Ronald McDonald will no longer gaze out the window overlooking Foothill Boulevard as a result of the decades old drive-thru ban in San Luis Obispo. The McDonald’s closed last Thursday after four decades of serving the San Luis Obispo community and is scheduled to be demolished at an untold date.

“Fast food means you don’t want to get out of your car,” Chris Ujono, area supervisor for McDonald’s, said. “You’re on the go, you want to get something to eat and get on your way.”

The director of operations at four McDonald’s restaurants in San Luis Obispo County, Bob Bedard said that he went to the city council last year to lobby end to the ban. Despite Bedard’s thought, we would have remodeled,” he said. “We would have stayed open for another forty years. We can’t build a million dollar McDonald’s and not have a drive thru. We just can’t do it.”

Bedard said that other McDonald’s drive-thru locations in San Luis Obispo County sales from the window account for at least 50 and up to 70 percent of sales at those locations.

Larry Smyth, a realtor for Farrell Smyth, who manages the property said he didn’t even stay on location to eat, even without the window. “I don’t have a drive thru. We just can’t do it.”

Part of the argument for drive-thrus in San Luis Obispo given by Bedard, is that there is a certain expectation with fast food; that it is mostly to go and people will avoid it or go somewhere else if they have to get out of their car.

The city refuted that people in San Luis Obispo expect drive-thrus and said that if a general consensus from the San Luis Obispo community came along, they would entertain changing the ordinance. So far there has been no such public push for a overturn of the ordinance, Doug Davidson, deputy director of community development said.

“People in the community don’t expect drive-thus here,” Davidson said. “That’s because we’ve had the ban for 25 years.”

Davidson gave several reasons for the ban including pedestrian walking thru traffic congestion, the “nice” Cal Poly community and less emissions from cars sitting while waiting in line.

Both Bedard and franchisee owner of Burger King, Mike Humeran stressed that other drive-thrus do exist in San Luis Obispo however, they just don’t happen to be restaurants. Read see McDonalds, page 2

Schwarzenegger signs law protecting celebrities against violent paparazzi.

Three university choral groups to take Harmon Hall stage.

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Men to be released after 12-year wrongful imprisonment

Diane Jennings
THE DALLAS MORNING NEWS

DALLAS — Two men are expected to be released Friday after spending 12 years in prison for a murder they did not commit, the latest in a string of exonerations in Dallas County. Like most of the other wrongful convictions, these cases also hinged on faulty eyewitness identification.

Unlike most of the previous 20 Dallas County exonerations, however, these two were cleared without DNA evidence.

The most recent cases also are unusual because two student groups, the University of Texas-Arlington Innocence Network and the Actual Innocence Clinic at the University of Texas-Austin, championed the case for years before law enforcement officials re-examined the case.

“It feels wonderful,” said Natalie Ellis, a criminal justice major at the University of Texas-Arlington who has worked on the case daily for more than a year. “I’d have to say out of all the days I’ve had in my life so far — this is tops.”

Two other men in custody, who were also originally investigated, are now suspects in the killing.

Claude Alvin Simmons Jr., 54, and Christopher Shawn Scott, 39, were each sentenced to life in prison for the April 7, 1997, shooting death of Alfonso Aguilar during a home-invasion robbery. Their convictions were based primarily on the eyewitness testimony of Aguilar’s wife, Celia Escobedo, who was present in their home when the killing occurred.

That identification was mistaken, said Mike Ware, head of the Dallas County District Attorney’s Conviction Integrity Unit.

“Procedures were used that we would now consider faulty,” he said, noting that when Escobedo went to the police department, “because of a series of mishaps she was taken past one of the individuals who ultimately was convicted in this case, who had been taken down for questioning.”

When Escobedo saw the man sitting in a room in handcuffs, she identified him as one of her husband’s assailants.

“That perhaps certainly got the investigation off on the wrong foot,” Ware said.

