ITS proposes new campus printing fee

By Kerri Holden
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Students using campus computer labs may soon have to print their papers at Cal Poly's Campus Fee Advisory Committee approves an Information Technology Services proposal.

ITS proposed the laser printing fee - 10 cents per black and white page and 25 cents per color page - but Friday to the advisory committee. CFAC's students members asked that the vote be postponed until this Friday to allow time for student input.

According to Dan Malone, a member of a committee that wrote the proposal, ITS approached last spring by the Kennedy Library and the College of Business about the excessive amount of pages being spent on computer lab supplies. Malone said the College of Business reported spending $65,000 on paper and ink alone last year.

"The issue at hand here is waste and too much frivolous printing," political science student Eddie Drake said. "If one student prints out a 100-page paper (from the Internet) on left-handed basket weaving, it ruins it for the student who's writing a legitimate term paper for class."

An ITS report found that students have grown accustomed to printing large quantities of pages off the Internet.

"Instead of reading materials on the computer monitors, students become engaged in a printing frenzy," the report stated.

The report also included the results from the ITS "Printing Use Survey," conducted spring quarter. Of the 813 replies, 789 were from students, with the majority willing to pay a fee of some sort whether through a tuition fee increase or on a per-page basis.

More than two-thirds of those responding said they thought fees between 5 and 10 cents per black-and-white page were reasonable, with the majority (49 percent) picking 5 cents per page.

According to Malone, a committee analyzed the cost of printing over the summer and found that a per-page fee of 10 cents would not even cover the full costs of printing. ITS said it will likely choose a fee that covers the cost of printing.

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Vandalism shatters Poly weekend

By Alexis Garbeff
MUSTANG DAILY NEWS EDITOR

While most students celebrated their first weekend back from winter break, vandals stormed through campus at night committing a string of unrelated crimes, including shattering a Performing Arts Center glass wall.

"Something stuck it hard, like an air-gun pistol or a sling shot," Director of Facilities Planning Ed Naretto said of the estimated $1,000 plate of glass, which is part of a glass wall that separates the side-walk and the PAC on Grand Avenue.

This pane in a wall of glass separating the PAC from the sidewalk on Grand Avenue was shattered possibly by a sling shot. It was one of many crimes that occurred over the past weekend.

BackStage rounds down pizza prices

By Kelly Hendricks
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

BackStage Pizza doesn't believe in lucky pennies. In fact, the restaurant is considering buying a cash register so it will be able to banish the coins from its cash registers.

"It's just a promotion to publicize BackStage Pizza," said Jeanette Kimball, BackStage's general manager. "And it all started out of a joke!"

Kimball and other co-workers heard that the Federal Reserve was experiencing a shortage of its penny reserves. Jokingly, BackStage Pizza wants to help the Federal Reserve's penny shortage so it decided to round down its prices.

Priest speaks on military school

School of Americas' critic coming to Pol

By Megan Shearn
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Father Roy Bourgeois, a Maryknoll priest and outspoken critic of a U.S. military school that trains foreign soldiers, will speak Thursday in Chumash Auditorium.

Bourgeois is an advocate for the School of the Americas' closure in Georgia and routinely speaks out against the school's involvement in training Latin American military soldiers.

According to Sister Mary Pat White, associate director of the Newman Catholic Center, Bourgeois founded the School of Americas Watch to create awareness. The purpose of the program is to constantly do research on the school's involvement in Latin American violence.

In mid-December, White heard Bourgeois speak in California, Davis. Since then, she has kept up with the Bourgeois campaign and has wanted to inform people about the atrocities he has witnessed.

"Since I can't go down there (Latin America) to stop it, I want to make other people aware of the issue," White said.

Bourgeois' interest in the School of Americas began in 1972 when he traveled to La Paz, Bolivia, to do missionary work in a slum on the outside of town. He saw how violent the soldiers were toward the people, and he became an advocate for the poor. He had to leave Bolivia due to a price on his head, White said.

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New Web design helps students find what they’re looking for

By Kirsten Orsini-Meinhard

Finding a specific item on the old Cal Poly Web page used to be like playing a game of hide-and-seek. Now, with a redesigned page that debuted two weeks before fall quarter, life is easier for students and parents.

The new Web site is organized neatly into four categories: prospective students, continuing students, alumni/boosters and parents.

