Public Safety hikes price of parking fines

By Sara Henrikson
Mustang Daily

Students who try to sneak a few extra minutes on their parking meters may find their wallets a little harder hit by Cal Poly's newly raised parking fines.

Public Safety raised the fines for four parking violation categories in December. The increase in fines is to encourage people to obey the California Vehicle Code.

The categories with increases are meter/overtime violations, from $5 to $15; unauthorized violations (including parking in yellow, red and white zones), from $15 to $20; fire lane violations, from $5 to $75; and blocking disabled ramp violations, from $35 to $250.

According to Cindy Campbell, Parking and Commuter Services program administrator, the increases are standard because it has been several years since fines were raised.

"The idea behind fines is to get the results you are after," Campbell said. "We look at fines as a deterrent, to change people's patterns of parking. They are to encourage the right behavior."

Campbell said that the increases were adopted to meet state minimum standards. The increase in blocking disabled ramps is one of the minimum standard fines. The money from parking citation fines is tightly regulated.

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Poly student's web site makes crashing classes a little bit easier

By Cathy Lee
Mustang Daily

Students desperate to crash classes have a new weapon, thanks to a Cal Poly student's senior project.

Class Watch, a web site created by computer engineering junior Ryan Retting, automatically notifies students by e-mail when classes become available.

Retting plans to upgrade his web site with a system to let students know when a class is open.

"Some gaping companies e-mail your page," Retting said. "I will definitely have the paging notification working before summer quarter." Students can visit Retting's web page at http://www.csc.calpoly.edu/~rretting/cgi-bin/classwatch/index.html

Retting came up with the idea at the end of fall quarter and thought about it over winter break. He created the web site in January.

"I was frustrated having to use open class list, because one person would drop a class, and I thought there had to be a way to automatically notify students when a class was open," Retting said.

Students can go to Retting's web page and fill out the basic information with their name, e-mail address and a password. Class Watch lets users select 15 classes with automatic notification.

Retting said he didn't have many visitors when the site was started.

"I started with just a few hits a day. Now there's over 115 students using Class Watch," Retting said. "I add things, change things and constantly get e-mails to add features."

"I'm halfway done adding new features," Retting said.

It pays to obey

Students will find parking tickets at Cal Poly just got more costly. Parking fines are up in SLO County.

Parking fines

- Meter/overtime violations:
  - Were $8
  - Now $10

- Unauthorized violations:
  - (parking in yellow, red and white zones):
    - Were $15
    - Now $20

- Fire lane violations:
  - Were $54
  - Now $75

- Blocking disabled ramp violations:
  - Were $35
  - Now $250

Making SLO a safer city

Speaker wants community, Poly to work together

By Dina Chatman
Mustang Daily

Cal Poly and community safety groups want to spread a message of personal safety to students and county residents Friday, but few showed up for the Community Safety Fair.

The fair was sponsored by local organizations, such as CHP and Scared Safe, along with Cal Poly agencies. The sponsors hoped to unite the community in order to teach residents how to manage their safety.

Juan Gonzalez, Cal Poly's vice president of student affairs, and the fair's opening speaker, said the program was an example of the community coming together.

"We hope this is an example of cooperative future projects," he said. "All of us want to provide some level of support and assistance."

Pat Harris, coordinator of Cal Poly's women programs and an event organizer, thought the program demonstrated ways of working together.

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Hands Off: Class Watch automatically notifies its users via e-mail when classes they select have an open seat. Creator Ryan Retting is working on a system that also pages users.
Many students approve of fee increase

Pums reveal support, but students want to know where the money’s going

By Steven Geringer & Dina Chatman

The results of the Cal Poly Plan student surveys are in.

Most students approved of the proposed $135 fee increase with certain conditions — that the money would be allocated to the students' majors and that the students would know how it was spent.

