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The Cal Poly University Police Department (UPD) announced Tuesday that it will not pursue charges against the suspects in the two reported Poly Canyon Village sexual assaults.

University Police Chief Bill Watton said the decision to not press charges was due to a lack of evidence for the cases.

"After the investigation, we don't have enough evidence to pursue criminal charges," Watton said. "This is just a very high standard to meet. The university will now do an investigation."

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"I know it will make it hard for survivors to come forward," he said. "If we could pursue charges we would, but it's just one of those things where if we don't have enough evidence, we can't charge them. We still encourage survivors to come forward."

Officials in charge of the investigation could not be reached for comment as of press time.

Student sues Poly after cow injures leg

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A renegade heifer and an injured leg has resulted in a Cal Poly student suing the university for negligence.

Dairy science junior Nicole Nelsen's leg was crushed by a cow, tearing ligaments and damaging blood vessels, while taking an artificial insemination class at the Bull Test Unit in November 2010.

Nelsen is now suing Cal Poly to help cover her medical expenses and ensure the safety of facilities is improved for other students, her legal counsel Daniel O'Neil said.

Nelsen was in a breeding shed inseminating a cow when another cow passed through several open gates before breaking down the door to the shed and pinning Nelsen's leg against the metal bars of the shed, O'Neil said. Without the help of several nearby students, Nelsen's knee might have needed to be amputated, O'Neil said.

"She had to have surgeries to repair the arteries and reconstruct her knee," O'Neil said.

Nelsen is suing for negligence and compensation to pay for medical expenses stemming from surgeries and physical therapy.

In addition to costing her money, Nelsen's injury bought her education to a halt, O'Neil said.

"She always wanted to be a veterinarian, and since this has happened, she now wants to be an animal behaviorist," O'Neil said.

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posted, it's been very hard for her to be around large animals," O'Neill said.
Nelson is currently resting at home after another surgery to help her leg recover.

But accidents in the world of agriculture are just a part of the job, said one dairy science junior who asked to remain anonymous because of how the lawsuit has affected the college.

"It's an unfortunate situation all the way around," the student said. "Nobody likes to have it, but it's agriculture. Accidents happen all the time in agriculture."

The student said Cal Poly's agriculture facilities are aging and in need of improvement, but finances make it hard.

"With budget cuts, we're doing the best we can with what we have," the student said.

Stace Momburg, Cal Poly public affairs team leader, said school officials could not comment because the school has yet to be served with the papers. Momburg said the school also does not comment on pending litigation.

Animal science professor Mike Hall, who is in charge of the Bull Test Unit, said the artificial insemination class (AI), known as an "enterprise project," is part of Cal Poly's Learn By Doing curriculum. The animal science department produces students with experience in the field by offering them enterprise projects instead of just lectures.

"We have a very high acceptance rate of our animal science students getting accepted to veterinary school, and the reason for that is our enterprise projects," Hall said.

The artificial insemination enterprise project is essential in helping students learn the process of breeding cows, Hall said.

"AI is not something you can learn out of a textbook," Hall said. "You have to practice, and that's what Nicole was doing — she was practicing."

Safety is always a concern during this practice, Hall said. The class meets once a week for lectures that cover what the students will do with the animals and animal safety.

When students are working with the animals, Hall said he ensures they don't "spook" the cows.

"We try to do everything to keep the animals as calm as possible," Hall said.

Nelson's injury is the first of its kind in the 37 years that Hall has worked in the Bull Test Unit area, he said. At the same time, students work with large animals that could potentially be dangerous.

"We work in a very high-risk type of area," Hall said.

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"Being resourceful with our money was a big challenge for our team this year," Schultz said. "However, on a points per dollar basis, we performed absolutely phenomenally."

Schultz said the car, which also earned fifth place in the monsoon event, experienced difficulties even though it was the second to pass all technical inspections.

At one point of the competition, the car had to race in the rain. Unfortunately, the car's electrical boxes were not waterproof, causing rain water to get in and set off mandated safety devices on the vehicle, Schultz said.

Lynn Allemandi, an assistant team leader, artistic director of Formula Hybrid and a theatre arts junior, said the challenges and problems with the car this year will prompt a more efficient vehicle next year.

