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New yogurt shop brings competition to downtown

Angela Watkins

May 13, 2008

The latest addition to the Yogurt Creations franchise offers enough toppings to satisfy even the pickiest frozen yogurt lover. The huge variety — including delicious cheesecake bites — is accompanied by an upscale style that is downright soothing. Owner John Bolton considers the new downtown San Luis Obispo location to be the franchise's flagship store. The first Yogurt Creations store opened in 2003 in Arroyo Grande before arriving in San Luis Obispo on April 9. "San Luis Obispo was a natural extension for us to come into," Bolton said. "We've been wanting to come to San Luis Obispo for three to four years."

It takes the former home of Mo's on Court Street, which situates the new shop across the street from Bali's Yogurt. But Bolton said he isn't afraid of the competition he faces downtown.

"Competition is good," he said. "The only people we're here to satisfy are the customers."

However, Bart Schwab, owner of Bali's Yogurt, is not too excited about the extra competition.

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Clinton grinds out victory over Obama

David Expo

May 13, 2008

Hillary Rodham Clinton ground out a gristy victory in the Pennsylvania primary Tuesday night, defeating Barack Obama and staving off elimination in their historic race for the Democratic presidential nomination.

"Some counted me out and said to drop out," the former first lady told supporters cheering her triumph in a Southern state with a large black population. "Because of you, the tide is turning."

Her victory, while comfortable, set up another critical test in two weeks in Indiana. North Carolina votes the same day, and Obama already is the clear favorite in a Southern state with a large black population.

"Now it's up to you, Indiana," Obama said at a rally of his own in Evansville after Pennsylvania denied him a victory that might have made the nomination his.

He criticized John McCain, the Republican presidential nominee-in-waiting, by name as offering more of the same policies advocated by President Bush. And he took aim at Clinton without mentioning her by name. "We can be in the party that doesn't just focus on how to win, but why we should."

In a campaign marked by increasingly personal attacks, Clinton was winning 55 percent of the vote to 45 percent for her rival with 85 percent counted in Pennsylvania.

A preliminary tabulation showed her gaining at least 52 national convention delegates to 46 for Obama, with 60 still to be awarded.

That left Obama with 1,494.5 delegates, and Clinton with 1,561.5, according to the AP tally.

Clinton scored her victory by winning the votes of blue-collar workers, women and white men in an election where the economy was the dominant concern. Obama was favored by blacks, the affluent and voters who recently switched to the Democratic Party, a group that comprised about one in ten Pennsylvania voters, according to the surveys conducted by The Associated Press and the TV

Senior Prom benefits Alzheimer's Association

Sara Wright

May 13, 2008

More than 300 Cal Poly students and San Luis Obispo senior citizens attended the second annual Senior Prom — twice the number of last year's attendees — and helped raise more than $3,500 for the Alzheimer's Association.

The three-hour event, hosted by Cal Poly's Student Community Services, was held Sunday at the Senior Prom at the University of California, San Luis Obispo. The event was inspired to create the event because of the prevalence of Alzheimer's disease in his family.

"It is my nonprofit of choice," he said. "It's very close to my heart." While geared toward senior citizens, attendees ranged in age, with small children present as well.

Betty, a Manse on Marsh member who attended the Senior Prom last year, said, "They have done another great job this year."

Music included live jazz music played by Cal Poly students, and dancers young and old were constantly on the dance floor when prizes weren't being auctioned off.

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A six-week campaign allowed time for intense courtroom of the voters. Their polling places said the nation was already in a recession.

In the last 10 years Barack Obama has taken almost $2 million from lobbyists, corporations and PACs. The head of his New Hampshire campaign is a drug company lobbyist, in Indiana an energy lobbyist, a casino lobbyist in Nevada, said a Clinton commercial that aired in the final days of the race.

Obama responded with an ad that accused Clinton of "eleventh-hour smears paid for by lobbyist money." It said that unlike his rival, he "doesn't take money from special interest PACs or Washington lobbyists — not one dime."

