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Poly takes heat as Pollan speaks

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The Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education Center has been getting a lot of unanticipated attention for its annual fundraiser featuring noted author and journalist professor Michael Pollan, but not for the right reasons.

Cal Poly has been criticized by members of the agricultural community for hosting Pollan, who they say has controversial views on farming and food production.

Pollan, who will be speaking today at Peters Art Center as part of a panel, has written a number of books about food and the way in which it is produced including, “The Omnivore’s Dilemma: A Natural History of Four Meals” and “In Defense of Food: An Eater’s Manifesto.” Pollan has spoken all over the country and agreed to help SARC raise money at a dinner and give a free speech to Cal Poly as part of a fundraiser.

Pollan has been outspoken critic of large-scale farming that is his view is raising too many natural resources. Pollan warns against food production with a large carbon footprint because of processing, packaging or shipment. He only supports farming operations that have free range farming and野生动物s that are fed their natural diet. His views on farming and raising livestock have garnered a large amount of criticism from traditional large-scale food production companies.

This criticism has also been aimed at Cal Poly for hosting his speech.

Hunter Francis, the program associate of SARC, said it agreed to pay Pollan to speak at the dinner, which was expected to net $50,000 for SARC by charging guests $150 a plate at the event. In order to help pay for Pollan’s speaking fee, SARC recruited several local organizations to sponsor the event. These organizations include the New Times, Heart Ranch and several organizations affiliated with Cal Poly.

The most notable of these organizations is Cal Poly’s College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Resources (CAFES).

David Welther, dean of CAFES, said that Pollan’s total speaking fee was $20,000. SARC is made up of faculty members within CAFES but does not report directly to Welther. SARC is “sort of independent” from CAFES, Welther said. This will change next year, as SARC is slated to become more involved in the college.

The issues that Pollan talks about are controversial and created a lot of concern from the agriculture community. Francis said. But having Pollan speak is a rare opportunity to hear the views of someone who has had such influential books, he added.

The New York Times named “The Omnivore’s Dilemma” one of the 10 best books of 2006, as did the Washington Post.

Pollan was asked to speak in order to raise money for SARC, Welther said. “If you were gonna raise money for the baseball team you wouldn’t invite the coach, you would invite the manager of the L.A. Dodgers,” Welther said.

However, there were reservations from the CAFES department about Pollan because of some of his views about conventional farms, so it was decided that there would be a panel to discuss different views on sustainability. Welther said. At that time it was uncertain when that panel would be held.

The concern that was felt within the department then extended to prominent supporters of Cal Poly’s agricultural program.

Michael Pollan will speak at a panel discussing sustainable agriculture at the PAC today at 11.

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H1N1 vaccines arrive at Cal Poly

Megan Hassler MUSTANG DAILY

Over 90 percent of the cases have been reported as H1N1. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said this number could possibly be as high as 99 percent of cases. With these numbers many facilities are no longer being tested specifically for H1N1 but are assuming and providing treatment for it. The Health Center does not have any totals of individuals infected for this reason. Students watch their peers become sick and aware of the increase in H1N1 vaccinations.

However, there are steps that must be taken before students can receive the vaccine. This begins with obtaining the necessary funding for production.

The Obama administration and Congress have allotted nearly $10 billion for the H1N1 vaccinations. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s Web site federal funding is for the purchase of the H1N1 vaccine and the states are receiving funding for vaccination efforts from the Centers of Disease Control and Prevention.

After funding was provided the vaccine was developed by five companies. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services listed CSL Biotherapies, MedImmune, Novartis, sanofi Pasteur and GlaxoSmithKline as the companies. GlaxoSmithKline was the only company who failed to receive approval from the FDA.

Once the developers have the vaccine approved it must be distributed to the nation depending on supply and demand. Michelle Shoresman, Emergency Preparedness Program Manager at the Health Department said, the San Luis Obispo County Health Department began receiving early shipments of the vaccine in the beginning of October. These were small amounts of the vaccine, which were given to a few pediatricians. They received the first installations of their orders, as they are at the top of the priority list.

“We are hoping to receive around 40,000 doses around the end of October,” Shoresman said. According to the U.S. Census Bureau as of 2008 there were 265,297 people in San Luis Obispo County. “We are at the whim of distribution process for receiving the vaccinations.”

Although there are two types of the vaccine being offered the Health Center will receive the type delivered by injection. The injection contains a dead strain of the virus and is said to be slightly more effective. However, for pregnant women, children between six months and two years and adults over 49 must receive the vaccination through a shot. One shot will be sufficient for all except children between six months and two years.

“All the students who have received the vaccine already have not shown adverse reactions that can see H1N1, page 3

Rain dampens students, spirits

Katie Koschalk MUSTANG DAILY

The squeaking of galoshes could be heard throughout the hallways of the Cal Poly campus on Tuesday as hordes of poncho-clad students yielded upturned umbrellas scurried into sheltered hallways with a communal look of “this sucks” spread across their rain-splattered faces.

San Luis Obispo started the rainy season early, receiving an abnormal amount of rain for the month of October.

Many students found that with the storm came various inconveniences during the school day including trouble getting to school, difficulties navigating around campus, and obstacles such as street flooding.

Julia Fiere, a social science junior, decided to drive to school and pay the five-dollar parking fee rather than enduring a walk through horizontal sheets of rain. “It was buckets yesterday,” she said. “It took me like 15 minutes to find a parking spot and I had to park way in the back in that parking lot by Polo Canyon. I didn’t really care though. I wasn’t about to walk in that rain,” Fiere said.

Rather than searching for a parking spot or walking to school, Jackie Woods, a communications junior, decided to take the bus. “There are two bus stops by my house and the first bus that came was too packed so I had to wait for the next bus. It was a lot more crowded than usual,” Woods said.