“When someone comes to the Web page, they’ll know exactly where to go,” Steve Rutland, information technology consultant, said.

People who are researching Cal Poly or current students who need class listings can arrive at their destinations with a simple click of the mouse.

This addition is also a huge benefit for parents who often inquire about fees. The old Web site didn’t have a direct listing for parents.

For those who want to log on to Mustang Info or POWER, the new Cal Poly page also comes equipped with a “link” bar that allows the user to scroll down and choose their desired Web site. Among the web sites listed under the link are financial aid and enrollment.

The Web site is also better for displaying up-coming events, Rutland said. On the home page, there are two pictures of WOW overlapping each other, and over these pictures are written instructions and information. For example, if there had been a Y2K disaster, information would have been displayed instructing students on what they should do.

The major differences between the old Web site and the new one is that the old one was a lot more text and didn’t have easily accessible, categorized information, see WEB SITE, page 6.

Engineering gets an upgrade

Epicor and OrCAD donate software and services to the College of Engineering

By Megan Shearn

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITERTER

College of Engineering students will have a chance to enhance the Cal Poly “learn by doing” motto thanks to two recent computer software donations.

Epicor, one of the engineering industry’s largest business solutions providers, donated a Vista software package. OrCAD gave software and services valued at more than $207,000 to upgrade the Computer Aided Design/Computer Aided Manufacturing (CAD/CAM) laboratory.

“Our wish is to be able to teach state of the art packages,” said Sensa Altopkin, chair of the industrial and manufacturing engineering department. The OrCAD software allows students interested in electronics manufacturing to design electronic components such as circuits. Students in IME 157, electronic manufacturing, use the software to design a car alarm from scratch, Altopkin said.

The Vista software simulates the real-world of manufacturing facilities. “It helps organize all activities from order entry to point of delivery of parts to customers,” Altopkin said.

Altopkin added that students will be able to use the Vista software package by the end of the summer. The software will also become a part of the college’s Teaching Factory. The simulated factory allows students to learn hands-on how manufacturing factories work on the floor.

“Students get a sense from idea to design,” said Amy Hewes, director of publications and communication for the College of Engineering.

Vista also brings together the many different departments of the College of Engineering such as electrical engineering, mechanical engineering and industrial and manufacturing, as well as the College of Business.

“The factory enables more collaborative efforts, which is more like the real world,” Hewes said.

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subsidize the $13,520 estimated difference until June 30, 2000 at which time the actual cost of printing services will be determined.

Malone said one consequence of the proposed fee not passing would be a budget shortage for many departments that support computer labs, meaning less money for improvements.

“The money that is saved by this fee can be put into new equipment,” Malone said. “As it is now, the technology doesn’t stay current.”

The proposal states that the money from the fee will be used in part to recover the cost of providing laser-printing services to labs on campus. Malone said if the fee proposal passes, some money would also be used to refresh lab technology every three years.

Another fraction of the money would be used to cover the costs and maintenance of the One Card infrastructure. The One Card system, currently being developed, will allow students to use their student identification cards for multiple functions, including meal plans and, if the fee passes, printing in computer labs.

As expected, some students were upset about the proposed fee.

“Personally, I think it stinks as a student to have to start paying,” said Melissa Varcak, business junior and Associated Students Inc. vice chairwoman of the Board. “The budget does need to be supplemented in some way due to its high usage, but 10 cents a copy seems a little steep.”

Agriculture business freshman Leigh Love also disagrees with the proposed fee.

“I think it’s disappointing that Cal Poly has to punish all of the students because a handful are abusing the privilege of printing for free on campus,” Love said.

Ultimately, the advisory committee will make the recommendation to Cal Poly President Warren Baker, said ASI President and chairman of CFAC John Moffatt. President Baker can then accept or deny the recommendation of the committee.

ITS is scheduled to present its proposal at Wednesday’s Board of Directors meeting. Moffatt urges students to attend the meeting and to voice their opinion to the four student members of CFAC that will be in attendance.

“We what need right now is for students to let us know what they think,” Moffatt said.
Polytechnics

Students select servers

By Karin Driesen
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

For many students, one of the biggest perks of their freshman year is the fast and constant Internet connection while living in the dorms. However, once off campus they must choose between the various Internet Service Providers (ISPs) to find one that is right for them.

