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Soaring gas prices fuel local outrage
By Katriona Corey
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Fuming with frustration, Greg Giry filled up his car at the Santa Rosa Street Arcos Station. All he could think about was better ways to spend his money than a $1.87 per gallon of gasoline.

"I can't even afford to fill up my tank anymore," said Giry, an industrial technology senior. "I remember when gas used to cost less than a dollar."

Walking or riding a bike is opposed to driving may be more appealing than ever as price jumps at the pump are expected to reach a record-breaking high this summer.

If $1.87 isn't high enough — and that is a low in San Luis Obispo — San Francisco and Orange County were hit even harder. Current gas prices there are approximately $2.15 per gallon of regular gasoline and rising.

Gas prices now are already higher than they were in early May 2000, according to a recent article from Reuters Business Report. It remains to be seen whether last year's June record price at the pump will be topped this June. The national average price of gas has been $1.83 a gallon of regular gasoline which is 21 cents above the price of gasoline at this time last year.

The national average is already above the predicted $1.52 according to the report. The Energy

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ASIS election in question
By Kirsten Orsini-Meinhard and Karin Driesen
MUSTANG DAILY MANAGING EDITOR
AND NEWS EDITOR

Votes in today's Associated Students Inc. election may not count if the Board of Directors upholds a decision to strike one candidate's name from the ballot.

Liberty Lewis, election committee chair, decided on Tuesday that presidential candidate Brent Vann should be removed from the ballot because of campaign violations.

Lewis said she does not intend to count the votes in today's election, unless the board accepts Vann's appeal at tonight's Board of Directors meeting.

Lewis will argue before the board that Vann did not comply with orders to remove his campaign signs and therefore, should be removed from the ballot. If the board votes in favor of Lewis' position, student votes in the runoff election would not be counted, and presidential candidate Angie Hacker would become president.

"This is the call I've made based on what the rules are," Lewis said. "Lewis' decision came after she was notified Tuesday morning that Vann had violated campaign regulations. These violations included having signs up in BLE 38 (Mathematics and Home Economics) where they are not allowed, and covering up ASI and Hacker posters with his own. Vann, however, claimed Lewis has no proof that his campaign is responsible for covering up posters.

"There are posters in hallways"

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Fall classes may begin at 7 a.m.
By Adrienna Benjamin
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

An increased number of incoming students has prompted the class scheduling office to provide more sections for fall quarter. Students who cannot get into regular daytime classes may now have to take classes at 7 a.m. and after 6 p.m.

"Because of the increased enrollment, we had to expand the class scheduling," said Debbie Arsenau, instructional space and scheduling analyst.

Arsenau said it is better to spread classes out because it gives more flexibility for the students' schedules.

"It's better that students spread their class throughout the day and not take classes one after the other," she said.

With 1,700 course sections at Cal Poly and only 120 lecture rooms to fit all the classes, it takes time and energy to determine the appropriate schedule, she said.

"We only have three people making up the schedules, and it takes weeks to make up the schedule," Arsenau said. "But the departments have to send their information and we later assign rooms for all the classes."

In the early 1990s, there were more classes offered at 7 a.m. Yet after the budget cut, the scheduling was also decreased, Arsenau said.

The class scheduling office is trying to have the fall quarter schedule out by the end of today. At that time, the office will be sending verification notices out to the departments for final review and changes prior to publication.

"Many students say they wouldn't take classes at 7 a.m. because it would get in the way of their concentration. I wouldn't take classes that early because I'm not a morning person," said Kerri Sundeen, a recreation administration sophomore. "I also can't concentrate around that time."

Sundeen said she would only take 7 a.m. classes if they were the only recommended classes offered at that time.

"I would try to find a way around it, but if I had to then I guess I would do it," she said.

Arsenau said scheduling early morning classes and night classes are for the students' benefit. She said that when students' have three-hour lab classes, it's hard to fit other classes into their schedule.

Some professors feel the new scheduling will be detrimental to
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That I've personally seen and I've had people call," Lewis said.