Also to the delight of Republicans, the six-week knock between primaries produced a string of troubles for the Democrats.

Obama was forced onto the defensive by incendiary comments by his pastor, Rev. Jeremiah Wright, then triggered controversy on his own by saying small-town Americans cling to guns and religion because of their economic hardships.

Clinton conceded that she had not landed under super fire in Bosnia while first lady, even though she said several times that she had. And she replaced her chief strategist, Mark Penn, after he met with officials of the Colombian government seeking passage of a free trade agreement that she opposes.

The remaining Democratic contests are primaries in North Carolina, Indiana, Oregon, Kentucky, West Virginia, Montana, South Dakota and Puerto Rico, and caucuses in Guam.

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More than $7,000 in door prizes, raffle tickets and auction items were won during the event, and event coordinators sold items at the door in addition to tickets to raise money for the San Luis Obispo office of the Alzheimer's Association. Styles and other volunteers worked hard to spread word of the Senior Prom, gather donations and prizes, and organize the event. Styles hopes the Senior Prom will become a nationwide event to benefit Alzheimer's Association offices around the U.S.
State

CONCORD (AP) — A man accused of a triple shooting in a Concord supermarket parking lot was back in California after being arrested in New Orleans.

Terrance Brewer is being held on $2.25 million, charged with two counts of homicide as well as burglary and assault.

Authorities say Brewer opened fire during an apparent drug deal on the night of March 16, killing 20-year-old Adam Bells and 21-year-old Abdel Mejia. Mejia’s older brother was injured in the shooting.

**GILROY (AP) — A Gilroy garlic processing company will pay $60,000 to Santa Clara County after it spilled garlic into a nearby creek, killing hundreds of fish.

Authorities say the spilled garlic from Christopher Ranch created a “swamp gas” that suffocated the fish. When raw garlic comes in contact with water, it forms hydrogen sulfide, which takes oxygen out of water.

Several hundred suckfish and at least nine federally protected north Pacific salmon were found dead in Carneros Creek in February 2007.

Authorities say the garlic fell off delivery trucks and was swept into a parking lot storm drain.

National

OLDSMAR, Fla. (AP) — Authorities say 69-year-old central Florida woman was found an 8-foot long alligator prowling in her kitchen late Monday night.

Sandra Frosti says the gator must have pushed through the back porch screen door and then went inside through an open sliding glass door at her home in Oldsmar, just north of Tampa. It then apparently strolled through the living room, down a hall and into the kitchen.

**ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — While tidying up their villa as they prepared to leave the park late last week, Paul Campanales vexed up a cardboard box, not knowing the container inside it held his wife Karen’s engagement, wedding and five-year-anniversary rings.

Park employees warned the couple from Worcester, Mass., that recovering the jewelry was all but impossible. So on Friday, the Campanales and their two children head to the airport.

Back at the Wilderness Lodge resort, executive housekeeper Drew Weaver realized that trash from the Campanales’ villa hadn’t reached the industrial-size compactor yet. He and seven other volunteers donned protective clothing, emptied a park parking lot bin and waded through bag after bag of rubbish to find the rings. And they did find them eventually.

International

BOGOTA, Colombia (AP) — A lawyer says a close ally of Colombia’s president is seeking political asylum in Costa Rica after prosecutors ordered his arrest for alleged paramilitary ties.

Attorney Jose del Carmen Ortega says his client Mario Uribe entered the Costa Rican embassy Tuesday morning after Colombia’s chief prosecutor issued an arrest warrant. The former senator is a second cousin of president Alvaro Uribe.

**FRANKFURT, Germany (AP) — The euro mired to another record high Tuesday, crossing $1.60 in late afternoon trading in Europe after a pair of ECB governors said high inflation may cause the bank to raise interest rates.

The euro rose as high as $1.6108, more than a penny above the $1.5916 it bought in New York late Monday. The euro has risen 20 cents against the dollar in just five months and 10 cents in just two months.

