The new PolyCards will feature a randomly-assigned number instead of a Social Security number. The number will be used to access Campus Express, the library, Rec Center, food venues and more.

A recently passed assembly bill requires the CSU system to stop using identity cards with Social Security numbers on them.

Emily Rancer, member of the ASI Student Senate, said, "It wasn’t difficult at all getting a new PolyCard."}

Students in the food science and nutrition department have been making Cal Poly chocolates since 2000.

**Sweet treats and fair trade**

Fair trade certification means the business purchases ingredients from farmers at a fair price.

Tiffany Dias, student dietitian, said, "As a trend that is taking off, we want to support farmers at a fair price."

Cal Poly chocolates became even sweeter after receiving Fair Trade Certification from TransFair USA on April 1. Cal Poly chocolates are produced in the food science and nutrition department. The student-run enterprise began in 2000 and currently employs seven students.

Culinary science and nutrition management junior Brittany Fletcher has made chocolates for three years. Fletcher hopes the certification will attract health-conscious consumers.

"We’re really seeing an increase in profits. I’d really like to see the business take off," Fletcher said. Students enrolled in FSN 201 and FSN 401 take a “hands-on” approach to the chocolate business. They are required to work in production for six hours, usually Fridays, and are involved in the development of new chocolates, packaging and product placement.

**Former student gives out cash to encourage no votes**

Kevin Rice handed out $1 bills to encourage Cal Poly students to vote "no" on the ASI referendum.

**Philosophy colloquium today at the UU**

This year’s main speaker, Christopher Fauske, will speak about the 18th century philosopher George Berkeley.

Cory Harris, Mustang Daily

Cal Poly’s philosophy department will hold their sixth annual colloquium today at the University Union in room 220.

This year’s main speaker is the dean of the School of Arts and Sciences for Salem State University in Massachusetts, Christopher Fauske.

Fauske, author of “Jonathan Swift and the Church of Ireland, 1710-1724,” will speak about the 18th century philosopher George Berkeley and his principle on physical immaterialism at 7:30 p.m.

"It wasn’t difficult at all getting Christopher Fauske to come and speak for us," said Linda Bonstad, chair for the philosophy department and founder of the annual colloquium. "He has researched this topic and see Colloquium, page 2"
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quarrel and to the fill. "Using our Social Security number as our ID numbers is a bit invasive," history professor Ken Hufnagel said.

"With problems like identity theft present in our society, we don't know who has access to our numbers and at times are required to tell them to people that we wouldn't otherwise.

Everyone will also be assigned a new campus identity number called an international organization of standardization number. This will be used instead of the Social Security number to access Campus Express, the library, Ritz Center, food venues and more.

"PolyCard is just a portion of services that would fall under this new law," Schultz said. "PolyCard is not changing the Social Security number for the campus as an identifier, we're changing our card so that it is compliant for the law."

From the 1970s until 2002, all PolyCards featured the user's complete Social Security number on the front. It was then switched to just a magnetic strip for security purposes.

"It was printed on the front of the card," Schultz said. "PolyCards were cut in production," Schultz said. "That was to support the business processes of the university, but technology has changed.

Although new cards were issued in 2002, some students still retain the old ones, including mechanical engineering senior Tom Moore.

"It's not a big deal," Moore said. "I use my Social Security number so much now, especially on campus because of my student ID number, that it's really not a big deal to me."

After June 13, the old PolyCards will no longer work at any location on campus.

"Cards will be pre-printed and will feature the same picture that appears on the current card."

"Regardless of who you are, you can come up very quickly and efficiently, pick up your card and go," Schultz said. "It should be a very easy, fast, user-friendly change.

For those wishing to update their picture, the PolyCard office will reprint anyone's photo between April 1 and May 13.

Everyone will be given their old card back and is responsible for destroying it.

"It's a flip the switch-type situation," Schultz said. "That way the users will have the cards in advance of the change."

He added that because the transition will be completed during the vacation, campus activity will be minimally affected.

Although the final figures have not been calculated, Schultz estimated that the changeover will cost the university between $15,000 and $20,000. All expenses will be paid with existing ITS funds.

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Cal Poly nutrition senior Jennifer Matz wanted more companies to sell organic chocolate.

"People are becoming more and more aware of what they are putting into their bodies, but as something that was very mysterious." Neuhaus said.

"The history behind these two men is very rich," Neuhaus said. "It won't just be for philosophers to enjoy."

Rachel Fern, will also be speaking at the colloquium.

"The event is broken down into five steps o f the state Capitol to protest the cuts on campus and have been in storage for six months. UED is auctioning them off to the highest bidder in a silent auction."

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Nutrition junior Ashley Sakash also supports Fair Trade for food and health food markets have increased awareness for Fair Trade products.

