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# Area restaurants fear new SJSU eatery



JEREMY HOGAN—SPARTAN DAILY

Cafe de Roma manager Hamid Nasaeri is upset with the proposed campus fast-food restaurant, saying, "The school can't destroy businesses to make revenues."

By Gerald Woodall  
Spartan Daily Staff Writer

Local restaurant owners are concerned about the possibility of Spartan Shops Inc. approving construction of a fast-food restaurant at SJSU. They fear it could hurt their sales.

The project, which calls for a \$1 million renovation of the Old Cafeteria building and could take years to complete, is on hold indefinitely because of low enrollment and lack of a firm offer from a fast-food franchise. Despite the uncertainty of the projects, some local restaurants said they feel threatened.

"Our business is directly related to student customers. They (fast-

food chains) are big corporations and we are just small businesses. It would be hard for us to compete with them. They have four other fast-food places close by campus," said Hamid Nasaeri, manager of Cafe de Roma on Paseo de San Antonio. "It would not make sense to take \$1 million out of the school budget to build fast-food restaurants that are already here."

Ron Duval, executive director of Spartan Shots Inc., explained that convenience is one factor that helps students decide where to eat.

"Nobody wants to walk more

than a block for lunch. If students have classes near San Fernando Street, chances are they won't want to walk across campus to the existing McDonalds," Duval said.

Nasaeri said that students will go out of their way to find better prices. He explained that if Spartan Shops really had the students' interests in mind, they would provide low-cost services. He said that a fast-food restaurant

would have to raise prices to make up for when the campus is closed for summer and winter breaks.

Farid Pishva has owned the Sandwiched In on San Fernando

Street for five years. He said if there was fast food on campus, it would attract many students and dip into his profits.

"Most students look for service and convenience rather than quality," Pishva said, when describing lunch crowd preferences.

Nasaeri said that SJSU isn't taking the students' health into consideration. His customers complain not only that Student Union prices are too high, but that their selection has little in the way of health food.

Myun Sikcheng, the owner of Peanuts, agrees.

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## Campus survey results released by end of May

By Alex Betancourt  
Spartan Daily Staff Writer

The results of various extensive studies on campus cultural diversity will be released next month for further analysis. Among the studies are three campus surveys, including the Campus Climate Survey commissioned by President J. Handel Evans.

According to Mike Ego, chairman of the human relations advisory board and director of the Campus Climate Survey, the information gathering stage of the survey — the most lengthy stage — will be completed by the end of May.

"There has been a lot of effort put into ensuring that the survey is reliable. It's important information, we haven't taken it lightly," Ego said. "The research will be completed by the end of May. It can't be released until then."

Ego added that after the research is analyzed, a report will be submitted to Evans, who will

decide when to release the information.

SJSU is also involved in a survey commissioned by the CSU Chancellor's office called the Student Needs And Priorities Survey (SNAPS). It is a CSU system-wide survey designed to assess student issues, including cultural diversity.

The SNAPS survey is given to 1,000 students, according to Dean Batt, vice president of student affairs. He added that the SNAPS results will be released in mid-May.

Batt is collecting data from a study he is conducting on 250 recently graduated students. The survey questions were aimed at finding what made them successful in college. Results of that survey will also be available in mid-May.

According to David Asquith, project director of a study being conducted by the Undergradu-

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## Hanging around campus



JOHN LEE—SPARTAN DAILY

Senait Asmelash, center, tries to keep her hold on a set of exercise rings at the par course between Washington Square Hall and SPX Thursday as her brother Michael, left, and sister Eritrea cling to her.

## SJSU professors document post Vietnam War life

*Film examines Vietnamese life 19 years after professor's exile; airs Monday on public television*

By Larry Barrett  
Spartan Daily Staff Writer

Vietnam's struggle to embrace new capitalist values while shedding its old socialist policies is the focus of SJSU sociology professor Bob Gliner's documentary film, which premieres Monday night at 8 p.m. on public TV KTEH.

Entitled "Viet Nam: At The Crossroads," the 60-minute documentary follows Hien Duc Do, an SJSU social science professor, as he returns to his homeland for the first time since 1975. Traveling to Vietnam in January, three weeks before the U.S. lifted its 18-year trade embargo, Gliner and Do found a country struggling to understand the positive and negative effects of Western capitalism.