Escobedo declined comment Wednesday. According to public records, Simmons and Scott had no previous history of violent crimes — only drug possession. Both men took the stand in their trials, which were held back-to-back in 1997.
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low-password towns.
Keith Handley, owner/operator of the McDonald's location, could not be reached for comment.

There's no question about the business difference with a drive-thru. On average those stores do 20-30 percent more in yearly sales.
—Mike Humeter
Burger King Owner

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Hamburger on Broad St. has a three lane drive thru. Bedard and Humeter both found this hypocritical.

"We can push cars through faster than they can," Humeter said, stating that it takes them two to three minutes to serve a vehicle while the bank can take five to seven.

Humeter says he would love to have a drive-thru. "There's no question about the business difference with a drive thru," he said. "On average those stores do 20-30 percent more in yearly sales."

Humeter said the ban is "hog-wads" and that it is just an excuse for the city to portray itself as a modern.

University’s justice project finds itself targeted

Jeff Long

CHICAGO — After spending three years investigating the conviction of a Harvey, Ill., man accused of killing a security guard with a shotgun blast in 1978, journalists covering the case at Northwestern University say they have uncovered new evidence that proves his innocence.

Their efforts helped win a new day in court for Anthony McKinney, who has spent 31 years in prison for the slaying. But as they prepare for that crucial hearing, prosecutors seem to have focused on the students and teacher who led the investigation for the school's internationally acclaimed Innocence Project.

The Cook County state's attorney subpoenaed the students' grades, notes and recordings of witness interviews, the class syllabus and even e-mails they sent to each other and to professor David Protess of the university's Medill School of Journalism.

Northwestern has turned over documents related to the students' work on the case, but said they haven't been willing to be recorded.

But the school is fighting the effort to get grades and grading criteria for student performance, expenses incurred during the inquiry, the syllabus, e-mails and unpublished student memos, as well as interviews not conducted on record, or where witnesses weren't willing to be recorded.

"I don't think it's any of the state's business to know the state of mind of my students," Protess said. "Prosecutors should be more concerned with the wrongful conviction of Anthony McKinney than with my students' grades."

Prosecutors declined to discuss the lawsuit because it is pending.

The cases included the Ford Heights Four, exonerated in 1976 of a murder of a suburban couple. Another case centered on Anthony Porter, who served 17 years after a 1988 conviction for two murders.

Prosecutors declined to discuss their request for grade reports, but a spokeswoman said the subpoena is about seeking truth in the case.

"They have material that's relevant to the ongoing investigation, and we should be entitled to that information," said spokeswoman Sally Daly.

Don Craven, acting executive director of the Illinois Press Association, said the request seems harassing at best, and at worst looks like an attempt to discredit work done by the Innocence Project to ferret out wrongful convictions.

"They're either trying to undermine the investigation, or they're trying to undermine the entire project," Craven said.

Turning over such a wide range of information, he said, would cripple the Innocence Project's ability to get witnesses to cooperate in the future. Richard O'Brien, the lawyer representing the university, said it's an unwarranted fishing expedition that focuses on the messenger — rather than on the possibility that an innocent man has spent more than three decades behind bars.

Prosecutors, he said, "seem to be peeved" at the Innocence Project for uncovering a wrongful conviction.

Former student Sarah Forte said a prosecutor implied to her that students might have been pressured to find evidence that McKinney was innocent or else they would get poor grades in the class.

"I think it's frustrating and sad," Forte, who graduated from Northwestern in 2006. Her journalism work at the school inspired her to join the Southern Center for Human Rights, which conducts similar investigations.

Innocence Project meeting at Northwestern University

Thursday, October 22, 2009

McKENDREE-BRINE
Professor David Protess, leads a group of students in an Innocence Project meeting at Northwestern University.

The project's most recent effort focuses on McKinney and on a crime that happened Sept. 15, 1978.

Donald Lundahl, a security guard in south suburban Harvey, was sitting in his car about 9:30 p.m. when someone with a shotgun killed him.

Later that evening, police saw McKinney, 18, running down the street near the crime scene. He told them he was fleeing gang members. Initially held for questioning, McKinney was released.

