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Low fees benefit older students

By Travis Moomaw
Daily Staff Writer

Age is not a criteria for Cal Poly students. Those just out of high school, those in their 20s, even those in their 60s flock to this campus.

You may see older students walking beside you on campus, or sitting beside you in class, but what you may not realize is that those older classmates — 60 years old and up — are probably receiving a very inexpensive education.

That’s because of Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations, which provides seniors exemption from some specified fees and reductions in others.

Cal Poly’s program allows senior citizens to take an unlimited amount of classes for the small price of $3 a quarter, given that there is space available.

Those people 60 years old or older can drop in on certain classes and see if there is space available. If it is not an impacted course, they can join the class, and can opt to take the course credit/ no credit or for a grade.

The program does not apply to senior citizens pursuing a degree. Those students have to enroll the same way and pay the same fees as other students pursuing undergraduate degrees.

Each year, one or two senior citizens take advantage of the program, said Jim Maraviglia, the director of admissions.

“It’s a great deal for older people who want to continue learning,” said Marvin Steen, a Cal Poly professor and writer for the San Luis Obispo County Telegraph-Tribune. “Quite a few students take advantage of this program”.

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When you learn by doing, then how do you get graded for your work?

This question may no longer need to be answered if the Academic Senate approves a proposal to change how internships are evaluated.

The proposal would bring all experiential courses — cooperative education (co-ops), internships, enterprise projects and service-related activities — under the banner of credit/no credit grading.

The senate suggested that all experiential course work be credit/no credit, citing the inability to maintain equivalent grading standards and controlling grade inflation from internships as key reasons.

While the majority of internships offered on campus are already only offered credit/no credit, a few departments, including social sciences and journalism, have graded internships built into their curriculum’s required courses.

If they have standards in their own department, if the internships are pre-approved, if they get work 60 years old, then (grading) shouldn’t be a problem," said David Havandjian, journalism department head.

Havandjian said he believes that having an experiential course graded should be an option.

The department should decide," he said. All co-ops are offered only as credit/no credit courses, according to Martin Shihata, the assistant director for cooperative education.

“They’ve been that way for two years,” he said. “Each department handles internships differently.”

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San Luis Obispo County restaurants are joining Cuesta College Art Gallery to support World AIDS Day Dec. 1. Firestone Grill, Lassen’s Garden Cafe, Natural Flavors, Nucci’s, Pete’s Southside Cafe and SLO Brewing Company will donate 10 percent of their profits to the AIDS Support Network.

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Clinton pushes Congress to support troop deployment

By Donald M. Rothberg

WASHINGTON — As President Clinton pressed his case for sending 20,000 U.S. ground troops to Bosnia, the Pentagon said Tuesday an additional 17,000 Americans would provide support in and around the former Yugoslavia.

Even Republican critics acknowledged that the deployment seemed inevitable. "He's hellbent to do it, so we're going to have to support him," said Rep. Dan Burton, R-Ind.

Clinton had more persuading to do outside Washington. Thousands of Americans called to do outside Washington.

Clinton is at stake here.

"I am extremely skeptical of this whole operation. I am not at all convinced," said Army

McCurry said that after the speech, Clinton talked with telephone with former President Bush and retired Gen. Colin Powell, who was the nation's top military officer during the Persian Gulf War. The spokesman declined to characterize the conversations.

"I was impressed that we have hearings and we'll debate it," Buchanan said.

After his day of intense lobbying, Clinton was flying to Europe, a trip that will include stops in Britain, Ireland and Poland. The spokesman declined to characterize the conversations.

The new defense policy replaces Japan's ban on arms exports and calls for reducing U.S. troops in Okinawa — were not included. Japan's Ground Self-Defense Forces would be reduced from 180,000 to 145,000.

A separate non-binding statement by Chief Cabinet Secretary Koken Nosaka said Japan intended to maintain its basic philosophy of avoiding internationa
tional conflicts, but in the interests of the U.S.-Japan security system would try to increase equipment and technology exchanges with the United States.