The pair traveled throughout urban and rural Vietnam with a hand-held camera and no government-issued film permit. Both men had personal and aca-

demic motives for filming the documentary, yet they have vastly different backgrounds. During the war, Do was living in the war-ravaged country while Gliner was protesting U.S. involvement in Vietnam as a student at the University of Minnesota.

"I wanted to see the impact of these changes on the family, schools and health care as well as how people related to one another," Gliner said. "Vietnam is a country in transition and I wanted to see what Vietnam was really like. The American press, in general, left the impression that Vietnam is dreary. In fact, it's just the opposite."

For Do, returning to Vietnam left him with mixed emotions. "I'm concerned about the rapid construction and industrialization and how it will change people's lives," Do said. "Tradition is being lost."

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## Journalism students win top awards in San Luis Obispo

By Deana Smith  
Spartan Daily Staff Writer

SJSU journalism students collected 24 awards in the broadcast, newspaper and magazine categories at the 45th annual California Intercollegiate Press Association (CIPA) in San Luis Obispo during spring break.

CIPA was a three-day event involving on-site competitions, award ceremonies and workshops for journalism students from all over California.

Two awards, general excellence given to the SPARTAN DAILY and the sweepstakes award given to Update News, stand out from

the CIPA mail-in competition. These entries are based on last year's publications and broadcasts.

"It felt good to be recognized for all the hard work we did," said Tara Murphy, last year's SPARTAN DAILY city editor.

General excellence is awarded to the newspaper that has excelled in all sections of the publication.

According to Stephen Greene, adviser to the SPARTAN DAILY, the students achieved this award through hard work. They

set out in the beginning of the semester with a plan and executed it.

The sweepstakes award is given to the university that wins the most awards in one category. Update News, the SJSU television news program, received the most awards in the broadcast area.

"This is the eighth time we have received the sweepstakes award since 1983," Update News adviser Darla Belshe said. "I was very pleased because it represents a lot of hard work."

The on-site competitions, which took place Saturday, March 26, involved events in news, editorials, features, entertainment, sports, copy editing and front-page layout. Some students were given an event to cover and then had one hour to write a story or develop their photos. Some events students covered included a mock assassination during a mayoral press conference, a polo game and a swap meet.

The judges were professionals from news organizations in the

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## George Plimpton addresses campus

*Major Authors Series hosts world-renowned writer*

By Cara Broglia  
Spartan Daily Staff Writer

Running down the football field alongside some of the NFL's greatest players is a dream come true for many sports fans, but for author George Plimpton it is all in a day's work.

Not only has he played ball with some of the greatest teams of all time, he has won many awards for writing about his experiences.

Plimpton has written over 20 books, but may best be known for The Paris Review, a literary magazine which he founded in Paris in 1953.

The author was at SJSU Student Union Ballroom last night for a free public reading of his work. For those who missed him, he will be hosting an informal seminar this afternoon at 12:30 in Washington Square Hall, Room 109.

The seminar, which will be a conversation moderated by Alan Soldofsky, associate professor of English and director of the Center for Literary Arts at SJSU, will give people the opportunity to ask Plimpton questions about his experiences as an author and an editor.

"George Plimpton has a wonderful array of experiences in sports, film, literature and television. And his wit and wisdom make him an entertaining and enlightening speaker," Soldofsky said.

Ernest Hemingway once said that the work of George Plimpton is "beautifully observed and incredibly conceived. (His writing) is the dark side of Walter Mitty."

Doing the things normal people only dream of, Plimpton has

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## Editorial

## American youth should be punished in Singapore

Michael Fay, the 18-year-old American student living in Singapore, should face severe punishment for the crimes he committed even though it may seem cruel and unusual punishment to U.S. citizens.

Fay was found guilty of two counts of vandalism, two counts of mischief and one count of possessing stolen property. The justice system in Singapore sentenced him to four months in jail, a \$2,230 fine and flogging six times with a wet piece of bamboo.

The sentence called "caning" has created a stir in the U.S., especially since Fay's appeal to remove this punishment was denied March 31.