"With a project like this that is so complex, there are always problems, but it is a learning experience," Allemandi said. "We grow as a team as our knowledge expands."

Despite the difficulties, Schultz said he was proud of the vehicle. He said there are two types of hybrid systems: series, "in which the electric motor is the only thing touching the motor and the gasoline engine is just there as a generator to replenish the batteries," and parallel, in which both the electrical engine and the gasoline engine are connected to the wheels. The Cal Poly vehicle used the series system, though many hybrid cars on the market use the parallel system.

Schultz said he hoped with competitions promoting innovation in hybrid technology, a more environmentally efficient car will be produced.

"The best thing is as battery technology advances, not only will electric vehicles become more prevalent, but alternative energy will become more prevalent because the main hurdle, the main challenge is it's intermittent," Schultz said. "Personally, I see electric vehicles as a very big contender for transportation in the future, and also making alternative energy much more viable."

With gas prices rising, car companies are expanding their own hybrid technology, especially with car sales falling with the economy.

Dan Ponsor, an environmental communications manager of Ford Motor Company, said "car sales have definitely struggled in the past few years," but he said he felt that sales have been increasing.

He said "the industry estimates it will sell 13.1 million vehicles in the U.S. (which) is up from last year but down from the 15 million to 16 million sold in the early 2000s." Yet, he also said hybrid sales have been increasing with gas prices rising.

Honda dealers have also seen a rise in hybrid sales.

Elise Kephart, the Internet sales director at the San Luis Obispo car dealership Sunset Honda, said Honda hybrids have been selling more often.

"I can tell you currently right now I am sold out of Hybrids both in the Insight and the Civic Hybrid," Kephart said. "Even customers who have larger size SUV's are downsizing now that gas is so high."

Pierce said with gas prices and more environmental concern, Ford as well as other car companies will focus on more sustainable technologies.

"By 2012, Ford will introduce five new electrified vehicles — two full battery electric, a plug-in hybrid and two next generation hybrids," Pierce said. "By 2020, Ford estimates that between 10 to 25 percent of its entire vehicle line up will be electrified in some way — hybrids, plug-in hybrids or full electric."

With a call for more sustainable resources and more fuel-efficient cars, Schultz said competitions like the International Formula Hybrid competition help future engineers become interested in technological advancements. Yet, Schultz said the most important and valuable part of the competition was the amount of teamwork and cooperation between not just the Cal Poly team, but all the teams registered. "Teams are lending tools to each other, teams are giving parts to each other, teams are sharing their designs with each other," Schultz said. "Honestly, we recognize that this is ultimately a learning experience, and we recognize we have things we can learn from others, and we also have an opportunity to help others. And that aspect of it is really, really cool."
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Republicans to hold vote on raising national debt limit

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House Republicans announced Tuesday that they would hold a vote, possibly as soon as next week, to raise the nation's debt limit without any spending cuts attached. But Democrats said the vote is another dangerous political stunt, with no spending cuts attached. They would hold a vote, possibly as soon as next week, to raise the debt limit to be raised by $2.4 trillion — the amount necessary to continue paying the nation's obligations is highly irresponsible.

Rep. Dave Camp of Michigan, the Republican chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, put forward legislation that would allow the debt limit to be raised by $2.4 trillion — the amount necessary to continue paying the nation's obligations through the end of 2012.

"Let me be clear. I do not support and will not vote for a debt limit increase that does not contain significant spending cuts and budgetary reforms," Camp said in announcing the bill he will oppose. But he said the vote would force Democrats to go on record on the issue. "My guess is there's not going to be many members left who think that's a good idea," said Sen. Mitch McConnell of Kentucky, the Republican leader.

Republicans welcomed the vote as necessary for amplifying the GOP position as deficit-reduction talks continued this week between congressional leaders and Vice President Joe Biden. But Democrats said the vote is nothing but brinkmanship that sends the wrong message at a time when financial markets worldwide are watching Congress' ability to tackle a difficult issue.

Brinkmanship with our economy and our nation's obligations is highly irresponsible.

— Rep. Sander Levin
Ways and Means Committee

State

CONTRA COSTA (MCT) —
Caltrans on Tuesday opened an Interstate 80 carpool lane extension between Hercules and Crockett to ease the congestion on the busy freeway.