As a penalty, Lewis informed Vann at approximately 11:45 a.m. that he would have to remove all campaign materials by 1 p.m. that day. When Vann objected to this deadline, Lewis changed the deadline so that all outdoor campaign material had to be removed by 1 p.m., and all material inside buildings had to be removed by 5 p.m.

"The time period that she gave us was absolutely unreasonable," said Tamas Simon, a member of Vann's campaign. "There was no time to contest. We skipped classes to take all the outside signs down, and Brent trying to contest would have eaten away at our time to get those signs down."

Vann and his campaign were unable to remove all materials from campus in the allotted time, so about 5:30 p.m. Lewis informed Vann of the election cancellation. She later decided to allow the election to continue, but not count the ballots. Her reasoning for this was, according to the elections manual, a candidate will be removed entirely from the election process after a third offense.

The three counts against Vann were his posters hanging up in Hibbs, his inability to meet the 1 p.m. deadline and finally, his inability to meet the 5 p.m. deadline. Vann and his supporters disagree that these violations counted as three separate offenses since they occurred in the same time period, Simon said.

A heated argument took place in the ASI office between Lewis, Vann and his campaign members Tuesday evening. Vann and five of his supporters claimed that the ruling was unreasonable.

"We gave you until five, you agreed to it," Lewis said.

Vann said he had not been given enough time to remove all the signs, and the decision to cancel the election was unfair.

"Lewis presented Vann with photos she had taken of Vann signs still displayed after the deadline. One such photo showed Vann posters on stakes sticking out of the trash can in front of the Horticulture Building. Lewis claimed that if Vann ever that any visible signs were in violation of her instructions, but Vann said the signs had been thrown away, and therefore weren't in violation.

"We got everything down that we knew of... everything outside of campus was gone," Vann said.

The intense arguing between Lewis, Vann and his supporters continued for approximately an hour. Vann argued that Lewis had not taken similar action when damage was done to Vann's campaign. Earlier in the campaign period, some of Vann's signs and posters were defaced with the word "Signs."

Lewis said she had not seen a "sign" hanging up on campus. The controversy surrounding today's elections comes one week after the initial election in which Vann and Hacker received the most votes, disqualifying presidential candidature Corey Redd. A runoff election was necessary so one of those two candidates would have to receive 50 percent plus one of the votes, which is necessary to win an election.

Vann has the option of appealing Lewis' decision to the Board of Directors tonight. If the board decides not to count the votes in today's election and Hacker becomes president, it will be without the 50 percent plus one vote.

Hacker currently holds the position of Chair of the College of Liberal Arts representative to the board, which means she can choose whether or not she wants to vote at tonight's meeting, Lewis said.

Lewis said he doesn't know how the board will react to this situation, but she plans to stick by her position.

"I feel that I've made all of these calls as election chair and as far as I'm concerned, those ballots have never been seen," she said.

Vann said he felt this campaign is the dirtiest in Cal Poly history.

"How is this going to inspire anyone to get off their butts to run for ASI when this kind of stuff happens?" he said.

Voting will still be held today from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at various campus locations.

White House ‘let down’ by removal from U.N. panels

WASHINGTON (AP) — The White House expressed disappoint­ment Tuesday that the United States was ousted from U.N. panels on drug trafficking and human rights, and pre­dicted that U.N. efforts to address those issues will be weaker because of it.

The Bush administration feels let down by other member nations that pledged to support U.S. candidates for the U.N. Human Rights Commission and the International Narcotics Control Board, said White House spokesman Ari Fleischer, Bar. he said. President Bush was not included to take the defeats as a sign of discontent over the United States' long-delayed U.N. dues.

"The president believes that we should pay the dues that we owe to the United Nations," Fleischer said. "The real losers in this equation are the people around the world who are struggling to be free. The United States is going to continue to vote as a beacon of freedom and human rights, and the president will continue to speak out."

Meanwhile, the House International Relations Committee's leaders devised an agreement Tuesday that they hope will preserve the payment of $525 million in late dues to the United Nations.
Discover options for contraception

By Kat DeBakker
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

For those who have trouble remembering to take a birth control pill every day, two new options are now available.