"People are becoming more and more aware of what they are putting in their mouths," Sakash said.

Neuhaus changed cocoa bean suppliers after traveling to Ghana and visiting a cocoa farm. There he learned of unfair buying practices that forced many people to lose their farms.

"Farmers have no bargaining room. So they sell their beans at very low prices," Neuhaus said.

"What I would rather see is for students to demand Fair Trade food products on this campus," Neuhaus said. "All chocolate and coffee on campus should be Fair Trade."

Colloquium continued from page 1

so I am sure he should have enlightening things to say about Jonathan Swift and William Blake," Bomstad said. "The history behind these two men is very mysterious."

The event is broken down into five sessions with法uke speaking at the beginning of the evening.

"What I like to do is have a diversity of topics," Bomstad said. "We want something that is not just religious studies, and that's what Fauke will be talking about in the last session. Rachel Fern is a student who I just like to make sure whatever people's philosophical interests are there is something for everyone at the colloquium."
STATE NEWS

SAN MARCOS — Filmmaker Michael Moore has established a scholarship for students who defy the administration at California State University, San Marcos — the same school that canceled his talk last year.

The Michael Moore Freedom of Speech Scholarship will award two $2,500 annual scholarships to Cal State San Marcos students "who have done the most to fight for issues of student rights by standing up to the administration," according to a news release issued Wednesday.

Cal State San Marcos President Karen Hysen revoked Moore's invitation to speak on campus last fall because she said the school was prohibited from spending state money on partisan political activity.

SAN FRANCISCO — A San Francisco jury on Wednesday awarded nearly $5.6 million in damages to four people who were repeatedly fondled as children by a Roman Catholic priest in San Jose.

The plaintiff, three men and one woman, received $5.78 million total, ranging for $1.3 million to $1.58 million each, according to a spokesperson for the Archdiocese of San Francisco. They had asked for a total of $20 million, while a lawyer for the archdiocese had suggested that $1 million in combined compensation was appropriate.

SANTA MARIA — A former security guard at Michael Jackson's Neverland ranch testified that he saw a written order that the boy now accusing Jackson of molestation was not to leave the estate, but he acknowledged to the defense that any children visiting without parents wouldn't be allowed to leave alone.

Brian Baron, a police officer who moonlighted at Neverland, said that in early 2003 he saw a message saying the boy "is not allowed off property."

NATIONAL NEWS

WASHINGTON — Zacarias Moussaoui is expected to plead guilty to charges that he conspired to destroy the United States charged in connection with the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, riddled bodies were found slumped against a bloodstained wall in a soccer stadium in Haditha, ancient anonymity because the judge has ordered both sides not to discuss the case publicly.

WASHINGTON — President Bush signed a bill Wednesday that will make it harder for debt-ridden people to wipe clean their financial slate by declaring bankruptcy. The legislation was strongly opposed by consumer rights activists who said it would prevent vulnerable Americans from getting the fresh start they need. But Bush said the law was "restoring integrity to the bankruptcy process."

NEW YORK — The 213-year-old New York Stock Exchange vaulted into the top ranks of electronic stock trading Wednesday, announcing a merger with all-electronic rival Archipelago Holdings Inc. in a stunning move that will transform the NYSE into a for-profit, publicly traded enterprise.

The NYSE, famous around the world for its busy trading floor, said it has no intention of becoming an entirely computer-based exchange. Instead, by offering a fast electronic option alongside the slower but less volatile floor-based operation, the NYSE hopes to effectively compete with its chief U.S. rival, the Nasdaq Stock Market Inc., and tackle increasing global competition.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Iraq's interim president announced Wednesday the recovery of more than 50 bodies from the Tigrit River, saying the grisly discovery would put on the 78-year-old pontiff a "great responsibility" in comments to cardinals just after his election, and his brother said Wednesday he was worried about the stress the job would put on the 78-year-old pontiff.

Joseph Ratzinger has had ailments in the past, including a 1991 hemorrhagic stroke, that raise questions about how long his papacy will last — and whether the world will watch another pope slowly succumb to age and ailments on a very public stage.

Benedict was the oldest pontiff elected in 275 years.

UNITED NATIONS — Two senior investigators with the committee probing corruption in the U.N. oil-for-food program have resigned in protest, saying they believe a report that cleared Kofi Annan of meddling in the $64 billion operation was too soft on the secretary-general, a panel member confirmed Wednesday.

The investigators felt the Independent Inquiry Committee, led by former U.S. Federal Reserve chairman Paul Volcker, played down findings critical of Annan when it released an interim report in late March related to his son, said Mark Pieth, one of three leaders of the committee.

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IN OTHER NEWS

LOS ANGELES — Call it a rude awakening.