"The dorms of the colleges were instructed to engage their students in shaping their concept of the Cal Poly Plan," said Tamala Abome, student member of the Cal Poly Plan Steering Committee. "In doing so, we received a "conditional yes." That means that students like the concept, but there is still work that needs to be done."

Although most students approved the fee increase, it’s "nothing definite," according to Bjarne Marloev, vice president of Student Affairs.

Students were contacted by e-mail, invited to forums and by flyers within their departments. Students were really brought into the process, and so many more questions were answered," said Amy Luker, Steering Committee member and Chair of Associated Students Inc., Board of Directors.

Questions in the surveys asked if students felt increasing school availability, improving and expanding course scheduling and accelerating degree completion.

Surveys came back to the Steering Committee at the end of winter quarter. Students on the committee, including Abome and Luker, were assigned specific colleges to study the results of alternative consultation. They ensured that their findings reflected the overall opinion of their assigned colleges.

The surveys also suggested that students don’t agree with the administration of the Poly Plan.

"We need to fix the current plan and make it something we can believe in," Luker said in an interview Wednesday. "I wouldn’t make it something we can be proud of."

In a Feb. 1999 Mustang Daily letter to the editor, Cal Poly President Warren Baker stressed the importance of the Poly Plan.

"We must assume, in planning for Cal Poly’s future, that state funds will not be adequate to support the unique mix of polytechnic and ‘learn-by-doing’ programs," he said.

According to the Cal Poly Plan Draft, the proposed money would be used to hire additional faculty, and offer more major, support and general education courses.

Six people march at downtown Gap store

"I’d feel embarrassed to go in (the store), but I still would."

—Marlowe Kenneicy
San Luis Obispo shopper

Pump prices up 14 cents; 43-cent hike in California

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Gasoline prices jumped 14 cents a gallon over the weekend because of seasonal demand, OPEC cuts in crude oil production and fires at California refineries, an industry analyst said Sunday.

Pump prices were highest in California, where the average price jumped 43.11 cents. Gas prices topped $1.23 in Los Angeles, exploded — your pick — said analyst Trudy Lundberg, who heads the Lundberg Survey on 10,000 gas stations nationwide.

The weighted average price for all grades and services on Friday was $1.2281 — a 14.12 cent hike from the last survey three weeks ago. Prices have soared since the first week in February, when the average gasoline price was only 99.8 cents a gallon.

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to the web-site.

"I had trouble getting an experimental mechanical engineering job; and I roped it in and got the class," Cooker said. "It is very useful, and I suggested it (to) all my friends."

Retting said Class Watch evolved into a senior project. "My friends kept asking me why I didn’t use my web-site as my senior project, and then my departments approved it," Retting said.

Retting has another search engine, EZSearch, on Class Watch. EZSearch allows users to select a class by college or course number and to view the class syllabus. EZSearch also includes a simplified version of the Online Class List from the College of Business. EZSearch allows users to search for a specific course or course description from the Cal Poly course catalog, complete with prerequisites.

Shane Avery, a computer engineering senior, used Class Watch to get into a class. "I was trying to get into CPE 464, a computer network class, and there were only 25 seats in the class, and the teacher wasn’t going to budge," Avery said. "The teacher opened 10 more seats, and Class Watch told me and told me there were openings for my class."

Eric Horn, a biochemistry junior, said Class Watch helped him also. "I was able to get into Speech 200 with the help of Class Watch," Horn said. He also told all his friends about it and suggested they use it. Retting plans to upgrade Class Watch to allow students to use an unlimited number of classes in which they want to enroll, instead of just being limited to 10 classes.

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for the maintenance of the program," she said. "It pays for our Computer Services staff and student assistants to process the paper­work post-registration."

In an average month, Public Safety issue tickets in all categories. The most common violation is a meter violation, followed by having no permit. In March, 3,946 tickets were issued, which Campbell said is higher than average.

"It varies, depending on the school schedule," she said. "In March, it’s usually the end of one quarter and the beginning of another, so you tend to see the busier drive and have more. July, August and December are usually significantly lower."