The calls for expanded uses of the military in anti-terrorism and disaster relief actions stem from Japan's experiences with the two disasters this year: the earthquake that devastated the western part city of Kobe in January and the nerve gas attacks on rush-hour commuters in the southern island for a complete withdrawal of American troops there.

Of the 45,000-plus U.S. troops stationed throughout Japan, 27,000 are deployed on Okinawa.
Remembering Ann
by Cordelia Ruckley

Ann Fairbanks believed that compassion and high journalistic standards were essential, and she epitomized those standards in her classroom and in her writing.

As a field reporter, Ann brought a fresh perspective to the classroom. She talked about diplomacy and sensitivity, about feeling their pain.

Her realistic standards underscored her instruction. She was painstakingly thorough in going through students' copy, adding handwritten notes to the ends of their stories and offering advice on how to better approach a story or, how to reach people when they absolutely must be reached.

She was candid in her constructive criticism, a tough but fair teacher, and she presented challenges that would be faced by reporters in real-world situations. All of those expectations were supported with encouragement, and always, with patience.

Cordelia Ruckley is a journalism senior and a Daily staff writer.

Time doesn't stop

If I could choose a mentor, it would have been Ann Fairbanks. Before I took her Reporting II class, I wrote about Ann in a research paper. I knew I was a better writer after I took Ann's class. I remember qualities about Ann: always on time, organized and ready to lecture at ten minutes past the hour. I always worked right up to the last minute of her three-hour class because there was so much learning available during those few hours with her. And other professors in Carpenter's broadcast class often had to wait on our class to clear out so they could get started.

Her teaching came out of her own journalistic experience. For example, the time she told the class about going to the home of a family who was mourning the loss of one member through a tragic accident. After developing an interview and some background information, she invited us to attend the funeral. She told students who expressed concern about questioning survivors of accidents and tragedies that families usually want to talk about the deceased one. The reporter must care about the family to respect the interview with consideration and sensitivity. She was good in this role.

Her "cat's tail" was one of the simplest and most useful tricks of English grammar I've learned since high school. Her "cat's tail" was because of my shoes. Your car is in the shop, right? It's going to be where it usually is parked, right? Hey, you're going to be where it usually is parked, right? Hey, you're going to be where it usually is parked, right? Hey, you're going to be where it usually is parked, right?

This wasn't supposed to happen to someone who loved every minute of his life. All in all, we were spoiled by this guy who always did the right thing. If I could do it again, I would. Jeff loved it. I miss you so much. Jeff. I wish I could just let you know how much I appreciate you. I will forever cherish all the moments we were able to share together. I love you.

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Jeff Farbanks

1949 - 1995

Jeff Farbanks was a man of immense generosity, lots of patience and unconditional love. He had just his 28th birthday last Tuesday. I'm just really glad I spent most of it with him because it was the last time I saw him. I know you're up there, watching your roommates, protecting us and loving us always. I will miss you very much, Jeff. You will forever remain a part of my heart and my life. I love you and may we be able to see each other again soon. Don't worry — you'll still babble to me.

Julie (LMD)

Dear Jeff...

The following are letters about to the late Jeff Kenney from his roommates/friends.

I cannot capture all that Jeff is with mere words, but I miss everything that is him. I miss hearing his proud stories about his nephews. I miss him flip pan­ cakes at 6 a.m. I miss the most beautiful, giving person I have ever known. I miss the shared roommates/friends. We always call Jeff our "Dad" because he takes care of us all.

With our care — Love you always, Jeff

Shannon (Sha)

Let me tell you a little bit about Jeff, our roommate. You see, he's not just Jeff Kennedy, "an ME graduate student." Jeff was an incredibly warm, caring person who always put concerns of others before his. He's basically a kid's dream. I can't remember a time he wasn't willing to help out or listen to my problems. I remember those countless times when I would miss the 8 a.m. class and Jeff would just laugh and say, "Owen, Mari, time to go to school." He would just hop out of bed and drive me right to my classroom. I will never forget the Sunday afternoon beer run that we made to Mothers or the barbecues we had on deck, or all those happy­ hour rendevous we had on Friday afternoons. Jeff, I am expecting you to be at your desk studying when I get home. You always knew it was me walking up the stairs because of my shoes. Your car is in the shop, right? It's going to be where it usually is parked, right? Hey, you've even seen my latest hairstyle I got in L.A. Yip, and I just done at that place and we'd be there.