Other students, including Carla Gobleuron-Lamb, a nutrition sophomore, did not have time before class to wait for the next bus. “It was completely full so everybody that was waiting started yelling at me and I asked him if he was going to flag down cars. This didn’t really care though. I was not about to walk in that rain,” Fiere said.
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grow within the community.

The most backlash came from Cal Poly alumni Dave Wood, the CEO of Harris Ranch Beef, which is a large meat processing company, and a large contributor to CAFES. Wood wrote a letter to Cal Poly President Warren Baker telling him that he was reconsidering a $500,000 donation towards a new meat processing facility on Cal Poly’s campus.

The letter stated that he was upset at the direction that CAFES was taking. The first problem that Wood referred to was a requirement on the 09-11 course to offer Mike an entirely unsustainable option and that Wood objectied to the fact that Rutherford was the only faculty member in the department teaching in Animal Agriculture, which is a required course of all Animal Science students.

Issues in Animal Agriculture is still a requirement on the 09-11 course catalogue for animal science majors but the New Times reported that the faculty recently voted to eliminate the course as a requirement.

President Baker wrote a letter back to Wood that offered a compromise to have Pollan answer questions from the audience and then have a panel discussion with other industry professionals.

Baker also said that Rutherford did not speak for the university but defended his right to voice his opinion.

"Mr. Rutherford's freedom of opinion is a piece of academic freedom, academic freedom, a pillar of American universities also calls for peer debate among the faculty as to what should be taught in the classroom," Baker said in the letter.

Teaching students about sustainability is an important goal of the university for all Cal Poly students, Baker said in the letter.

The assessment for educators to engage their students in all aspects of such an emerging topic, the letter read, "Cherish for our agriculture students, sustainability is a huge issue. If we do not involve our students in the discussions about what sustainability means, we will lose the forethought to provide students both sides of the debate when this even was first being organized."

Wood also included some quotes from Pollan that he found offensive.

"I would like to provide a small sample of the many negative quotes attributable to this radical U.C. Berkeley journalism professor."

"To keep the animals healthy on that corn diet, you have to give them lots of antibiotics, they won't survive otherwise."

"I'm going on feed lots, chicken and hog operations, it has changed the way I can. You can't go through those places without being changed. You lose your appetite for certain kinds of food," the letter quoted.

"For the choice of having a panel of after his speech or participating in a panel, Pollan decides to be a part of the panel. Gary Smith and Mike Goodman will also speak at the panel with Pollan."

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"I got home," Shea said. "It was really awkward and I just said forget it and walked home without it and was completely drenched by the time I got home," Shea said.

Besides the impact on transportation, many students, including Ariana Jarrell, a civil engineering junior, felt that the biggest impact was the decrease in attending and coming drenched while walking around campus between classes.

"I would drive through these huge puddles and people would have to jump out of the way, which they wouldn't get sprayed," Jarrell said. "The sidewalks were all muddy and slippery."

"Many students hoping to stay dry during their walks between classes came armed with an umbrella, but many found that the rain-shielding device was no match for winds up to 45 m.p.h."

Frank Cawley, the Cal Poly Bookstore director, who has been working on campus for 14 years, said that a steady stream of students were coming into the bookstore to purchase umbrellas on Tuesday.

"I got home a long time since I've seen it rain that hard. About three years back I think it was a pretty rough one in San Francisco, they said it hasn't rained that hard since 1964," he said. "We completely sold out of umbrellas. I believe we sold 460 umbrella total. We've already had another 1,000 on order."

Despite completely selling out of umbrellas, many students found that they did not help much in staying dry.

"I saw at least five people walking around campus without their umbrellas or with their umbrellas. My friend got all embarrassed because her little, pink umbrella turned completely inside out. It just folded in half and all the wires that the side-viewers ended up just throwing it in the garbage," Fiore said.

Fiore also was welcomed by an unfortunate event involving transportation after returning to her car.

"I left my window down in my brown car. My little pink puddle-mi­dle in my seat. I literally opened the door and water flooded out onto my legs and the floor. I just stood down. Not like I wasn't already drenched," Fiore said.

"Since I was in school posed a dilemma for some, students noticed that there were more
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be isolated and concluded to be a result of the vaccine.
However, due to the pressing issue the clinical trials for H1N1 were done on thousands of people. Late side effects might not have shown up in the population tested.

Shari Roan of HealthandSurvival.com brings up the pandemics of the decade and how they relate to our current situation. This region is some of the worst the flu scare of 1976 when days after the vaccine was released it was found to cause temporary paralysis and can be fatal. Ever since the results deaths resulting people have become leery of vaccines. Roan also said that about 500 people developed the syndrome and 25 of them died.

This was shown recently in comments. Talk show host Bill Maher wore on Twitter that anyone who received the vaccine were "idiots." He also said he "did not believe that healthy people were vulnerable to dying from the new H1N1 virus."

Linda Bergthold of the Huffington Post said, "Mather said he didn't think pregnant women needed to get the vaccine. He is sure,)he would be lost over this unscientific "opinion" of Bill Maher."

His statement also contradicts the World Health Organization and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's release, which said people between the ages of five and 24 are "particularly vulnerable" to the flu.

College students are within the top five at risk populations and will receive doses before people who are not in this list.

The Cal Poly Health Center is expecting to receive the H1N1 vaccine around the end of October or beginning of November. This depends on when the Health Department receives more of the vaccines from the state. Upon receiving the vaccine the county must analyze and divide the doses based on the demand and actual need for the vaccine and distribute accordingly.

The Health Center requested 19,000 vaccines to meet the needs of all students. There are about 18,000 students that attend Cal Poly. However, the Health Center polled students twice last week and received varying results. In one poll two third of students said they intended to get the vaccine while the second poll three quarters said they did not intend to be vaccinated.