One of the biggest providers is America Online (AOL), which bought Time Warner in 1996 for $160 billion in stock. AOL provides basic internet service with up to 56K speed, in addition to many features not offered by other ISPs. At $24.95 a month, it is near the upper end of the price scale.

“I hate AOL because for less money than a phone bill and you can have unlimited use for a flat fee,” said computer engineering junior Paul Cran.

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“I love Netra because it was $12,” said mechanical engineering junior James Merritt. “I’ve called to technical support and have had instant answers, but I can’t say that about AOL. We also use Netra’s high-speed, high-quality network.”

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Ethernet connection. It is used on regular phone lines, but the lines are split so users can talk on the phone while online. While DSL is more expensive, it is always connected to the Internet so there is no waiting for dial-up, and it can also be up to 140 times faster than standard modems.

“Our DSL is about $50 a month, plus $200 up front for equipment,” said computer engineering junior Paul Cran.

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Travel from your keyboard

It may seem like you just returned from winter break, but it’s never too soon to start planning for your spring break trip, especially since Cal Poly’s spring break begins in the middle of March. The world wide web has been unparalleled in travel planning since the first person typed travelocity.com into a browser.

Now there are even more ways to get from point A to point B, and the Net should be part of your journey. There are several travel websites such as Travelocity, www.travelocity.com, and Hotel.com. Each gives a unique service.

“There are hotels on the Net for those who don’t travel too. Check out the new and pop culture-approved WordRoom site www. wordroom.com. Accommodating a sense of high-profile web on the WI network, MTV, Cinema Central and Fox, the site is spawning a presence of the mid-twentieth century United States. If you click on a hotel, you’ll find a keyboard and accessories, and other times you’ll see that those backpacks travel and don’t forget your connection and turn off the Internet before you check out.”

For more information on roads and how to contact various travel websites, check out the Mustang Daily, www.mustangdaily.com, or write the editor at webmaster@mustangdaily.calpoly.edu.
Heterosexual society is obstructive

In the past, the Mustang Daily's handling of homosexuality has been along the same lines religion vs. freedom of self-expression. I thought it would be interesting to take up the issue on a fourth-grade level to explore what is really at the root of such a volatile debate. (First off, the disclaimer: This is written with a leap of faith because for this article. Pm assuming that both our Gods are compassionate.)

I've noticed that there is a lot of insecurity out there when this issue is brought into the limelight, on both sides of the debate, so hopefully this will allow you to see the other side's potential hang ups. Pondering this issue, numerous underlying realities jumped out at me. I think that homosexuals and heterosexuals are not so separated along dating lines, but I think there is a whole 180-degree lifestyle difference that could arise under the same roof. Think of God because for this article, I am assuming that both our Gods are compassionate.)

It wasn't until I started to research gay men that I began to understand the hostility that could arise from the straight population. Coupled with that, gay men don't have to participate in the "macho game" where the stereotypical male has to play, and that is a standard to which many straight men don't necessarily want to aspire. Maintaining the overrated masculine role is almost like walking a tightrope for many men, where the individual constantly worries about stepping outside of the given boundaries. What creates a level of popularity from the straight population is the way gay men aren't restricted by such silly expectations. Rather, they make a totally different set of rules, subjective to each individual. What is conclusive is that the straight population has created a somewhat narrow perspective on gender role-playing, which in my opinion creates an attitude of superiority. At the slightest recognition of sensitivity in a man-woman match, it must be Armageddon!

What is the present situation in today's world? Segments of the population are being ostracized for the simple reason of society is just as obsolete as Kenneth Starr, who came under fire for the very same practice. When does the line between the straight and gay personalities cross? I would choose a gay man to decorate my home or do my hair over a straight guy, any day.

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Vacation, fun and thinking — college truths

Throughout fall quarter I desperately longed for winter break. Throughout winter break I desperately longed for winter quarter. Sure, I had a great time, but there was so much going on, so many places to go, people to see and presents to buy that I hardly had time to think! I missed thinking. And Christmas cards? Forget about them! I sent out three.