Campbell said Public Safety has not noticed a decrease in tickets yet since the fines were increased.

"It generally takes about six months to see a decline," she said. "We expect a decline in the next few months."

Mary Simpson, an industrial tech­nology senior, rides a motorcycle to school. "I think the $20 fine for not having a permit is reasonable, and I don’t see why they need to raise it any more."

Jennifer Acott, a biochemistry and environmental science junior, said the fines are high, but said they are neces­sary.

"It’s that’s what they have to do to keep people from breaking the law, then that’s what they have to do. I'll be walking to school from now on," she said.
By Andrea Parker

Hackers have earned a bad reputation for causing illegal harm on computer systems ever since computers were invented. Some hackers, however, would be quick to point out that this reputation is not entirely deserved.

The hacker’s glossary on www.dsis.com defines a hacker as “a person who enjoys exploring the details of programmable systems and how to stretch their capabilities.” Curiosity and the desire to solve problems are hackers’ primary motivations.

Jennie Skidmore, agricultural business sophomore, is an aspiring problem solver who understands the time involved in learning to hack systems. “It’s a 24-7 learning experience for these people,” she said. “It’s an exciting world, like espionage.”

Skidmore is interested in hacking as a matter of defense. She said some of her password-protected files shared on the dorm network were altered. The best way to protect a system is to know how to break it, she said.

Crackers, on the other hand, are the people who break security on a system, according to the hacker’s glossary. Hackers build things, crackers break them, as simplified on Eric Raymond’s “How to Become a Hacker” web site, www.tuxedo.org-esr/faq/hacker-howto.html.

Crackers pose a threat because they have been responsible for releasing viruses into systems and crashing networks, as well as stealing or destroying programs.

The act of hacking, in contrast, is governed by certain rules of conduct and motivating attitudes. These rules are outlined on Raymond’s web page. A true hacker enjoys problem solving. “To be a hacker you have to get a basic thrill from solving problems, sharpening your skills and exercising your intelligence,” according to the web page. It takes a lot of work. “Becoming a hacker will take intelligence, practice, dedication and hard work.”

Skidmore doesn’t consider herself a hacker. It’s a reputation built up over years of experience. “These people have been doing this for 15 years or more,” she said. Raymond is considered an established hacker. “I’ve been participating in the hacker culture since 1977,” he said via e-mail.

Hacking, however stimulating, is illegal. Both federal and state codes provide stiff punishment for breaking into computer systems. On campus hacking is punishable under California Penal Code section 522, said George Westlund, an Information Technology Services consultant for Cal Poly. This code covers accessing information on a system someone is not authorized for and obtaining information to which someone doesn’t have a right.

Mike Kennedy, university police investigator, said punishment is bro-

“IT’s an exciting world, like espionage.”

— Jennie Skidmore

agricultural business sophomore

len down by dollar amount of damage caused or material lost. A convicted hacker could face a $10,000 fine and up to three years in jail for a considerable amount of damage or data lost, he said.

The longer a hacking event is left undetected, Westlund said, the more expensive it becomes to repair.

Hacking does occur at Cal Poly. “Most of the hacking attempts in the past have been to access systems personnel test the security of our systems, according to the

“When we find a password that’s easy to compromise, we notify the user and give them a time limit to change the password,” he said.

If the account user doesn’t change the password within that time limit, the account will be locked. If ITS can crack the system, someone else could do it as well. “We’re trying to protect them and our system,” Westlund said.

Westlund said ITS personnel monitor certain things on the system and look for unusual patterns. Action is then taken, based on what they find. “We’ll lock an account if it’s been compromised,”

Westlund said there is a constant race to get better technology to stay ahead of people. As security systems evolve and improve, hacker programs evolve as well.

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Community service a good idea ... if kinks are cleared up

It seems that Gov. Gray Davis is considering adding community service as a requirement for graduation.