Jeff's 28th birthday was just last Tuesday. His parents sent him a birthday cake with party favors and a brand­ new CD player. I had never seen Jeffs face light up like it did on this special day. Jeff was thrilled to be alive and as healthy as he had ever seen him. Jeff's happiness was shared with all his friends and family. Everyone who knew Jeff loved him. How could you not? He's our Jeff.

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Dearest Jeff,

How do I say everything I want to say in the space of a paragraph? First and foremost, I remember your laugh. Why? Because you were always laughing at us girls for being, well, girls. When I turn the corner, I still can see you making fun of at least one of us. Second of all, I need to mention your infinite patience. Five girls for roommates? Come on. I remember through all of my never-ending crises and problems, you were always there to listen with plenty of Kleenex. But some of my fondest memories include the Jeff-and-Julie adventures: kayaking at Laguna Lake, assembling your desk without instructions and our latest project, my jeep. No matter where I go or what I do, I will have a happy memory of Jeff. I love you, Jeff, you will always be in my heart.

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p.s. Hey, Jeff, teach those angels how to play soccer, then kick their butts!
California highways affected by new speed limit law

By John Howard
Sacramento Press

SACRAMENTO — Starting next year, California motorists will be able to legally drive at speeds of up to 70 mph on rural freeways and up to 65 mph along urban stretches.

President Clinton signed legislation Tuesday that lifts federal speed limits. That act triggered a new California law that will allow highway speed limits to jump from 55 to 65 or 70 mph.

Nearly 4,000 miles of California freeways will be affected by the changes.

Speed limits throughout most of California, which has more than 20 million registered drivers and nearly a fifth of the nation's vehicles, generally will return to what they were prior to 1974, when the speed limit was lowered to 55 mph.

In 1995, the limit was raised to 65 mph for passenger vehicles in selected rural, low-traffic areas. That law was supported by the California Highway Patrol, which said the lower speed limit was widely ignored and difficult to enforce, particularly in rural areas.

The speed limit for trucks and cars towing trailers will remain at 55 mph.

"Basically, California is going to return to the pre-federal inter­vention period before 1974," said Mehdi Morshed, chief consultant for the Senate Transportation Committee.

However, some areas that had 70 mph limits before 1974 may not return to that limit if they have become dramatically more congested during the past two decades, such as portions of Inter­state 80 between Sacramento and San Francisco, or the Inter­state 5 corridor between Los An­geles and San Diego, he said.

Proponents of the lower speed limit say it reduces accidents, but Morshed said a number of traffic safety studies have provided conflicting results.

"Most studies seem to be sup­porting that the posted speed limit has very little impact on the actual speed limit. People tend to drive at the speed they feel the most comfortable," he said.

The Legislature recently ap­proved a bill by Sen. Quentin Kopp, D-San Francisco, to boost the limit pending federal authorization. Clinton provided authorization Tuesday when he signed legislation giving states the power to set their own speed restrictions.

"As we complete those studies we will be changing those signs," he said. "We expect Californians are going to see speed limits raised on routes around the state right after the first of the year."

However, there are some stretches of freeway that could have speed limits lower than 65, he said.

"It's possible that some freeway sections that have been modified over the years, where we've taken the median or shoulder and converted them to traffic lanes — if those sections of highways in our engineering judgment would not justify higher speed cause of public safety concerns, those would remain at 55 mph," he said.

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Oakland teachers begin two-day strike after failed weekend negotiations

By Michelle Lobo
Associated Press

OAKLAND, Calif. — Placard­waving teachers picked line Tuesday at the start of a two-day strike intended to con­vince management they're "No respect. No contract.