Although they ordered 19,000 vaccines they will only receive 7,000 in the initial distribution from the county.

"We believe that the 7,000 will easily get us through the priority students (ones with existing conditions or high risk students) and the bulk of students who want it," Director of Health and Counseling Services Dr. Martin Bragg said. "Our hope is that we can get everyone a shot who wants a shot."

Health care and emergency medical services personnel are included in the top five populations to receive the vaccine. The Health Center staff will be provided with the vaccine as well. This is similar to the seasonal flu shots provided for staff in the past years.

When the vaccine arrives in the next few weeks 12 to 15 staff members will be administering the vaccine. The training leading, up to the release of the vaccine will include mainly "crowd control" due to the paperwork that must be done prior to receiving the vaccine and the crowds they expect at the release of the vaccine.

In order to accommodate the large-scale vaccinations to be administered the Health Center will have to alter operation for about two weeks.

According to the San Luis Obispo County Health Department during the week of Oct. 1-8 there were six hospital cases and "at least 37 persons have had PH lab results consistent with infection with the H1N1 virus."

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empty seats in their classes than usual.

"In my morning class there were a lot of people missing, but not in my afternoon class because we had a midterm. The rain just makes people want to sit at home and watch movies," Fiore said.

Besides the inconveniences that students might face in trying to get to school or navigating around campus, the Cal Poly campus also faces some complications due to heavy rain.

Scott Loosley, the assistant director of operations for landscape services, feels that Cal Poly is prepared, however, to deal with big storms.

"Prior to the rainy season, we go out and make sure all the catch basins are cleaned out. We try to prevent in advance by staging sandbags in areas that are really prone to flooding to make sure that water doesn't get into buildings," Loosley said.

Areas that have had issues with flooding within the past year include Grand Ave, and the area by the Natatorium, where the street curves downward, Loosley said.

While the catch basins were cleaned out prior to Tuesdays storm, facility services received one complaint yesterday that Grand Ave was flooding by the Via Grande Restaurant.

"We went out there and saw that some water was overflowing into the street. The drain wasn't clogged. It was just that the drain was completely filled up. It's just the design of the street. Sometimes on parts of the road that are really old, the pavement is split," Loosley said.

While street flooding is sometimes out of the control of facility services, in the event that a building floods, immediate action will be taken.

The campus is set up so that if one catch basin fills up, there is generally another catch basin further down the street for excess rainwater to flow into. If a building floods, however, facility services are prepared to bring in water pumps and vacuums to remove the water from the building.

Regardless of inconveniences that rain has caused for students and the Cal Poly campus, Tuesdays storm will be looked back at as a test run for what could be a harsh winter with the arrival of El Nin o in winter 2009.

"It's fine the first few weeks, but after that, it gets to be a bit much. The rain's awesome if I get to be inside looking out at it," Jarrell said.

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Taliban strength in Afghanistan nears military proportion

WASHINGTON — A recent U.S. intelligence assessment has raised the estimated number of full-time Taliban-led insurgents fighting in Afghanistan to at least 25,000, underscoring how the crisis has worsened even as the U.S. and its allies have boosted up their military forces, a U.S. official said Thursday.

The U.S. official, who requested anonymity because the assessment is classified, said the estimate represented an increase of at least 3,000 fighters, or 23 percent, over what an estimate found last year.

On Wednesday, U.S. Ambassador to Afghanistan Karl Eikenberry assured Afghans that America would continue to fight until "extremists and insurgents" were defeated in the war-torn nation.

The new intelligence estimate suggests such a fight would be difficult. Not included in the 25,000 tally are the part-time fighters — those Afghans who plant bombs or support the insurgents in other ways as return for money — and also the criminal gangs who sometimes make common cause with the Taliban or other Pakistan-based groups.

The assessment attributed the growth in the Taliban and their major allies, such as the Haqqani Network and Hezb-e-Islami, to a number of factors, including a growing sense among many Afghans that the insurgents are gaining ground over U.S.-led NATO troops and Afghan security forces.

"The rise can be attributed to, among other things, a sense that the central government in Kabul isn't delivering on services, increased local support for insurgent groups, and the perception that the Taliban and others are gaining a firmer foothold and expanding their capabilities," the U.S. official said.

"They (the insurgents) don't need to win a popularity contest," said Michael O'Hanlon, a military analyst at the center-left Brookings Institution in Washington. "They are actually doing a good job in creating a complex psychological brew. The first part is building on frustration with the government. The second part is increasing their own appeal or at least taking the edge off of the hatred that people had felt for them before. But on top of that they are selectively using intimidation to stoke a climate of fear. And on top of that they have momentum."

Jonas Dobbins, a retired ambassador who served as the first U.S. special envoy to Afghanistan, said see Afghanistan, page 5
**WORD ON THE STREET**

"Did the rain change your routine yesterday?"

- "I went to all of my classes, got my books wet. But I loved the rain. It was amazing." -Trixie Hartin, animal science junior

- "I worked all day in the library, so no. I was hanging out with Bob K." -Alicia Mooradian, business administration senior

- "It did, it had to walk back and forth a lot changing classes." -Dana Harris, food science and nutrition senior

- "No, (it was) no different from a regular day." -Andy Siver, aerospace engineering junior

- "Not really, because I had class all day, I didn’t go running or anything." -Lisa Banke, animal science senior

- "Not really, because I still drove to class and walked to class." -Michael Mobley, aerospace engineering junior

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**Afghanistan**

The new estimate shows how the war, which entered its ninth year this month, has been intensifying.

"It tells you that things are getting worse, and that would suggest that the current (U.S.-led troop) levels are inadequate," Dobbins said. "But it doesn’t lead you to a formula that tells you what the adequate troop levels should be."