For the most part, I'm all for it. I think it's a great idea to expose students to volunteering. In the era of cut-back budgeting, our government has cut many programs that help the less fortunate. This leaves the responsibility to help these people up to society.

If students start to volunteer in college, there is a higher chance they will continue to do so later in life. This experience would also help students appreciate the need for volunteering. They would learn to empathize with others, and it could lead to a commitment to make a positive difference in others' lives.

Volunteering may also help improve relationships. Maybe some will change their minds about looking down on the poor or anyone who is less fortunate. This is mostly a great idea, but there are a few flaws that need to be addressed.

The first is that by making it mandatory for someone to volunteer, there would be people who really don't care about those people turning to help. This is a huge concern, because instead of providing a valuable service, it would be more of a hindrance.

There has to be some type of training process or a screening in order to place students in the appropriate area and make sure that an unwilling volunteer doesn't affect a program negatively. This does not mean that people with bad attitudes are exempt from this requirement. There are many tasks they can do to help out the community, without hindering it with their negative attitude. Community service doesn't have to be with people, it can also be picking up trash in city parks.

Another problem is that many people have a problem with volunteering being mandatory. Maybe forcing it on people isn't the way to go. Maybe incentives need to be given instead. Some examples could be breaks on student loans, more credit for more hours to boost grade point averages or have the service substitute for another requirement.

I, personally, don't have a problem with it being mandatory. The state subsidizes our education, and it should be allowed to add new requirements when it sees fit. The only reason this is brought up as a concern is the fact that many people do see it as a problem, and the program cannot be successful if a lot of people are upset.

I'm sure other problems exist that I have not mentioned, but I would still have to say that strongly encouraging community service is a good idea. Whether it should be mandatory or not, I don't know. What I do know is that it would be a valuable experience for both the students and the community. If Davis can work out the kinks in his plan, I'm sure other people would see this value as well.

Tonie Baez is a political science senior.

The real facts about the year 2000 scare

Editor:

Enough is enough! I've heard far too many uninformed people lately "spreading the word" about Y2K. They're spreading something, but it certainly isn't "the word." The article, "Christian groups prepare for year 2000," April 9, certainly doesn't help. Our entire economy isn't going to collapse, computer chips aren't going to fail at random and I'll be mildly surprised if the power fails.

Y2K is a serious problem, but, like any serious problem, panic just makes it worse. Overreaction to Y2K is likely to cause far more damage to our society than Y2K itself. Take the Aufringers for an example. These people sold their home so they can be more "futuristic." Even if they were right about the seventy of Y2K, real estate is one of the best places to keep your money in times of crisis. These people will probably also yank their money out of the bank on Dec. 31. "Worse yet, they and others like them are spreading their panic to other people with their "lectures." Just as the panicking created by millions of people pulling all of their money out of the banking system, the damage would dwarf even the high estimates of Y2K damage.

Most of people's panic about Y2K comes from their lack of understanding about the technology it affects. Many people, like those at the Christian Broadcast Network, incorrectly assume that it's a problem with defective computer hardware, and the only way to fix it is to test every single chip in the world. This is nonsense. Most computer chips have nothing to do with the date. If you're concerned about a device working after Y2K, ask yourself, "Does this thing even have a clue what day it is?" Computers don't have any magic way of detecting date and time. If they did, your VCR wouldn't spend most of its time blinking "12:00." Your toaster, car, electric blanket, etc. are all perfectly safe.

I'm not trying to make this sound like a minor issue. Companies and government agencies have been spending billions of dollars since the early 1990s working on problems related to Y2K. The U.S. Post Office started preparing in 1991 and currently has 1,500 people working on the problem, which is more rooted in software than hardware. During the 1940s to 1980s, computer storage space was extremely expensive. Many managers decided to cut costs by representing dates in software as either two-digit numbers or worse, as a single number added to a fixed date, like Jan. 1, 1980. Many companies are dependent on these systems for their daily operations, and they are expensive to change. Companies that don't address Y2K will likely experience losses or fold all together. This is bad, but it's also a windfall for more intelligently run companies that compete with them. I (and most experts) expect the economy to dip as a result, and maybe even drop into a mild recession, but it's definitely nothing to panic about.