More convenient methods of birth control (such as monthly shots or implanted devices) are emerging that eliminate the hassle experienced by many women, such as Sarah Gorrud, a recreation administration senior.

"Remembering to take (birth control pills) is always a big deal," Gorrud said.

She has been on birth control pills for three years, and admitted that the only way she remembers to take them is by putting them in a container with other pills, marked with the days of the week.

Gorrud said that she would prefer an easier method of birth control, but she takes the pills for a medical condition, and the pills themselves are part of the treatment.

Non-daily hormonal methods, such as the monthly hormone shot and Mirena IUD (Intrauterine device), are designed to interfere with the release of an egg or sperm penetrating the egg.

Lunelle is being offered on a trial basis at the Health Center, according to Dr. Andrea Pengringer, head of women's health at the Health Center. There are presently a small number of samples available, and if the interest is high enough, the center may begin to carry it regularly.

The Health Center does not insert IUDs, although staff can remove them if needed. Just because the Health Center is not offering IUDs to students does not mean that they are not recommended.

"It's not a matter of recommendation," Perez said. "It's just not within the scope of our practice."

There are also more mechanical barrier devices available for women, such as FemCap and Lea Shield, which block the cervix so sperm cannot get through.

A recent Los Angeles Times article described these methods as both convenient and, in some cases, effective as sterilization. According to the official Mirena Web Site, the Mirena IUD is 99 percent effective, inserted in minutes during a single office visit, and is effective immediately.

The article also reported that the Mirena can be left in for up to five years.

The Health Center offers oral contraceptives, diaphragms, a Depo Provera injection every three months, condoms and emergency contraceptive pills, said Merina Perez, head of nursing services at the Health Center.

"Most of our clients are on oral contraceptives, so I believe it is the most popular," Perez said.

Statistical data on the percentages of clients on each method was not available.

The article stated that some insurers may be unlikely to extend coverage to some of the newer birth control methods, such as the Mirena IUD, which can cost $350 to $395 plus insertion fees. The monthly Lunelle shot is more comparable to birth controls in price at $25 to $30 a month.

"Women have clearly demonstrated they are amenable to looking at new methods of contraception other than oral contraceptives," said Dr. Robert Rebar, associate director of the American Society for Reproductive Medicine in Birmingham, Ala., in the article.

There are several new methods of birth control for women waiting to be approved by the Food and Drug Administration, including a skin patch and a plastic ring that is inserted internally and releases hormones for approximately 21 days. It is unknown when these methods will be available to the public.

An alternative to these contraceptives is the relatively new morning-after pill. This pill, according to a handout from the Health Center, is emergency contraception containing high doses of hormones. This is available at the Health Center, and should be taken up to 72 hours with unprotected intercourse, and may cause nausea, according to the Health Center handout.

Planned Parenthood's Web site stated that it is difficult for researchers to come up with effective birth control methods for men because men are always producing sperm. Their continuous fertility prevents intervention methods.

The Web site did state that men in Italy are currently testing a contraceptive pill containing synthetic hormones. However, there's no information on when or if it will be available in the United States.

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Some birth control methods available at the Health Center are contraceptive foams, Depo Provera, Lunelle and hormone pills.

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With spring here, thoughts of fresh summer fruits may drift into one's mind, along with images of hot days by the pool or beach. And what's better than enjoying a cool fruit smoothie or eating a handful of ripe strawberries on a warm day? Strawberry season has begun — a treat well worth waiting for all winter!

Strawberries vary in size and color (some are off-white or yellowish). In general, smaller berries have the best flavor.

Strawberries have been available recently on an ever-lengthening calendar. Fresh strawberries are available year-round in many regions of the country, with the peak season from April to June. Choose brightly colored, plump berries that still have their green caps attached and which are uniform in size. Do not wash until ready to use, and store in a moisture-proof container in the refrigerator for 2 to 3 days.