Another Harvey teenager told police he saw McKinney kill Lundahl. After a lengthy interrogation, McKinney signed a confession and was charged with first-degree murder.

The Innocence Project began

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and have always maintained their innocence.

When told their names were in the press release, one woman cleared of murder charges Wednesday, the two men "were extremely joyful," said John Stickels, founder of the Innocence Network at UT-Arlington. Stickels, who visited them in the Dallas County jail, said they have families waiting for them.

The two men who are now suspects in the crime are Don Michael Anderson, 40, who has been charged with capital murder, and Alonso Hardy, 49, who has been identified as a "co-actor."

Handy is currently in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice serving 30 years for an aggravated robbery conviction. He also has a history of drug charges. Anderson, who was picked up in the Houston area Tuesday night, has several drug charges on his record.

During the post-investigation of the case, Handy gave an "extensive confession," according to the district attorney's office, detailing his and Anderson's roles in the offense. The confession also cleared Simmons and Scott from any role in the slaying.

Both men were investigated at the time of the crime, authorities said, and Anderson was even included in a photo lineup. But Handy did not pick him out. Anderson also reportedly confessed to a girlfriend, and Adam Seidel, Simmons' attorney, tried to introduce that information and other witnesses identifying Anderson at trial.

But the judge, Janice Warder, did not allow the testimony to be introduced. The jury came back with a guilty verdict in six minutes.

"Considering that all of the jury got to hear in this case was the eyewitness identifying Mr. Simmons during the trial, then the length of deliberation wasn't a shock," Seidel said. "But I will also say it was extremely frustrating to try the case when the three witnesses that my private investigator located were not allowed to testify."

Wander, who served on the bench for 14 years and is now the Cooke County district attorney, said she doesn't remember the case. Her decision to not allow the testimony was upheld on appeal.

In 1986, when Wander was a Dallas County assistant district attorney, she prosecuted a case in which she has later wrongly convicted men daily since they were brought back to Dallas County prior to their expected release Friday.

Dallas County District Attorney Craig Watkins labeled Wednesday "a day of celebration for law enforcement and public safety." Of the 20 DNA exonerations in Dal­las County, all but one was the result of faulty eyewitness testimony. A Dallas Morning News investigation last year found discredit­ed eyewitness identification procedures led to most of the wrongful convictions. The Dallas Police Department has since changed the way it han­dles eyewitness identifications, im­plementing safeguards employed by few other cities. Chief David Kunkel said.

For instance, DPD no longer conducts "show-up" identifications where witnesses are shown sus­pects in the field, and in January the department adopted a policy using the "sequential blind" meth­od where someone who does not know which photo is the suspect's shows them to the witness one at a time.

"What we're doing in Dallas County should be a wake-up call to everybody in the criminal jus­tice system," Kunkel said. "You're going to see county after county..."
Schwarzenegger signs law punishes paparazzi’s illegal misconduct

Jim Sanders

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — More than a dozen years after Arnold Schwarzenegger’s Mercedes-Benz was ambushed in Santa Monica by two rowdy paparazzi, sparking their arrest, the actor-turned-governor is having his say.

Schwarzenegger signed a new law this month to discourage paparazzi misconduct by allowing tabloid or other publishers to be sued for using images or sound recordings that they knew were obtained violently or illegally.

Targeting paparazzi money source is a new tack that supporters tout as a boon to public safety and opponents criticize as a blow to the free-speech right to publish truthful information, regardless how it’s collected.

“To protect this will wind up in court, some way or other,” said Carlton Larson, a law professor at the University of California Davis.

The new paparazzi law comes in an era of electronic advancements that allow photos or sound bits to be transmitted instantly and available forever.

Paparazzi are driven by prospects of big bucks — up to six-figure payoffs — for jaw-dropping images of Hollywood stars.

Numerous Hollywood stars, including Paris Hilton, Nicole Richie and Halle Berry, have been involved in incidents or cases that allegedly involved paparazzi or their clients.