So what should most Americans do to prepare for Y2K? Little more than they should be doing already to prepare for earthquakes, etc. Keep enough food and water on hand for a few days, keep a few hundred dollars cash handy for emergencies, etc. People should also get to know the institutions they depend on. Ask your bank, the government and your school what they are doing to prevent problems. If they don't have an answer for you, your bank, the government and your school are what they are doing to prevent problems. If they don't have an answer for you, your bank, the government and your school are what they are doing to prevent problems.

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"I don't know where we keep pulling these things out of."
**Sexist term ruins message**

**Editor:**

It was great to see a Libertarian write to the Mustang Daily, especially regarding gun control. Unfortunately, I was unaware that such rampant sexism was so acceptable in such a forum. My father, Friday's letter to the editor, Richard Venable, San Luis Obispo Libertarian Party, consistently referred to female students as nothing but "coeds." It is unfortunate that Libertarianism is so misogynistic.

In almost all mainstream media coverage of Kristin Smart, Rachel Newhouse and Andrea Crawford, they have been constantly referred to as "coeds." When this first came up, I did not yet know what a coed was. The term refers to women, or female students in many cases. I do not see why we must use such terms. Many people are not aware of this. And some, many, do not even want to use such terms. It is important we do.

**Professor's remarks were defensive, not helpful**

**Editor:**

I hate to admit it, but from the sound of his letter, "Professor advocates new website rating system." April 9, Jay Devine sounds like the kind of teacher I would do everything to avoid. His letter carries a tone of bitterness and resentment, indicating to me that he must be an undisciplined teacher.

Do you think, as a great teacher, what do you have to lose? I would love the world to see the reality of my efforts. I spend countless hours in office hours. I have attended 99 percent of every class I have taken in my whole life. Always do my homework. I love proving teachers of their skill and knowledge base, because I love to learn. Although my grades are very decent, they do not reflect the hard work of the type of student I am. I would love the world to really see just how hard Michael Todd Schults works.

If you put in the effort of becoming an excellent teacher, wouldn't you be encouraged that many of your students would brag about you and your quality of teaching? Obviously, you have nothing worth bragging about, or you wouldn't feel threatened. Possibly you ought to get into a profession that you love, one in which the recipients of your effort don't dictate your attitude.

My school has enormous costs associated with it... and I don't care to waste my time, effort and money with teachers who don't love to teach, especially when I love to learn.

Michael Shick is a computer engineering junior.

**Christianity gives people something to believe in**

**Editor:**

This letter is in response to the article by Steven Geringer, "Science debates with beliefs," which ran April 6. To begin, as religious professor David Campbell demonstrates, religion and God are forgotten. I extend a pat on the back to Geringer and Mustang Daily for publishing this particular article.

Capping wastes most of the hot air stating that religious beliefs lack facts and proof. However, what he fails to remember is that science, as well as religion, is a human endeavor. That means it is open to mistakes.

For example, until fairly recently in history, scientists believed: The earth was flat. The Earth was the center of the universe; Space travel is not possible; The brain's purpose was to cool the blood (Aristotle). Women's uteruses move around their bodies, causing them to be ill-tempered. The list goes on and on.

When Capping skips the doctors for a successful operation, does he ever wonder where the doctor got his gift of healing from? Capping then says that there is no scientific proof of the existence of God. How, then, does he explain how after a woman, dying of cancer, is proved for an entire community, her cancer suddenly goes into remission? Let me guess, there isn't an explanation, right? Faith in God is a better explanation than nothing, isn't it?