The estimated increase in the insurgents’ ranks occurred as the numbers of U.S., British and other Western troops also increased, possibly suggesting the growth in international forces is bolstering an impression among many Afghans that they’re under foreign occupation.

The new estimate comes as the Obama administration debates its new strategy for Afghanistan amid public divisions between senior officials and military commanders.

Army Gen. Stanley McChrystal, the U.S. commander in Afghanistan, is seeking as many as 45,000 additional U.S. troops, which would bring the number of U.S. soldiers to more than 100,000. There are 39,000 forces from other countries and an effort is under way to double the size of the Afghan army to 134,000 by 2011.

Administration critics of McChrystal’s assessment — led by Vice President Joe Biden — are promoting a more limited strategy that would require far fewer U.S. troops.

Eikenberry’s remarks came at a ceremony honoring the more than 1,700 Afghan police and soldiers who have died since the war began.

"We will continue to stand side-by-side, shoulder-to-shoulder with you and the brave members of your security forces," said Eikenberry at a wreath-laying ceremony in a courtyard of Afghanistan’s National Assembly. "We will fight with you, see Afghanistan, page 7

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SAN LUIS OBISPO, Calif. (MCT) — The Central Coast, a two-month-long, two-national-month state, Tuesday ripped loose from thousands of scrawny, dusty trees and soaked some, cracking the area’s hard fall in the rain. It’s the ultimate definition of the mass scattering of we’ve seen,” said John Lindsey, a Pacific Gas and Electric Co. spokesman in San Luis Obispo and a weather forecaster.

The CHF remained busy — responding to at least two dozen accidents as vehicles hydroplaned, skidded into guardrails and ran down embankments throughout San Luis Obispo County’s slick roads and highways.

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SACRAMENTO (MCT) — California’s First Lady Maria Shriver apologized Wednesday after getting some heat for photos and a video that showed her driving while chatting on her cell phone — a violation of the law her husband signed that prohibits driving and talking on the phone without a hands-free device.

After the photos showed up Tuesday on the celebrity gossip Web site TMZ, Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger promised his Twitter followers he would “take ‘real action’ in response to his wife’s repeat offenses.

But Shriver’s office remained mum on her law-breaking ways until Wednesday. Shriver issued an apology on the Web site.

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National

WASHINGTON (MCT) — President Barack Obama will sign a $7.5 billion aid bill for Pakistan Wednesday night in the White House.

After lawmakers rallied a statement designed to assuage Pakistani concerns that the aid comes with strings that infringe on that country’s sovereignty, Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass., chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and co-author of the bill, insisted that it was being misinterpreted or misunderstood by some in Pakistan’s government and military.

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WASHINGTON (MCT) — President Barack Obama urged Congress to provide an extra $250 each to some 57 million seniors, veterans and people with disabilities as the Social Security Administration prepared to announce today whether there would be no cost-of-living raise in 2010.

Social Security benefits are pegged to inflation, which has been negative this year. But by law, benefits cannot decline. This would be the first time benefits have not increased since 1975, when cost-of-living adjustments became automatic.

Obama’s proposal, announced Wednesday, calls for a one-time lump-sum payment sometime next year. It would be equivalent to about 2 percent of the annual benefit for the average Social Security retiree.

Senior administration aides said

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International

AMMAN, Jordan (MCT) — Foreign Minister Nasser Judeh will meet in Amman Wednesday with Secretary of State Hillary Clinton as part of the Jordanian government’s strategy to draw more countries into the Middle East peace process and regional issues, a senior official said.

The official added that during the meeting Judeh will convey to the US administration Jordan’s concern over Israel’s plan to construct more settlements in the West Bank, which “represent a major obstacle to peace negotiations”.

The talks will also focus on “US administration’s efforts to resolve the Arab-Israeli conflict, foremost the Palestinian issue, through serious and direct negotiations between all parties and at all levels aimed at achieving a comprehensive, just and lasting peace in the Middle East on the basis of the two-state solution and in accordance with the Arab Peace Initiative,” the official said.

KHARTUM, Sudan (MCT) — The Sudanese government downplayed the significance of changes made to the new generation of Sudanese passports that practically allows them to be used to travel to Israel.

Khartoum quietly removed a statement on the Machine Readable Passport (MRP), omitting the validity of the document if used for Israel bound trips.
**Crossing 10,000 … again**

The Dow passed the 10,000 mark Wednesday for the first time in more than a year.

**NEW YORK** — As the U.S. stock market basked Wednesday in better-than-anticipated results from bellwether Intel Corp. and JPMorgan Chase & Co., some embraced the notion that the market's worst fears involving disappointments in top-line growth might be past.

"Cost-cutting was necessary, but we need to see top-line growth for the market to take the next leg up," said Bert D'Arcy, chief investment officer of CBIZ Wealth Management.

The near euphoria that came with the results from two of the Dow Jones Industrial Average helped push the blue-chip index past 10,000 for the first time in more than a year.

"We're starting to see improvement on the top line beginning this quarter and some indication that this will continue in 2010," D'Arcy said.

The psychologically-important threshold could prove compelling to the "whole portion of the population that walked away from Wall Street in the last couple of years, because of everything that has happened," said Art Hogan, chief market strategist at Jefferies & Co.

The Dow last closed above 10,000 on Oct. 3, 2008, a day that had it finishing at 10,325.38 only to fall more than 18 percent over the following five days. The index had set its all-time high of 14,164.53 a year earlier, on Oct. 9, 2007.

**Financial shares paced the Wednesday gains as the major stock indexes surged higher, with the Dow reaching an intraday high of 10,027.7 before finishing up 144.90 points, or 1.47 percent, at 10,155.86, in its first finish above 10,000 since Oct. 3, 2008. The S&P 500 Index climbed 18.83 points, or 1.75 percent, to 1,092.02. The Nasdaq Composite Index advanced 32.34 points, or 1.5 percent, to 2,172.23.**

On Tuesday, Johnson & Johnson's quarterly sales fell short of expectations, with results from the health-care-products maker leaving investors with little to cheer. But investor sentiment brightened measurably after the market closed Tuesday, with quarterly results from chip maker Intel exceeding Wall Street's expectations.