Strawberries are an excellent source of vitamin C and also provide some potassium and iron. In fact, it's possible to get your daily dose, or 60 mg, of vitamin C from just 8 medium-sized strawberries. One of the main functions of vitamin C in the body includes role as an antioxidant, as it helps to prevent damage to tissues, which may be important in preventing disease.

Fresh strawberries are wonderful eaten in a fruit salad, with yogurt, or on top of cereal. A special treat is to use strawberries in desserts, with dough cake being one of the most popular.

Shelby Wilson is a nutritional science senior and a Peer Health Educator.

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Ever thought about being homeless?
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Canned Food and Clothing Drive
Get rid of those old clothes and buy some extra food — bring it by Campus Martes, the Rec. Center or the UU

Hunger Banquet
Come to a free dinner and experience the global economic and food distribution inequalities. 7:15p at Sandwich Factory.

Fast to End Hunger
Give up a meal and donate your lunch money to the Food Bank. Break the fast at the Mission Plaza at 6:00pm.

Benefit Concert
Come listen to Slow Gherkin, Two Hand Touch, Hooray for Nothing, and Rising Defiante at the Masons Hall on March (across from Jambo juice) Tickets are $5 at the Rec. Center & Boo-boo's. All proceeds go to the shelter. All ages welcome!

Walk to End Homelessness
Sat, May 12th
Come walk 1 Smiles for the shelter! Free BBQ afterwards. 10:00am at the EOC Homeless Shelter 750 Crumt Road

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The Kennedy Library and ITS are pleased to remind you of extending Extended Library Hours for the Reserve Room & PolyConnect Lab:

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Jenny Rosner

A distinction must be made between following peace and remaining in one's comfort zone, and I think the main difference is the element of fear. If we are stuck in our comfort zone, fear is most likely what binders us from moving forward. But something that is scary can still feel peaceful. We can look at it and know that it will be difficult or challenging or frightening yet still have peace about doing it. Peace is what we are to seek, the absence of the fear in certain situations and certain opportunities and is absent in others. While our comfort zone may provide a pseudo-sense of calmness and control, it will eventually break down our confidence as we continue to succumb to the choking grip of fear.

Each day holds something new for us as does each place of our life. We cause ourselves harm when we hold on to the past and refuse to move forward. Taking a step forward means that we are going to have to let go of certain things, but we must notice that letting go does not mean losing those things, it means replacing them. This concept is hard to grasp when we are in the midst of change, for we don't have a clear picture of what will fill those places that are being vacated as we let go of what used to occupy them. But without releasing the old we will have no room to embrace the new.

How are we to see and be prepared for what lies ahead if our eyes are fixed on the rearview mirror and the things that have passed? Our journey through life marches on regardless of our state of mind, but where is our focus? How wonderful it would be to approach the future confidently and remain open and optimistic about what is in store for us.

There are elements of good in everything we encounter, but we must be looking for them. Our outlook on life and our attitude toward change serve as a lens through which we perceive everything else. It is amazing how much the world and our lives would change if we could stop bickering about the presence of thorns among roses, and start being thankful for the presence of roses among thorns.

Jenny Rosner is a political science senior.
Forget Fidel, Cuba captures Caribbean color

I am not a pacifist. I understand the benefits of life in the United States and the rights I have gained, but the "Star Spangled Banner" does not bring back memories of losin1 my eyes in a tear gas cloud. In a previous era, I would have been an expatriate, a Hemingway type. This desire to flee the perfect American life has taken me around the world, and what I see now against everything I had ever learned.

Having grown up in the United States, I don't remember learning much about Cuba. I learned about the Cuban Missile Crisis and the failed Bay of Pigs invasion, but this is all I recall. Textbooks did not bring Cuba to life—it was merely an island in the Caribbean and one of the last communist strongholds in the world. In our time, the era of McCarthyism had passed, and with it the Soviet Union and the fear of communist takeover. In 1962, however, the United States enacted an embargo against Cuba. This embargo, which blocked exports to Cuba, Cuban imports to the United States, direct flights, food and medical supplies, remains part of our policy today.

Until last year, little of this affected my life. In the middle of the "Blair cri­ sis," I traveled to Cuba, and what I saw changed my view and my life. Cuba came alive. The people, colors, smells and sounds of La Habana Vieja immediately erased any previous idea I held about Cuba, a country that I had never should be, to me, a paradise. Knowing him has not stopped me from believing that he should pay with his life for what he's done. Stop defending the criminals and start protecting the innocent.

Jennifer Malone is a recreation administration senior.

Words from the ASI dictator: keep voting Editor,

Just a few days ago, Associated Student Inc.'s held its annual elec­ tions. Mustang Daily, as the primary news media for Cal Poly, report­ ed on the results and elections. Students Inc. held its annual elec­ tions ever.

Brent Vann, who will also return to the polls this week, got 812 votes, representing 4.8 percent of the entire student body. I had 14,150 students support me in my run for Dictator by not voting. Nobody can claim that a 17 per­ cent voter turnout is a victory for democracy. But that is the highest percent that he ever voted, and for that I would like to commend Liberty Lewis and the rest of the election staff who worked hard to make this the most accessible elec­tion ever.

Elections are important, as is full participation by the public. That's why I intend to keep the title of Dictator. I hope it will encourage people who supported me in this election to vote in next year's election and to keep ASI working to increase turnout.

Alex Vassar is a history sophomore and unconstitu­ tional dictator of ASI.

Daily wisely used image to tell story Editor,

Citation of Mustang Daily's coverage of the recent police chase

As a tribute to our campus, we'd like you to rate Cal Poly in these categories. Take a little time to review your years on campus and submit your results. You can do this by e-mailing bestofcalpoly@hotmail.com, faxing 756-6745 or by simply dropping by the newsroom, building 26, room 226. Kudos in mind, the categories are on-campus only. Votes will be accepted until Friday, May 11 at 5 p.m. and Mustang Daily will bring you the Best of Cal Poly on Wednesday, May 16.

1. Best Place to Study
2. Best Professor
3. Best Course
4. Best Major
5. Best Place to Nap
6. Best Place to Have Sex
7. Best Place to Get a Tan
8. Best Dressed Professor
9. Best Food
10. Best Vending Machine
11. Best Livestock
12. Best Slacker Course
13. Best Julian's Drink
14. Best Ethnic Food
15. Best Club to Party With
16. Best Place to Go Rappelling
17. Best R.A.
18. Best Waste of Money
19. Best Use of Money
20. Best Classroom
21. Best Parking Lot
22. Best Sports Team
23. Best Club Sport
24. Best Cal Poly Band
25. Best Textbook

DEADLINE TO VOTE IS FRIDAY, MAY 11 AT 5 P.M.
Study indicates homosexuality may be in mind

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — An explosive new study says some highly motivated gay people can turn straight.

That conclusion clashes with that of major mental health organizations, which say that sexual orientation is fixed and that so-called reparative therapy may actually be harmful.

Gay rights activists attacked the study, and an academic critic noted that many of the 200 "ex-gays" who participated were referred by religious groups that mock homosexuality.

Dr. Robert L. Spitzer, a psychiatry professor at Columbia University who led the study, said he cannot estimate what percentage of highly motivated gay people can change their sexual orientation. But he said the research "shows some people can change from gay to straight, and we ought to acknowledge that."

He is scheduled to present his findings Wednesday in New Orleans at a meeting of the American Psychiatric Association, and he plans to submit his work for publication.

The issue has been hotly debated in the scientific community and among religious groups, some of which contend gays can become heterosexual through prayer and counseling.

Major mental health groups say nobody knows what causes a person's sexual orientation. Theories tracing homosexuality to troubled family dynamics or faulty psychological development have been discredited, the psychiatric association says. The APA says most scientists think sexual orientation probably comes from a complex interaction including biological and environmental factors.

Spitzer spearheaded the APA's 1973 decision to remove homosexuality from its list of mental disorders. At the time, he said homosexuality does not meet the criteria for a mental disorder, and he called for more research to determine whether some people can change their sexuality.