Christians don't pretend to have all of the answers. God's plan is God's plan. All we can do is live according to the things that He did lay out for us in the Bible. Capping then says that the Bible is an "irrational tradition." However, if God wanted the message to get through to future generations, He would make it so! I ask Capping: How can we not trust theories, such as the geocentric theory, at their face value in history? After all, they were human theories.

Capping says that creation should not be taught as a possible explanation for how we got here. For all we know, scientists will be laughing about the "evolution from apes" theory a hundred years from now. Capping should have his monkey meet with him and leave the teaching to those educators who are truly interested in educational equality for all students, and not just those who share his narrow opinion. Education is for free thinkers. Without free thinking, he wouldn't have a job or a bunch of scientific theories to push on people. I truly feel sorry for Capping, because he may never know the warmth of the love that comes from Jesus Christ while he's still sitting in the dark on his cold rocks.

Jackson's claim overlooks some important facts

**Editor:**

Recently the esteemed Jesse Jackson stated that high tech areas, mainly the Silicon Valley, are racist. His comments were based on the glaring lack of minorities at technology's Mecca.

What and other "civil rights" leaders fail to realize is that there are very few minorities preparing themselves for these jobs. I remember the black students I have had in my computer science and electrical engineering classes because they were so few in number.

How are employers supposed to hire minorities if there are none in the "pipeline"? Even minorities that do earn degrees are sometimes not the most qualified, just like whites. People say that minorities are underrepresented because they don't perform at the level necessary in these companies, but they do not crit "racism" when they don't get a job. It is not Silicon Valley's responsibility to go into the inner city and encourage youths to take science and math classes. It is the responsibility of the individual.

What would Jesse Jackson say about me? I wonder. If he looked at me, he would put me on crackers' side (my mom is white and my dad is San Diego Native American). 120 percent (Pertanian), but if he was taking roll, he would place Alvarado in the Latino group. If he failed to get a job, he would blame my rights and say that I was discriminated against, or would he look at me and think, "This cracker is white in a ghost?" What I wore a ponytail with a Peruvian flag on it? Would I be more ethnic then? More of a minority?

Silicon Valley demands very high standards from its employees, and not everyone meets those requirements. If a group handicaps itself by not preparing for college in high school, by not taking the necessary college courses to prepare for a job, and then bitches and moans when it's not hired in high enough numbers, that's just too bad!

We don't own Blacks, Latinos, Aleutians or Navajos jobs. No one owes me a job. When I get hired as a computer programmer, it will be because I am a true Code Warrior and not Peruvian Warrior. If this is some "civil rights" leader comes up to me and says "Good work, my Peruvian brother, how did you overcome Whitey's master plan to keep me down?" I will sadly shake his head and walk away. There is no Plan, there is no Man. Only when these groups take it upon themselves to improve their lives will any change occur.

Damién Alvarado is a computer engineering junior.

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**Albert Belle corked bat mystery: Grimsley, not the butler, did it**

Associated Press

The pitcher was the one who crouched through the snow, baseball Park free from snow to replace the corked bat of teammate Albert Belle that was being held in the umpires' room.

The confession by Grimsley, then with the Cleveland Indians and now with the New York Yankees, was reported Sunday in The New York Times, clearing up one of baseball's ongoing mysteries.

"I bent my elbow, and I can compare it to that," Grimsley said before Sunday's game between the Yankees and Detroit. "The adrenaline rush I got from that caper was just like jumping out of an airplane."

Good news for Grimsley, too: No disciplinary action is expected.

"I regard it as history," said American League president Gene Budig, at Yankee Stadium to present the Yankees with their World Series championship rings.

In the first inning of a Cleveland-Chicago game on July 15, 1994, White Sox manager Gene Lantion was tipped off that Belle, then with the Indians, had a corked bat.

Lamont challenged the use of the bat and umpire Dave Phillips took it and put it in his locker. The Indians panicked, knowing the bat was indeed corked.