Caning involves a jailer trained in martial arts to give six lashes to the victim's bare buttocks. It leaves them deeply cut and drenched in blood. The victim usually passes out or goes into shock after the first few lashes. The victim is then revived so the caning can continue.

Fay wouldn't be in this predicament if he thought about this consequence before spraying graffiti and committing the other crimes. Fay has lived in Singapore for long enough to know the justice system.

Many Americans see caning as inappropriate. Being American doesn't justify a different sentence. If Singapore's people committed crimes in the U.S., they would be punished under the U.S. justice system, so there is no reason why it should not work the other way.

Americans should see this caning as a positive way to deter crime and feel the U.S. should model their justice system after Singapore's. Singapore, which has about the same population as Los Angeles, has been called one of the safest countries in the world.

In 1993, Singapore reported 58 murders, 80 rapes, 1,008 robberies and 3,162 car thefts. For the same time period, Los Angeles reported 1,100 homicides, 1,855 rapes, 39,277 robberies and 65,541 car thefts.

Singapore is obviously doing something right. Murder convictions, firearm offenses and drug trafficking are all crimes punishable by the death penalty. Rape, robbery, extortion and employing illegal aliens can result in the caning sentence.

These may be strict penalties but they establish a fear in people not to commit crimes. With crime rampant in the U.S., getting tough with the penalties may be the only answer.

Michael Fay must be taught a lesson, just as so many of the criminals in this country should be. The U.S. needs to start cracking the whip, literally, against crime.

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## A small investment can save your life

Despite the warnings by doctors and government agencies, a lot of people are still not protecting themselves against a deadly disease spread by a high risk activity. People have been doing it for years but its rise in popularity exploded in the '80s along with the risks.

The only sure way to avoid the disease is to wear protection or practice abstinence. Even with evidence that says the disease is preventable, people are still taking foolish risks.

The excuses are many but the most common seem to be they're uncomfortable to wear or inconvenient to use.

Strangely enough it seems the younger generation is more informed than adults. That's partly because public schools and law enforcement agencies have been active in getting the message out: If you're going to do it, wear protection.

In fact, next year people under the age of 18 can be given a ticket for not wearing protection, thanks to a new California law that took effect Jan. 1. For now, the police are just giving out warnings.

I even had second thoughts about wearing protection before I began my weekly two-and-a-half-hour ride (especially last week — after I had dropped it in Lake Vasona and it was all wet).

It was amazing how many people I saw doing it at Vasona Park in Los Gatos last week who weren't wearing protection.

They had to know the risks they were taking because all the children I saw were properly protected.

Fortunately a little voice said



DAVE MARSHALL  
Writer's Block

**'In my mind, my helmet is ugly, it's inconvenient ... but it's also the only thing between me and a trip in an ambulance, or worse — a plastic bag.'**

that getting ADIS wasn't worth it.

ADIS (Acute Deceleration and Impact Syndrome) is one of the most deadly disorders cyclists face.

It makes no difference if you ride a tricycle or a \$1,000 mountain bike. Ride at 2 mph or 30 mph, the chances of getting ADIS are the same. It is astonishing how much protection you get from such a small investment.

According to the experts (the guys at the local bike shops I called this week), a good helmet costs as little as \$29.

Think of it as a \$29 life insurance policy and remember that even falling off a bike that is standing still is dangerous.

Still not convinced? Try

jumping in the air and landing on your head a few times and then imagine what your head would feel like after impacting at 20 or 30 mph.

Head injuries are the scariest type of cycling injury, especially when one considers that when riders crash they are usually thrown head first and don't stop until they impact with an unmovable object.

Just after I put on my helmet (or 'brain bucket' as my nephew Joey calls them) I saw a cyclist who had contracted ADIS.

The man was sitting down next to the trail covered in his own blood with a gash in his forehead. I overheard the paramedics saying, as they prepared to take him to Valley Medical Center, that a helmet could have prevented the injury.

In a state that requires children and motorcycle riders to wear helmets it is amazing that adult cyclists aren't required to wear them.

It is encouraging to hear how many of the salespeople I talked to say they pressure their customers to buy helmets.

One of the salespeople I spoke with said that when his customers think a helmet is too expensive he asks them if they have priced the cost of stitches lately?