The 15-nation currency hit its last record of $1.5962 last Thursday. It dropped back on Friday after a Wall Street rally generated optimism that the worst of the U.S. credit crunch may be over, but rose again on Monday when Bank of America’s first-quarter earnings fell short of expectations.

**WORD ON THE STREET

“What are your favorite frozen yogurt toppings?”

Compiled and photographed by Shannon Boren

“Rainbow sprinkles on the top and bottom.”

— Katie Heyer, animal science sophomore

“Probably strawberries and pineapple on original flavor Pinkberry.”

— Elle Navarro, construction management freshman

“I depends on the kind of yogurt. If it’s chocolate or vanilla, you go with a broken candy bar. If it’s something like strawberry, you go with fresh fruit.”

— Justin Gonzales, business administration senior

“Definitely hot tamales on straight vanilla yogurt.”

— Derek Brookover, aerospace engineering senior

Briefs

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Marriage For Singers

A village clerk said a marriage license for Beyonce Knowles and Jay-Z, dated April 4 and signed by Beyonce, was filed with the state. The license was received by mail last Friday, said Scarsdale Clerk Donna Conkling. She would not say who officiated.

The celebrities and their representatives have refused to confirm widespread rumors about the marriage.

Hit By A Drunk Driver

Sandra Bullock and her husband were unhurt after a head-on crash with a drunken driver, police said Saturday. The actress and her husband, Jesse James of TV's "Monster Garage," were being driven in a sport-utility vehicle Friday night when a station wagon crossed the center line and hit them, Gloucestester police Lt. Jerry Cook said.

The Hoff In Surgery

Former "Baywatch" star David Hasselhoff was taken to the University of California, Los Angeles Medical Center on Saturday to have something removed above his eye, his publicist Judy Katz said. The Associated Press Monday.

"He's fine. He had something removed. He's coming out to-night," Katz said, declining to elaborate on what was removed.

Keys Tour Has No Sparks

Jordin Sparks to temporarily withdraw from Alicia Keys' tour and cancel all performances for the rest of the month, a representative for the "American Idol" champ said Monday.

"All of her April activities have been postponed or canceled so she can take care of her voice properly," a 19/Jive Records spokesman told The Associated Press.

DNA testing moves to west Texas ranch

State authorities began a second day of court-ordered DNA testing Tuesday on members of a polygamous sect, an effort they hope will begin to untangle the group's complicated family relationships.

Officials in a massive custody case are trying to identify the parents of 437 children taken from a west Texas compound more than two weeks ago. The testing of ranch residents was taking place in the courthouse square as a handful of deputies in cowboy hats stood guard.

David Williams, 32, a former member of the Fundamentalist Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, came on his own from his home in Nevada, hoping to take custody of his son. Williams said he doesn't pay attention to the news and only heard his three sons were in state custody from a friend.

"I have been an honorable American and father, and I have carefully sheltered my children from the sins of this generation," Williams said. He declined to describe the mother of the boys as his wife, and declined to offer details of why or when he left the sect.

A judge ordered last week that the DNA be taken to help determine the paternity of the children, many of whom were unable to describe their lineage. Some of the adults have been ordered by the state to submit to testing; others are being asked to do so voluntarily.

Authorities believe the sect forces underage girls into marriages with older men. No one has been arrested, but a warrant has been issued for member Dale Barlow, a convicted sex offender who has said he has not been to the Texas site in years.

Rod Parker, an attorney for the FLDS, said he is afraid authorities secretly intend to use the DNA to build criminal cases against members of the group. But state Child Protective services spokesman Greg Cunningham said, "We're not involved in the criminal investigation. That's not our objective."

Ten lab technicians hired by the state spent Monday collecting samples at the San Angelo coliseum and fairgrounds serving as a shelter for the children who were removed from their Eldorado compound during an April 3 raid.