The $36 million project extends the eastbound carpool on I-80 by 4.7 miles from Highway 4 to the Carquinez Bridge.

Money for the project came from a $1 Bay Area bridge toll increase that was approved in 2004 by voters in the region to fund transportation projects.

The highway project adds capacity to the freeway segment, and provides a dedicated lane in rush hours for carpools with three or more riders.

SAN DIEGO (MCT) —
Grooving friends and family members of four people found dead at their San Diego home early Tuesday said they were stunned by the deaths and were not aware of any family problems.

Friends and relatives identified the victims as Alfredo and Georgina Pimentel and their two daughters, Priscilla, 17, and Emily, 7.

Police discovered the bodies after responding to a call about 6:40 a.m. PDT that there had been a death at the home in the Skyline neighborhood.

MIGHBAN (MCT) —
The U.S. Department of Transportation and the Environmental Protection Agency are set to announce a decision on new fuel-efficiency labels Wednesday morning, four people familiar with the decision told the Detroit Free Press.

The labels — stickers the government requires in the window of the new cars to give consumers fuel economy information — have been slated for an overhaul, but a debate has surrounded what kind of information to include, and whether the labels should include a "grade" for each car based on its efficiency.

For the first time, information on emissions will be included, along with a design aimed at making it easier for consumers to compare cars in the same size or function class.

National

WASHINGTON D.C. (MCT) —
President Obama on Tuesday morning expressed his sorrow about the tornado damage in Missouri, Minnesota and around the Midwest, calling the devastation "incomparable" and promising a full federal response to help in the recovery.

Obama has already dispatched federal officials to the region to survey the damage and talk with local officials, and he said he will visit Missouri personally Sunday.

"We are here for you," Obama said, addressing the survivors. "We're going to stay by you."

He pledged to sustain the recovery efforts "after the news cameras leave."

INTERNATIONAL

IRAN (MCT) —
An explosion blamed on a gas leak struck a newly inaugurated section of an oil refinery Tuesday just before President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad spoke at the facility's ribbon-cutting ceremony.

At least one person was killed and 25 were injured by the explosion in Ahmadinejad's oil-rich southwest.

The incident did not disrupt Ahmadinejad's speech, according to news agencies.

Officials quickly insisted that blame was the result of an industrial accident and not an act of sabotage. According to the semi-official Mehr news agency, the explosion and fire were caused by a gas leak, which poisoned oil workers.

SUDAN (MCT) —
Thousands of residents of Sudan's oil-rich disputed Abyei region continued to flee south Tuesday, along with humanitarian groups attempting to prepare clinics and shelters before the rainy season.

Choi Anguie, a member the Abyei administrative council, said hundreds of children were separated from their parents when fighting started in the region over the weekend and are now searching for their families in towns to the south.

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Mubarak to stand trial for conspiracy in shootings

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Former President Hosni Mubarak of Egypt will stand trial on charges of conspiring in the shootings deaths of protesters during the uprising that led to his ouster in February, the country's prosecutor-general said Tuesday, an announcement that appeared to be intended to appease families of the victims and protesters gearing up for major demonstrations in the capital Friday.

Many were pleased to see Mubarak charged, but after weeks of watching the former president successfully stall his detention, they remained skeptical that he will actually make it to court.

"His first day in court will be a good day for the families of those who were murdered," said Hossam Bahgat, the executive director of the Egyptian Initiative for Personal Rights, a Cairo group that has represented the families of some protesters who were killed.

"We remain concerned at the lack of transparency and coherence and the lack of strategy to deal with all the crimes of the past," Bahgat said, including what he called "the failure of the prosecution to disclose the details of the investigation and the kind of evidence that they have amassed against Mubarak and his sons."

Mubarak and his sons, Gamal and Alaa, were also charged on Tuesday with abusing power to amass wealth, enriching associates and accepting bribes, the office of Prosecutor-General Mahmoud Abdel-Meguid said in a statement on its Facebook page. No trial dates have been set.

"There are serious concerns that the trial might not bring justice to the people and the families of those who were killed," Bahgat said. Protesters have demanded in recent weeks that Mubarak stand trial, frustrated that demonstrators have been jailed, tried and sentenced by the interim government's military courts while Mubarak and most of his inner circle have managed to escape punishment.