“Sometimes there are strings of eight or nine cars going through red lights,” said Sean Burke, a former bodyguard now pushing to restrain paparazzi.

But Frank Griffin, co-founder of Bauer-Griffin, one of Hollywood’s leading star-gazing photo agencies, said that both paparazzi pay and the extent of misconduct tends to be exaggerated.

Shooting through stars’ bedroom windows for an exclusive photo died 15 years ago, he said, adding that “nobody will buy it now because you’d get sued.”

Griffin scoffed at the notion that paparazzi purposely incite celebrities to anger.

“Tell you $100 for every picture that’s published that’s caused by a reaction created by a paparazzi who said or did something insulting,” he said.

The new law is not necessary, he added, because California already bars reckless driving and abusive behavior.

“If they punch somebody, if they shout at somebody, if they spit at somebody, it’s all protected by a law,” Griffin said.

Other opponents of AB 524 say it infringes upon free-speech rights by penalizing publishers who were not present when photos were taken, provided no supervision, and purchased the material legally.

Violators could be fined up to $50,000.

Tom Newton, attorney for the California Newspaper Publishers Association, said the new law could have a chilling effect by discouraging publishers from buying controversial photos.

“We don’t want to be seen as apologizing for the paparazzi, for their extreme and dangerous conduct, but we nonetheless have concerns about the impact of the bill on mainstream newspapers,” he said.

California Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger signs the state’s budget on Friday, Feb. 20.

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"Have you seen any good movies recently?"

"I saw 'Couples Retreat'; it was pretty funny."
-Jannette Finck, city and regional planning freshman

"I haven't seen any movies lately. I don't have any time."
-Dan Marioni, mechanical engineering senior

"I saw 'The Proposal' at the drive-in. My boyfriend and I saw it and enjoyed it. It was funny and not too much of a chick flick."
-Erika Schwall, forestry and natural resources junior

"The last one I saw was over the summer; 'The Hangover'. It was pretty good if you like raunchy humor and aren't offended by it."
-Emily Hartley, business junior

"'Zombieland' was great; I really enjoyed it. I also saw 'Toy Story 3D'; that was pretty sweet."
-John Romley, recreation parks and tourism administration senior

"No, but I'm trying to see 'City of God'. It's about Brazil and it's all in Portuguese."
-Matt Schumacher, civil engineering senior

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UC Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara City College, Santa Barbara County; the Sheriff's Department, the California Highway Patrol, the UCSB Police Department, the City of Goleta, and the Isla Vista and Goleta business communities are working together to prepare for Halloween in Isla Vista. The goal of our planning is to keep activities on campus lot using a special, pre-issued, Halloween pass good on Halloween and the weekend.

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Opium in stockpiles, enough to meet world demand for more than two years. Criminal and insurgent groups probably are holding most of those reserves, the U.N. said.

The UN's findings sounded a strong warning about the Central Asian opium-trafficking route, which has become a virtual conveyor belt for heroin between Afghanistan and Russia, referring to it as the "most sinister development yet."

"The perfect storm of drugs, crime and insurgency that has swirled around the Afghanistan-Pakistan border for years is headed for Central Asia," Costa said. "If quick preventive measures are not put into place, a big chunk of Europe could be lost."

McClatchy Newspapers published a series of articles earlier this year that traced the flow of opium from Afghanistan through Tajikistan— a main Central Asian conduit — to Russia.

The articles found that Western inaction during the years after the 2001 U.S.-led invasion of Afghanistan opened the way for Afghan opium to fuel corruption throughout Afghanistan, turn Tajikistan into a borderline narco-state and create thousands of new addicts in Russia. Russia is now the world's largest consumer of heroin, according to the U.N. report. At least 70 tons of Afghan heroin were consumed...
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in Russia last year, the report says, more than three times the amount in the United States and Canada combined and higher than previous estimates.

The number of addicts in Russia has multiplied tenfold during the past decade, and there are now 30,000 to 40,000 Russian drug-related deaths each year, according to Russian government figures cited by the report. Official Russian news services have said that up to 30,000 of those deaths are due to Afghan heroin.

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SAN FRANCISCO (MCT) -- At a drug treatment center in the Russian town of Yekaterinburg.

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Titled the “Sounds of Fall,” Cal Poly Choirs will take to the Harman Hall stage in the Performing Arts Center to perform various selections that represent the spirit of fall for their annual concert on Oct. 24.

Thomas Davies, who has been the director of choral activities for 27 years, will conduct each of the three ensembles, including PolyPhonies, The University Singers and The Early Music Ensemble, who will each perform three to four pieces.

“We call this our debut concert as it introduces this year’s choirs to our audience,” Davies said. “I like the student performers to work on their performance skills early in the year.”

The concert will feature new students who were selected during auditions held the first week of fall quarter. This quarter about 35 new students were welcomed into the choirs, Davies said.

Emily Allyn, a music junior and member of PolyPhonies, The Early Music Ensemble and Cal Poly’s women’s barbershop quartet, feels that despite adding a number of new students, the new and returning choir members are blending well.

“It’s a good transition into the new quarter to be able to sing next to new people every year,” Allyn said.

Members of the Cal Poly Choirs come from all over the university. More than 80 percent are not music majors. There are students from engineering, architecture, agriculture, math and science and liberal arts. All of the choirs are also a mix of men and women, Davies said.

This year there will be about 125 Cal Poly students performing at the concert.

The students are divided into three choirs, each offering a different style.

PolyPhonies is a highly select, mixed chamber ensemble and has 42 members.

PolyPhonies will be singing a piece titled “Nächten” which means “At night.” It tells the story of a person who has some frightening dreams at night and wakes up in tears. The piano accompaniment is very “spooky” sounding, making it appropriate for a concert around Halloween, Davies said.

The University Singers are known for singing sacred, worldly works that are both recent and old. There are 60 to 80 members, depending on the quarter.

The University Singers will sing a piece titled “Im Herbst” which means “In Fall.” It was written by a composer from the first half of the 16th century, Fanny Hensel. She is the sister of the famous composer, Felix Mendelssohn.

The Early Music Ensemble performs vocal music, which is written before 1750 and includes works from the Renaissance, Baroque and early Classic periods.

The three choirs wasted no time preparing for the fall concert, each rehearsing four days a week for 50 minutes each time beginning the second week of the quarter.

Even before the choirs started rehearsing, Davies was working early in the summer to put together the music selections to be performed.

Despite the short, four-week preparation time, the selections seem to be coming together well, Allyn said.

“I feel like we’re getting really prepared in a short amount of time. The actual performance is nothing like the actual game.”

Lisa Figel, a music junior and member of PolyPhonies, agreed that the most gratifying part of the process is the actual performance.

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Some foods cannot be enjoyed by all

**KOSHER IN THE KITCHEN**

**BETHANY ABELSON**

Do you ever wonder why Jews cannot eat pork or why Mormons cannot drink coffee? The obvious reason is because it is against their religions, but do you know why it is against if I plan on breaking down some of the top forbidden foods for three different religions: Judaism, Hinduism and Mormonism, to help you better understand why your Hindu friend cannot eat beef or why I am not supposed to eat shrimp.

Being a Jew has allowed me to eat some pretty interesting foods but has also forbidden me to eat some really tasty foods. The most common foods Jews are supposed to refrain from eating are pork, shellfish, milk and meat (together in the same meal). These all break the kosher rules which are part of kashrut, the Jewish dietary laws. This may come as a surprise, but a food that is kosher is one that has been used for other non-kosher purposes. A food that is kosher is one that has been prepared according to the specific kosher regulations. A food is deemed un-kosher if it includes ingredients from non-kosher animals, kosher animals not properly slaughtered, milk and meat combined, wine or grape juice made without supervision, the use of produce from land that has not been tilled or the use of cooking utensils or machinery that has been used for other non-kosher foods. Kosher rules become more strict according to different Jewish holidays. For example during Passover, Jews are not supposed to eat any foods with leavening products. As I have mentioned before that I do not keep kosher myself, so I try to avoid pork and limit my milk shakes with my hamburgers.

Moving on to the fascinating religion of Hinduism, where they are forbidden to eat beef and exotic wild animals. Since the cow is the most sacred animal in the Hindu religion, beef is exempt from their diet. According to an article on Hindusism.your.com, the philosophy "you are what you eat is a concept behind a man and his food habits as it decides our mental growth as well as our physical growth and well-being."

Hinduism emphasizes vegetarianism because eating animal products blocks mental and spiritual growth. They also feel killing innocent and helpless animals for food it bad karma. This brings harmful consequences to the person eating the food and to the entire planet.

Lastly I want to talk about Mormonism, the religion that may one day put Starbuck’s out of business. The top forbidden drinks and substances include coffee, tea, alcohol (caffeine), drugs and tobacco (although they can drink herbal teas — just not the black, grey, green actual tea varieties). Mormons base there rules on "The World of Wisdom," which is a spiritual and physical health code they believe in. It involves them to seek out a healthy diet thus refraining from consuming the above drinks and substances mentioned. Mormons’ primary reason for not consuming these popular items is for spiritual reasons. According to yahoo.com, "our bodies and spirits are very connected, and a lot of it has to do with keeping our spirits sensitive to the promptings of the Holy Ghost."

I hope this cleared up some of the more frequently asked questions on these religions and their dietary rules. By understanding why they cannot eat certain foods or drink certain beverages, it helps us in not being so surprised when they cannot do something. So the next time you invite your Jewish friends over for dinner, cook them up a kosher meal and surprise them with your knowledge of knowing a Rabbi does not need to be present.

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

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**best feeling, just knowing that people are enjoying it is great,** Figel said.

This concert has been in production for about 10 years and still every year draws in a large crowd between 400 and 600 audience members, Davis said.

With such a large audience, members of the choirs try their best not to let their nerves get the best of them.

"The PAC is huge and I only perform there like three or four times a year. In high school I performed on the same, small stage all the time so the PAC. Looking out at all the lights and all the people can be really nerve-racking," Allen said. "After like two minutes of performing though I settle in and it’s fine."

In addition to the many vocalists, the performance is completed by two accompanying pianos including Paul Wool- dring, who is also the Campus Or- ganist, and Susan Azaret Davies, who teaches piano skills and piano accompanying classes at Cal Poly.

With talented vocalists and accompanists, Figel thinks that this concert will be one not to miss.

There will be a lot of beautiful poetry, contrasting solos, and Take SLO (an a cappella ensemble) will be performing as well and they are really fun to watch," Figel said.
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“Film for Thought” festival emphasizes food controversies

Erin Hurley  
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The “Film for Thought” Film Festival next week offers an opportunity for San Luis Obispo to learn about some of the social and economic issues related to food and health. Presented by HopeDance Films and New Frontiers Natural Marketplace, the festival will screen one film a night at 7 p.m. from Oct. 24-30, leading up to the HANDs on Health Symposium Oct. 30-31 at the Recreation Center on campus.

The documentaries cover a variety of topics related to food, many of which are currently under fierce debate. "Killer at Large" examines the threat posed to America by the spread of obesity, and "Fresh" explores the idea of stopping to think about where, how, and by whom our food is produced. Many of the films feature well-known experts on food and health, including Michael Pollan and Joel Salatin.

The films were chosen by local movie lover Hob Hainier, who runs Novel Experience Bookstore on Higuera Street and owns the HopeDance film collection which includes documentaries on many subjects.

"These films focus on topics like obesity, sustainable food systems, outsourcing, grass-fed beef, raw food, and successful farms to school programs. Some of the films may be unconventional or even a little shocking, but I want to show what’s really going on as well as what is possible," said Banner.

Banner is the editor and publisher of "HopeDance," an online publication that focuses on issues and activities related to creating a sustainable future. He also runs "Edible SLO," a local magazine that is dedicated to all things related to healthy food and its importance.

"Most people believe that everything is fine, and they don’t see the reality of the decisions that are being made daily about how we access our food. If these films get people to start talking about these issues let alone making healthier choices, that’s a big giant leap," Banner commented.

Tanzilee Bose was also involved in the selection of the films for the festival. A professor in the Cal Poly department of nutrition and a believer in being aware of the issues surrounding our food, Bose spent many years studying genetics and the physical and habitual causes of obesity. She will also be giving a speech after the screening of "Killer at Large.

These films are documenting reality," she said. "They focus on a very captivating medium, and they really get people thinking. The topics include relevant issues like why school lunches in America are so abnormal or how prevalent corn is in our diets, and I hope that students see their importance."

Professor Bose is also a strong supporter of Cal Poly’s recently established Slow Foods on Campus chapter. Slow Foods on Campus (a division of Slow Foods USA) is a network of student groups at universities across America that work to improve the university’s food system.

The film festival addresses issues that are also important to Cal Poly students. Sophomore biology student Alyssa Semerdjian said that “I think this festival is a really good idea. You can’t ever be too educated about health and healthy eating.”

Another group closely connected with the festival is a research project created by the Cal Poly kinesiology department called Science through Translational Research in Diet and Exercise, or STRIDE. This group is committed to spreading awareness about the importance of a healthy lifestyle, and promoting activities and events that foster healthy living.

STRIDE is hosting the first HANDs on Health Symposium at the end of this month. Stephanie Teaford is the community liaison between STRIDE and the city of San Luis Obispo, and was directly involved in organizing the festival.

"When I saw these films, I was inspired to make this festival happen. Many of the films relate directly to the message we try to send and the work we’re doing with issues like obesity and sustainability," she said.

Donations of $5-7 are encouraged and refreshments may be provided by local sustainable caterers.

All films from the festival are to be shown at the SLO County Public Library, except for the film shown on Oct. 27 which will be shown at the Templeton Community Center, and Oct. 29 which will be shown at the Fullness Chiropractic & Pilates Center in Grover Beach.

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"King Corn" will be shown Monday, Oct. 26. The film documents the many different uses of corn in American food production and consumption.

"Film for Thought" festival emphasizes food controversies
FOX News is not a legitimate news source

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Rather, it is FOX’s clear disregard for the truth that is harmful to society. In the segment of the Beck show that I referenced, it’s clear that he’s doing the story simply because he has found an angle by which he can construe quotes. For the weighty responsibility that the respectable field of journalism strives for consistency, I would definitely hold MSNBC to the same standard as I do FOX News.

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Instead of trying to provide the public with relevant information, FOX chooses to provide the public with media-biased information.

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Business, not politics, behind NFL's rejection of Limbaugh

Michael Smerconish
THE PHILADELPHIA INQUIRER

The NFL's rejection of Rush Limbaugh was a bit like the members of the Merion Cricket Club blackballing Thurston Howell III. The rejection to Limbaugh wasn't based on his politics — they overwhelmingly share his views. They refused to allow his investment bid for the club because the owners believed Limbaugh's political sentiments were at odds with theirs. They showed no regard for how his political views might affect the club's financial health.

Consider that over the last 20 years, 78 percent of the approximately $7 million that NFL owners, coaches, players, and their associations have compiled and studied to determine whether a candidate is fit for the club. The NFL owners' assessment of Limbaugh is based on his politics — they overwhelmingly agree with them.

The owners' decision to blackball Limbaugh was based on his politics. They refused to allow him to join their club in the name of good business.

One reason they've refused to allow Limbaugh to own an NFL team is that he is a prominent conservative talk show host and that he would want to use the club to promote his political views. The NFL owners don't want Limbaugh to own a team because they believe he would use his ownership of the club to further his political agenda.

The NFL owners are concerned that Limbaugh would use his ownership of the club as a platform to promote his political views. They believe that his ownership of the club would be used to promote his political views to a wider audience, including fans and advertisers.

The NFL owners also believe that Limbaugh's ownership of the club would be used to promote his political views to the media, which could then use his ownership of the club to promote his political views to the public. This would be a problem for the NFL owners because they don't want to be associated with a candidate who would use his ownership of the club to promote his political views.

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Fate in John Lackey's hands

Mark Whicker

ANAHEIM, Calif.—Forget the money. John Lackey already is a lot richer than most people you know.

Before next spring, he'll be a lot richer than even more people you know.

That is not the issue on Thursday night.

The issue Thursday night is the definition of an Ace, or a One, or whatever you call a dominant starting pitcher in the playoffs.

This is the year CC Sabathia, of the Yankees, has become that guy. And this was the spring in which Lackey frustrated that the Angels seemed oblivious to his upcoming free-agent eligibility, declared himself comparable to Sabathia.

"Except for his time in the National League, look at the numbers," Lackey said of Sabathia, who had just signed a contract that will pay him at least $60 million over three years ($23 million in 2010, $23 million more in 2011) and, if he doesn't opt out, a total of $161 million over seven years.

Usually you have to run a major bank to get paid like that.

Lackey was right. At the time.

But numbers change.

Sabathia, who had a 7.02 post-season ERA when in Cleveland, is the Josh Beckett of this October/November. Yankees opponents have to somehow plan on winning five innings one has to throw to stop the bleeding. Lackey is left with a 1.38 ERA this postseason.

The suspicion is that the Angels' rotation is a very competent process-

The Rangers also seem logical—since Texas is home, but owner Tom Hicks has needed MLB bailouts lately and is negotiating to sell the club to Houston businessman Jim Crane, who made his money in cargo shipping.

How legitimate were Lackey's parallels with Sabathia? Well, Sabathia is 46 games over .500 in American League games. He has won 17 games once and 19 two other times, including this year, and Lackey has won more than 14

only once. But Sabathia's American League ERA is just .04 lower than Lackey's, and Lackey has four 200-inning seasons to Sabathia's three.

No, it's not about the money Thursday night. It's not even about a free agent's resume. It's almost an Olympic Games moment. Discard the past performances.

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Can John Lackey pitch a game to match his aspirations, when a whole season comes down to one?
No. 19 Mustangs square off against Dixie State

Slot back Jono Grayson has rushed for 223 yards off 23 carries with one score. He averages six yards per carry.

Sean Hamrahan
MUSTANG DAILY

Poly athletics will take on its most threatening challenger this season: budget cuts.

Athletics, like many university departments, is feeling the pressure to maintain program standards, while performing with less. Minimized budgets have forced the department to cut personnel and keep competitive programs local. To save where it can, delaying pricey purchases and cutting back on advertising has alleviated much expense for the department.

Three department positions a fundraising position and two interim positions have been cut. "We have tried to make cuts that don't directly impact the student athlete or the athletic experience, but I do think we will have to continue to make more changes," Athletics Director Abuse Cone said.

Cone said this is a result of "the most dramatic economic hardships" during her 15-year career with the California State University (CSU) and six-year post at Cal Poly. "We can save a lot by getting an extra year or two out of what uniforms and training equipment we currently have," Cone said.

Scholarships will likely take a hit come recruitment season, despite the department's efforts to cut away from the athlete. But cutting expenditures still has its costs. Athletics cut media guides this season, a savings of nearly $25,000 annually, and will distribute a similar product online. The effect this will have on attractiveness attract willing coaches is an apparent concern.

Because a fundraising position was cut, coaches will have to be more aggressive in asking for gifts and awards independently. Without media guides, students may have to self-promote more. "This is the year to aggressively ask for gifts and awards," Cone said.

Assistant athletic director of media and digital, Toby Cone, said, "We can save a lot by getting an extra year or two out of what uniforms and training equipment we currently have," Cone said.

"The biggest impact is getting a lot more exposure to local kids through our Web site," Cone said.

Although advertisements play a large role in attracting crowds to games, Cone said this was alleviated more by any detrimental result this year.

"Things are taking longer to get done because we are operating with fewer people... but so far we are doing a great job, like we’ve always done," Cone said.