Some of those technicians were to be sent to Eldorado on Tuesday to collect samples from the possible parents.

Beyonce & Jay-Z

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Wednesday, April 23, 2008
Singer/songwriter trio unite forces for tour

Daniel Seguin

Eloquent poets, gifted songwriters, melodic vocalists. Of the many available terms, talented musicians best describes the guys of the current Three Headliner Tour.

Lee Coulter, Jakob Martin and Aaron Bowen are the three multi-talented musicians involved with the tour now rolling up and down the Golden State.

The Three Headliner Tour rolls onto campus Thursday night. The guys will jam their unique blend of individual styles at Backstage Pizza beginning at 6 p.m.

Bowen spoke fondly about touring with fellow musicians and friends alike.

"These are two guys that I respect as entertainers and performers but especially as artists," Bowen said. "It felt like a no-brainer that we should get together and do something."

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In the meantime, however, Coulter said the opportunities afforded him in the states suit him just fine.

Classically trained and termed "very serious" at a young age, 27-year-old Bowen has been playing music since he was five.

He learned instrumental guitar in his teen years as well as a mix of bebop and jazz, which helped to further influence his eclectic style.

In terms of Bowen's style, he said his is "a complex mixture of older jazzy and ragtime mixed with 1930s and 1940s influences."

As the self-proclaimed poet of the three, 23-year-old Martin is very conscious toward his modern-day audience.

He said he always "strives to speak honestly and frankly about how I see the world through my music."

Very much into an acoustic swing of rock and pop intermixed with a heavy poetic flow, Martin said that today's listeners are always in search of lyrics that contain something meaningful.

"They're tired of hearing the same old thing," Martin said. "They want something of substance."

Martin continued on in the same vein as he boiled it down to his Trio, page 6
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down to delivering the goods to the people. "So if what I do is an answer to that then I'm very happy to do just that," he said. As individual musicians, each one of the guys is an essential powerhouse of musical talent. Each individual is highly capable of playing multiple instruments, including everything from keyboard and guitar to banjo and harmonica, writing both songs and poetry alike, and singing lead vocals. Each is also capable of playing multiple instruments, including everything from keyboard and guitar to banjo and harmonica, delivering the goods to the people.

When we get together, you get a whole range of different emotions and different feelings," Coulter said. "It's not going to be just one mood all night long. It goes from being dark and mysterious to absolutely silly and fun."

Individualy, the guys are on fire in terms of their solo careers. As they progress through their smokin' hot California tour, Bowen said that this is something truly not to be missed by anyone. "This is something you just can't miss," Bowen said. "When we are all on stage, rockin' out, this is something you just won't get next week so definitely be there!"

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The event takes place at 8 p.m. tonight in Chumash Auditorium. It is free for students with a valid PolyCard and $10 for community members.

Comedian Owen Smith will bring his humorous insight on life and the college experience to Chumash Auditorium at 8 p.m. Associated Students Inc. is sponsoring the event, the first in its "Truly Funny" series.

Born in the Bahamas, Smith rose through the ranks after embracing comedy full-time at the age of 19. He has since gained significant notoriety, being featured on comedy programs such as Comedy Central's "Premium Blend," BET's "Comic View" and HBO's "Def Jam Comedy." He's also been featured in a number of commercials, doing bits for McDonald's, Coca-Cola, Blockbuster and the Illinois Lottery.

Smith's style of comedy is far from easy, touching on everything from the funny to the serious. His girlfriend made him wear on the night of a performance to comical riffs and rants about Black History Month, homelessness and his frustrations with women.

He's even taken a few of his acts directly to the people, giving impromptu stand-up routines in public places such as trolleys, parks and street corners.

Some have likened his style of comedy to that of Dave Chapelle in that Smith addresses social issues through his comedy, but in a way that is palatable to people from just about every background.