Students on the picket line

Students also chose not to at­

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"This is about respect," said Susan Denault, who walked a two-day strike intended to con­vince management they're "No respect. No contract.

Denault was among more than 30 students and teachers who were out early in front of the high school, holding up placards that read "Oakland Teachers on Strike," and wearing buttons stating, "No respect. No contract. No teachers."

"I think they are doing the right thing," said 15-year-old Sheryl Horn. "It's just not fair to the kids and the school and this district."

She has taught for 11 years. "We made our best offer. The strike, scheduled to end Wednesday, was called after negotiations between the union and the district broke down over the weekend.

A spokeswoman for the Oak­land Unified School District said she did not have an im­mediate response to the strike. Officials earlier said they had made their best offer.

The district, which serves 52,000 students, had vowed to keep schools open, hiring sub­stitutes at $180 a day.

The last teacher strike in Oakland was in 1986 and lasted 19 days. Rountree said.

At Oakland Tech, teachers had no doubt they were making a statement.

The difference between this strike and other strikes is I am seeing a lot more community support," said Susan Drexler, who teaches English and social studies.

The same cannot be said for district headquarters, she main­tains.

"Teachers are not just respected," she said.
Family and friends battle over girl’s remains and her surviving siblings

Wednesday, November 29, 1995

BOISE, Idaho — Five-year-old Ashley Ann McQuillan died on Thanksgiving Day, sending her grandmother to jail on a murder charge and setting off a family fight that threatens to separate her siblings.

Relatives can’t even agree on where to bury Ashley.

Ashley’s grandfather, Susan Kathleen “Kate” Stovern, is accused of drugging and suffocating the 5-year-old and attempting to murder her 5-year-old sister, Alexandria.

Alexandria was listed in fair condition at St. Luke’s Regional Medical Center. Her brothers, 4-year-old Christopher Michael and 10-month-old Matthew, were sent to a foster home.

Stovern, 42, was being held without bail on charges of first-degree murder and attempted murder. A relative said she had tried to tell authorities the woman wasn’t stable enough to raise the children.

A memorial service was held Tuesday for Ashley.

The children had lived with Stovern while their father lived in Florida and their mother, Stovern’s half sister, Tina McQuillan, lived in Indiana. They were visited by their parents. It’s all they have,” Lancaster said.

The boy has been “semi-independent” with drug dealers and prostitutes.

His grandmother said he appeared addicted to drugs or sexually abused. A medical examination to determine if the boy was abused was not made because of court restrictions.

The boy had been living with his grandmother until he disappeared, but the mother had custody. The grandmother said she planned to ask the juvenile court to give custody to her. She gave the whereabouts of the boy’s father were unknown.

Police were awaiting results of a medical examination to determine whether the boy was using drugs or sexually abused.

“He’s definitely a victim, regardless of what the circumstances were,” Hall said.

The boy has been “semi-cooperative” with police, Hall said. "He is a very old 5-year-old.

Hall declined to detail the conditions in which the boy was found. He said the boy called his mother about 8:30 p.m. Monday after television stations aired accounts of the case.

The grandmother said the boy refused to say where he was, but that she got the number she was calling from through her caller I.D. unit. She called police but by the time they got to the house, he was gone, Hall said.

A short time later, police received the tip.

The grandmother said she reported the boy missing six months ago but police said they could not act because she was not his legal guardian.

Eleven-year-old Jacquie Jones, who lives next door to the house where the boy was found, said she had only talked to him a couple of times.

Ashley was born in Idaho; she was raised in Idaho; she died in Idaho. She should be buried in Idaho,” Ward said.

By Brian S. Stover

DETOIT — A 15-year-old boy who was missing for six months had been handed by his mother over to a drug dealer to settle her $1,000 crack cocaine debt, police said after finding the boy Tuesday.

Investigators sorted through conflicting accounts of whether he went voluntarily, sold drugs, was used as a sex slave or was forced to smoke crack himself when he was hungry so his captors could save on food.

Acting on an anonymous tip, police found the boy in a small, rundown house in a neighborhood thick with drug dealers and prostitutes.