Grimsley, 6-foot-3 and a slim 180 pounds, volunteered for the mission to get it back.

"It was mission impossible," Grimsley said. The Times reported that he took a cork-free bat belonging to Paul Sconento — all of Belle's bats were corked. Grimsley said he knew there was an escape hatch in the ceiling in the clubhouse and figured there was also one in the umpires' dressing room.

With the help of an unidentified Indians' employee, he navigated his way to the spot. Creasing in on his test, a flashlight in his mouth, he finally found it, dropped down on a refrigerator and wiped the bat from Phillips' locker.

"My heart was going 1,020 miles a second," Grimsley told the Times. "I just rolled the dice, a crapshoot."

After the game, the umpires immediately suspected foul play — the bat, after all, bore Sorrento's name. The AL even spoke of bringing in the FBI.

Finally, the Indians were told that if they supplied Belle's bat there would be no punishment for the switch. Belle received a 10-game suspension that was reduced to seven games on appeal.

"I believe the American League clearly acted appropriately at the time," said Budig, who replaced AL president Bobby Brown on Aug. 1, 1994.

"A lot of numbers are pointing toward that other thing," catcher Todd Hundley said. "It's irrelevant," was first baseman Eric Karros' observation.

"I'd heard some guys talking about it," reliever Jeff Shaw said.

The rainout was the 16th at Dodger Stadium since it opened in 1962.

The streak of 856 was the longest consistent streak of any team in the majors that didn't play in a domed stadium. The club also had streaks of 737 and 747 games without a rainout. Officials waited over 11 hours before declaring the game postponed.

There was no immediate announcement as to when it will be replaced. The Los Angeles Dodgers are scheduled to play their home opener at Dodger Stadium against the San Diego Padres, while the Dodgers and Padres will play their opening series at Arizona on Monday night.

"Obviously, you like to play the game," Giants manager Roger Craig said of the postponement and the extra game. "But we'll be ready for the double header with them. That's not fun. We can't control that."

"We didn't need it, but we'll take it," Johnson said of the postponement. "A lot of good things happened in this hometown. Now, it's hit the road, jack."

Pedro Astacio (0-1) was scheduled to pitch to Colorado on Sunday, while Chan Ho Park (0-2) was scheduled to pitch for the Dodgers, who after the Indians are next in the proposed three games of what was supposed to be a four-game series.

Johnston and Rockies manager Jim Leyland said Sunday's scheduled starters will pitch Monday.

The postponement left Leyland one win short of the 1,000 mark in his big league career. Johnston, meanwhile, is 10-4 in 46 starts. Only three active managers — Tony La Russa, Bobby Cox and Joe Torre — have more.

Leyland and Johnson rank 45th and 46th on baseball's career list of managerial victories.

**Piazza unhappy on 15-day disabled list**

MONTREAL (AP) — Mike Piazza wasn't happy.

"I did not want to go on the disabled list," the All-Star catcher said Sunday, after the New York Mets put him on the 15-day disabled list because of a sprained right knee. "I felt like I could play in a week."

Piazza, injured during a random Friday night, was sent to New York the following day, and an MRI revealed a sprained ligament.

Mets team physician David Altcheck examined Piazza on Sunday and confirmed the medial collateral ligament in Piazza's right knee had been sprained, though he found no damage to the posterior cruciate ligament, as first had been thought.

"The doctor made it clear that I do play, and I run the bases and suddenly have to change directions it could be a full year and that would mean surgery," Piazza said from New York during a telephone conference call. "Considering that possibility, I figure that this is for the best."

"The Mets have won with games that Piazza has missed and will have to make due without him for 2-3 weeks."

Mets outfielder Bobby Bonilla acknowledged that Piazza's absence from the New York lineup will be hard on the team's fans.

"They might be a little disappointed with Mike not being there tomorrow," Bonilla said, looking ahead to Monday's home opener. "You know, you'll have a lot of kids wanting to see him play, but it's a weird game that baseball team. We shouldn't really miss a bat, which will be nice for Mike."