Amnesty International issued a statement on Tuesday that called for the prosecution of "all those who are responsible for the killing and torture of protesters, including the military."

Egypt's former security chief and four of his top aides are also on trial in connection with shooting protesters.

Hussein Saleni, a Mubarak associate, was also charged Tuesday but remained at large.

After Mubarak, 83, stepped down from the presidency on Feb. 11, he was taken into custody in connection with a corruption probe. However, he was allowed to remain at a hospital near his villa in the Red Sea resort town of Sharm el-Sheikh.

His two sons are being held in a Cairo prison.

Activists saw the statement as an attempt to head off protests on Friday dubbed as "Egypt's second revolution."

"We need a human leader first," said Tarek Shalaby, 26, a blogger and social media consultant recently jailed for protesting outside the Israeli Embassy in Cairo.

Protesters are expected to demand Mubarak be tried, members of his former regime expelled from the government and the former government's emergency laws overturned.

"It's 30 years too late," said Tarek Shalaby, 26, a blogger and social media consultant recently jailed for protesting outside the Israeli Embassy in Cairo.
Spring dance show brings ‘sexiness, sass, theatrics’

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Students are prepared to dance the night away at the Spring Dance Concert: Kaleidoscopes. Attendees can expect versatile dancing styles — from tap dancing to hip-hop to belly and Bollywood.

This year, the program will feature “Kaleidoscopes” as its main theme. Even though this optical instrument isn’t specifically being used in the dances, the overall message portrayed is individual parts piecing together to become one whole entertaining showcase.

“If you look in a kaleidoscope, you see all these different colors, and that’s kind of what it is,” choreographer and biological sciences junior Misty Moyle said. “It’s all these different types of dance and genres of dance put together to create this beautiful event.”

The event is about having fun and using the opportunity to dance on stage in front of an audience as a means of artistic expression and a creative outlet, Moyle said.

“The expectation for me is to have fun, for my dancers to have fun, to try something new and to learn,” Moyle said. “As a choreographer and a dancer, this is a great Learn By Doing opportunity. It’s not every day that someone gets to run around directing people and have the experience.”

“This experience parallels Cal Poly’s Learn By Doing motto: the entire show is student-run. Rachel Saalsaa, director and social sciences sophomore, said she believes this is a perfect example of what the university is all about.

“This (dance concert) is exactly it,” Saalsaa said. “The whole show is student-run, especially the choreography. If you want to be a part of the dancing world, you got to start somewhere. It’s because we have shows like these that give people the opportunity to choreograph and start here.”

Some dancers are grateful for the chance to be a part of the concert and are making their premiere at the Spring Dance show. Prior to the show, dairy science sophomore Rachel Souerbry had never been in a dance show.

“It’s definitely something different for me,” Souerbry said. “It’s really helped me be more confident in myself and help me physically get into shape.”

Souerbry said the audience can expect to see a lot of “sexiness, sass and theatrics” — a mixture of the different types of choreography that students create.

“This show comes together based on who choreographs and what they decide to do,” Saalsaa said. “The ideas and the people change (yearly). This year, we have a lot of really good dancers — the fact that we have pointe dancing is a big deal.”

Saalsaa, who started dancing at age 5, said this show is a “hodge-podge” of dance styles and likes the idea of having a mixture.

“We try to stress that we have all kinds of different levels, different styles and different choreography,” Saalsaa said. “It’s got lots of high energy dances (such as) hip-hop and classic ballet. We’ve got a good variety of dance styles.”

Various dance styles can be seen through art and design senior Amber Thompson, who choreographed a street tap dance and a “flirty” jazz piece. Being a part of this show has been the most rewarding experience, she said.

“This is my favorite part about this show,” Thompson son said. “I’m a very creative person, and I like being able to create something with my own body.”

Tickets for the Spring Dance Concert are $5. The event is assigned seating and is scheduled for May 26 and 27 at the Spanos Theatre. The show starts at 8 p.m.

Editor’s note: Check out mustangdaily.net for a video about Kaleidoscopes.
A cappella group performs pop favorites

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Student a cappella group “That’s The Key” will perform at the College of Science and Mathematics Ambassadors fundraiser Thursday night, bringing lively, upbeat songs and popular favorites to all who attend.