His grandmother said he appeared addicted to crack. He had lost a lot of weight but seemed otherwise OK, she said.

"He’s crying a lot. I think he’s all right — he said he’s all right,” she said. "He’s so sweet as he can be." He’s got one hangup: It’s his mother. He loves her.

Inspector Michael Hall said although police believed the boy was sold to settle his mother’s debt, “We have an indication that at some point, he become a willing partner in drug dealing.”

The boy’s grandmother said she talked to him for about 10 minutes at a detention center after he was found and that he told her, "Mama, I need help.”

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“Kate could call me all the time and say how hard it was,” said Brown, a 30-year-old mother of two. "I told her, 'If that hard, let us help you. Let us take the kids." She went bal­
lastic. She told me that I was not to see the kids anymore, that I had a really unhealthy relationship with them.”

Stovern’s half sister, Tina Lancaster of Eugene, Ore., said she also offered to take the children.

"I told her I didn’t have to take them all. I’d just take two of them,” Lancaster said. "She said, 'No, you can’t break the family up.'

Lancaster said she believed Stovern was not stable enough to care for the children and called the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare to see if the children could be removed.

"I kept trying to tell them that my sister had problems for years,” Lancaster said.

Now Lancaster says she plans to seek custody of Mat­

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Snoop gets bad rap from witness

By Michael Freeman
November 29, 1995

LOS ANGELES — Snoop Doggy Dogg and a companion had "menacing" looks on their faces just minutes before six gunshots rang out from their Jeep and another man was found mortally wounded, a witness said Tuesday as testimony began in the rapper's murder trial.

"They were mad-dogging us," said Cesar Serrano, a resident near the site of the shooting, who took the stand after the defense completed its opening statement.

The rapper, whose real name is Calvin Broadus, and his purported bodyguard, McKinley Lee, are charged with murder in the 1993 drive-by shooting that killed Philip Woldemariam, a reputed gang member.

The defense claims the shooting was done in self-defense.

Serrano, the first witness called in the trial, described the shooting and the bloody, emotional aftermath.

He said he and his cousin were standing outside his apartment building at 6:45 p.m. on Aug. 25, 1993, when he saw the black Jeep driven by the rapper with McKinley in the passenger seat.

The three others sat in the back seat, Serrano said, and music blared through an open window.

Serrano, who could identify the music, calling it "just a bunch of noise," said McKinley was "crying."

"I observed a hand come out of the Jeep, Cherokee," said Serrano. "I heard a shot. I didn't hear any other shots from a different gun.

Serrano walked to the park, where about 20 people were running in all directions and a screaming woman was pointing toward the car park. There, he said, a crowd of people gathered around a wounded man later identified as Woldemariam.

One friend of the victim was trying to get the man to wake up, said Serrano. The other appeared angry.

"He was kicking the wall mad," said Serrano. "He kept walking back and forth (with) kind of a mean look." Later, this friend was "kind of crying," he said.

Those friends weren't identified in court.

In opening statements, defense attorneys told the jury they gave us a menacing look." Defense attorneys objected to the remark, and Nixon tried several times to get Serrano to describe the expressions without characterizing them.

"They were mad-dogging us." Cesar Serrano

Trial witness

Mr. Philip Woldemariam (wanted) to let those people know that this was his territory and his area and when they wouldn't bow down to him, he became confrontational, hotheaded, armed himself with a gun, and the events that took place at that park took place," said Kenner.

Kenner said that Woldemariam's already angry disposition may have been aggravated by drinking beer from a Orange bottle and failure to take insulin shots for his diabetes.

Re said Lee worked for Broadus' record company to protect the then-rising rap star in his dangerous neighborhood.

"Had he not fired that shot, either Mr. Lee's or Mr. Broadus' family would be here grieving today," said Re.

The defense opening statements were illustrated by an autopsy photograph showing the two bullet wounds to Woldemariam's side and buttock. In the courtroom, Woldemariam's mother and two sisters buried their heads in their hands to avoid seeing the photo.