"Johnson & Johnson is a shining example of what we don't want to see. Luckily, Intel has given us something to take our mind off it," commented Hogan.

For equity analyst Ed Yardensky, chief investment strategist at Yardens Research Inc., Intel's results prompted a joyful cry: "Tech is back!"

Calling information technology his favorite of the S&P 500 sectors, with semiconductors his favored industry in tech, Yardens declared his reasoning "embarrassingly simple" in a research note.

"I believe that the global economic recovery will be led by consumers, though not in the United States, but rather in the emerging markets. As they acquire some discretionary income, their first purchases tend to be electronic gadgets such as cell phones, PCs and flat-screen TVs," he wrote. The technology sector stands to be an "early-cycle beneficiary" of an economic turn, and its companies generally "aren't laden with some of the credit issues that others have," said D'Arcy.

Health care is another sector "not subject to the credit needs of finance and manufacturing, but it is certainly undervalued because of the legislative overhang," said D'Arcy of the move to reform health-care insurance on Capitol Hill.

Hogan, however, cautioned against reading too much into results from a limited field of companies — with the current week a relatively light one, earningswise, despite results from six Dow components, which "always make a splash," according to Hogan.

But the market this week bears from only 29 companies among the S&P 500, compared with 160 S&P issues next week.

"This may be the quarter where investors decide beating earnings estimates by cutting costs is not enough to keep us going," he said. "This is the week of the household names, but it's too small a sampling to say it's a victory."
CP Wheelchair Foundation raises money for its final donation

Miles Fairchild

She has short brown hair in the photograph. She's wearing a white dress that reaches past her knees and she's sitting in a new, red wheelchair — the first she's ever had.

The photo of the girl, a 2-year-old from Oaxaca, Mexico, who was paralyzed from birth, is part of the Mano a Mano, hand in hand, fundraising exhibit by the Cal Poly Wheelchair Foundation opening tonight at the San Luis Obispo Art Center.

The exhibit is one of the closing events for the Foundation, which has given more than 4,000 wheelchairs to impoverished people in Africa, Asia, South and North America in the past eight years.

Business administration senior Helya Naghibi has served as project manager for a year.

"I never thought I'd have the opportunity to impact someone's life as much and I'm very lucky to be part of it," she said. The project began in 2001 when Kenneth Behring, founder of the Wheelchair Foundation, spoke to a group of 230 Cal Poly students and offered them a chance to get involved.

Marketing area chair Lynn Metcalf of the Orfalea College of Business, was at the presentation and saw the benefit for the Cal Poly campus.

It would let students learn and apply marketing skills while they helped others, she said. "It offered us the opportunity to make an impact on people's lives."

Metcalf started the Cal Poly Wheelchair Foundation with an initial team of nine students. In the eight years that the Foundation has operated, some 140 students have participated in raising money and delivering wheelchairs to poor communities.

Raising awareness has been a focus for the foundation and the group has looked to students and the greater community to spread the word.

The photographs taken by two students from the foundation's trip to Oaxaca will be available for purchase at tonight's free exhibit.

"I feel that by putting on this photography exhibit, we are spreading an awareness," Sara Tollefson, one of the photographers, said.

Tollefson, an art and design senior with a photography concentration, tried to capture the everyday experiences of the people.

"There are people with lives much different than our own. These people do not have the many luxuries we have, such as running water," she said.

Greg Smith, also an art and design senior with a photography concentration, is displaying 20 of the 40 photos in the exhibit. Smith said he was surprised by the poverty.

"Everything people owned was with them," he said, recalling a market the group visited.

The wheelchairs come in two versions, an all-terrain model with mountain bike tires and then a standard model with hard, rubber wheels. The students, recognizing the poverty of the people, also provided a repair kit.

"The chairs come with self-repair tools that can take care of minor problems, if necessary," Naghibi said. The Foundation is planning a final trip to deliver wheelchairs. Money raised from donations and sales of prints will go to wheelchair donations in Panama, Naghibi said.

Even though the Foundation is ending, its impact and lessons will continue, she said. "It has changed countless lives. Just because it is coming to a close at Cal Poly, doesn't mean it will be forgotten."
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**michel park to transform into construction zone of culture Sunday**

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Caution tape lines the windows of the Multicultural Center (MCC) in the University Union as club officers prepare for this year’s “Culturefest: Construction of Culture” festival at Mitchell park on Oct. 8. Twenty Cal Poly student clubs and San Luis Obispo community diversity groups will be holding booths, serving food and putting on performances to promote both the ethnic and identity cultures and disillusion the common stereotype San Luis Obispo has of being a predominantly white community.

The Multicultural Center has put on Culturefest for 12 consecutive years, however this is the first year that the festival has been associated with Cal Poly’s homecoming events. Renoda Campbell, coordinator of Multicultural Programs and Services, helps student leaders organize events and awareness campaigns that celebrate diversity on campus.

“We are honored that the Cal Poly Alumni Association is including us in the large scale events during this special time for the university. This is the first and hopefully not the last of our collaborations,” she said.

Biology senior Ian Serrano worked with Campbell and served as the event coordinator for the festival this year. After putting in a year’s work of collecting sponsorships, he is looking forward to wearing his construction hardhat that Campbell ordered for club officers to play up the theme of the festival on Sunday.

Serrano wants students and community members to realize that there is diversity in San Luis Obispo, contrary to the common stereotype.

“A lot of people perceive San Luis Obispo as a very, very white community,” he said. “You don’t have to be of color to be part of a certain culture. What we’re presenting at Culturefest is the type of culture that we have here in our community.”