In my mind, my helmet is ugly, it's inconvenient and collects sweat, but it's also the only thing between me and a trip in an ambulance, or worse — a plastic bag.

Dave Marshall is a Daily staff columnist. His column appears every other Friday.

## Taking time to enjoy the precious sunsets

The last thing I would ever consider myself is predictable, but there are things in my life I have understood to be impossible.

I would never admit to my father I haven't been to Mass or confession in years. I would never, ever let my mother know she's been right almost every time she's told me something I did not want to hear. I am never on time to morning classes. I never fail to appreciate sunsets.

Sunsets?, you may ask. Sounds pretty Walt Disney, I know, but they have always served a purpose for me.

Ever since I can remember, staring into a sunset has meant I had the ability to relax. Taking in the giant swirls of strong colors reminded me there was something out there bigger than me and my problems. Beautiful sunsets captivate the eyes, then burn out, fading into nothing, much like people's lives.

Taking time to appreciate sunsets always gave me the ability to get a grip. Last week I found out I haven't been taking care of this need.

I was standing on the beach



JACK BUNTING  
Writer's Forum

with a good friend at dusk.

"Should we take off about now?" she said.

Incredulously I looked at her. "Don't ever walk away from a sunset," I told her.

At that moment I thought it strange she wanted to get back on the freeway without seeing the pinkish-orange illumination through to its death.

I remembered to look at the sunset when I was on a gorgeous beach, but I never even think to do so when I am in my downtown San Jose neighborhood.

We were on the beach at Jenner at the mouth of Russian River, but we might as well have been on another continent. It was spring break, which meant a recess for me from the angst of this semester. Getting out of

downtown was definitely a luxury.

The air at Jenner was clean, there was little noise, and few people. There were no bitter panhandlers.

The "Twilight Zone" atmosphere of downtown San Jose, created by thousands of people moving in a million different directions, but walking at a snail's pace, was suffocating me.

The contrast between downtown and the beach forced me to appreciate the uncontrived beauty of nature, giving me peace of mind. How great it would be to live in such a beautiful place.

But I don't, nor do many SJSU students who have decided to live close to campus.

Peace of mind, or at least little bits of it, can be snatched if you take time to seek out little things to make the heart smile. These little non-reality bites make the most difficult semester more bearable.

I've come to realize you can see sunsets from downtown San Jose — you just have to look hard enough.

Jack Bunting is a

## Letters to the Editor

## G.E. should be optional

## Editor:

Each year many students ask the same question, "When will I graduate?" The lucky ones, those able to graduate within four years, can finally move on in life.

Those of us stuck for five or six years are wasting valuable time which could have been spent establishing a career. If the general education requirement did not exist, students could be graduating earlier and be making — instead of wasting — money.

For a full-time student living on campus, including books, meals, personal expenses and transportation, the cost of attending SJSU approximates \$10,006 per year. Trying to graduate from SJSU in five years will cost about \$50,000, not including the annual fee increase.

By eliminating G.E. requirements, undergraduates would not have to take courses unnecessary to their major. This would cut the cost of college tuition by 35 percent, thus leaving something in our pockets.

G.E. courses should be made optional. For students who aren't sure of their major, or for those who want to take extra courses, G.E. provides skills that will be needed in the future.

This would allow established students to save time and money and allow those who need more time a chance to explore other fields. If students were allowed to choose classes, they would show greater interest in those classes than if they were forced.

Whenever a student is held back, he or she is deprived from a place in the job market. Every year about 7,000 new graduates compete for the same positions, creating slimmer chances of finding a job. By changing G.E. from a requirement to an option, undergraduates could start making a five-figure salary within three or four years, instead of wasting a year on excess classes.

Tina P. Flores

## Laws need to be changed that let rapists not serve their full sentence

## Editor:

Amid the newest craze called the "war on crime" it is distressing to hear the latest report of yet another criminal slipping through the cracks. The convicted "College Terrace rapist" was paroled after serving barely half of his 25-year sentence.

Not only was Melvin Carter going to be paroled into the very community in which he committed his crime — which is standard procedure — no one would have known had a local reporter not been curious as to his whereabouts.