The defense also showed an animated re-creation of the shooting. The presentation, which a prosecutor has derisively called a "cartoon," showed a supposedly malevolent gang member reach for a gun. Re said Lee worked for Broadus and Lee hunted down Woldemariam.

The prosecution's case is built around the shooting and the bloody, emotional aftermath.

The prosecution's opening statement Monday alleged that D Benedus and Lee hunted down Woldemariam.

The prosecution's case is hampered by police mistakes. Jurors rolled their eyes and shook their heads when told that police accidentally destroyed evidence.
Arms register discloses deals, but many countries hide secrets

By Edith M. Lederer
Associated Press

LONDON — Last year, Poland sold 34 tanks to Iran, France exported 42 armored combat vehicles to Nigeria, and Ukraine shipped 56 air-to-air missiles to China.

By this month, these were secret. They are among 59 previously unknown arms deals disclosed in the latest U.N. Register of Conventional Arms, according to a new analysis.

U.N. efforts to track the global arms trade are being hampered by a web of secrecy. Only 87 of 186 countries provided information for the third annual arms register. Key buyers refuse to participate, including Saudi Arabia, Egypt, Iran, Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates, Burma and Syria.

Russia, a major arms seller, also refused to take part. Taiwan, a big arms buyer, is not a U.N. member so it could not participate in the register.

For the first time, Russia did not submit information on its arms transfers, despite intense pressure. However, eight days after the register's publication, Oct. 31, Moscow made a late submission.

The experience has provided an indication of the struggles within the Russian government on the question of implementing international arms control and transparency agreements to which it had agreed in the early 1990s,” wrote Malcolm Chalmers and Owen Greene, scholars at the University of Bradford who analyzed the register.

They warned that Russia's withdrawal from the register could lead to the withdrawal of other countries and keep a significant number of arms transfers hidden.

The European Community and Japan started pushing for a U.N. register in 1961 after the Gulf War allies found themselves fighting against weapons they had shipped to Iraq. The register's aim is to provide an early warning mechanism by exposing excessive and potentially destabilizing arms build-ups like those in the 1980s in Iraq.

The authors cited the United States in particular for having a very poor record. They said 25 countries reported importing 34 weapons unknown to the United States in 1994 but the United States reported exporting only eight of the 34 weapons.

Chalmers and Greene urged Western nations, as the main arms suppliers, to put pressure on the Gulf states to take part in the register. They also urged the United States and other major suppliers to provide basic descriptions of the weapons they are exporting.

Muslim Brotherhood is turned on in elections

By Ellen Ali Powell
Associated Press

CAIRO, Egypt — Parliamentary elections on Wednesday were expected to be a largely routine affair until the government turned them into an all-out offensive to keep the Muslim Brotherhood at bay.

State security forces that once targeted violent Islamic groups have turned against the Brotherhood, which wants a state ruled by Muslim law but insists it will achieve this by peaceful political change.

Many of the group's leaders have been hounded before military courts and accused of collaborating with extremists. Campaign rallies were broken up. And the Brotherhood says that since Sunday, police have arrested more than 600 supporters and people who were to serve as poll watchers.

The government is cracking down even though it was expected to win a majority. But President Hosni Mubarak is bent on avoiding the type of insurrection that erupted in Algeria in 1992, when the government tried too late to stop a Muslim fundamentalist election victory.

Mubarak's government denies it actions against the Brotherhood are politically motivated.

"We just applied the law because they have been doing illegal things," Interior Minister Hassan el-Alfy insisted in an interview published Tuesday in the state newspaper, says the election is a test of its survival.
Court panel reverses race-motivated order

Associated Press

SAN JOSE, Calif. — Citing the Supreme Court's new limits on racial considerations in election districts, a federal court panel has overturned its order that led to the first minority Municipal Court judges ever elected in Monterey County.

In California's first voting-rights suit on judicial elections, the three-judge panel first set aside the county's system of county-wide elections last December and ordered judges chosen by district in a special election this June. A group of Hispanics had urged that change, saying district elections would greatly increase their candidates' chances.

Gov. Pete Wilson then appointed two Hispanics and a black to judicial vacancies, the first minorities ever on the Municipal Court in a county that is 34 percent Hispanic. One Hispanic, an ex-prosecutor, was defeated by a Hispanic lawyer in June, leaving the county with three minority judges.

But on Nov. 1, the same three-judge panel ordered new, county-wide elections next March for all the judges elected in districts this year. The court said it was compelled by the Supreme Court's ruling June 29 that called into question any district elections designed for predominantly racial reasons.

"The Supreme Court ... has cast substantial doubt upon the constitutionality of extending the duration of the previously ordered emergency, interim plan (for district elections), as that plan used race as a significant factor in dividing the county into election areas," said U.S. District Judge Ronald White in the 3-0 ruling.

He was joined by U.S. District Judge James Ware and Judge Mary Schroeder of the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals.

The court said future judicial elections must await completion of a plan that satisfies U.S. Justice Department concerns about voting rights, state laws on election boundaries, and the Supreme Court's standards on race.

The suit was filed in 1991 by five Hispanic activists who challenged the county's actions over several decades in collapsing its Municipal Court districts from 10 to one.

The three-judge panel ruled in 1993 that the county had acted illegally by failing to get clearance from the U.S. Justice Department, which is supposed to veto district changes that decrease minority representation.

Monterey is one of four California counties — along with Yuba, Merced and Kings — that are required by the Voting Rights Act to submit all district changes to the Justice Department for approval because of low turnout in past presidential elections.

The court blocked the next judicial elections, scheduled for seven judgeships last year, and then last December ordered the special election in new districts, designed to maximize the chance of electing the first minority judges.

These districts were not intended to be permanent, but both the county and Hispanic activists asked the court to leave them in place until a final plan was approved.

However, state Attorney General Dan Lungren's office entered the case at that point and said the new districts violated state laws, such as a law requiring district lines to follow city boundaries. Lungren, on the state's behalf, argued that those laws were not subject to the Justice Department's voting-rights review.

Attorney Joaquin Avila, who filed the 1991 suit, said Tuesday he would ask the court to reconsider the ruling because the Justice Department has not approved county-wide elections.

Avila maintained that the Supreme Court has not forbidden racial considerations in district boundaries, but instead has required a compelling justification for racially motivated district lines.

He said the need to comply with the Voting Rights Act should be an adequate justification. He acknowledged that the high court has not yet ruled on the issue, but said it had given an encouraging signal by approving California's legislative and congressional reapportionment, which included minority districts designed with the Voting Rights Act in mind.

Both Avila and County Counsel Douglas Holland said the final plan should make sure that all judges serve on a county-wide court.

Because all-nighters aren't always spent in the library, it's everywhere you want to be.
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answer that had not yet been reached. And they looked at clairvoyance—trying to discover something that has happened but is not yet known.

Both Utts and Hyman said the research was faulty in some respects. The government often used only one "judge" to determine how close the psychics had come to the right answer. That should have been duplicated by other judges, they said.

Both researchers also agreed that the psychics were not reliable enough to be used alone.

But Utts said the statistical results were promising enough that research should continue. "I would like to see funding in the open science world—I think we're at the point that something needs to be explained," she said.

L.A. Task Force analyzes clues of slain model; other victims?

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Hundreds of clues were analyzed Tuesday by a 20-member task force assembled to investigate the death of former Raiders cheerleader Linda Sobek and the possibility of more victims, the team leader said.

"Now that one model has been found dead we have some obligation to see (that) others who had contact with him are OK. We've received over 400 tips and we are investigating all of them," said sheriff's Lt. David Dietrich. But he discounted a report that police had recovered several photos of models feigning death.

Automotive photographer Charles Rathbun, 38, who claimed he accidentally ran over Sobek with a vehicle during a photo session, then buried her in panic when she died, pleaded innocent Monday to one count of murder.

Preliminary autopsy results didn't support Rathbun's story, officials said. Sobek's family was told she died of asphyxiation, but coroner's spokesman Scott Carrier said the cause of death won't be positively determined for two weeks.

Sobek, 27, left her Hermosa Beach home Nov. 16 for a modeling assignment and never returned. Rathbun led authorities to her body in Angeles National Forest last Friday.

Sobek's parents on Tuesday planned the funeral for their only child. Sobek will be eulogized at 2 p.m. Friday at First Baptist Church of Lakewood in Long Beach, said funeral director Thad Loyben of Loyben Family Mortuary.

The homicide task force includes a lieutenant, five sergeants and 14 deputies, said Dietrich.

The task force was assembled "simply because of the mass number of calls that are coming in, calls from other states and around this state," the lieutenant said.

"There's a mass of information we're going to have to sort through. We would do the same with any case with the volume of information that's coming in on this," he said.

Investigators hope to track down the various models shown in photos recovered from Rathbun's Hollywood home.
Playoff hopes still alive for Chargers

By Roni Wilson
Acquired Press

SAN DIEGO — There’s hope for the San Diego Chargers, after all.

The defending AFC champions were in danger of disappearing against the Oakland Raiders on Thursday night, until they beat the Oakland Raiders 12-6 on Monday night, ending a slump in which they lost three straight and six of seven.

Although they failed to score a touchdown, everything that had been bothering the Chargers cleared up, from turnover ratio to mental state.

“If we get back into the hunt, it’ll be,” coach Bob Ross said Tuesday. “Right now we just need to concentrate on playing to win. It was a good win for us, and it helps our confidence.

You would never think that we would lose confidence,” said Ross, who has led the Chargers into the playoffs in two of his three previous seasons, including the Super Bowl last year. “I think we’re still kind of a fairly young team and sometimes those things do happen.

The Chargers are 5-7 with four games left to play Sunday to the Cleveland Browns, who like the Chargers started 3-1 but have lost four straight and seven of eight to fall to 4-8. Oakland, Indianapolis, Miami and Denver are in the race in the three wild-card spots. San Diego is tied with New England, Cincinnati, Houston and Seattle at 5-7. The Chargers hold a tiebreaker over Seattle, but New England, Cincinnati and Houston currently have better records within the AFC.

San Diego would need wins against Cleveland, at Indianapolis on Dec. 17 just to finish 6-6 in the AFC. The Chargers’ other two games are against Arizona and the New York Giants. Of San Diego’s four remaining opponents, only the Colts (7-0) have a winning record.

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Said kicker John Carney: “These are the kind of games that carry over. I think we have some confidence now. We are through with all the complaining. We’ve corrected a lot of our mistakes.

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- Men's basketball vs. Northern Arizona

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- Three games tomorrow.

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**NATIONAL BRIEFS**

Major League Baseball salaries drop this year

- New York (AP) -- The average baseball salary dropped by nearly $38,000 this year, the first substantial decline in 30 years.

- The average salary was $1,110,766, according to final figures released Tuesday by the Major League Baseball Players Association at its annual meeting in Arlington, Texas. That was a 3 percent drop from the $1,168,263 of 1994.

- Clubs spent more money on players this year -- about $394 million, an increase of $15 million. And the New York Yankees became the first club with an average to top $1 million -- $2,002,371.

- But the average declined because there were far more players in the majors on Aug. 31, the last day before rosters expanded, than earlier in the season, the players' association said.

- The increase was caused by more players on the disabled list.

This year's decline also was due to the huge increase in rookies, caused by the teams' desire to reduce payrolls following the 232-day strike. There were 762 players in the majors in Aug. 31, 1994, but 924 on Aug. 31 this year. The increase was caused by more players on the disabled list.

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**QUOTE OF THE DAY**

"The turnovers really hurt us. We had our opportunities, we didn't take advantage of them. We're just not to that point yet." -- Mike White, Oakland Raiders head coach

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**TOMORROW'S GAMES**

- Free men's basketball tickets are available at the Cal Poly ID in anticipation that Monty Gym will be filled to capacity during the game.