have larger standardized nutrition labels by Sunday, and although Cal Poly's food products are technically exempt from the requirement, they're going to meet it anyway.

"The labels are intended to tell people how the foods they eat affect their diets. They mark the first major change in food labeling since labels were introduced in 1973. Cal Poly food science and nutrition professor Robert Vance said the new labels are not required on the food products sold by the university.

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ASI integrates MCC, funds café project

By Suzanne Mollott
Daily Cal Poly

As was expected, the ASI Board of Directors voted Wednesday evening to make the Multi-Cultural Cafe project a club status.

"It provides a place for people who don't normally have a voice," he added. "We need History is key to civil rights awareness

By Kristina Vue Soon
Daily Cal Poly

On a campus where some say diversity has been steadily improving, the upcoming Civil Rights Awareness Week provides an opportunity for improving knowledge of civil rights and diversity at Cal Poly.

"Civil Rights in Education" is the theme for this year's Civil Rights Awareness Week, May 8 to 12. "The purpose of the events is mainly to broaden awareness of issues on civil rights on campus," said architecture junior Malik Thorne, president of this year's Civil Rights Awareness Committee. "That's one of the key points. The awareness week is for people who don't normally have a voice."

Last year, several ethnic organizations and other concerned students marched to President Baker's house. Their goal was to get response to their demands for a more diverse curriculum and a more active administration role in ethnic issues.

According to Thorne, Cal Poly has since taken steps to improve campus diversity.

"I can see an improvement since last year, especially with the new ethnic studies minor," Thorne said.

"The ethnic studies program is very valuable," he added. "We need owners say parties are trouble, but are bans discriminatory?

By Chris Roinbouts

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More facilities turning away Poly Greeks

Owners say parties are trouble, but are bans discriminatory?

By Chris Roinbouts

Alcoholic and vandalism-related problems have led many county banquet facility owners this year to ban or restrict policies for Cal Poly Greeks.

Throughout the county, many owners and managers of banquet facilities say they've had enough of fraternities and sororities throwing parties that get out of hand and end up with property covered in vomit or otherwise vandalized.

Officials stress their problems are not with the entire Cal Poly student body, but simply with Greeks.

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Firefighters investigated in '93 blaze
Sheriff says Malibu blaze may have been started to obtain glory
By John Artz

LOS ANGELES — Revelations that two firefighters were under investigation in the killer Malibu wildfire sent a jolt Thursday through the scorched community where the title firefighter is synonymous with hero.

Outrage over the allegations in the still-developing probe mixed with anger that the reputation of all firefighters could be tarnished by a few.

"I have a hard time imagining this is true. Firemen have to know that people die in fires," said Ann Brinsh, 39, whose home burned in the firestorm started on Nov. 2.

"This leaves a feeling of vulnerability," said Gillian Cairns, whose home overlooks scorched lots where houses once stood.

Two days of raging flames boiled across 18,500 acres in the rustic canyons of the Santa Monica Mountains killed three people and destroyed 350 homes. Most of what was lost, valued at $375 million, has yet to be rebuilt.

"It's just like the beating of Rodney King making all policemen look bad," said Tony Lawler, at work in a city where a sign tacked to a tree still says "Thank You" to a long-departed army of firefighters.

The men under investigation, rookie Los Angeles city firefighter Steven R. Speil, 29, and Nicholas A. Durrepo, 35, a member of the tiny Manhattan Beach Fire Department's volunteer ranks, have not been arrested or charged.

Block acknowledged that some people seek work in law enforcement and firefighting to become heroes, not villains.

"We don't believe their intent was to cause great devastation," Block said.

Both men were at the scene of the fires when they started and were credited with putting out spot fires.

Los Angeles County Sheriff Sher­

man Block said he presented a case to the district attorney and the county grand jury has already held preliminary meetings on the matter and will meet further this month.

"If we did not believe we had a case that was appropriate for a criminal complaint, we would not have submitted it to the district attorney," said Block.

The Malibu blaze was among the worst in a siege of wildfires that roared across Southern California as the seasonal Santa Ana winds swept the region.