During my break I visited people and places in several different cities, from Porterville to Glendale and points in between, played golf in four different cities, and I hardly recall a thing (no alcohol or other recreational substances involved). I did more cooking and baking during break than I’ve done in the last year and a half, and hardly recall tasting the fruits of my labors. I sustained numerous paper cuts from wrapping gifts and curling ribbon as well as a blow to the eye in a freak gift-wrapping accident, the result of someone’s care­less handling of a tube of wrapping paper. (You know who you are and I forgive you; you can come home now.)

Though most of my journeys were only day trips, I found myself homesick and long­ing for peace, quiet, a good supply of new releases on video with remote control in hand and, strangely enough, the regular ritual­als of academia.

Someone once said, “Be careful what you wish for.” Well, I’m back in school with a full load, including my internship, the Mustang Daily, a four-unit class and my senior project.

It’s a good thing I spaced out in eight new releases on video and two trips to the movie theater during break because there is no longer any time for such entertainment. By the end of this quarter I will have weeks worth of Ally McBeal, Party of Five (I admit it: I like it) and the NBC Thursday night lineup archived on video.

But I like it this way, at least for now. I like feeling like I am accomplishing some­thing, I like the rituals of everyday life. And I like not living out of luggage, sleeping at a different friend or family member’s house every other night.

After a couple of weeks I’ll probably be longing for spring break, and this time next quarter I’ll be longing for graduation. Soon after that I’ll realize that there are no quarter breaks in the real world. For most of us, it will just be 52 weeks of the same thing, day after day, with a two-week paid vacation, if we’re lucky.

Until then I guess I will try to appreciate the fact that every 11 weeks I get to stop what I’m doing, live in utter chaos for a week or two, then pick up something entirely different.

I have been in the regular work force, and I know that whether I’m on the go during break or in the midst of an 18-unit quarter, this is a good thing in life. This is when we are allowed to make mistakes. This is when we are allowed to have fun.

Teresa Wilson is a journalism senior and a Mustang Daily staff writer.

Letters to the editor

Education here is not Communist or biased Editor,

“You’re getting a biased, leftist education here,” is what the article said, written by Tamas Simon (Jan. 6).

What I believe it is rather hard to receive a leftist education when the emphasis of most classes and most majors in general here is on the pursuit of money. Cal Poly trains its students to excel in the capitalist market, bragging that its students receive the highest-paying jobs in the Cal State system. Yes, very leftist. Tamas, people don’t make fun of your conservative heroes because of their political orientation, but because they do and say unintelli­gent things.

For example, Rush Limbaugh draws “smug little comments” because he is notorious for smoke­screens, stereotypes and attacking the person instead of the issue — perfect for examples in a critical thinking class.

Speaking of attacking the person, the “so-called intellectuals” at our school have worked very hard in their fields and are qualified to “climb their way into the ranks that most effect society,” regardless of their perceived liberal standing. They all have very different views of the world that should not only be tolerated, but heard loud and clear.

Tamas, you say that Clinton is a liberal or leftist, which is far from the truth.

Take a look at his neo-liberal trading policies and support for the World Trade Organization. He is a third­way leader, selling out to the multinational corporation at the expense of fair labor and environ­mental standards throughout the world. I don’t believe that you even know who the real liberals are, but still, you are afraid of them.

Where are these Communists who reject the need for a profit incentive, these idiots who believe workers should enjoy the wealth they produce, these stupid people who think basic needs like food and health care should be provided for all?

Look out, Tamas, they may be sitting next to you right now.

Jesse McGowan is a political science junior who loves the color red.
UCLA report may link marijuana use to cancer

WASHINGTON, D.C. (UPI) - Researchers at UCLA have recently found that marijuana use may lead to an increased risk of head and neck cancers.

After tobacco, marijuana is the most smoked substance in the United States. It is estimated that 31 percent of the population in 1992 had at one time used the drug.

"We have evidence that may link marijuana smoking to head and neck cancer," said Zu-Feng Zhang, director of the cancer epidemiology training program at UCLA, in a statement. "Many people may think marijuana is harmless, but it's not."

Zhang's study has found marijuana smoking can cause cancer, just as cigarette smoking can.

"Most people don't think about marijuana in relationship to cancer," Zhang said. "The carcinogens in marijuana are much stronger than those in tobacco," he said.

But some students appear to be skeptical and believe that the study is not relevant.