A juror was cited for contempt and fined $1,000 by a judge for yawning loudly while awaiting questioning in an attempted murder trial. The fine later was reduced to $100.

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SCHOOL MASSACRE ANNIVERSARY

Columbine victims remembered

Brad and Misty Bernall hug as they visit a memorial in Littleton, Colo., Wednesday for their daughter Cassie, and 12 other students and a teacher who were killed six years ago in the Columbine High massacre.

Catherine Tsai
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LITTLETON, Colo. — Under gray skies and a light drizzle, Cindy Thomsun and her two children placed red roses on 13 crosses Wednesday to honor the memory of her stepfather, ASSOCIATION FOR RESEARCH.

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planned on the sixth anniversary o f

shooting in the nation's history.

"After six years, it's getting easier,

"We just remember the day very

the Scotts "just to have a moment of

remembrance. The campus was
closed to outsiders and students were
given the day off, although the build­
ing was open to victims' families.

DeAngelis read aloud the victims’

names.

Of the roughly 140 teachers and

staff who taught at Columbine at the
time of the shootings, about 50 remain. DeAngelis was principal then, as well.

Jefferson County Schools

spokesman Rick Kaufman said school officials were hoping for as normal a
day as possible.

"It's difficult because it is a reminder," Kaufman said. "Canceling classes is an opportunity for us to remember the victims — not neces­

sarily the tragedy, but those 13 who

died. It's a reflection back but we're also looking forward."

A study on what led Harris and

Klebold to carry out the attack is on

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Hawaiians worry fish farms attract sharks

Tara Godvin
ASSOCIATED PRESS

HONOLULU — Thanks to the movie monsters, every swimmer is keenly aware that the ocean is filled with more than harmless little fish.

And Leonard Oshu residents say they have seen more sharks since a fish farm took up residence about two miles offshore at Ewa Beach almost six years ago, said William Aila, a resident and fisherman.

Since companies have approached the Waianae community during the last year with plans for new aquaculture farms off their coast, residents want to find out if they should be concerned, he said.

"We know that any structure attracts predators... I want to know, where do the predators go once they are attracted to this area?" Aila said.

On Friday, state lawmakers approved a state-funded study of sharks off Oahu's Leeward Coast to learn if the fish farm is bringing them closer to shore.

Similar farms are being considered for other parts of the islands— bringing the potential of more jobs and investment in Hawaii, Aila said. Another deep-sea fish farm just opened last month a half mile off Kealoha Point on the Big Island's Kona Coast.

And more could be in store for the rest of the nation and beyond.

Offshore fish farming, in which submerged pens containing thousands of fish are tended by scuba divers, is limited commercially to waters within state jurisdiction, where permits have been easier to get. But in December, President Bush proposed making it easier to put fish farms off the nation's coasts. Sharks have been spotted around the Ewa Beach farm's four pens, which are each about the size of a small house and anchored in 150 feet of water.

But the sharks have never caused trouble for workers at the facility, are seen only occasionally and are exclusively of a species not known to be aggressive to humans — the sandbar shark, said Randy Cates, owner of the company that runs the cages, Cates International Inc. There are about 40 varieties of sharks swimming about the islands, ranging from the inches-long pygmy shark to the resident bad guy — the tiger shark — held responsible for most attacks on humans.

Cates said the presence of sharks around his fish cages shouldn't be surprising. The cages function as an artificial reef and create a reef ecosystem, which naturally includes the predators.

"Will they attract sharks? Yes, they will. But so will everything else that you put in the ocean that's an artificial reef," said Cates, who said he would assist the state on any studies.

The managers of the nation's two other longtime deep-sea fish farms, one in New Hampshire and another in Puerto Rico, also have reported sharks are attracted to their cages, said Kate Naughten of the U.S. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's aquaculture program. Neither have reported any problems.

A modest study of the sort proposed by the Legislature could address some small questions, such as whether the sharks size in the area of the cages, said Kim Holland, a shark researcher at Hawaii Institute of Marine Biology, which would conduct the study with the state Department of Land and Natural Resources. It also could help residents feel more comfortable with offshore farms, said Clyde Tamura, aquaculture specialist with the University of Hawaii Seagrant College Program. However, there's also the concern that the results could be misunderstood and create a backlash against the industry, which carries significant potential for Hawaii, he said.

"For us the challenge is to maintain an economy that's not going to be solely dependent on tourism," Tamura said. "And the one resource that we have — and we can compete with the rest of the world — is the ocean."
Study aims to prevent spread of HIV among farm workers

Alicia Vera, San Diego outreach coordinator for the Universitywide AIDS Research Program, talks with Jaime, a migrant worker as he waits for day labor in Vista, Calif., on Tuesday.

Laura Wider
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FALLBROOK — On survey days, Alicia Vera rises barely-eyed before dawn, downs a cup of coffee and heads for nearby fields and churches to help stop the spread of AIDS.

She is working on one of the most comprehensive studies yet on AIDS and HIV risk among the state’s estimated 1.3 million migrant farm laborers.

By contacting workers on their own turf, researchers hope to break down economic and cultural barriers that isolate what they call an invisible population.

“Previous studies of the migrant population have generally shown a fairly high amount of risk behavior but not a lot of HIV,” said George Lemp, director of the Universitywide AIDS Research Program run by the University of California, San Diego.

“The concern is whether with that much risk behavior, the HIV epidemic is on the threshold of a rapid increase,” he said.

To keep that from happening, UARF is working with state agencies, clinics and even the Mexican government to test and educate migrants.

In northern San Diego County, Vera’s team from the Vista Community Clinic scurries medical histories, takes blood samples and answers questions from workers.

An encouraging 75 percent of those tested for HIV eventually get their results and education about the disease, she said.

Among them is Jose Hernandez, 35, a native of Oaxaca who has lived six years in a makeshift plastic room near the fields where he picks strawberries and avocados.

“It’s scary, but I go now,” he said.

Researchers said migrants who spend long stretches of time away from their families can be exposed to HIV through sex with other workers and prostitutes.

“A person has needs,” Hernandez said. “You are here, very alone."

Many migrants forgo condoms and sometimes share needles to inject vitamins to stave off illness and exhaustion, Lemp said.

Hernandez knows condoms are important but admits he doesn’t always use them.

The number of migrant workers with HIV in California is difficult to calculate because the population is so mobile. Many are in the country illegally and fear contact with health workers could lead to their deportation.

Still, researchers have spotted some alarming trends.

UARF workers have identified five cases of HIV among the 781 people in its ongoing study of urban and rural migrants.

Ten years ago, you weren’t finding any incidence of HIV among migrants in California, so this is significant,” UARF researcher Maria Hernandez said.

Pregnant women in labor at a hospital in Tijuana — a stopover for many migrants — had an HIV rate four times higher than similar groups in this country and Mexico, according to a recent study by the University of California, San Diego.

With no hard data on the number of migrants with HIV, money for prevention has been limited.

Fernando Saucedo, health promotion director at the Vista clinic, said federal money for his outreach program dropped by $35,000 this year to about $50,000. Funding has also dropped for other agencies, and it is increasingly directed toward research instead of prevention, he said.

Money is not the only problem. Outreach workers face cultural barriers in migrant communities where issues of sex and the body are not readily discussed.

Armando Lunes Gomez, 17, of Chiapa has been in this country a year and lives with his older brothers. He says they have never discussed the use of condoms with him.

“I know about prevention a little, but we don’t really talk about that,” he said.

Saucedo said growers have been supportive of the research. But much of the testing and education takes place outside fields so work isn’t interrupted.

Tim Noble, health and safety director for The California Farm Bureau Federation, said growers are working with the Legislature, clinics and insurance groups to come up with an affordable health coverage system.

“Obviously there’s still a lot of hoops to jump through and a lot of things that need to be done so that it’s a feasible program,” Noble said.

Clinic workers are also worried about public backlash against aiding migrant workers, many of whom are undocumented.
REVIEW

‘Amityville Horror’ frighteningly delicious

Tiffany Dias [MOONLIGHT DISS]

“For God's sake, get out!” they scream as an evil spirit forces the ghosts of Jody and Donald DeFeo to haunt the Lutz family living in the “House of High Hopes.”

“Amityville Horror,” a remake from the original 1979 flick, frightens the pants off theatergoers when they least expect it and creates truly scary ghosts to bring a different take on what happened to the Lutz family. The spirit of the Ronald DeFeo Sr. continues to haunt George, making him sick and causing horror. While Jody DeFeo, who looks gruey to the audience, sinks into a steaming bath after realizing something is affecting him, possibly his new home. Suddenly, an unidentifiable pair of decomposing arms wraps around his chest as he struggles for his life while being pulled underwater. It is compellingly scary, but confuses the audience. Do the arms belong to DeFeo, or is it the previous owner of the house?

The original “Amityville” was based on events from a true story. George Remus, the director of the film, chose to make the film more realistic and dramatic. The remake portrays, but battles the Lutz family, and the original “Amityville Horror” and the remake were based on events from a true story. George and Kathy Lutz move into a perfect quiet, suburban town. Soon, they find out their perfect house was the scene of a grisly massacre of an entire family one year before. “Twenty-eight days later, they fled in terror,” as the first chapter of Jay Anson’s novel, “The Amityville Horror,” said. In the film, the evil man who tortured Indians during the 1600’s, were face-melting scary.