The interest groups participating in the event are not all ethnic or religious groups. The Bucket Busters, a group of young Central Coast drummers, will be banging on buckets at their Culturefest performance. Its group of percussionists identify with a culture of music rather than ethnic, culture.

The cultural clubs on campus will also show their support. With three performances scheduled throughout the day, Cal Poly’s Pilipino Culture Exchange club plans on having its dance team perform a traditional Pilipino dance called kasayahan and a modern hip-hop dance.

The festival originally was held on campus but since performances were held inside and club booths were set up outside, MCC decided to move to the Mission Plaza to make clubs feel more involved.

Last year MCC held Culturefest at Mitchell park because they couldn’t reserve the plaza.

“It was a blessing in disguise,” Serrano said.

The response was overwhelming last year. About 500 people attended throughout the day.

This year, the club has received a lot of sponsorships and sponsorships from the colleges and the San Luis Obispo community. Fundraising for the event used to be one of the most difficult things about putting on the festival, Serrano said. But with the success of last year’s festival came even more financial support this year. The top five sponsors donating $1,000 or more includes the City of San Luis Obispo, the Cal Poly President’s Office, Wild 106 Radio, Popolo Rotisserie Cafe, and The New Times.

Serrano hopes that Culturefest visitors will be surprised to find the variety of cultures within the city.

“I want them to see that there is something in SLO that they can enjoy in terms of culture. We have some culture here, damn it. You just have to look around and be open about it,” he said.

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The pomegranate has its roots in the Middle East and India, and is a fruit whose seeds and pulp are the main attraction which makes it unique from many other fruits. Here’s a little Jewish fact — they supposedly contain 413 seeds which represent the 613 commandments. For those who love tangy and tart, this is the fruit for you. You can eat the petils is to dip the white skin which is easy to peel.

My favorite type of hybrid is one many students might not know: the olallieberry. This unique berry is a cross between the loganberry and the youngberry which are crosses between blackberries, raspberries and dewberries. It originated in the United States and has become more and more popular as the years go on. If you want something a little more exotic, try starting them off with an artichoke and ending the night with an olallieberry pie.

Bethany Abelson is a food science senior and Mustang Daily food columnist.

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Some scholars believe that a pomegranate, not an apple, was the forbidden fruit in the Garden of Eden.

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Some of the most fascinating fruits are the hybrids — crosses between one or more types of fruits. For the citrus kick I recommend the tangelo, which is a cross between a tangerine and a pomegranate or grapefruit and originating from Southeast Asia. They are very juicy and have a smooth skin which is easy to peel.

Moving on to my favorite; the artichoke, a vegetable originating from Southern Europe and the Mediterranean. There are so many great ways to eat an artichoke. Try a great appetizer dip and add artichoke hearts to a salad to add some extra flavor. Many restaurants grill up artichokes and baste them with olive oil or provide you with a dipping sauce.

My favorite way to have a pomegranate is to have it in a smoothie or a juice. It is loaded with vitamins and has that extra kick that I am usually looking for. The actual fruit along with its juice can be found at most grocery stores and they make a delicious smoothie called Pomegranate Paradise at Jamba Juice.

Some researchers believe that a pomegranate, not an apple, was the forbidden fruit in the Garden of Eden.
U.S. government will lack moral authority on human rights until public option passes

The United States has fancied itself a protector of human rights for decades. According to the March 31 Washington Post article "U.S. to Join U.N. Human Rights Council," Secretary of State Hillary Clinton said that "Human rights are an essential element of American global foreign policy." She continued, "With others, we will engage in the work of improving the U.N. human rights system."

In fact, in the same article the Post reports that New Zealand Foreign Minister Murray McCully freely withdrew his country's name from the race for a seat on the U.N. Council, saying, "Frankly, by any objective measure, membership of the Council by the U.S. is more likely to create positive changes more quickly than we could have hoped to achieve them."

That's a rather hefty assessment of our government's dedication to human rights, and it's an even greater responsibility since we did win that seat in the Council only a month ago. But while we uphold human rights as tenants of our involutions overseas, does our government give human rights an equally essential place in domestic politics?

The notion of universal human rights fell into public discourse after President Franklin D. Roosevelt's Four Freedoms speech in 1941, in which he proclaimed that all humans everywhere deserve freedom of speech and religion, and to be free from want and fear.

The Four Freedoms were then incorporated into the United Nation's (UN) International Bill of Human Rights, and within this declaration is one of the most important documents in history: The Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

This beautifully written declaration lays out several rights already guaranteed by the U.S. Constitution, such as "the right to life, liberty, and the security of person," the right to a fair and speedy trial, and so on. It also includes several other rights that more specifically answer global issues by prohibiting "cruel, inhuman or degrading torture or imprisonment" and "slavery in all its forms."

There are two additional treaties within the International Bill of Human Rights: The International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and the International Covenant on Economic, Social, and Cultural Rights (ICESR).

President's apparent involvement in developing the basic ideas for the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, one would think that our government would be first in line to sign and ratify each piece of this historical, significant bill.

Nope.

We signed the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and both covenants, but although over 40 years have passed since its creation, we have yet to ratify the International Covenant on Economic, Social, and Cultural Rights. Without ratification, the covenant has no influence on U.S. policies.

The Carter, Reagan, Bush Sr. and George W. Administrations, and even the Clinton Administration failed to ratify the covenant.

Of course, this is also due to the political division of the Senate during their administrations since treaty must be ratified by a two-thirds majority. However, by ratifying treaties, we have yet to ratify the International Covenant on Economic, Social, and Cultural Rights.

It's especially important for the Clinton Administration to ratify the ICESR, which was signed by President Clinton in 1994, as it is meant to protect "every person" from discrimination.