**Mariners 11, Athletics 8**

SEATTLE (AP) — Edgar Martinez and Russ Davis hit two-run homers in an eight-run third inning, and the Seattle Mariners hung on to beat the Oakland Athletics 11-8 Sunday despite a shaky outing by Jamie Moyer.

Essell Hall and Yulieski Gourriel doubled home a run each and Ken Goffity Jr. had an RBI single during the third, when Seattle tied a team record with seven straight hits.

Seattle went on to take a 1-0 lead in the fourth, but Oakland crept back and closed to 10-7 in the eighth before John Mabry homered off Billy Taylor in the bottom half. Scott Spiezio had an RBI double off John Halama in the ninth.

Before the game, Seattle learned shortstop Carlos Guillen will miss the rest of the season with a torn knee ligament, an injury that could sideline the All-Star for the remainder of the season.

Detroit infielder Tony Phillips on Saturday night. Guillen was replacing All-Star Alex Rodriguez, sidelined 4-6 weeks following knee surgery.
How low can they go? Try 49 points

CHICAGO (AP) — There were indications in January of what was ahead.
Tim Floyd called his first practice and then had to cancel it. Why? The Chicago Bulls didn’t have enough players under contract.

Now, during a season of humbling how-loses and go-nowhere games, the once-proud team just 10 months removed from the NBA title has reached the basement of professional basketball.

One would wear the scoreboard at the United Center was malfunctioning Saturday night, choked by some com­puter glitch. No.

When the game with the Miami Heat ended, it showed the Bulls beaten 82-49, marking the lowest scoring out­put for an NBA team since the inception of the shot clock in the 1954-55 season.

Forty-nine points in 48 minutes! "It just hurts. There’s nothing you can say. It just hurts," said Toni Kukoč, who shot 4-for-16.

For the record, for good defense — or on­fense offense — came to the fore. The Sonics outscored the Lakers...
**SPORTS**

**Mustangs drop two at UCSB**

Mustang Daily

The Mustangs lost two critical Big West games to UC Santa Barbara this weekend, dropping them to 5-9 in league. Sunday’s game was postponed due to rain and will be made up today.

Saturday, UCSB outslugged Cal Poly, 12-10. Starting pitcher Jeremy Cunningham allowed 10 runs in the loss. He didn’t get any help from his infield as each starter, Steve Wood, Chris Martinez, Craig Ritter and Matt Elam committed an error.

Friday, the Gauchos triumphed, 8-1. UCSB starter Cole Nebojsa went nine innings, allowing one run on five hits. For the Mustangs, Wood and Brian Grant collected two hits.

**SATURDAY’S BOX SCORE**

Mustangs 10, Gauchos 12

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**SCHEDULE**

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**SPORTS TRIVIA**

**YESTERDAY’S ANSWER**

Don Manning holds the Major League Baseball record for most grand slams in a season, with six.

**TODAY’S QUESTION**

In last year’s NFL draft, Peyton Manning was the first player selected. Who were the first players taken in the 1997, 1996 and 1995 drafts?

Please submit answer to: sports@mustangdaily, calpoly.edu Please include your name. The first correct answer received via email will be printed in the next issue of the paper.

**SCORES**

**BASEBALL**

Cal Poly 1
UC Santa Barbara 8

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**MIN’S TENNIS**

Cal Poly 1
UC Irvine 4

Cal Poly 4
UC Santa Barbara 3

**SOFTBALL**

Cal Poly 0
Cal State Northridge 2

Cal Poly 3
Cal State Northridge 6

**SWEET STROKE**

Mustang third baseman Billy Joe Richardson drives the ball last Monday against Hawaii-Hilo. The Mustangs dropped two games this weekend at UC Santa Barbara and will conclude the series today at 2 p.m.

Oladabal wins the Masters, Norman denied again

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**Poly softball swept**

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