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Ronald DeFeo and Katchem, the evil man who tortured Indians during the 1600’s, were face-melting scary. Reynolds, who plays George Lutz in “Amityville,” nailed the part of a gruffly step-father gone nuts. As the family spends more time in the house, Lutz becomes influenced by the evil spirits, who tell him to kill his family. Although some scenes differ from the classic, “Amityville” is able to capture the essence of the time, which was mid-1970s.

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The problem with the remake is that “Olade Trinity” hottie from the original flick, frightens the pants off theatergoers when they least expect it and creates truly scary ghosts to bring a different take on what happened to the Lutz family. The spirit of the Ronald DeFeo Sr. continues to haunt George, making him sick and causing horror. While Jody DeFeo, who looks gruey, some with a bullet hole from her forehead, causes friends with the Lutz daughter. After nearly a month, Kathy Lutz finally finds out that her house was owned by Katchem, a man who tortured and brutally murdered Indians. Allegedly, Katchem is also the same spirit that convinces Ronald DeFeo to murder his family. She rushing home to tell George, who by this time goes crazy from hearing voices and tries to murder the Lutz children. Both films end in cliffhangers, but the end of “Amityville” also differs from the original George does not try to murder his family as the remake portrays, but battles the spirits trapped in the house, only to save his family on the 28th day by fleeing in their van during the night.
Most influential 1990s rap, hip-hop songs

Garrett Leight

"Bonita Applebaum"
Easily one of the most influential rap groups ever, Tribe was one of the first to integrate jazz and rap while discussing social and political issues concerning the struggles of blacks in the slums of New York.
5. N.W.A. — "Fuck tha Police"
The Compton group started the gangster era of rap in 1990 and took the rap world from the slums of New York to the streets of California. The group showcased some of rap's biggest names: Easy-E, Ice Cube, Dr. Dre, DJ Yella and MC Ren. The group was short-lived, but they stand amongst the top in the rap hall of fame.
6. Geto Boys — "My Mind is Playing Trick on Me"
This Houston-based rap group formed in 1986, created one of the most influential rap songs of its time. Unfortunately, the group would only produce one hit, but it's one that deserves legendary status.
7. Pharcyde — "Passin' Me By"
The influential alternative rap foursome out of South Central Los Angeles met in the L.A. underground scene in the late 1980s and performed tracks with De La Soul, A Tribe Called Quest and many more.

8. Ice Cube — "Today Was a Good Day"
Ice Cube, one of the founding members of N.W.A. let his listeners in on the details of a day in the life of a black man in L.A. This single boosted Cube's solo career and 1995 album to the top of the charts, selling more than two million copies.
9. Notorious B.I.G. — "Juicy"
New York native Notorious B.I.G. is one of hip-hop's most elite artists. The 10th track on the 1994 album "Ready To Die" really showcases his talent and is a song that goes down in history.
10. Dr. Dre and Snoop Dogg — "Nothin' But a G' Thang"
The introduction of the one and only Snoop D-O double G. Would you even want to buy a 40 ounce if it wasn't for this song and video? The legendary song catalyzed the two gangsters to rap stardom.
11. Warren G — "Regulate"
Long Beach native and step-brother to legendary rapper/producer Dr. Dre, shocked the rap world with his 1994 solo debut. The album sold more than four million copies and the single became one of the most widely known rap songs.
12. Mobb Deep — "Shook Ones Pt. 2"
Coming out of Queens Bridge, New York, this rap duo gained respect from their peers with their 1995 album, "The Infamous." The album truly was infamous because it simply has one of the best beats hip-hop enthusiasts have ever heard.
13. 2pac — "California Love"
Another one of rap's elite artists, 2pac produced his hit after hit. He collaborated with Dr. Dre and told the rest of the rap world that, "California knows how to party." The 1996 album, "All Eyez On Me", made 2pac a superstar and the album went nine times platinum.
14. Outkast — "ATLiens"
Quite possibly the most innovative rap group of all time, Andre Benjamin and Big Boi pushed the boundaries with every album. Outkast has produced nearly as many No. 1 singles as any rap group ever, but this is the song that earned them initial recognition.
15. Fugees — "Zephyrta"
Coming out of Philadelphia, The Fugees have All-Star talent. Wyclef Jean and Lauryn Hill have both won multiple Grammys and are two of rap's greatest artists. This song features the lyrical genius that is the Fugees.

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Merging energy drinks and alcohol is part of a growing trend for college students at Cal Poly and around the country. Manufacturers now have taken this trend one step further and created a new line of alcoholic energy drinks.

Budweiser has released their latest creation called “B to the E.” It combines beer and caffeine to “provide caffeine, guarana and ginseng in a great-tasting beer.” Steel Reserve is the creator Sparks.

Sparks energy drink has many Cal Poly students flocking to the shelves of their local liquor stores. It is the marriage of two influential forces in students’ lives: alcohol and caffeine.

Political science senior Matt Kramer, an avid fan of Sparks, started “sparks fiends” on thefacebook.com.

“I discovered Sparks earlier this year and now it’s my drink of choice,” Kramer said. Sparks energy drink has recently become very popular. Cork N’ Bottle employee, Marcelo Krede, has a hard time keeping the shelves stocked with the latest “it” energy drink.

“Sparks is not new, it’s been around for more than two years, but Sparks Light is,” said Krede. “These drinks are very popular, because all the college students want to mix energy drinks and alcohol.”

Sparks contains 6.0 percent alcohol, an estimated 80 milligrams of caffeine, citric acid, guarana, taurine, Siberian ginseng and malt.
Sparks
Selma Price 11

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Sparks afternoon

Although energy drinks, such as Sparks, may be scientifically safe, should we be aware of their contents? According to American Medical Association research, energy drinks become dangerous when they are consumed after exercise or mixed with alcohol. The adverse effects of the popular energy concoctions include dehydration, insomnia, headaches, nervousness, and even worse reactions, such as seizures, heart arrhythmia and death.

The AMA cautions consumers. "The stimulating effect of (mixed) energy drinks is deceiving, causing people to feel less intoxicated than they actually are and making it harder for bar attendants to determine whether their patrons should no longer be served. As a result, people may be more inclined to drive while impaired."

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CAMPUS Troubleshooter

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Soup and Substance III: Debate on stem cell research

By Carrie McGuerty

As I reflect upon my college years at Cal Poly, I will always remember the campus for its occasional, but incredibly pervasive and inescapable, smell of manure. Throughout the year, people use biosolids from plants and animals to generate energy. I understand that cow manure produces methane, which is a clean fuel that can be burned to produce electricity. Williams designed a method of collecting the bugs instead of simply digesting it.

Williams said the dairy manure is flushed into a large, four million-gallon lagoon, which has a one-acre impermeable cover. Anaerobic bacteria already present in the manure and in the lagoon decompose the manure solids into methane bubbles, which rise to the lagoon surface, is collected under the cover and piped to a 30 KW microturbine, which generates the gas into electricity.

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As the debate over embryonic rights is quite controversial and heated, it is necessary for one to educate oneself about the development of life in an embryo and about the possible consequences of stem cell research and abortion. In order to help educate students about this issue, the Multicultural Center, Student Life and Leadership and ASM are sponsoring a presentation Tuesday from noon to 1 p.m. Held in the Chumash Auditorium, Soup and Substance III, "The Rights of Embryonic Rights," offers free soup, speakers on the subject and an opportunity for all to attend, understand and discuss the topic.

The debate over embryonic rights expanded to include not only the rights of embryos to life and development, but also the need for research, scientific research and the appropriateness of federal funding and approval of such research. Because of hope for life supporters argue that life and the essence of being human begins at conception; they also argue that it is not the right of the state or of the mother of the embryo to decide whether this developing being should live or die or to decide if it should be used for research.

Jennifer Foschaer

Privatization poor solution to Social Security deficit

By Carrie McGuerty

The future of Social Security approaches ominously as the "Baby Boomer" generation begins to double the senior population. It is estimated that there will be a deficit by the year 2020. Unless the federal government makes drastic changes, Social Security would become an insurance.

The government does not exist just for its benefit. The government exists to make the country a better place to live. Some people have suggested privatizing Social Security. The risks for individuals and the consequences on the federal budget make privatization a poor solution when compared with a combination of modest reforms including benefit cuts, increased taxes, and removing the income cap.

Even if some people's investments paid off, their government benefits would be smaller than if they opted out of privatization. Moreover, the government would be forced to come up with an estimated one trillion dollars in Social Security benefits because the younger generation would be investing money into private accounts, assuming that under the current system would be used to pay retirees.

"If it becomes necessary to borrow national debt if it cannot even pay its vested citizens?"

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Justices decline ‘happy cow’ lawsuit

Appeals court stops animal rights group from suing ad company for portraying California cows as ‘happy’

SAN FRANCISCO — The California Supreme Court is putting to pasture a lawsuit brought by an animal rights group alleging the California Milk Producers Advisory Board is falsely advertising that California’s cows are happy.

People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals sued here in December 2012 alleging the board’s advertising was false and misleading. The ads show cows grazing in green pastures with the slogan, “Great cheese comes from happy cows. Happy cows come from California.”

The animal rights group said it may never be known whether cows are happy, but said cows live in deplorable conditions, are repeatedly milked and impregnated before being slaughtered. PETA says the ads falsely portray the lives of California cows. The group asked the Supreme Court to review that decision, but the court declined without comment Wednesday.

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MIT prank paper accepted for publication

Ridiculous, Mad Libs-inspired paper with non-sensical computer jargon to be presented at academic conference

Justin Pope
ASSOCIATED PRESS

BOSTON — Three MIT graduate students set out to show what kind of goobledygook can pass muster at an academic conference these days, writing a computer program that generates false, nonsensical papers. And sure enough, a Florida conference took the bait.

The program, developed by students Jeremy Stribling, Max Krohn and Dan Aguayo, generated a paper with the dumfounding title: “Rooter: A Methodology for the Typical Unification of Access Points and Redundancy.” Its introduction begins: “Many scholars would agree that has not been for active network, the simulation of Lampion clocks might never have occurred.”

The program works like the old ‘Mad Libs’ books, generating sentences taken from real papers but leaving many words blank. It fills the blanks with random buzzwords common in computer science. And it adds to the verisimilitude with meaningless charts and graphs.

Earlier this month, the students received word that the Ninth World Multi-Conference on Systemics, Cybernetics and Informatics, scheduled to take place in July in Orlando, Fla., had accepted the four-page “Rooter” paper. A second bogus submission — “The Influence of Probabilistic Methodologies on Networking” — was rejected.

The offer accepting a paper and inviting the students to present it in person in Orlando was rescinded after word of the hoax got out, and the students were refunded the $390 fee to attend the conference and have the paper published in its proceedings. But they still hope to go, using the more than $2,000 raised in contributions to their prank, much of it from admisters who tested the program on the students’ Web site.

“We wanted to go down there and give a more generation talked generation,” Stribling said.

E-mails to a conference address and to organizer Nagib Callao on the conference Web site, were not immediately returned Wednesday, and there was no answer at the Orlando telephone number listed under Callao’s name. According to e-mails sent to the students and information posted by

Callao on the conference Web site, reviewers detected several bogus submissions. But the reviewers provided no “formal feedback” on the second paper, so it was accepted as a “non-reviewed paper.” Callao said it would have been unfair to reject a paper because there had been no feedback.

Stribling doubts the paper fooled anyone who actually read it, which keeps the hoax a notch below a famous 1996 prank in which physicist Alan Sokal persuaded a Duke University journal called Social Text to publish a bogus article titled “Transgressing the Boundaries: Towards a Transformative Hermeneutics of Quantum Gravity.”

But in addition to mocking academic jargon, the prank sheds light on what Stribling sees as a problem: conferences with low standards that permit academics looking to pad their resumes, but which harm the reputations of more reputable gatherings.

“We certainly exposed this conference as being willing to publish any paper regardless of whether it’s been peer-reviewed, which is kind of a dangerous precedent to set,” Stribling said. “It’s kind of dangerous to be able to pass anything off as scientifically valid.”

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Still, at least for now, Coban’s last game as a player was Jan. 22, when he played two positions, was on-field for 70 snaps, and really improved his draft stock in the Las Vegas All-American Classic. Barely two days later, though, he quit.

“I overheard him on the phone with his coach,” said mother Sandy Dorney, who was in the next room at the time. “He said, ‘No I’m not crazy, yes I’ve thought it through, yes I know what I’m doing.’”

Coban said he was never his dream to play in the NFL, that the prospect of happiness outweighed possible wealth.

Dorney doesn’t expect her son to play again, but Cox said Coban likely quit due to burnout and will return eventually. Whether that happens, it seems a huge weight is off Coban’s inner calm as he begins his NFL career.

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In terms of a professional career, Cooper expects to be drafted and given the chance to play Major League Baseball. His ideal ball club to play for would be the Atlanta Braves because that was the team he started off with when he began playing a 15 years ago in tee-ball.

After high school, Cooper was able to showcase his talents in front of the Braves’ Orange County scouting team while taking part in a pre-draft workout. He also participated in a cubball league for two years.

With what most professional scouts consider a small frame for a professional ball player, Cooper stands at roughly 5’ feet 8 inches. He said he was aware that his size acts as a deterrent for most scouts because he does not show the physical tools most look for when scouting a player.

However, he acknowledges that if he is able to continue putting up numbers, his size might be overlooked when draft day arrives.

The New York Times

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To the girl with a smile like a sunrise: I want you to know that when I first saw you in Fisher Science, I literally fell and I can’t get up. Yes, your crush. James aka Duty
Letting the baseball bat speak for itself

Mustang starting outfielder Matt Cooper is one of 103 players to be named to this year’s Wallace Watch List

Erick Smith

The seemingly quiet demeanor of the baseball team’s starting outfielder and leadoff man, junior Matt Cooper, disappears once he puts on his spikes and walks onto the diamond.

Cooper, a transfer student from Golden West College in Huntington Beach, has provided the Mustangs with a clutch leadoff hitter who is capable of hitting for both average and power as he is batting .315 with 47 hits and six home runs. He is among the team leaders in nearly every statistical category, including home runs, hits, doubles and RBIs.

A 21-year-old agricultural business major, Cooper chose to leave Golden West after last year and decided to attend Cal Poly over both UC Irvine and South Carolina. All three schools expressed interest in his services, but he made his decision after taking a recruiting trip to meet with coaches in San Luis Obispo.

“(Attending Cal Poly) felt like the right thing to do,” Cooper said. “My parents and I both liked the coaches and everybody just seemed to be really nice up here. They made me an offer I could not refuse, so I took it.”

Cooper believes that attending junior college directly out of high school was also the right decision. Having the chance to play on a daily basis rather than sit on the bench for one or more years has helped him progress and improve his skills. He said junior college helped him make the transition from the high school level where most people struggled to hit a 90 mph fastball to a Division I college where that type of pitch is common.

“Maturing from high school to junior college is important because the pitching gets a lot better, and then the pitching from a junior college to (a division one school) is also better,” Cooper said. “It is hard, from what I’ve seen, to go to a program and start as a freshman, and I’m really glad I went to a junior college just so I could play everyday and work on things.”

Baseball has been Cooper’s favorite activity since age five when his father coached his first tee-ball team, the Braves. As he grew older, other sports like golf and soccer came into Cooper’s life but baseball remained his professional dream. Cooper’s knack for baseball and his enthusiasm for the sport have caught the attention of NFL teams.

“Baseball can be attributed to his father who attended Cal State Long Beach and chose to play collegiate golf over baseball. He made an attempt which fell a few strokes short of qualifying for the PGA,” Cooper said. “In choosing the life of a baseball player, Cooper has given most of his time to the sport he loves by playing yearround. The end of a college season backs the start of summer leagues across the nation, and Cooper plans to play this summer for a club team in Hawaii.”

In order for Cooper, or any player to receive conference and make it past the regional selection in which only 12 players are selected, and then into the final group of three players. The award will be given out on June 16 based upon a panel of coaches, past award winners and college baseball beat writers.

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Here’s to peace of mind before the NFL Draft

Nick Hooper

Golden graham

This weekend, perhaps for the last time, their routines will be the same. Come Saturday, both Jordan Beck and Ben Coiban will watch the NFL Draft. Like Beck, Coiban played four years of football at Cal Poly, had a stellar final two seasons and gave a performance in a post-season all-star game in January that had NFL scouts inquiring about him, saying he could be drafted. But unlike Beck, Coiban’s retired. It’s funny, with the draft happening Saturday and Sunday, so much focus is on Beck. And he deserves it. Even before winning the Buck Buchanan Award as the best Division-I-AA defensive player or competing in the East-West Shrine Game or participating in the NFL Pre-Draft Combine, the Mustangs’ career tackles leader became a solid prospect.

The only question now is where Beck will go. Though he has long been a rumored late-round pick, a mock draft posted Wednesday on ESPN.com has Beck being selected near the start of the fourth round. With draft day variables, the linebacker could go even higher and probably be the highest pick ever out of Cal Poly.

But that won’t be Coiban. The former offensive tackle, nicknamed “Big Ben” due to his 6’6” 310-pound frame, is now preparing to coach, with plans to start graduate school this fall, possibly get a teaching credential and volunteer with the Mustangs in the meantime.

That doesn’t mean NFL teams have stopped calling his former agent Bryan Cox or that friends and former Cal Poly teammates have stopped urging Coiban to reconsider.

“I looked at it as ‘You have nothing to lose, why not try?’”

I’ve seen guys get their hearts broken because they’ve had their expectations out of whack.”

— RICH ELLERSON

Mustang football coach

Mustang cornerback Karl ivory said, mirroring his own pre-draft philosophy.

But in quitting, Coiban accepted reality and may have saved himself from the biggestummer in April besides finishing taxes. Each year, this is the time that so many college players get forced retirements. Most NFL teams look at somewhere around 1,000 players — in other words, roughly 900 more than they will draft.

“I’ve seen guys get their hearts broken because they’ve had their expectations out of whack,” Mustang coach Rich Ellerson said.

Darrell Jones joined it safe and signed a CFL contract, but Ivory’s still hoping to picked “seventh round, pick by any team.” His agent Cox also represents running back Geno Randle who never became a Mustang in name, but Coiban, Coxin, claims for NFL special teams plus. Even Coiban said he wasn’t sure what he would do if he gets drafted.

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