"Moderate marijuana use is no more harmful than alcohol use, for example," said Ranjoy Gupta, a first-year biochemistry student.

"The real irony is that tobacco products are legal."

The study began in 1993 when Zhang was in New York City. He interviewed hospitalized patients using a questionnaire.

He posed three questions to 173 patients who had head and neck cancer and to 1,760 patients without cancer.

"Patients were asked if they had ever used marijuana, how many years they had used it, and how many times a day they would smoke it," Zhang said.

The data was analyzed at UCLA in 1997, when Zhang and his team found that marijuana smoking is a risk factor for head and neck cancer.

Because head and neck cancers - cancers of the mouth, tongue, larynx and pharynx - take many years to develop, people who smoked large amounts of the substance in the 1960s may just now be contracting cancer, Zhang said.

"We need to have a study with a large sample size to repeat and confirm these results," Zhang said.

Zhang's study has led to further research on the subject.

Hal Morgenstern, professor of public health and epidemiology at UCLA, is leading a five-year study which is now in its first year.

"The main purpose of the study is to assess if long-term marijuana use develops lung cancer and cancers in the upper digestive tract, such as canceral and laryngeal cancer," Morgenstern said.

He plans to collect data from 1,200 people with cancer and 1,200 people without cancer.

While Zhang's study relied heavily on hospitalized patients, Morgenstern's study was set up for regular heavy marijuana smokers - individuals who smoked about 500 times in their life.

"We're getting a control group from the community at risk in Los Angeles," Morgenstern said.

Zhang offered some suggestions concerning the risk factors of marijuana use.

For students, I suggest it's better to quit because we are already seeing this kind of impact (from those who used marijuana in the 1960s)," Zhang said.

He said for long-term users, patients should take preventive measures such as seeing their dentist regularly to see if any unusual formations developed in the oral cavity.

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said. According to School of American Watch literature, the school has taught more than 60,000 Latin American soldiers and military personnel战术 combat skills. Of U.S. taxpayers' money, $20 million is spent to train the soldiers.

"We want to bring awareness that extends beyond the education world to news of the outside world," White said.

Bourgeois' talk is free and begins at 7 p.m. in Chumash.

Catch Woodstock's Ultimate Pizza Pie!

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Kimball said BackStage's penny promotion will only continue through the beginning of February.
Associated Students, Inc.

BOARDS OF DIRECTORS
MEETING AGENDA
Wednesday, January 12, 2000 Meeting #00-07
5:10 PM - University Union 220
I. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance
II. Letters & Roll Call
III. Open Forum
IV. Approval of Minutes
A. Approval of Board of Director’s Minutes #00-06, November 17, 1999
V. Officer’s Reports
A. Chair of the Board
• Introduction of Tony Aeiles, new police chief for Cal Poly
• Special Report by Hiram Davis, Dean of Library Services and Paul Mack, Chair of the Academic Senate
B. Vice Chair of the Board
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C. Secretary
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• To get the low-down on the Semesters vs. Quarters debate, visit www.calpoly.edu/~asijhunt and decide for yourself.

• SAFE RIDE HOME: Whatever the reason, if it’s a Thursday, Friday, or Saturday night, and you need to get home, call 235-SAFE for a safe ride home from anywhere within the city of SLO. For more information call 541-8747.

• UU Hour takes place every Thursday, in the UU Plaza from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. The events are free and everyone is encouraged to check it out!

HAPPENINGS
ADVERTISE YOUR CLUB OR CLUB EVENT HERE, COMPLIMENTS OF ASI. Pick up forms in the ASI Business Office (UU212) or the ASI Student Government Office (UU202). Club advertisements will be chosen on a first come, first served basis.

ASI/UU Programs & Services Committee Meetings are held Thursdays 5:00 p.m. in UU220.
College of Architecture and Environmental Design Council Meetings are held every Tuesday, 4:00 p.m. in Dexter-Fireplace Room.
College of Business Council Meetings are held every Tuesday, 6:00 p.m. in UU219.
College of Liberal Arts Council Meetings are held every Tuesday, 6:00 p.m. in UU219.
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The Personal Trainers are also available in the Exercise Room for a free half-hour drop-in session to answer some basic fitness questions.

CLUB 221
“Default Settings”, an invitational student art show, is Club 221’s first exhibit of the new year. It will feature non-traditional art created by Cal Poly students and will include multimedia works, sound and video pieces, and installation art. The show is currently open and will run through March 10. Club 221 is open Monday-Friday 9 a.m. -9 p.m. and Saturday-Sunday noon-5 p.m. For more information, call David Metcalf at ext. 611-182.

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Ex-worker alleges violations at chemicals weapons incinerator

(AP) — Officials at the Army's chemical weapons incinerator in Utah raged tons and melted state regulators to conceal the plant's inability to safely destroy nerve agents, the plant's former permit manager alleged Tuesday.

Gary Harris also said officials at Tooele Chemical Agent Disposal Facility knew residue from sarin — a nerve agent also known as GB that kills by constricting the lungs or the public about the safety problems, which he said could allow sarin to escape into the environment.

Officials with the Army and EG&G Defense Systems Inc., the contractor that runs the plant, say the incinerator is safe.

"The incineration process itself should not be going on," Harris said. "It is inherently dangerous. It does not destroy the (nerve) agent."

Harris said officials with the Army and the private contractor running the incinerator threatened to fire him if he told state regulators or the public about the safety problems, which he said could allow sarin to escape into the environment.

WASHINGTON

1-80 sniper gets at least 20 years

(AP) — A former high school student was sentenced Tuesday to at least 20 years in prison for a sniper attack on Interstate 80 that he said was to start a cross-country shooting spree.

Washoe District Judge Steven Kosach imposed the sentence on Christopher Merritt, 21, of Mankato, Minn., who earlier pleaded guilty to six counts of attempted murder in last winter's attempted murder.

"You have to live with this," Kosach told Merritt. "You committed a cowardly act and pulled the trigger at least 12 times. Thank God you're a bad shot."

Merritt, handcuffed and shackled in a jail jump suit, appeared somber throughout the hearing and declined a chance to address the judge.

Kosach sentenced him to a range of 20 to 40 years without parole.

Six vehicles were hit by gunfire that shut down a 10-mile stretch of I-80 west of here for four hours on Jan. 4, 1999.

Merritt had rifles, a knife and 1,000 rounds of ammunition when he was arrested later in the day near Las Vegas while driving a pickup truck he stole from his grandfather in Fairfax, Mo.

BOSTON (AP) — The nation may get to news from more places than ever these days. But the blockbuster merger of Time Warner and America Online, as well as big media conglomerations expected in the future, are raising concerns about homogenized and diluted news.

"What this merger portends is the possibility of a new era in American communications that sees the end of an independent press," said Tom Rosenstiel, director of the Project for Excellence in Journalism.

"The concentration is getting more severe, and the range of the diversity of voices is clearly being constrained," Alger said.

Analysts expect this trend to continue as other Internet companies look for combinations with TV, film and news outlets.

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NEW YORK (AP) — Twenty-five years after clearing The Wall, Carlton Fisk and Tony Perez made the Hall.

The pair, linked by home runs in perhaps the greatest World Series ever, were elected to the Hall of Fame on Tuesday, wiping away the times they tell just don’t.

“I'll be happy and proud to be standing up there in July at the same podium as he is,” Fisk said.

Fisk is best remembered for hitting his 13th inning homer off Bill the following year, which helped rally Cincinnati from a three-run deficit to the title, is instantly overlooked.

“It's sweet now, when I'm in. It doesn't matter how long I had to wait,” said Perez, who made it on his ninth try.

The first thing I thought of was calling my mother in Cuba. The family was there, too. They started jumping around. My mother was crying,” Fisk, who caught the most games in major league history (2,226) and hit a record 51 of 776 career home runs while playing the position, received 97.6 percent and made it with 22 votes to spare.

Perez,71 votes shy last year when Nolan Ryan, George Brett and Robin Yount were chosen, got 77.2 percent and was elected with 15 votes to spare, becoming the first Cuban chosen by the BBWAA.

And it could be an even bigger '75 reunion when induction ceremonies are held July 29.

Fisk, who played from 1969-93, and Perez, active from 1964-96, will be inducted into the Hall at Cooperstown, N.Y., on July 23. Sparky Anderson, who managed the Reds to Series titles in 1975 and '76, is a leading contender for election by the veterans' committee, which meets Feb. 29 in Tampa, Fla.

“Sparky is a possibility. If I went in with Sparky at the same time,” Perez said.

Fisk, who spent 11 seasons with the Boston Red Sox and 11 with the Chicago White Sox, acknowledged his Game 6 homer off Pat Darcy as his defining moment, especially for director Harry Cokas' reaction shot of his using every hit of body English to waive the ball far as it traveled down the left-field line.
SPORTS

Young enjoyed this trip to hospital

PALO ALTO, Calif. (AP) — This was one hospital visit Steve Young looked forward to making.

The San Francisco 49ers quarterback was on hand Tuesday for the opening of the Forever Young Zone, a lounge-like room with a movie screen, computers, books, music CDs and other gadgets for patients at Lucile Packard Children's Hospital at Stanford University.

"It's a special place to be for children to kick back, be a kid, the hospital's chief executive officer, said. "It create an environment where kids can feel more comfortable and at home."

The opening followed more than three years of planning and work. Young supplied much of the money for its construction through his Forever Young Foundation. He said the building of the room took hundreds of thousands of dollars but declined to provide an exact figure. His foundation also is building a similar playing area at Primary Children's Hospital in Salt Lake City. That room is expected to open this fall.

On other matters, Young, who missed the last 13 games of the season because of a neck injury, discussed his future. He reiterated he would be willing to consider a pay cut. General manager Bill Walsh said Young was among six stars who would have to accept wage cuts as a condition of returning. "I think everybody's willing to make an investment in each other's part of how we can make this team work again," Young said.

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Neal had 31 points, 19 rebounds, a career-high nine assists and five blocked shots in the rout of the Nuggets. The Lakers moved up the second victory of the season and Denver's lost hope.

The victory avenged one of this season's rare losses, the Nuggets beat them 93-82 in Denver in November, while Bryant was sidelined.

"I've been playing good," Van Exel said. "I've played with him for a couple of years, and all along I said he was going to be someone everybody's going to want to be like one day.

"When he looks like that, he's going to be hard to stop because he's so athletic and jumps so high that he can do with you whatever he wants."

Bryant missed the Lakers' first 15 games with a broken right hand. Since he returned from that loss at Sacramento on Dec. 8, the Lakers are unbeaten, winning 15 straight for an NBA-best 32-3 record. They are still waiting for Kobe Bryant to return from injury, but they have been able to stay on top of the Western Conference with a 27-10 record.

Minnesota is a wild-card game. The Cowboys wasted six fourth-quarter points but went on to force a touchdown in the final quarter of two more. They were 1-7 in games decided by three or fewer.

"We're the team that never gave up on the field or became divided in the locker room. If players didn't like the offense, none of them said so publicly," Young said.

Jones also steadfastly supported Galley. Midway through the season Galley introduced "The Freak," a nickname for my speed move a lot. I've come back from it before, but I was never the same.

However, he may have been too laid back. Jones tried inspiring the team before its season finale by calling about 20 veterans into his office for a fireside talk.

In his 11 years as the Cowboys' owner, Jones has turned one of the most stable personalities there is, and not just in sports. He's also one of the most creative.

Jones started cramming up December losses to the New York Jets and New Orleans Saints. He said after the playoff loss that it wouldn't be appropriate to comment on his coach's future.

The Cowbys met for an hour the day after Minnesota knocked Dallas out of the playoffs, yet Galley's job status was never discussed.

The coach said he knew it was in jeopardy, though, because Jones "gets a little edgy when he lose a couple games in a row."

The Cowboys are the fifth team to change coaches this offseason, joining New Orleans, Green Bay, New England and the New York Jets. All continue to have head-coaching vacancies.

The perfect antidote to the stormy Switzer.

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Gailey out as coach of Cowboys

IRVING, Texas (AP) — Chan Gailey was fired as coach of the Dallas Cowboys on Tuesday, two days after the team was knocked out of the playoffs in the first round.

"This decision I had to make is about football," owner Jerry Jones said. "He worked hard, he was diligent, he was honest. He did everything I imagined." Gailey led Dallas to an 18-14 record in two regular seasons, but the Cowboys were eliminated from the playoffs in the first round both years.

The 48-year-old Gailey wasn't the most controversial choice as coach of the Cowboys, as he was well liked by his players and the Dallas community.

Streaky Lakers running away from pack

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