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Following their Cal Poly performance, Couther, Bowen and Martin will continue their journey, taking the tour on to cities such as Santa Barbara, Squaw Valley and San Diego. For more information about the tour or to check out the guys' individual profiles, check them out at myspace.com/threeheadlinertour.
A musical resurrection
(with lots of lust and its messy side effects — thrown in)

The fact that you are reading this is a minor miracle. You see, this "new" record from the Raveonettes, "Lust Lust Lust," actually came out more than two months ago, and the album preceding it, "Pretty in Black," was as trite and redundant an affair as Columbia ever put out, the musical equivalent of a Tim Allen movie. Sex, ordinarily I wouldn't have the gall to commit a double hipster faux pas by breaking two unpopular rules: 1) You're not allowed to like an album any later than the actual release date, and 2) Bands are never allowed a second chance. One bad record is a crime punishable by death and subsequent eternal damnation in band hell. But I don't care about any of that — I'm still listening because "Lust Lust Lust" is an incredibly rich record. Sune Rose Wagner and the gall to commit a double hipster kiss of a Tim Allen movie.

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The deadpan, reverb-heavy vocals achieve the incredibly strange effect of emphatic detachment, perfectly suited to expressing the emotion of the lyrics with devastating accuracy. (Watch the video if you get a chance.)

Considering that everyone and their mom had probably their most diverse song set, these Danes cover straight-up surf rock ("Black Sari"), doowop balladry ("Expelled from Love") and generally ditch their previously narrow musical template. (Their first EP was all in B-flat minor, and their first full-length album was in B major.) My personal favorite (today) is the thrashing "Blush," which temporally forges the standard fare harmonizing in favor of Sonne going solo, belting out the beautifully upbeat expository, "Despite my hurtful ways / I can still make you blush."

As you might have guessed, the subject of the album is indeed LUST. But the songs address not just the visceral surge of everyone's favorite emotion but also its messy side effects. The haunting "Dead Sound" is a prime example, focusing on the guilty, empty reflection of a boy's wandering heart. And now you go through a million girls / And try to pick what's right / When nightfall comes and you're still alone / Do you feel it deep inside? / Dead Sound."

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up-tempo-tossed-chewing-gum-retro-gimmick-rockers ... a couple years ago, this lusty record really is somewhat of a miracle — a resurrection, really. Prase be.

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As a college student, I'm sure most of you have had the chance to enjoy a nice cold beer. I hope you remember these days fondly because they may soon be over, unless you are willing to pay a hefty price.

Democratic Assemblyman Jim Beall from California's 24th Assembly District has proposed a 350 percent increase in the tax placed on beer. Right now, for every bottle or can of beer you drink, there is a $0.02 tax. Beall proposed amendment to the California Constitution would raise this to $0.30 per bottle or can—that is equivalent to $1.80 per six-pack. Before you throw your next party, please realize that you would be paying nearly $50 in taxes alone for a keg.

Beall expects this legislation to generate $2 billion in tax revenue for the state per year. Beall's legislation would levy this tax directly on beer manufacturers, reasoning that "As reasonable corporate citizens, breweries should be willing to pay their fair share of the damage that alcohol wreaks on society." The problem is that beer companies could not possibly afford this increase and would pass it on to the consumer. Our state's citizens are being marched economically right now, and putting such a heavy tax on beer would deter spending and hurt the economy more. We should try to stimulate the economy, hence the economic stimulus checks that were recently approved by the federal government.

The money generated from this tax would not go to state services that have had funding cuts recently, such as education, but rather to "health and law enforcement services that must cope with the havoc—traffic accidents and fatalities, domestic violence and illnesses—that is furthered by the abuse of alcohol.

Here's a thought, Assemblyman Beall: Let's bring personal responsibility back into the picture. We should try to stimulate the economy, hence the economic stimulus checks that were recently approved by the federal government. The money generated from this tax would not go to state services that have had funding cuts recently, such as education, but rather to "health and law enforcement services that must cope with the havoc—traffic accidents and fatalities, domestic violence and illnesses—that is furthered by the abuse of alcohol.

Beall wants to curb underage drinking by increasing the price of alcohol. However, there is no correlation between price and consumption. Alcohol consumption does not necessarily decrease as the price increases. There is evidence to suggest that younger drinkers perceive alcohol as more accessible and affordable as prices go up. This could lead to increased consumption among younger drinkers.

The idea that increasing the price of alcohol will deter underage drinking is flawed. Research has shown that increasing the price of alcohol will not have a significant impact on reducing underage drinking. In fact, studies have found that price increases are more likely to deter adult drinking than teenage drinking.

As a college student, I urge you to think critically about the impact of such legislation. We should be responsible and make informed decisions about our choices. Let's prioritize our health and well-being, and resist the temptation to make short-term gains at the expense of long-term consequences.
Live, learn, be green

We attend college to prepare ourselves for future careers and experiences. As students, we rely on Cal Poly to provide this relevant and comprehensive education and ensure our post-graduation success. But what if there's something lacking in the supposedly "well-rounded" curriculum?

The issue of climate change is well-known, and although its cause may be debatable, it is certainly a reality we face. It is the last step of formal education before we embark into our professional careers and experiences. As students, we are stakeholders of Cal Poly, which means we have the power to dictate focus and direction for our university. All too often we give up this right, or our voices are ignored in favor of those carrying checkbooks. But given the efforts for student-led initiatives continue to thrive.

Consider a major environmental protection management, the enrollment of which has grown faster than most in the last few years. This sends a strong message: students realize the importance of understanding the relationship between humans and the environment. But even with experts in this field graduating at a rapid rate, how are the rest of us required to tackle similar issues in our own majors? Yes, there are minors in sustainable agriculture or environments available, but shouldn't we be doing more?

We consider a typical economics class: lecture after lecture, it's all about money. Sure, it's an economics class, so money is an obvious part of the course, but the decisions we make as professionals extend beyond the budget. Ecology and social equality combined with the economy make up the principles of the triple bottom line (as opposed to single) and should be included in every economics class. I'm blaming the professors; the fault falls on those who fail to provide adequate resources for professionals to make these necessary updates. If the focus of our core classes continues to cut sustainability out of the curriculum, students will be provided with inadequate knowledge of how to propagate sustainable ideals, and we will lose our competitive edge as Cal Poly alumni.

The alternative is to take action into our own hands, speak out and talk to our professors about what we can do. Sometimes we need a friendly reminder, a push in the right direction, and we might all be able to look forward to a greener future.

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GUEST COMMENTARY

What happened to you, Veranda?

Long ago, so long ago, I remember a time. By long ago, I mean my freshman year, but that can still be considered long based on the measurement of time. Veranda Cafe used to be jumping, the cutting edge, the epitome of campus food. Students and professors alike were seen enjoying each other's company, a situation that does not always occur in class. But what happened to you, Veranda?

Now, granted, things have changed since the time I remember. Change happens; that comes with life. Veranda underwent some of those changes, like in 2005, when Veranda used to offer free cornbread with any meal, and chips to boot. Friday came along with Free Desert Friday, and the burritos were fully loaded with a scrumptious red sauce on top. Oh, the red sauce! It was my favorite, and I loved nothing more than scooping it up with warm tortilla chips. Then, when I became a sophomore, my Phil Dollard card ran dry. I felt robbed of the deliciousness I once knew, it would have to come from my own pocket. A small price to pay for that Morno burrito.

But then the changes began. The cornbread was no longer complimentary, Free Desert Fridays seemed more and more sparse, and the chips next to my burrito were getting thinner in number.

Those problems were solved. I could pay a little extra for cornbread, I was usually full before I could finish my chips, and the desert was just going straight to my waist.