Critics of the ICESR took issue with the idea of the government being compelled to grant every person the right to health care and an adequate standard of living, which sounds oddly related to our current debate over public option health care.

And the members of the peanut gallery in 1966 still exist today. They call themselves the Republican Party.

According to David Shuman, who wrote an article on the International Bill of Human Rights for Univ. of Minnesota’s Human Rights Resource Center, “The Reagan and Bush administrations took the view that economic, social, and cultural rights were not really rights but merely desirable social goals and therefore should not be the object of binding treaties.”

That echoes current Republican sentiments against the public option. And so, their 44-year-old argument has been and perhaps always will be that while other ills exist, health care is an important part of human rights, they simply view it as a good thing to have if it's something you can afford.

The explanation Shuman gives for the Clinton Administration’s failure to pass the International Bill of Rights is especially poignant for today’s health care reform debate. While Clinton was in office, he wrote, “The Clinton Administration has not denied the nature of these rights but has not found it politically expedient to engage in a battle with Congress over the Covenant.”

It is my great hope that at the end of this 44-year-long health care debate, neither the Obama Administration or the Democratic Congress and Senate revert to ideas that are "politically expedient."

It’s especially important for President Obama, Clinton and the UN Human Rights Council to be reminded that until public option health care and the International Covenant on Economic, Social, and Cultural Rights is passed, our government can only continue to be hypocritical in its advocacy for human rights.

Stephanie England is an English editor and Mustang Daily political columnist.
Transparency hits the Web: Online communicators livid with Federal Trade Commission's decision

Edward Wasserman
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Online communicators of all stripes, whether they blog or tweet or befriend on social networking sites, are now supposed to tell you when they’ve received any money or freebies in connection with products they’ve tried out.

That’s what the Federal Trade Commission decided last week, after months of gathering public input and stroking its chin. And the response from the online commentatorariat—true, never a placid bunch—is an unusually powerful wave of indignation, splatter, fury and bile, including fierce denunciations from some of the most influential and most respected voices on the Internet.

“A dangerous federal intervention in social media” and “an attack on markets and free speech,” says Dan Gillmor, author of “We the Media” and a major force for new-age citizen journalism.

“Truly terrible,” Jeff Jarvis says, as he swiftly sidelines Daily Finance blog on AOL. “A monument to unintended consequence, hindsight, myopia, and narrow assumptions,” says Jeff Jarvis of CNet’s journalism grad school and a prominent shaper of online practices.

Blogger Ron Hogan on AlleyCat News suggests the FTC will now have to monitor 27.9 million Americans.

And Brian Kennelly, of the Daily Professor, modern journalism & literature says, “It’s three weeks too long. The irony that the communication department is miscommunicating is hysterical. I do agree that getting less class for more tuition via tuition raises and mandatory furloughs are bad the policy was implemented. But your professors are not getting any of this extra tuition we have to pay for so they’re getting a salary cut.”

-Jacob
Response to “How hard is it to seed an e-mail? Professors don’t go out of their way to inform students”

Being a conservative writer is not easy; you will always be criticized, even if you say the sky is blue. Please improve your columns quickly, or run an ad for another conservative voice to take you’re place. Alumni, such as myself, like to know their values are still represented on campus. Please keep this in mind as you write your future columns.

-Ian Nachreiner
Response to “Everyone should be equal under the law”

Shouldn’t a college newspaper be discussing college football? Last I heard, those with an inch can still bet on college football. Doesn’t it make you mad that odds aren’t posted for CSC games, even when they are playing PBS schools?

-Anonymous
Response to “Tuesday Morning Quarterback: Had Heats last Sunday”

I think people should be free to do what they want as long as it doesn’t negatively affect others. That also means taking responsibility for your actions. For instance, people can spend their money however they want — new cars, big house, tons of kids, fancy vacations — but don’t come knocking on my door when you have no money left. Like uncle Harry says in Spiderman, “With power comes responsibility.” If you want the power to make your own choices, you have the responsibility to deal with the consequences.

-Kate
Response to “Avoid Labeling It: You Own Ovaries”

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Dodgers, Phillies: NL championship series preview

David Lennon

So now the Dodgers will get a do-over against the Phillies in the first NLCS rematch since the 2004-05 seasons, when the Cardinals and Astros split their two late October meetings. This year, the Dodgers are seeking revenge for their five-game loss to the defending world champions while the Phillies are fighting to become the first NL club to win back-to-back rings since Cincinnati's Big Red Machine in 1975-76.

Offense
The Phillies' lineup is a minefield for opposing pitchers. Jimmy Rollins and Shane Victorino are speedy pros that clog the bases for one of the most dangerous slugger trios in the sport: Chase Utley, Ryan Howard and Jayson Werth. Howard went 6-for-16 with six RBIs in the NLDS and Jayson Werth. 1 loward went seeking revenge for their five-game series, which had a 5.23 ERA vs. the Phillies, who had a 2.50 ERA in two starts, including the Game 5 win for Los Angeles. He is also lethal against lefties, a key vs. Philly, holding them to a .171 average. Hard-throwing closer Jonathan Broxton had 114 strikeouts in 76 innings with 36 saves in 42 chances. The Phillies were thrilled to see Brad Lidge come around with two saves in the Division Series, but their 'pen as a whole has hardly been lights out. Scott Eyre appears to be fine after taking a hard fall in Game 4, but the Phillies relievers still have much to prove. EDGE: Dodgers.

Bench
No one had a bigger moment in the spotlight last October than the Phillies' Matt Stairs, who drilled a pinch-hit, two-run homer with two outs in the eighth inning to beat the Dodgers in Game 4 of the NLCS. Stairs swings for the fences every time he steps to the plate, he had five homers in 62 at-bats as a pinch hitter this season and then beat the Dodgers in the Division Series, and then beating his former team, would be the story of the decade. EDGE: Dodgers.