Spitzer, who said he does not offer reparative therapy and began his study as a skeptic, said the research was paid for out of his department's funds. He conducted 45-minute telephone interviews with 200 people, 143 of them men, who claimed they had changed their orientation from gay to heterosexual. The average age of these individuals was 43.

They answered about 60 questions about their sexual feelings and behavior before and after their efforts to change. Those efforts had begun about 14 years before the interviews for the men and 12 years for the women.

Most said they had used more than one strategy to change their orientation. About half said the most helpful step was work with a mental health professional, most commonly a psychologist. About a third cited a support group, and fewer mentioned such aids as books and mentoring by a heterosexual.

Spitzer concluded that 66 percent of the men and 44 percent of the women had arrived at what he called a "good heterosexual identity.

That term was defined as being in a sustained, loving heterosexual relationship within the past year, getting enough satisfaction from the emotional relationship with their partner to rate it at least seven on a 10-point scale, having satisfying heterosexual sex at least monthly and never or rarely thinking of somebody of the same sex during heterosexual sex.

In addition, 89 percent of men and 95 percent of women said they were bothered only slightly, or not at all, by unwanted homosexual feelings. Only 11 percent of the men and 17 percent of the women reported a complete absence of homosexual indicators, including same-sex attraction.

Psychologist Douglas Haldeman, who is on the clinical faculty of the University of Washington and has published evaluations of reparative therapy, said the study offers no convincing evidence of change.

He said there is no credible scientific evidence that suggests sexual orientation can be changed, "and this study doesn't prove that either."

He also said the participants appeared unusually skewed toward religious conservatives and people treated by therapists "with a strong anti-gay bias." Such participants might think that being homosexual is bad and feel pressured to change.

Spitzer said he has no proof that participants were honest, but he said several findings suggest their statements cannot be dismissed out of hand.

For example, he said, participants had no trouble offering detailed descriptions of their behavior by "saying gay ministries" that offer programs to gay people who seek change, organizations Haldeman said are chiefly sponsored by religious conservatives.

An additional 23 percent were referred by the National Association for Research and Therapy of Homosexuality, which says most of its members consider homosexuality a developmental disorder.

David Elliott, a spokesman for the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force in Washington, also criticized the study because of the main sources of its participants.

"The sample is terrible, totally tainted, totally unrepresentative of gay and lesbian communities," he said.

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"I really need to clear up some misinformation about me, " said Stanford, a 39-year-old author and former professor. "I'm not a blackmailer. I've never received any payoffs money."

Jackson's spokesman also said no money was offered. On Tuesday, Jackson bristled at questions about Stanford.

"The law is that the agreement for the sake of the patient and the child should be comfortable," Jackson said after a reporter pressed him. "Really, that is a matter of law. What we've sought to do throughout is be honorable and responsible with dignity and privacy, and we will maintain that."

Stanford has said Jackson seeking to formalize a child-support agreement. Jackson has been sending $3,000 a month to support his daughter, who turns 2 this month.
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and not give up. I knew I had to do what I could do.' 

Last season, sophomore Natalie Carrillo started every game as the Mustangs' shortstop.

Junior second baseman Kasey Poet said it didn't matter that Sparrey was a freshman because she was able to do her job.

"She's awesome because she can hold her own," Poet said. "It doesn't happen very often that a freshman does that, but she is one of those players because she is so good." 

Sparrey's hitting took a small downturn toward the end of the season, but she said she picked up her defense to make up for her lack of hits.

Playing shortstop with the Mustangs has been one of her best experiences and she said the team members are all good friends. She said they are all capable of playing hard at any time.

"Everybody is there and we are all supportive of each other," she said.

Boyer said that Sparrey is easy to coach because she came in with a high school level.

"She knows the game well," she said. "That made it easy to coach her because she had a lot of knowledge coming into the program." 