I came to accept these things (after much crying and contemplation of why this might be happening) by tying fying my chips. Then the changes came more suddenly. Free Desert Fridays disappeared, and I was down to about four chips with my burrito (which seemed to be decreasing in size as well), and the cornbread was gone. The salsa bar and soda fountain moved to the other side of the wall, creating problems to refill both. The day of doom to the Veranda I once knew was approaching.

That fateful day came last week. I read the warnings from the Mustang Daily alerting of changes, the advertisement proclaiming a new menu at Veranda Cafe. "New menu, new staff, come see what we have to offer now!"

I took the challenge. I went to the new Veranda Cafe. The atmosphere that used to be jumping during lunch hour was now, still and quiet. The cornbread was still MIA, and as I grabbed my ticket to fill out my order, I saw it. The Morno was gone.

So I was forced to get the "new" Morno, or in this case, the Baja. I sat down and waited, unsure about whether the changes from the Baja was placed in front of me, my heart sank.

No more red sauce.

What happened to you, Veranda? What happened to the cornbread? What happened to the desert? What happened to the atmosphere, Chef Ed and your Morno burrito?

And about the red sauce? A chill runs down my spine when I think about the Morno burrito. No more sauce.

My smaller burrito left me hungry, and with only four chips at my disposal, I didn't even receive the satisfaction of scooping up any left-overs with a crisp crunch.

I suppose all good things must come to an end.

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GUEST COMMENTARY

Molnar's an example of liberal bias

I don't know if Mr. Molnar was short on time and had to rush out a quick article, but rather than discredit the idea of "liberal media," he did all we were ever taught. As students, we are hypocritically throwing a jab at Fox News for being "fair and balanced," yet taking it easy on McCain. Or, Mr. Molnar, is the media unbiased or does it just hurt you to hear it's liberal? Does all the Obama vs. Clinton coverage mean that CNN doesn't care about it's liberal? Does all the CNN coverage mean that CNN doesn't have a liberal slant? It was once said that my public is good publicity. This may not be true, but good, compelling news includes people being accused of being biased by the Democratic candidates, and wouldn't you think that since McCain was the Republican nominee, he would be less interesting than the two candidates dragging it out for the right-wing votes?

I agree that the Pentagon's 81-page report on terrorism today, it sounds like an anti-terrorism issue, and that McCain made a gaffe when claiming that Iran (Shiite) supports al-Qaeda (Sumi). However, those are the only concessions I will give you. Instead, I will try to balance your obviously liberal biased article. (I tried not to laugh out loud when I read over the title of your article again.)

War crimes are nothing to laugh at, nor are civilian casualties in Iraq (or military for that matter). Speaking of war crimes, UNICEF just released a report that says 1 million Iraqi children under age 5 suffer from chronic malnutrition, and four thousand five to ten thousand children die per month from the combination of malnutrition and disease; this rate is beyond natural death rates. Deaths from disease were greatly increased by the shortage of potable water and medical foods, which led to a 20-fold increase in malaria, among other ailments.

If you are paying close attention, you will notice I used past tense. That is because the report was released in 1990. Because of the increased sanctions and embargoes during the Clinton presidency, as well as the failed oil-for-food program (failed mostly due to Hussein's corruptness), it is estimated that there were over a million excess civilian Iraqi deaths. And yes, I know the sanctions were established in 1990, but they were continued by Clinton throughout his presidency and during the worst period of the situation.

And about McCain's gaffe, I understand you only have so many words per article, so let me use mine to show his corrected response. After some help from Sen. Joe Lieberman, he said, "I'm sorry, the Iranians are training extremists, not al-Qaeda." As someone who has a whole brain, I can tell you that even with deep religious division, nothing unifies the extremist Muslim world better than killing Americans for this article, let us assume Iran isn't being helped by al-Qaeda. Iran is still pumping arms, money, supplies and manpower to the Shiite militias in Iraq. But it is true that this may show McCain's lack of understanding of the Iran situation, but it does not show al-Qaida's or Iran's particular branch of Islam.

Thanks to a liberal, biased article and a desire for the truth, I now do! And I'm sure this mistake will be reimbursed in the presidential race, mark my words. The only reason it didn't get the airtime and cost him the nomination is that he already has the nomination in the bag now; therefore, politically, it isn't as dynamic, considering the timing.

In closing, I would like to thank you for further discrediting yourself by making the following two statements: "I find it stunning that..." nobody asks what you're willing to embrace a 72-year-old candidate in McCain," followed by, "An NBC/WJS poll recently revealed that... only 61 percent said..." if are ready to vote for a candidate over the age of 70?"

PS. Obama is a terriblelocator (37, 30), the Clintons are super-rich, and McCain, if elected, would be the oldest incoming president in history.

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Jake Long a Dolphin, top pick in NFL draft

Steven Wine

DALLAS, Fla. — Jake Long seemed at ease in his new role as the NFL's No. 1 draft pick, leaning into a news conference microphone to talk about his mean streak while his mother sat in the corner, nodding as she smiled.

The Miami Dolphins were grinning Tuesday Too. They signed the Michigan left tackle to a five-year contract with $30 million guaranteed, and they'll select him with the top pick in the draft Saturday.

The deal allows the Dolphins and Long to avoid a possible holdout.

"It's really important for us to know Jake is going to be on the field for us on time when training camp begins in July," coach Tony Sparano said. "That was critical."

Long's total contract package is for $57.75 million, said a person familiar with the negotiations who didn't want to be identified because the Dolphins declined to reveal terms. Last year's top pick, JaMarcus Russell, signed for $61 million with the Oakland Raiders but missed all of training camp before reaching a deal.

Long becomes the highest-paid lineman in the NFL and a 6-6, 315-pound cornerstone in a rebuilding project for the new Dolphins regime led by Hill Harrell. Last season Miami went 1-13, and the off-season work closely with Park Ranger staff.

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pitch, a Dylan Tonowase sacrifice fly and a Cal Poly infield error Cal (27-10-2) tacked on its final run in the seventh thanks to a Jackson groundout. Cal Poly, which had won eight of 10, scored twice in the first and five times in the fourth.

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Chris Petrin (3-2) entered in the fifth and retired 10 of 12 batters while earning the victory. Third baseman Brent Morel was 2 for 5 with four RBI for Cal Poly, which was ousted 14-6. Sophomore right-hander Mark DeVincentis (1-1) allowed three runs and two hits in two-thirds of an inning and suffered the loss.

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Paul Churchland is a professor of philosophy and cognitive science at UC, San Diego. He is one of the most famous defenders of materialism in the world. His position is that, eventually, a fully naturalistic neuro-science will have no need to mention any mental phenomena like free will or even brackets in order to give a complete account of the brain. The soul will be entirely explained away. The title of his talk will be "Chernical Crients: Some Phenomenological Predictions from Cognitive Neuroscience."

He will speak in 081-123 at 3 p.m. on Friday, April 25.
Wagner earns All-Big West Second Team selection

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“I really feel that I am a steady and even golfer,” he says. Entering Monday's Big West Conference Championships at Tijeras Creek Golf Club in Mission Viejo, Wagner's 73.7 average was second for the Mustangs, and his four top-20 finishes and two top-10 finishes were both team highs.

At the 14-team Cal Poly Men's Intercollegiate at Cypress Ridge Golf Course in Arroyo Grande on March 27 to 28, he took first place individually by carding 71s in three consecutive rounds for a three-under-par 213 total. His performance led the Mustangs to top honors in the team category as well, with a seven-over-par 871 total.

Wagner tied for 18th at the conference championships, finishing with a 221 total upon carding a 72 in Tuesday's final round en route to an All-Big West Second Team selection.

Wagner is congratulated by Adam Sandler (27), Matt Carle (18) and Christian Ehrhoff (10) after scoring on the Sharks' first goal. The win advanced the Sharks into the second round of the playoffs with a 5-3 win over the Dallas Stars.