Most rapists and child molesters are repeat offenders. Carter has confessed to raping over 100 women. To let him out of jail puts countless other women in danger and opens the old wounds of those affected by Carter's actions.

In response to the outcry in Hayward and Sunol, Gov. Wilson, the "3 strikes" politician, has come up with another brilliant plan: parole him to "the wilderness somewhere."

Carter was released last week to the rural community of Alturas in Northern California. There, according to Wilson, he will be isolated and less of a danger to the public. He will be so isolated that his parole officer must travel 155 miles from Redding. There are no psychologists in the area with the expertise to handle sex offenders. That's supervision.

Gov. Wilson is so tough on crime that this person got out after serving a minimum sentence and resides in a county not prepared to deal with him. It is doubtful he will receive the help he needs. How many strikes is this convicted rapist going to get before he is put away for life? He has had 100 too many. Melvin Carter deserves to be in jail, doing time for the crimes he committed. It is time the laws that allowed him to go free are changed.

Karin Gilles

Public Relations

## Forum Page Policies

The SPARTAN DAILY provides a daily Forum to promote a "marketplace of ideas." Contributions to the page are encouraged from students, staff, faculty and others who are interested in the university at large.

Any letter or column for the forum page must be turned in to Letters to the Editor's box in the SPARTAN DAILY newsroom, Dwight Bentel Hall 209, or to the information booth in the Student Union.

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## Corrections

In the *Etcetera* campus currents calendar the time for the Ben & Jerry's free scoop for ice cream was incorrect. The correct time is noon to 8 p.m. on Friday.



# SpartaGuide

The San Jose State calendar

## Today

**DIRECT ACTION ALLIANCE:** General meeting, Peace Center 48 S. 7th St, 7p.m. Call Juan 236-3765

**LDSSA:** Testimony meeting followed by spaghetti, 66 S. 7th St., 12:30p.m. Call 286-3313

**MUSLIM STUDENT ASSOCIATION:** Meeting pray, Guadalupe Room, SU, 1p.m. Call Aziz 510/785-9169

**MECHA:** Raza Day Meeting, 2p.m., Chicano Re-source Center. Call 924-2707

**OVERSEAS DEVELOPMENT NETWORK:** Global Objectives Conference '94, Stanford University. Call Tammy 415/231-4204

**SIKH STUDENT ASSOCIATION:** Meeting, Council Chambers SU, 12:30p.m. Call Parvinder 924-8736

**SJSU FENCING CLUB:** Meeting and Practice, 5:30p.m., SPX 089. Call John 280-6019

**THEATRE ARTS DEPT.-STUDENT DIRECTED THEATER:** Simply Maria by Josefina Lopez, directed by Pamela Salazar, 12:30p.m. and 8p.m., Dance Studio Theatre, SPX 219

## Saturday

**ALPHA OMICRON PI:** Car Wash, 10a.m.-4:30p.m., Chevron @ 4th and Santa Clara St. Call Stephanie 998-9330

**AMERICAN HYDROGEN ASSOCIATION:** Meeting, 1p.m., Peninsula Conservation Center 3921 E. Bayshore Rd. Call 415/992-3963

**BETA ALPHA PSI:** Income Tax Assistance, 12-4p.m., BC 309. Call Pat 924-3492

**CHICANO COMMENCEMENT COMMITTEE:** Last Orientation, 10:15a.m., Costanoan Room, SU. Call Xavier 281-2213

**MODEL UNITED NATIONS:** Meeting, 10a.m.-12, Al-maden Room, SU. Call Ailabogie 947-1236

**SPARTAGOLD DANCE TEAM:** Auditions, 10a.m., Spartan Complex 218. Call Phil 924-5950

**THEATRE ARTS DEPARTMENT:** Simply Maria by Josefina Lopez, directed by Pamela Salazar, 8p.m., Dance Studio Theatre, SPX 219

## Monday

**LUTHERAN STUDENT FELLOWSHIP:** Bible study, 11a.m., Montalvo Room, SU. Call Tim 298-0204

**LUTHERAN STUDENT FELLOWSHIP:** Bible study, 7p.m., Campus Interfaith Center. Call Tim 298-0204

**MICROBIOLOGY:** