Feet to the beat

The Cal Poly Mustang Marching Band takes to the street on campus in rehearsal for one of its many performances. The band has about 65 members and will perform Oct. 7 when Portland State football team plays the Mustangs at Cal Poly. Head drum major Russ Sperling, left, leads the band. In photo at right, Steve Martin, left, and Michael Williams drumming for the corps. Photos by T. Shane Gilman

Poly engineering club among top in nation

By Julie Gieringer

Cal Poly's Society of Women Engineers was honored as the best in its region and one of the top 10 in the United States for the second year in a row.

The award — presented at the society's national conference in Oakland — included a $200 check, a $200 freshman scholarship and a plaque.

"We have placed in the top four (in the United States) for the last two years," said Jeannie Aceto, the club's vice president. Aceto said the club is sponsoring a conference Nov. 7 for high school women interested in engineering.

Both students and townspeople are expected to pack the council chambers and give their views before tonight's vote.

Cal Poly faces city tonight

Council to decide on proposed housing occupant limit

By Steve Jones

If you want a seat at tonight's City Council meeting, you had better plan to arrive early.

The council will hear final comments about a proposed ordinance limiting the number of people who can rent a single-family house.

The controversial ordinance would limit occupants renting a single-family home to five and would also limit parking around these dwellings.

The council will also consider the drafting of a letter to support state Senate Bill 1999, which requires California colleges "to be sensitive to the concerns of the local community and to make a good faith effort to honor local planning priorities."

Enquiring minds want to know...

Are you a 'Tabloid-a-holic'? Reporter Cyndi Smith 'fesses her addiction to those sensational supermarket checkstand mags.

For being a good sport...

Cal Poly inducts five into its Hall of Fame.
Enjoy bike riding, help rain forests

While riding my bicycle home from the grocery store last week, I noticed a "Save the Rain Forests" bumper sticker on the car ahead of me. The owner of this vehicle seems to be concerned about the destruction of the world's rain forests.

As I passed by, I noticed that the sticker seemed to be to help raise awareness of the beauty of this area. I realized that automobiles detract from and destroy the beauty of this area. As for the person with the sticker, I'm glad to see you are riding a bicycle. As for the person with the sticker, I'm also glad to see you are riding a bicycle.

Bicyclists are the most efficient and non-polluting forms of transportation. I resent, however, that a majority of students and faculty do live close enough, and the university doesn't have enough for a person to get about by foot. The scenery around campus is wonderful, but the ever-so-useful rotary nose hair clippers.

One of the more obvious functions of these forests is to convert carbon dioxide into oxygen. When the rain forests go, the atmosphere will become much greater, and students and faculty do live close enough, the university doesn't have enough for a person to get about by foot.

This brings up another point. When traveling by car, you are isolated from the surrounding environment. The scenery is starting to look like a movie or a TV program. You also notice how much more you notice from the plusher interior of a car, and if you drive everywhere and see everything, you won't notice this "Los Angeles-ification" process until your car breaks down and you have to walk.

I realize that automobiles are sometimes necessary, and students who live in Ascadero can't very well ride a bike to Cal Poly every day. I'm willing to bet, however, that a majority of students and faculty do live close enough, and the parking lots of Cal Poly are as full as they are because convenience is an all-importance.

We would like to extend an invite to all motorists who are able to do the city, and the planet a favor and ride a bike. As for the person with the "Save the Rain Forests" bumper sticker, I have noticed that you are concerned about this important issue, but a more appropriate sticker might be —

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John Magolske
Managing Editor, Graphics & Design

Second Opinion

Legislature should consider open-meeting amendment

Every time legislators lock themselves behind closed doors, they create the impression they have something to hide. When news stories about tax-paying foreign junkets, officer remodelings and other perks approved in secret sessions leak out, the impression is confirmed, and the reputation of the Legislature slips another notch.

As Senate and Assembly members, worried about legislative regulations, work on new ethics legislation, they could appropriately add an open-meeting guarantee to the package.

Recently, Assembliesman Tom Bates, chairman of the Assembly Human Resources Committee, advocated new regulations, but members could discuss a highly controversial bill behind closed doors. "It was a tactical strategy," Bates explained.

People can’t speak honestly and openly about their opinions in public sessions.

When a county Board of Supervisors or a city school board is faced with a particularly thorny issue, their members are prohibited from pursuing a "tactical strategy," because, 30 years ago, the Legislature passed an open meeting act that requires local governments to conduct the public’s business in public.

A constitutional guarantee is what is needed. Such a guarantee would make any ethics proposal that much more convincing.

— Excerpted from The Fresno Bee.
Opinion

Letters to the editor

Ads in Japanese target bilinguals

Editor — I was very disappointed to read Jeff Coffman’s letter (Oct. 2) regarding ads written in Japanese. I recently returned from spending six months in Japan, a very homogeneous society. I was happy to return to the rich diversity of people and cultures we have in America.

The ads were aimed at any students who are bilingual in Japanese and English, not only those students of Asian descent. Instead of feeling offended by the ads, maybe Coffman should open his mind to the career possibilities being offered to those who are bilingual. It is a fact that Japan is now the richest nation and many job opportunities are available in Japanese and American companies.

Finally, Jeff said that languages spoken in public are offensive. This is absurd! When the writers of the Constitution guaranteed all Americans free speech, I don’t think they specified “English only.”

Debbie Vorne
Business Administration

Diversity makes America unique

Editor — In response to Jeff Coffman’s racist and highly-offensive soliloquy in the Mustang Daily’s Oct. 2 issue, wake up Jeffy! Just what is your definition of “American culture” anyway?

A few government and history courses here and there have led me to believe that this great American society was founded upon the principles of heterogeneity and diversity. The ad was tacky and uncharacteristic of the crew team.

I apologize on behalf of the club and hope one person’s attitude doesn’t reflect on the integrity of the entire crew. The ad was published without the consent or knowledge of the officers or members involved in crew.

Apparently, he was attempting to catch the reader’s attention. He may have accomplished this; however, he failed to communicate the real spirit and dedication typical to the sport.

Crew involves rising before the sun, six days a week, and driving to Morro Bay where we spend about an hour rowing. Occasionally we spit, grunt and, yes, sweat a lot — far from the portrait suggested in the ad.

An incredible amount of time, hard work and dedication goes into training for our spring regattas. But the rewards are substantial: gliding on the water, eight athletes striving for perfect form and synchronization, and having complete trust in one another. It’s an incredible rush!

Rowing is a very unique sport. It utilizes every muscle in your body as well as many emotions. It is a difficult thing to explain. Perhaps, it is something that must be felt. I hope readers can disregard the previous publications depicting a contradiction to the concept of crew.

Jennifer Leung
City and Regional Planning

Ad misrepresents spirit of crew club

Editor — As a fourth year member of Cal Poly crew, I was shocked and embarrassed to view the ad our club published last week. It pictured a half-nude bathing beauty rowing a single scull. The ad was tacky and uncharacteristic of the crew team.

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Riding is a ‘right’

Editor — Riding on campus is a right, not a privilege. Riding on campus is a need. If not the Administration, somebody will take action to satisfy this demand. That somebody will be the thousands of bikers who ride on campus. Teachers and students alike — all who bike to class will fight to get this right back. Where are the bike racks? We will get them back, too. We will win, or else break the law.

Justice Leong
Architecture

Editor’s column offends Poly prof.

Editor — I found Rob Lorenz’s columns in the Sept. 29 Mustang Daily offensive. City streets are public. What makes people think they own the parking spaces in front of their houses?

The really unfortunate thing is that this article appeared in a student newspaper, written by one of its own editors. Don’t you folks realize that this is exactly the kind of thinking that the anti-student faction in town has been using to sway the City Council against you?

Rob Wolf
Mathematics Professor

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Cal Poly Athletic Hall of Fame inducts Ted Tollner, four others

By Robert Grove

Ted Tollner, former head football coach of the University of Southern California, was among five people enshrined in the Cal Poly Athletic Hall of Fame during the induction ceremony held at the Cliff's Hotel in Pismo Beach.

"Being inducted to the hall of fame means something very special to me," said Tollner in a telephone interview from San Diego. "I feel very fortunate to have had this opportunity.

Tollner's fortune dates back to Oct. 29, 1960, when he was among only 26 survivors in the tragic airplane crash of the Mustang football team that killed 22 people in Toledo, Ohio.

"That incident has allowed me to put my life in perspective," he said. Tollner's success at Cal Poly came in both baseball and football. He was the starting quarterback at Cal Poly on the 1960 and 1961 football teams, and was an all-conference pick in 1961.

After graduating from Cal Poly, Tollner started what has become a successful coaching career. In 1985, as the head coach at USC, he guided the Trojans to a Rose Bowl victory and was named Pac-10 Conference Coach of the Year.

He later moved into the pro ranks and is currently the assistant head coach of the San Diego Chargers.

Former hoopstr set 24 team records

Cecil Turner was an All-American in both track and field and football from 1957 to 1960.

His success on the track came while Turner was a sprinter at Cal Poly. He won a silver medal in the 1%2 Pan American championships in the 100- and 200-yard freestyles.

Turner was drafted in the fifth round by the Chicago Bears in 1964, but placed in the national and world championships twice and was a member of the 1964 Olympic team.

Lovell won the wrestling PCTWA heavyweight championships in both 1958 and 1960.

Following his college career, Lovell went on to compete nationally and internationally as an amateur wrestler and to play semi-pro football.

As a wrestler from 1960-64, he placed in the national and world championships twice and was a member of the 1964 Olympic team.

Lovell's success at Cal Poly began in 1960-64, he placed in the national and world championships in both 1958 and 1960.

He was an all-pro selection in 1970, and by the time his career ended, he had tied an NFL record for most touchdowns scored on kick returns.

The inductees were also recognized as halftime of the Cal Poly and Cal State Northridge football game Saturday night.

The Hall of Fame and Distinction began in 1979-82, she set 24 team records and was named Pac-10 Conference Coach of the Year.

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Smimmer goes on to coaching fame

Peter Cutino was a standout swimmer and water polo player from 1973-76 and went on to gain national recognition for his coaching at the high school and college level.

At Cal Poly, he won California Collegiate Athletic Association championships in the 100- and 200-yard freestyle.

He also shared crowns in two relays.

Cutino began his collegiate coaching career at UC Berkeley in 1973. His teams have won eight straight NCAA water polo championships.

In addition, he has been the head or assistant coach of U.S. national teams in 25 international tournaments, including the 1976 Olympic Games, the World University Games, and the Pan American Games.

Former booster set 24 team records

Laura Buehning is only the third woman inductee to the Hall of Fame. During her basketball career at Cal Poly between 1979-82, she set 24 school records, including most points scored (1,843), most assists (390) and the highest average points (20.5).

She was named to the NCAA All-American team in 1980-81, and 1981-82, and was also an Academic All-American in 1982.

Buehning is currently a resident physician in dermatology with the School of Medicine at UC San Diego and a resident of La Jolla.

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Jays, not Cy Young, on Stewart’s mind

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — Mention the Cy Young Award to Dave Stewart and he puts on his game face.

His brow curls, his eyes squint and his lips purse.

Over the past three years, Stewart has won more games than any major league pitcher and the only thing he has to show for it is congratulations.

Stewart was 21-9 this season and became the only pitcher this decade to have three consecutive 20-victory seasons.

The last Oakland pitcher to do it was Jim “Catfish” Hunter, who won 20 from 1971-1974.

For a while this season, it looked like Stewart might finally get his Cy Young. But Kansas City’s Bret Saberhagen started to pitch brilliantly around July and finished 23-6 with a major-league low 2.16 earned-run average.

“I pretty much exclude the Cy Young from my plans to be honest,” said Stewart, who will open the American League playoffs against Toronto on Tuesday night.

Stewart was 20-13 with a 3.68 ERA in 1987 and lost in the voting to Boston’s Roger Clemens, who was 20-9 with a 2.97 ERA.

Last year, Stewart led the A’s to the AL pennant with a 21-12 record but lost out to the 24-7 mark of Minnesota’s Frank Viola.

“I’ve had two shots at it and I felt that the voting wasn’t done fairly as far as Dave Stewart was concerned,” the right-hander said.

“Winning the 20 games for the third time, I’ve accomplished something that doesn’t need to be voted on and it’s something I’ve done for my own personal satisfaction.”

Stewart, 32, started his career with Los Angeles and was traded to Texas in 1983.

GIANTS

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but none of his career-high 30 home runs came against them. He drove in only one run as the Cubs and San Francisco split 12 games.

Scott Garrelts will pitch for the Giants in the opener against Greg Maddux, 19-12.

Garrelts made as big a turnaround as the Cubs. He led the Giants in saves for four straight seasons before becoming a starter this year.

After going 5-9 with a 3.58 earned run average in relief last season, he won 14-5 and led the league with a 2.28 ERA this year.

Opponents batted only .212 against him, fourth-best among NL starters.

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Japan's bullet train celebrates 25th B-Day

TOKYO (AP) — Japan's "bullet train," named for its shape and high speed, is 25 years old.

The train began service Oct. 1, 1964, running at speeds up to 131 mph and making the 324-mile run between Tokyo and Osaka. It was, in western Japan, in 3 hours and 20 minutes.

Since then, the bullet trains have carried 2.7 billion passengers between Tokyo and Osaka, Tomoko Shimokawa, a spokeswoman for Japan Railways, said Monday.

Japan Railways is the private company that replaced the government-owned railroad in April 1987.

The train never has been involved in a major accident.

The introduction of the bullet train in 1964, shortly before the Olympic Games in Tokyo, was seen as a symbol of Japan's remarkable postwar economic recovery.

The Tokyo-Osaka run has been cut to three hours, with trains running at up to 138 mph, Shimokawa said.

In 1975, the original line from Tokyo was extended past Osaka to Hakata, on the southernmost main island of Kyushu, 563 miles west of Tokyo.

In the late 1980s, new lines were added from Tokyo to other parts of Japan.

3 dead, 54 injured in Bay Area 'black tar' heroin crisis

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — A flood of potent Mexican black-tar heroin washed across San Francisco over the weekend, killing three users and sending dozens to hospitals with injuries ranging from broken bones to brain damage.

Between the time the crisis broke out Friday and Monday morning, three people were dead in San Francisco and about 34 others treated for overdoses that literally knocked them off their feet as they shot up the goopy black drug that had been heated to melt and flow into their veins.

Some users were unconscious and unable to breathe when reached by paramedics who administered an antidote called Nalaxone. Overdose cases were rolling into San Francisco General and a few private hospitals at the rate of one an hour, compared to the usual heroin overdose rate of one or two a day, authorities said.

The fatalities were said to be men aged 35, 41 and 43. The San Francisco Coroner's Office was not releasing their names on Monday.

"Black-tar heroin is pretty potent stuff anyway ..." said police Inspector Sam Osborne, estimating the purity of the drug normally sold on the streets at 5-to-9 percent.

"What we think is somebody forgot to cut it somewhere along the line," Osborne said.

At the Haight-Ashbury Free Clinic, Medical Director Dr. Alex Stalcup said the latest overdoses were the worst since a "similar wave of overdoses and deaths" in March 1987 that involved black tar mixed with fentanyl, a pharmaceutical compound that can be 1,000 times more powerful than heroin. It is used by anesthesiologists and redirected illicitly.

Stalcup speculated that the same thing may have happened in the recent overdoses. Introduction of fentanyl into the drug scene several years ago resulted in a sudden rash of even more deaths, he said.

Black tar has become the most commonly used heroin by San Francisco's 15,000 to 18,000 addicts since coming on the scene about seven years ago, Stalcup said.

It sells for about $20 a bag that can be broken into several shots, largely because of its popularity to the ease of bringing it into the country in "body pack" — bags attached to one's body — compared to the difficulties of smuggling so-called China White from Asia.

The San Francisco Examiner reported Monday that a 35-year-old musician from San Diego spoke with them about heroin overdose on condition of anonymity while recovering at San Francisco General.

"It hit me good. Real good," the musician who admitted using heroin about once a week. "I remember telling my friends that it was almost too good. I sat back to enjoy it and just nodded off. Next thing I was waking up here (at the hospital)."

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SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — The proposed new stadium for the San Francisco Giants could bring the city up to $630 million in revenues over 40 years, in a best-case projection, and it would come out $500,000 ahead at worst, according to an economic study released Monday by the mayor’s office.

If the stadium at China Basin is constructed, the cost benefit analysis concluded, the most likely totals over 40 years would be $832 million in revenues and city costs totaling $62.8 million.

The stadium would be built under an agreement with Spec­

tator Management Group and the Giants.

The ballpark proposal will go before San Francisco voters, many of them baseball fans hop­ing the Giants are World Series champions by then, on Nov. 7.

“Even if practically everything went wrong, the city would break even economically and keep the

Giants,” said Mayor Art Agnos.

The cost benefit analysis was prepared by the city budget of­
fice with economists, and advice from four University of Califor­

nia economists.

“The proposed public-private partnership to build a new ballpark represents an opportu­
nity for the city to earn millions of dollars in new revenues while taking no financial risk,” Agnos

concluded.

Under the best-case projection in the study, costs could be as low as $50 million and revenues $2.7 billion. Under the worst-case projection, the city would realize only $243.8 million in revenues and have costs totaling just under that total over the life of the ballpark agreement.

Agnos said that earlier city estimates of probable revenues were much too low.

The city had been projecting reve­

nues of $330 million, but when our fiscal experts consulted with leading urban, public finance and sports economists, they discovered that we had seriously underestimated the payroll tax revenues from parking salaries,” Agnos explained. “The correct figures are a definite win for the people of San Francisco.”

“We can finance significant improvements in programs to combat crack cocaine, homelessness and AIDS with these kind of revenues.”

Town prepares for racist march

Locals to sport orange ribbons to identify themselves

PULASKI, Tenn. (AP) — Strip away the orange rib­

bons, and Pulaski’s court­

house square could be a movie set for an archetypal Southern town, where a Confederate hero stands on a pedestal and pickup truck sport orange flaps.

But the orange “brotherhood color” affixed to storefronts, lampposts, car antennas and coat lapels is meant to make no one confuse Pulaski resi­

dents with the white suprema­

cists who plan to march through town Saturday.

“These people are out­

siders in this country and are a victim of rape by these

groups,” said author Gregory McDonald, who owns a farm in the area and helped organize the anti­

march campaign.

Restaurants, stores and

markets have agreed to close for the day throughout the town of about 9,000 people miles south of Nash­ville. Residents have been asked to stay off the streets, and churches have placed notices asking their children and teen-agers away from downtown.

The racists are attracted to Pulaski by the town’s role in the history of the Ku Klux Klan. The group was founded in Pulaski in 1865

as a reaction to what com­

munity leaders saw as a threat by carpetbaggers and

former slaves after the Civil

War. It was disbanded four years later after the Legislature passed an an­

ti-Klan law. The modern Klan was formed outside Atlanta in 1915 by a former minister who added Jews and Catholics to the group’s list of enemies.

The Klan began marching in Pulaski annually in 1986 to protest the Martin Luther King national holi­

day.

The parade typically draws fewer than 100 march­

ers. Community leaders say as long as the racists obtain the proper permits and follow other rules they can’t be stopped.

“A started out as 35 to 40 old boys putting on their bed sheets and marching around the square harrassing,” said McDonald, author of the “Fitch” mystery novels. “These people considered the town’s silence tacit approv­

al. Nothing could be further from the truth.”

Town leaders decided it was time to act when the Aryan Nations splinter group was convicted of racketeering in 1985 in a

plot to overthrow the U.S. government that involved murder, bank robbery and armed confrontation.

“We’re just not going to put up with this group by bigots and hate mongers,” said Bettie Hig­

tins, owner of the Chamber of Commerce.

Butler has called Pulaski’s Civil War hero, Sam Davis, a 21-year-old Confederate soldier who was hanged after refusing to reveal the name of a Rebel spy. Higgins helped wire an orange wreath to the hands of a statue of Davis on the town square. The white suprema­

cists, Butler said, “He our only hero, and

they want to take him.”

The Rev. Richard G. Butler, pastor of the Church of Jesus Christ Christian-Aryan Nations, said the march was set on the day after Davis’ birthday to honor the 100th anniversary.

“Sam Davis was a hero of our people,” Butler said.

Butler’s group claims several hundred members across the country, but he did not know how many to expect on Saturday. “All members of the race will be welcome,” he said when asked whether black members and skinheads would march.

He said the town’s con­

demnation “doesn’t bother

us a bit.”

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Voyager 2 photographs Triton ‘in the act,’ proves Neptune moon volcanically active

PASADENA, Calif. (AP) — The Voyager 2 spacecraft photographed a geyser-like volcano on Neptune’s largest moon, 5 million miles away from Triton, proving Neptune’s biggest moon is the solar system’s third object with active eruptions, scientists said Monday.

“We caught one in the act!” said Ellis Miner, deputy Voyager project scientist at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory.

A NASA news release called the discovery “a significant moment in planetary exploration.” But with 5-mile-high plumes shooting into the sky, scientists said they believed the volcanoes were active or had been active object in the past few hundred years.

But it wasn’t until late last week that closer examination of Aug. 24 photos revealed an eruption in progress, Miner said Monday. NASA made the announcement as Voyager formally ended its two-month encounter with Neptune, the solar-system’s fourth-largest planet. The one-ton space probe was 34.7 million miles past Neptune, traveling at 37.337 mph. It was 2.83 billion miles from the earth, and had traveled 4.46 billion miles since its launch in 1977. Voyager 2 explored Jupiter in 1979, Saturn in 1981 and Uranus in 1986.

On Triton, scientists believed the volcanoes are water ice, while the eruptions spew nitrogen gas and ice, Smith said.

So “it’s a semantic issue” whether to call them volcanoes or giant geysers, Smith said. “If we’re talking about the materials involved, it’s closer to a geyser than a volcano. But if you’re talking about the mechanics involved — shooting material miles above the surface — that’s closer to a volcano.”

Voyager 2 also discovered gargantuan storms and winds in Neptune’s atmosphere, and six additional moons orbiting the planet. It also discovered three thin rings and one broad band of dust orbiting the planet. Scientists earlier thought there were two dust bands, but later decided the two bands really are one, Miner said.

Researchers also are beginning to suspect that what they had called six small moonlets hidden in one of the rings really may be clumps of material rather than discrete moonlets, he said.

At last count, there were 128 different colors and textures of paper at

Pro-choicers march

About 120 brave rain for rights rally

SACRAMENTO (AP) — About 120 abortion rights sup­ porters braved a rainstorm Monday to take part in a brief march and rally designed to note the opening of the U.S. Supreme Court’s new term.

Susan Kennedy, executive director of the California Abor­ tion Rights Action League’s Northern California wing, told marchers that there are three cases before the court that could further erode abortion rights, in­ cluding a case that is currently before the state legislature.

“It’s time to translate this into votes, to keep our legislators and state representatives accountable for the pro-choice majority,” she said.

The high court, in landmark ruling last July, gave states the power to make abortion harder to obtain, including the authority to ban even privately paid abor­ tion in public hospitals.

“The court on Monday, let’s do every­ thing we can, nationally and in California, to make sure the government does not intrude into this question,” Lt. Gov. Leo Mc­ Carthy told the crowd. “Let’s win this one.”

The marchers gathered at the state library and courts building and then walked across the street for a brief rally on the Capitol’s front steps. They unrolled a 72-foot banner that said support abortion rights.

Kennedy said her group has gathered signatures of 290,000 Californians. The signatures, will be given to the White House in two weeks, she added.
Supreme Court to debate use of hallucinogen in ritual

EUGENE, Ore. (AP) — The U.S. Supreme Court will hear arguments Nov. 6 in a case involving the state of Oregon's attempt to proscribe use of the hallucinogenic cactus peyote by the Native American Church.

Attorney General Dave Frohnmayer has appealed for the second time an Oregon Supreme Court ruling that the First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution exempts Native Americans using peyote in religious ceremonies from prosecution under the state's criminal drug laws. Possession of peyote, which contains mescaline, is otherwise illegal under Oregon law.

Alfred Smith, a Klamath Indian who turns 70 the day the Supreme Court hears the case, says use of peyote in the Native American Church's religious practices and those of other drug-using churches should affect their right to claim exemption for the Native American Church's religious practices.

Frohnmayer says use of peyote by the Native American Church is a sacrament and that the state's pursuit of the case the past six years is "racism and bigotry."

"We need to know where we stand on drug laws," he said. "Sometimes getting a firm answer is more important than whether it's yes or no."

Craig J. Dorsay, the lawyer for Smith and Black, said peyote has not created a drug problem in those states where its use is permitted to church members, and he argues that clear distinctions can be drawn between the Native American Church's religious practices and those of other drug-using churches.

However, he said, Frohnmayer's argument could prove politically persuasive. "If we have to argue this on the grounds of whether there's a drug problem in the United States, we'll obviously lose," he said.

Peyote's role in Native American religious life has been traced back for centuries. The modern peyote ceremony originated in the last century and has spread from Oklahoma to 10 states across the nation's Pan-Indian movement.

Estimates of adherents vary from 100,000 to 250,000, with about 100 in Oregon.

Supreme Court to decide case concerning liability of workers hurt in transport

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court agreed Monday to decide whether farm workers who suffer transportation-related injuries may sue their employers after receiving worker-compensation benefits.

The justices said Monday they will review a ruling in the case of 10 Florida farm hands that such lawsuits are allowed under a federal law, the Migrant and Seasonal Agricultural Workers Protection Act.

Frohnmayer has appealed for the state's ability to control dangerous drugs.

"Both the goal of preventing unsafe transportation practices and the role of private suits in enforcing worker protections convince us that applying the worker-compensation law to bar private suits for violations of the federal act when transportation is covered by worker-compensation insurance would frustrate congressional intent," the appeals court said.

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Supreme Court to discuss limiting lawyer fees

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court agreed Monday whether lawyers who win civil rights cases can collect a big chunk of their clients' awards under an agreement made when the attorneys were hired.

The court said Monday it will hear an appeal by a California man awarded $2.12 million and then ordered to pay 40 percent of the judgment to his lawyer.

The case stems from a federal lawsuit by Juan Francisco Venegas against Long Beach police officers. He was imprisoned for 2½ years for a murder conviction obtained with evidence that a court records review showed was irrelevant, and Mitchell was hired Michael to represent him in the suit and agreed to pay the lawyer 40 percent of any award he won.

A federal court also awarded Mitchell $300,000 in legal fees, an amount to be paid by the police officers. Mitchell and Venegas parted ways in 1986 when the lawyer asked for another 10 percent of the judgment to represent him on appeal and Venegas refused.

The lawyer then filed a court motion to recover his 40 percent contingent fee, or $400,000.

A federal judge gave Mitchell a partial victory, ruling he may be entitled to the contingent fee but that he must first present a full court order to decide.

Mitchell won a bigger victory before the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals.

The appeals court last April sent the case back to the federal trial court to reconsider the lawyer's bid to enforce a lien on the $2.12 million award.

The appeals court also said that under federal civil rights law, Mitchell is not limited to court-awarded attorneys' fees when a contingency fee agreement exists with a client.

The court said federal law does not limit contingency fee agreements.
Police stumped by stall staller

When it comes to going to the bathroom, some people take longer than others. Some use the time on the toilet to catch up on reading. Some do homework. Some may be doing otherwise.

One's Walden Pond of sanctuary, however, rarely tends to be a public bathroom.

On Tuesday, Sept. 26, at 1:50 p.m. Public Safety received a report of someone being in a women's toilet stall of the Business Administration and Education Building for three to four hours. When Public Safety came to investigate they discovered wooden legs covered with pants and tennis shoes.

For the moment, anyway, the Business Administration and Education Building's "stall"-ing record stands at four hours.

Records in other buildings on campus were unknown at press time.

SLO Expo offers fun at Plaza Sat.

More than 60 local business and non-profit groups will offer free food, services and entertainment Saturday Oct. 7 during SLO EXPO.

Sponsored by the San Luis Obispo Chamber of Commerce, the one-day event will run from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Mission Plaza in downtown San Luis Obispo.

Local merchants will give away everything from 10-minute tango lessons to mini-massages and fitness testing.

Entertainment includes singer Mary MacGregor, a strolling musician, performances in the Mission Plaza Amphitheater by the San Luis Obispo Little Theatre and the San Luis Symphony Brass Quartet.

Alcohol assistance group meets Wed.

Adult Children of Alcoholics meet each Wednesday from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. at the University Christian Center on Fooshill Boulevard.

Students from families troubled by alcohol or drug abuse are welcome. For more information, call Vince at 546-9045.

Recovery group to meet on Tuesday

Registered nurses, licensed vocational nurses and licensed psychiatric technicians who are recovering from chemical dependency, or who would like to investigate recovery, may attend meetings of Nurses Support Group in San Luis Obispo.

The meetings provide an outlet for colleagues to discuss personal and professional problems related to alcoholism or other drug dependencies.

The support group meets Tuesday evenings from 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. For more information and the exact meeting place, call Sally Lewis at 543-5353, ext. 117.

Open house Oct. 8 for fire prevention

The California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection/San Luis Obispo County Fire Department will celebrate Fire Prevention Week with an open house Sunday, Oct. 8, from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Nipomo Fire Station, 450 Pioneer St.

Activities will include a watermelon-eating contest for children 12 years and younger, tours of the station and drawings for prizes. Punch and cookies will be served.

For more information, call 543-2446.

Job search class set for next week

Cooperative Education and Placement Services is offering a workshop to help students find summer jobs.

Staff members will discuss where to look for jobs, how to write resumes and interviewing strategies.

The workshop will be presented Thursday, Oct. 12, from 11 a.m. to noon in room 207 of the Business Administration and Education Building.

For more information, call 756-2645.

Chamber planning non-profit listing

The San Luis Obispo Chamber of Commerce is currently updating its directory of non-profit organizations in San Luis Obispo county.

The roster, already listing more than 385 cultural, service, social and community groups, is prepared annually by Chamber staff members as a resource for the community.

An organization need not be a member of the Chamber to be included on the list. For more information, contact the Chamber at 543-1323 before Oct. 13.

No rain forecast despite gray skies

Don't dust off those umbrellas or galoshes just yet.

No rain is forecast for today, despite Monday's light sprinkle and threatening clouds, according to the National Weather Service.

"Threats can be deceiving," said meteorologist Dennis Hess. "It should be a nice day, a little windy, though."

San Luis Obispo should be mostly sunny after the morning clouds burn off, he said. Temperatures should reach a high of 72 degrees.

The rest of the week should be much the same.

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