Block would not expressly confirm reports that his investigators believe the men set the fire so they could quickly put it out and become heroes. But he indicated by his remarks that such a theory was being pursued.

"I can't look into their minds," Block said, adding, "We don't believe their intent was to cause great destruc­

tion."
Greeks: Members say local business restrictions aimed at their parties are unfair, but owners say it's protection against them, are being unfair.

"There is. And we've talked about it. We try to explain immediately think of Greeks when it may not have even been the Greek organization causing the problem," he said. "I think when businesses are asked to rent the building had to sign a contract, which explained what was expected before being allowed to hold an event."

But Stevens said in some cases, the contractors did little to deter some fraternity members from breaking the rules. "They pull stuffs off the walls, break toilets, break furniture and try to pull in underage friends," Stevens said. "They work hard (and) they earn a lot of money, which teaches it's right. ... If you want a documentary on this, "I called 543-2032 for more information|
Finally, we're breaking free from being PC

By A.J. Schuermann

We now live in a post-politically-correct world, which means it's no longer PC to be PC.

Fortunately for America, it didn't take us long to realize the counterproductive power of the PC movement.

First of all, the obsession with polite and sensitive language became an easy target for conservatives, bigots and anyone else who wished to become a martyr for the cause of free speech.

Second, in spite of its hype, politically-correct language produced no tangible benefits for those seeking to improve our society. The mistake was in diverting attention from the reality of inequality and obscuring polite language as the answer to all our social problems.

Finally, the PC police only confused and irritated well-meaning people who knew deep down that sensitivity training could be better applied to carpetknobs and wire-holders than the general population of white males.

For these reasons political correctness was an ineffective, confusing and irritating movement, and we should celebrate its downfall.

Too many people were condemned and labeled as "racists" and "sexists" for too many reasons. Just like a radio station playing a popular song over and over until its listeners became irritated, these "racists" and "sexists" became as commonplace to their labels as last impact.

The real racists and sexists, as well as their real victims, were indistinguishable in the crowd.

As we discard the folly of left-wing political correctness, we should remember not to pick on liberals without acknowledging the folly of the other side. Conservatives have been just as bad in shamelessly advocating their patriotic correctness, in which they claim the high moral ground of fighting intolerance and you call us the moral cripples, just as we do.

So now, looking to the future, we should remember that our post-PC world is not regressing to the pre-PC world of ineptness and ineffectiveness. It must include caution and courtesy, but must also be more tolerant of contradiction and controversy for the sake of open communication.

Guil will no longer loom over our conversations because sensitivity training will be replaced with tougher skin and real wills will be wiped and reality will be fixed by people who would otherwise hide behind the verbal smoke-screen of correctness and baffle at the notion that actions speak louder than words.

To establish any equality or moral ground we must first hear our honest selves without being intimidated or distracted or made to feel guilty. Once we have freed ourselves from the language police we can get down to the business of action. We can stop talking on a tight rope while condemning and correcting each other.

A.J. Schuermann is the Daily's business manager.
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"People are interested in reading labels," he said. "It is one more way to help people learn about what they are eating." Federal officials are also hailing the new rule.

The new food label represents "nothing less than an enormous public health opportunity," only rarely," FDA Commissioner David Kessler said in announcing the public awareness campaign Monday.

"Using the new label, Americans will be able to make more informed choices about the foods they eat."

But Kessler added the labels will do no good if people don't know how to read them. At least 10 major league baseball stadiums around the country, scoreboards will flash a special public service announcement starring Kirby Puckett, an outfielder for the Minnesota Twins, Roger Clemens, a Boston Red Sox pitcher, and Donna Shalala, secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services.


All three Goodyear blimps will carry public service announcements as they float around the country, and paper tray liners at McDonald's will explain the labels.

Learning about nutrition is a way of life, according to nutritional science senior Anthony Velasquez, president of Cal Poly's Nutrition Club.

"People need to understand what they are putting in their bodies with the food they eat."

But Velasquez also asked that people take responsibility for what they are getting and look like at 50 or 60 years old, he said. Learning about nutrition is a lifetime, preventive medicine, he added.

Schools need to teach nutrition in addition to math, English and science, he said, and they should start at the elementary level.

With the new nutrition label, he said, people can start to understand what nutrition is all about.

The old labels were voluntary, and food manufacturers were free to describe their products as they wished. The new ones are required, and manufacturers must conform to a much stricter set of rules.

"The link between diet and health is real," Kessler said. "The world of nutrition is a very different place in 1994."

The labels bear the heading "Nutrition Facts" and contain information people can use to plan their diets. Serving sizes are now larger and uniform across types of products.

Velasquez said the new labels will be good for food products that already are low in fat content such as Coke and Dr. Pepper. The companies that produce low-fat food products will capitalize on the new label information, he said.

But companies that produce high-fat food products such as meats will be forced to show exactly what is in their food," he said.

Kessler said he hopes shoppers will take the time to read the labels and use them in making choices.

A simple rule, a simple tip: If the percent daily value is 5 percent or less, the product is low in that particular nutrient," Kessler said. "If you see total fat at 5 percent, you remember that rule, then you know that the product is low in that total.

"We're witnessing a public health milestone and a great victory for the American consumer," proclaimed Michael Jacobson, president of the Center for Science in the Public Interest, a group that has been pushing for more informed labels.

"Consumers will be able to see what they're getting and trust what they're seeing."

• The Associated Press contributed to this report.

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"We're getting fewer and fewer places to rent out. I know what places not to call."

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Alpha Chi Omega

Hildebrandt agreed. "We're getting fewer and fewer places to rent out," she said. "I know what places not to call."

Mayer said the limited number of choices in San Luis Obispo is "really frustrating."

"If I rather keep money in town," he said.

Biotechnology senior Kristen Mason, also the social chair for Zeta Tau Alpha sorority, said high prices and a lack of other places to go have forced her sorority to find alternatives to renting out facilities for functions.

"We do a lot of activities among ourselves, a lot of outdoor activities," Thornton said. "Events held in the past at beaches or parks have been successful, he said.

"You just have to be creative," Thornton said.

Biotechnology senior Kristen Mason, also the social chair for Zeta Tau Alpha sorority, said it's hard time getting places, because there are no places (that will rent to Greeks) in San Luis Obispo, she said. "We have to get buses to take us outside of San Luis (Ojibps), and that adds to the cost."

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give the Center funding, the Multi-Cultural Center can no longer be recognized as a club," he said.

Alkins also said the dissolution of the Center's club status means an advisory board will be created in the place of the Cultural Relations Committee.

"Umbrella organizations are being formed where (different) clubs get together to decide on a designer for the advisory board," he said.

In the fall, Alkins President-elect Erica Brown will appoint five students to serve on the board in addition to the faculty members. Alkins staff members and club representatives that the Cultural Relations Committee will chair.

Alkins said the Board will vote on the Center's code for operation in next week's meeting.

In other Alkins business, the Board:

Voted to fund board members on "office" The Board had agreed to pay the University Executive Committee to begin looking for a space in the U-U. where an office area can be set up for Board members.

The Rose Float's office previously was targeted in the resolution as the similar ban, but the directors, but board members said they will let the OC which area is best.

Rose Float Committee Chair Steven James said the club is waiting to see what happens.

"It may still end up being us," he said. "But if it does come down to our side and we've got our plans go through the right channel.

James also said he thinks the Rose Float Club was slighted by the board when their office was directly targeted, but it is glad the resolution and solution was changed.

"We've shown we need an office and the Board has demonstrated (its need) yet," he said.

Director of Operations Management John Stipicevic said some faculty and staff cur-
cently are moving into different office spaces and U-U. won't know until mid-May what spaces are available for clubs.

Josh Goch, a representative from the College of Agriculture, said he thinks the Board needs an office to increase communication among board members.

"We don't really have the best communication link," he said. "That really makes a difference when making decisions.