Two students formed “That’s The Key” in 2009 after discussions in their Poly Canyon Village dorm room led them to decide that they both wanted a place to sing with fellow students.

“My love for music and my ambition, and my roommate Jacob Stringfellow’s background in choir collaborated to make this group,” said Scott Kjorlien, an anthropology and geography junior. “We went to open mic nights and recruited people to try out for us and that’s how it happened.”

Kjorlien is not only a singer, but also a tenor saxophone, guitar, piano, flute and clarinet player. “That’s The Key” often sings compilations, and Kjorlien arranged more than half of the pieces the group performs.

“Ending off the group, we had no songs so it was on me to do the arrangement,” Kjorlien said. “Some have been done by other members, though. It’s nice to see people get involved and start making stuff they want to sing.”

One of the people recruited for the group was Monica Mills, a singer who lived across the hall from Kjorlien in Poly Canyon Village when the group first formed. Mills, who has choral training and a musical theatre background, became involved and eager to further develop her musical interest.

“I also sing national anthems at some of the games on campus,” Mills said. “I have kind of been jointly running ‘That’s The Key’ for the past year. It’s a really cool group, and we’re all really good friends.”

Mills said the group tries to put humor adding a unique dimension to the music and making it something college students would want to listen to. Although most of their songs are contemporary hits, they also branch out with some older crowd favorites.

“We like to sing songs that are pretty current, but also some oldies but goodies,” said Stringfellow, co-founder and a liberal arts and engineering studies junior. “We sing ‘Higher and Higher,’ which is a pretty old song, but always fun and gets

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — An argument may arise as a result of an unspoken misunderstanding. What’s really happening lies beneath the surface.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) — Despite the depth of your feelings right now, you may not be taken seriously by some — which can only make things worse temporarily.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — A slowdown provides you with an opportunity to see things more clearly. What happens may be symbolic in some way.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Take care that you don’t jump to conclusions. If you misinterpret another’s words or actions, the day could go downhill quickly.

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Jimi Hendrix's music became symbolic of the rock 'n' roll genre around the world in the late '60s. More than 50 years later, his music will live on in a celebration on the Central Coast.

The electrical twang of this rock legend can be relived at the 18th Annual Avila Beach Blues Festival, featuring bassist Billy Cox of two of Hendrix's most popular groups: Band of Gypsys and the Jimi Hendrix Experience. Hendrix's music was a symbol in the '60s, even following his death on Sept. 18, 1970, and songs such as "Voodoo Child" and "The Wind Cries Mary" will be played. The event will be held outdoors at the Avila Beach Golf Resort on May 29.

Cox will be a part of Experience Hendrix, a tribute band that features former Hendrix collaborators. Katie Manley, director of events at the Avila Beach Golf Resort, said the event is a national touring blues festiv­al and one of the biggest events the resort hosts every year. The show will also include Steve Vai, Jonny Lang, Kenny Wayne, Brad Whitford from Aerosmith, David Hidalgo and Cesar Rosas from Los Lobos and Café R&B.

"As far as blues artists go, this is probably the biggest draw," Manley said. "Hendrix was an electric guitarist and singer-songwriter who gained fame in 1967 after performing at the Monterey Pop Festival and later headlined the 1969 Woodstock Festival. In 2003, Rolling Stone magazine named him the greatest guitarist in rock 'n' roll history. Otter Productions, Inc. representative Bruce Howard, who has set up the Blues Festival for the past 17 years, said Hendrix had a huge effect on the rock 'n' roll genre as well as guitarists. "Jimi Hendrix changed the world as far as guitar players are concerned," Howard said. "No one knew those sounds could come out of a guitar." And his sound is set to attract everyone — whether in their teen years or in adulthood — to the family event.

"If you're anywhere between 20 to 70 years old, you're going to know who he is." — Bruce Howard

"It's the soul of rock 'n' roll. It's iconic, just like The Beatles." — Bob Merlis, publicist of the Experience Hendrix Tour, said he agrees Hendrix's reputation will forever live on.

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"We're excited because we know it's a great gathering of great members," Roach said. "It's cool to be playing, and it's going to be a great lineup. I'm really excited, and the band is really excited." Gates for the show open at noon, and the show begins at 2 p.m. Tickets can be purchased at all Vallitix outlets including Boo Boo Records in San Luis Obispo and the Mid-State Fairgrounds Box Office in Paso Robles. Tickets can also be purchased online by phone and range from $40 to $85 for adults.

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"We're excited because we know it's a great gathering of great members," Roach said. "It's cool to be playing, and it's going to be a great lineup. I'm really excited, and the band is really excited." Gates for the show open at noon, and the show begins at 2 p.m. Tickets can be purchased at all Vallitix outlets including Boo Boo Records in San Luis Obispo and the Mid-State Fairgrounds Box Office in Paso Robles. Tickets can also be purchased online by phone and range from $40 to $85 for adults.

A Capella
Next American export: 'perp walk'

Edward Wasserman is Knight professor of journalism ethics at Washington and Lee University.

The arrest of a leading French statesman and politician, Dominique Strauss-Kahn, on charges of sexually assaulting a New York hotel chambermaid became a transatlantic media spectacle when he was photographed — manacled and miserable — being led from a Manhattan lockup. Publishing such pictures is illegal in France, and some commentators there were incensed by the photos of what U.S. reporters call the "perp walk." That's when an accused person, if newsworthy, is deliberately marched to an arraignment past the cameras.

Now, Strauss-Kahn was no typical suspect. He was a European political star of the first magnitude, president of the International Monetary Fund, married to a well-known broadcaster, deeply rich, widely known and frequently profiled, and, until now, a possible successor to Nicolas Sarkozy as president of France. His arrest couldn't fail to draw enormous coverage, overriding any qualms journalists might have about giving spectacular play to unproven charges. Nevertheless, the outrage over the Strauss-Kahn photos raises important questions about the routine ways in which U.S. media cover ordinary criminal suspects. The fact is, the media's normal practices aren't fair, aren't right, aren't innocent people needlessly do little to hold the courts accountable — the professor said — and may make it harder for the justice system to do what it's supposed to do.

I just read an excellent scholarly article that contrasts the media's approach to naming criminal suspects in two European countries with the practice in the United States.

The unpublished article, by Magie Jones Patterson of Duquesne University and Romayne Smith Fullerton of the University of Western Ontario, looked at why Swedish and Dutch media typically avoid identifying accused people, even when convicted.

To be sure, media there do make exceptions, notably in high-profile crimes, as when Sweden's foreign minister Ana Lindh was stabbed to death in a Stockholm department store in 2003. But even then, they do so carefully, thoughtfully and reluctantly.

That difference has nothing to do with law. Publishing suspects' names is perfectly legal in both countries. Indeed, Sweden's public-records laws are much more sweeping than their U.S. equivalents, so the information is fully available to the media. Journalists simply view their duty differently.

Why? Several reasons arise from the study.

— First, a due-process concern: Even though jury trials are less common in Europe, juries may still be used, and publicity can pollute the jury pool.

— Second, a larger fairness issue: For a prolonged period the suspect will be widely, perhaps indelibly, presumed to have done something wrong, regardless of the court's eventual finding.

Third, gratuitous harm to the suspect: Publicity itself constitutes an extralegal intensification of punishment, toughening it well beyond what the law intends.

— Fourth, injuring innocents: Not only might the suspect be guiltless, but family members will be shamed and humiliated by allegations they did nothing to provoke.

— Finally, destroying the wrongdoer's future: Publicity may impede reintegration into society, the ultimate goal of the justice system.

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Freshman teammate Alex Franklin said Gonzalez is well respected by the entire team, and they are all proud of his accomplishments.

"He's the oldest guy on the team, and the best player," Franklin said.

"He's been around for a while, so I really look up to him and try and emulate not only the kind of player he is, but the kind of teammate and person (he is) as well."

Franklin said all around, Gonzalez is a solid player.

"There is no outstanding flaw that I can see, and his game is rarely out of his control, which makes for an excellent player," he said.

His teammates are not the only ones who recognize Gonzalez’s talent — Cal Poly students do as well.

Justin Silva, an agribusiness senior, said he does not normally follow golf but he knows about Gonzalez.

"I have heard that he is a really good player and is an asset to the team," Silva said.

The team will have to continue without Gonzalez since he is graduating in June. His immediate plans for the summer are to stay amateur and play in several elite amateur events across the nation, ranging from Washington to South Carolina.

"In September, I will be turning pro and trying to pursue my career as a professional golfer," Gonzalez said.

It alleges there was no security in the parking lot.

"The bottom line is that the ‘Dodgers defendants’ failed to take reasonable steps to prevent the attack on Stow," the lawsuit states.

"...The lack of security and inadequate lighting presented a perfect opportunity to commit a variety of crimes. Unfortunately, for Bryan Stow, this is exactly what happened," according to the document signed by Girardi and listing him and another attorney in his firm, Christopher Aumais.

A spokesman for the Dodgers declined to comment, according to the Los Angeles Times, saying the team does not discuss pending legal matters.

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"The lawsuit also accused unnamed assailants of assault, battery and false imprisonment."

On Sunday, Los Angeles police arrested Giovanni Ramirez, 31, after a tip from his parole agent who said he may have covered up a tattoo on his neck. Hundreds of billboards have been put up around the Los Angeles area with sketches of the two men believed to have been involved in the attack. Ramirez remains in custody on $1 million bail on suspicion of assault with a deadly weapon.

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Family of beaten fan sues Dodgers, McCourt

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LOS ANGELES — The family of Bryan Stow filed a lawsuit Tuesday against the Los Angeles Dodgers and its owner Frank McCourt. Stow, 42, a Santa Cruz area father of two and Santa Clara County paramedic, was brutally attacked at the season opener at Dodger Stadium on March 31 by two men in the parking lot after the game.

One suspect was arrested in Los Angeles Sunday. Stow suffered a severe skull fracture and has been hospitalized in critical condition since. He is now being treated at San Francisco General Hospital.

The 31-page lawsuit signed Tuesday by Los Angeles attorney Thomas Girardi, alleges negligence, liability about the maintenance of the stadium and more and points to reported Dodgers cutbacks in security and staffing facilities. Those include alleged 1962 lighting fixtures and other substandard protections that Girardi claims caused a 10- to 15-minute delay in response to Stow after he was punched, knocked to the ground and...

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Baseball beats Stanford in final midweek game

The Cal Poly baseball team defeated Stanford 3-1 on Tuesday night. Starter Kyle Anderson had a huge part in the win, pitching six innings and giving up one earned run off five hits. He got help offensively in the second and fifth innings. In the second, first baseman Matt Jensen nailed a RBI-single to left center to tie it at 1-1. In the fifth, Jensen homered to left and Chris Hoo scored a run off an Evan Buday bunt, to take a 3-1 advantage. The Mustangs never looked back.

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Gonzalez heads to golf championships

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Business administration senior Geoff Gonzalez pieced together one of the best individual seasons a Cal Poly golfer has ever had this year. First, he was selected to attend the NCAA regionals in Colorado — his third time participating in a NCAA tournament.

"I am the only teammate to represent Cal Poly golf at regionals in the last five years," Gonzalez said. Not only that, last weekend, Gonzalez became the first golfer in Cal Poly history to earn a NCAA Championship berth.

No other golfer has come close. The men's golf team went to the regionals twice, and Travis Bertoni went individually, but that happened before Gonzalez came to Cal Poly. Gonzalez said it is a mystery how he got chosen.

"The NCAA bids to individuals who had a great year, but their team did not advance," he said. "There is no clear way to make it, but if you perform well, consistently, then they will give you the nod."

There are a total of six regional tournaments being conducted. Three regional tournaments have 13 teams and 10 individual players competing, and three regional tournaments have 14 teams and five individual players participating.

He said working hard and playing consistently is what enabled him to separate himself as a player and qualify for a spot at NCAA regionals three times.

"In 2007-2008 when I didn't make it, (it was because) I didn't perform well over the entire year," Gonzalez said. Now, he is moving on to the next step and has the chance to earn an individual championship. But playing golf for Cal Poly hasn't always been easy for Gonzalez.

"It is definitely a love-hate relationship," he said.

Gonzalez said he loves his teammates, coaches and most of the people he's gotten to know along the way, and they have shared many great times together.

However, he said the team and his individual achievements have been remarkable considering their very limited opportunities. A lot of the team's potential is hindered by the athletic department and the lack of scholarship money and funding, he said.

"We have done so much more than teams with funding and support," he said. "We don't get much love from the school, and that hurts over the years."

Despite these issues, the team continues to grow and support each other.

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