Sparrey attended Cal Poly so she could stay in California, be close to the beach and be away from her hometown, but not too far away. She also said she liked the team when she went on her recruiting trip last year as a senior at Valley High School.

Sparrey's parents, Bill and Cherie, followed the team around the country so they wouldn't miss any of their daughter's games. She said she has a strong bond with her parents.

Sparrey said that next year will be a better season for her because she will be more experienced and know what to expect.

"I've become a more well-rounded person," Sparrey said. "My confidence has come a long way and I think that will help me to stay in the lineup." 

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Young still working toward NFL

By Joe Nolan
SPECIAL TO MUSTANG DAILY

He’s too short.
He’s too small to be an every-down back.
He didn’t play very good competition as a Division I-AA player.
Despite all the knocks, NFL scouts have used him against and the fact that he hasn’t played in more than a year, Cal Poly career leading rusher Craig Young is still working for a shot in the NFL.

“Even if they don’t believe in my ability, I personally believe in my own ability,” said Young, who is 5-foot-9, 197 pounds. “I’ve seen people that come from these so-called schools with their great athletes and they put their pads on one leg at a time, just like I do. In some cases, I think I put some on a little better.”

It was still the 20th century, 1999 to be exact, when Young was putting on his Cal Poly uniform and stepping to the goal line for the Mustangs. After setting the school rushing record a year after his backfield mate Antonio Warren accomplished the same feat, Young was a likely candidate to be a late-round draft choice.

Although he played a different position, his draft status was very similar to that of his old teammate, wide receiver Kamil Lorde, who was a Buffalo Bills seventh-round pick in April 1999. They both formed road-runner-like speed and the ability to break the big play, but neither of them fit the ideal prospect mold. There was always the standard question that surrounds small-school star athletes every year. Would he have done as well against the best teams in the country? If there’s a LAXS’s sixth from Cal Poly and a Luxembourg native from Michigan, the Michigan guy gets a lot more respect because of the quality of opponents and not necessarily because of his ability,” Young said.

But in the spring of his junior year, Young set up a workout for scouts in Mustang Stadium, a standard practice for small-school players. However, Young blew out his hamstring a week before while running track and was unable to show off his skills. A year later, he was not selected in the NFL draft.

For the last year, Young, who graduated with a degree in business, has kept his focus on field. He has maintained a rigorous workout schedule and last year worked as a graduate assistant coach for the Mustangs. While coaching, he would talk to scouts, and Young said they were typically impressed.

“They would ask me to see my tape,” Young said.

Life without Scott begins for Mustangs

By Ryan Ballard
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

The post-Jamie Scott era has begun.
Before the optional teams shoot-around Monday afternoon, head basketball coach Kevin Brember gathered his players around and informed them of Scott’s intent to transfer to the University of Richmond at the end of the school year.

This发展 didn’t surprise, since they knew Scott was planning on making a decision following his trip to Richmond over the weekend, said David Henry, sophomore forward.

“I understand how he would want to play closer to his family,” Henry said.

Here is his closest family lives in Richmond, his mom lives something like half a hour away.”

Some players were disappointed in Scott’s decision.

“I was a little upset,” said Steve Geary, junior guard.

“His family and, of course, a great player. I respect his decision, though, he’s going to a great program to play in a great conference.”

With the loss of their top scorer, the Mustangs will struggle to find leadership.

“See you guys to look to Brandon (Boyce) and David (Henry) for leadership next year,” Brember said. “There’s some seniors, and need to take responsibility for leading this team.”

Brember isn’t concerned about a deep in the talent level at shooting guard, the position Scott started at all 28 games for the Mustangs.

“The position probably won’t change at that position is equal,” he said.

Brember could not comment further on recruit until they officially sign with the team.

Not only do the Mustangs lose Scott’s 15.1 points per game, but they won’t be able to replace his scholarship. NCAA rules permit a team to sign only five players to a scholarship in a season and eight over a two-year span.

“It’s just one less guy we have depth-wise,” Henry said.

“We’re going to have to find a guy to plug the two spots (shooting guard) or have guys step up. Players are going to have to play like

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