Approved lending for student cafe

The Student Planning Com-
munity was granted $650 to use for benches and tent-like structures for the West End Cafe project.

West End Cafe began as an Open House project for nine ar-
iculture students. Since that time, the students have at-
tempted to sell coffee, muffins and the like near the Business and Architecture buildings buildi-
gin.

But because Foundation has the right to control all sales on campus, there has been debate on whether the cafe should be allowed to operate.

According to Carolyn Wakefield, Student Planning Commission chair, the Foundation is only allowing the café to sell food on Tuesdays and Thursdays, but Alkins and Foundation officials are negotiating for daily operation of the student coffee stand.

Although future operations of the café are uncertain, Wakefield said the approved money is meant to beautify the campus as well as augment the café. She said no specific plans have been made regarding the use of the benches should the cafe project be banned by Foundation.

Weapons

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switched in favor of the ban. The vote was a crushing defeat for the National Rifle Associa-
tion.

The vote means that both houses now have passed similar gun control bills. The final lan-
guage must be worked out in a House-Senate conference of negotiators.

Only last week, backers of the ban were 20 votes short of victory. As a result of this election, lawmakers confronted each other in face debate, a parade of ban supporters stepping forward to announce their new positions.

The measure would stop fu-
ture production and sale of the 19 weapons, but would not affect solely owned guns on the list.

Clinton gave convert Rep. Stephen Neal, D-N.C., a starring role in a joint Rose Garden ap-
pearance.

The president called Neal's change in position "an act of conviction and courage," as he called for "a dramatic change against these deadly weapons.

On the House Floor Rep. Tim Roemer, D-Ind., said he voted against a 1981 attempt to impose a 1974-177.

"This bill... is very different," Roemer argued. "It does not take guns away from anybody in this country. It does not retractively go after the guns owned by legitimate gun owners of this country.

Civil Rights

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more emphasis on ethnic issues.

Ethnic Studies professor Willi Coleman said she is interested about the concept of Civil Rights Awareness Week.

"I certainly hope students will take advantage of an extraor-
dinary "out-of-classroom" environment," Coleman said.

"Working with Coleman, ex-

citing awareness includes remembering the history of civil rights.

"So many people are unaware of civil rights issues," Coleman said. "We need to rethink it not only with generation, but every year.

The Multi-Cultural Center, which is helping to coordinate a week-long project, expects to see a huge turnout this year.

"It's been to the Civil Rights Awareness Week in the past few years, and there's always a big turn out," said electrical en-
gineering senior Maurice Atien-
dido, a member of the MCC.

The Center is sponsoring three events, including a video/tell show in the Chumash Auditorium, a panel discussion on Saturdays, Leeshaire and Bisesimal United and an open forum to dis-
suss multicultural topics led by representatives from ethnically different organizations on campus.

An African American Student Union President Kwame Reed said stu-
dents and faculty alike need to become more aware of civil rights issues.

"It's a chance to remember the unsung heroes you never hear about and to realize we still need civil rights awareness," Reed said.

Reed said awareness is slow-
ly improving, but programs and workshops should be more adequately prepared to teach ethnic issues.

"Students should be more adequately prepared in ethnic workshops," Reed said.

The Center will be instrumental in the development of the diversity of the faculty and said it seems to be "a big jump, but there should still be more (diver-
sity)."

Groom: People rent homes during Derby

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in your life," Pitzer said. "The ex-
citement and party atmosphere is overwhelming.

Pitzer said people have to reserve a room in Louisville on Derby weekend more than a year in advance.

"Some people that live in Louisville rent their house out for a week," she said.

Although Combs has never been a part of the annual derby in Louisville during Derby weekends, she said she attended a Kentucky Derby party back home in Pembroke.

"It was just a backyard barbecue party -- barbecue, side dishes," he said.

"Some day I am going to go to the Derby, even if I have to be a show horse," she said.

But until then, Combs will compete in the upcoming meet and watch the Derby -- maybe jumping closer to the screen to see if her horse does come in in the top ten at the official results.

This Saturday will be a big weekend for Combs, no matter how far any passer by about horse racing walks in the barns, Combs thinks will win the Derby -- Broon.
The Broncos (28-21-1, 13-11 Ind.) are looking to earn the equivalent of baseball's Wrigley Field. From page 8

Robert's .356 batting average and junior outfielder Aaron EdWARDS (.376, 21 RBI, 37 stolen bases) has been inconsistent at times. With a .322 team batting average, the Broncos have plenty of punch to break a game open in a single at bat. Leading the Broncos offensive attack are senior first baseman Dave Anderlik (.414, 5 HR, 47 RBI) and senior shortstop Lance Munger (.278, 3 HR, 27 RBI).

The Mustangs will have to pitch and keep the top of their lineup off the bases to be effective," Agler said. "We have to go out there and play every game like it's our last. The games are going to have a playoff atmosphere because it is the playoffs that are at stake with this series.

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"Getting back to the track (the) is a whole different world," Combs said he hadn't groomed a horse since the time he walked off Lazy Acres Farm his last day as an employee in 1986. But he's more than willing to give his best during those 10 days at the stands with just the slightest mention of horses or racing, said his roommate Scott Murphy, an agribusiness student.

Shirley Pitzer, owner of Lazy Acres Farm and former employee, said she doesn't remember Combs coming out of the racetrack excessively talkative. But she does remember him — even though he was a bit behind the times — as someone who always groomed and knew how manny excellent horses and trainers and owners is an awe-inspiring feeling, especially when you see all the people in the stands," he said.

He said besides the history, the quality of the track itself makes Churchill Downs the equivalent of baseball's Wrigley Field.

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By Lori Witmer
Daily Staff Writer

A gray Cherokee Jeep with Arizona license plates pulls up to the G-2 parking lot and stops. Out steps a 5-foot, 6-inch woman. She heads to the back of the Jeep, opens the tailgate and grabs her weapon.

She then heads over the grassy field towards her version of a firing range to pick out her ammunition and determine if it will be one of those days when she's firing blanks.

A few blocks away, she locates her enemy and the war begins. This isn't actually a battlefield where people fight for their lives — it's the tennis courts. Although at times it may seem like a war zone where every shot counts, nothing is killed besides the bright yellow tennis balls.

The biological sciences sophomore hopes to graduate in three more years and go on to medical school. Arnold added she's super-competitive and she hates to lose, "a real fighter," Arnold said. "It's the only thing on her mind.

As she puts her graphic version of an assault weapon back into its padded casing, her mind shifts away from her war zone and toward the future. The biological sciences sophomore hopes to graduate in three more years and go on to medical school. Arnold added she doesn't want to play tennis anymore.

The teen-ager was born and raised in Arizona, where she started playing tennis at the age of 9. She says she didn't start playing seriously until about five years ago.

Although tennis is probably her top priority right now, it isn't the only thing on her mind. By Brod Hamilton

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The Arnold File

Year: Sophomore
Major: Biological Sciences
Hobbies: Reading, hiking and going to concerts

The Nationals

Quarterfinals: Winner A vs. Winner C; Winner B vs. Winner D
A. #1 North Florida vs. North Carolina
B. #4 Grand Canyon vs. Pace (NY)
C. #3 Cal Poly Pomona vs. Air Force
D. #2 UC Davis vs. Cal Poly SLO

Two Polys square off to remain in tight CCAA race

This is the greatest thing to happen to San Jose," said Hamilton president Kevin Roberts, 36, of Lafayette. "We can't suit up and we can't take a shift on the ice — but we can certainly make some noise and let them know we're behind them.

The Sharks defeat 3-2 victory over the Detroit Red Wings in Game 7 of the conference quarterfinals sent San Jose fans into the streets, honking horns and cheering. "We literally danced around the house and then we went outside and started yelling," said Hamilton president Kevin Roberts, 36, of Lafayette. "We can't suit up and we can't take a shift on the ice — but we can certainly make some noise and let them know we're behind them.

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