Manager
Charlie Manuel has the most recent World Series title on his resume, leading the Phillies to the championship last season. But Joe Torre won four rings with the Yankees (1996, 1998-2000) and still carries the aura of being, well, Joe Torre. The laid-back Manuel seems to get the most from his players with his grandfatherly style, one that instills confidence and leaves no room for panic. He also has won 14 of his last 18 postseason games. Still, it's hard to discount Torre in any matchup, now that he's showed that his successes as a manager wasn't just a product of the Yankees' big checkbook.

Prediction: The Dodgers create some problems for the Phillies, and even won four of the seven head-to-head meetings during the regular season. But Philly is stocked with clutch players that know what it takes to win in October after last year's championship run. The pick: Phillies in 7.

Cal Poly defeats Cal State Fullerton 3-2

Phillies have combined as a team for a .296 batting average through the first round of playoffs — the highest of the four remaining teams.

Bench
The X-factor of the bench could be Brad Ausmus, who carried the Dodgers to the National League pennant, leading the Phillies to the World Series, and then beating his former team, would be the story of the decade. EDGE: Dodgers.

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Defensiveman Patrick Sigler (17) directs teammates before a first-half free kick. Cal Poly (5-7-3, 3-1 Big West) held off a second half rally in a 3-2 win against Cal State Fullerton (6-6-1, 2-2) at Alex G. Spanos Stadium on Wednesday night. Junior midfielder Junior Burgos scored all three goals for the Mustangs in the first half.

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**SPORTS**

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**Mustangs head home to face Southern Utah in Big West Conference opener this weekend**

Brian De Los Santos

The No. 19 Mustangs, who haven't lost a regular-season home game since falling at home to eventual national championship runner-up Montana last Sept. 6, have won seven in a row at home excluding a playoff loss to Weber State.

The Thunderbirds opened the year strong with a lopsided win against DePauw State in their season opener, 36-7. The following three weeks, including two FBS teams, led Southern Utah to fall to 1-3 but the next week at home, the Thunderbirds were able to complete a huge win against then-No.19 Texas State on Oct. 3.

The Mustangs and Thunderbirds will meet for the 23rd time this weekend, with Cal Poly owning the series advantage, 16-6. Last year the two teams combined for 1,138 yards of total offense.

Cal Poly's offense, which hasn't been shutout since 1998, is rolling off its highest scoring performance this season, 25 points at Montana.

Last year the Mustangs led the FCS in scoring with 44.4 points and 487.3 yards per game.

This season it's been a tale of two stories—a good running game and a bad passing game.

The Mustangs rushing offense ranks 27th in the FCS in total yardage (487), and 17th in yards per game (175.6) this season.

Cal Poly fullback Jordan Yocum led the ground attack last Saturday against Montana with 119 yards and a touchdown—the fourth time a Mustang running back has broken 100 yards in a game this season.

The Mustangs triple-option ground attack retains the offensive workhorse, as it has been for years, but for every strength, there is a weakness. Cal Poly's passing offense has struggled to find its consistency this year.

With the departure of record-breaking receiver Karrue Haden last season, the Mustangs have yet to find a true No. 1 receiver. Their leading candidate, UCEA transfer Dominique Johnson, looked to be on his way to establishing himself, but has been sidelined indefinitely with a shoulder injury.

Barden made 12 catches for 217 yards and two touchdowns last year against the Thunderbirds.

Johnson is just one name that highlights a packed double-back — one that includes junior quarterback Tony Smith and slot back Jono Grayson.

"We have a lot of guys that are pretty nixed up," Wash said. "The training room's busy and hopefully we can get guys back as soon as we can get 'em back ... the guys that get the opportunity to play will have the opportunity to help us win football games."

If Smith doesn't play, Wash will call on redshirt freshman Andre Bruson, Bruson has played in two games this year, but has accumulated no passing statistics. He came in for one series against Montana but was quickly pulled after fumbling a snap. His only stat are -2 yards rushing on four attempts.

The other quarterback on the depth chart that could see playing time is senior Harlan Prather, a junior college transfer with two years of quarterbacking experience.

On the other side of the ball, Cal Poly has forced 15 turnovers this year and holds a plus-7 turnover margin. Junior cornerback Scotie Cordier is tied for third in the FCS with four interceptions and linebacker Marty Mohamed ranked 38th in the FCS in total tackles (9.40 per game).

But even with defensive playmakers, Cal Poly may have a problem in containing the rolling Thunderbird offense.

"Our offense has a lot of confidence right now and in sports a lot of confidence can sometimes work against you, so we've got to play humble and realize what's at stake," Thunderbird head coach Ed Lamb said in a statement. "We've had a [five] week of extra preparation; we've got a team that's getting hot at the right time."

The Thunderbirds potent offense ranks 14th in FCS in scoring, led by senior quarterback Codee Cooper. Cooper has thrown for 250 yards or more in three straight games heading into Saturday's contest. He ranks seventh in the FCS in passing touchdowns (13) and 19th in the FCS for passing yardage (1,275).

The top two receiving threats for Southern Utah, Feni Sitake and Tyson Pooe, have combined for 62 receptions this year, more than the entire Mustang receiving corps combined. In last year's contest, Pooe had 16 receptions for 246 yards and a touchdown while Sitake added five grab for 94 yards and a score.

Homecoming could mark an actual trip home for some Thunderbirds, 19 haul from California.

Lamb also returns west this weekend. Two seasons ago, he served as special teams coordinator for the University of San Diego. Lamb has channed a 6-10 record overall games into his second season as Head Coach. He is 0-1 against Cal Poly.

Kickoff is set for 6:05 p.m. with radio coverage available on KCPR beginning half an hour prior to kickoff.

Alex Kish contributed to this article.

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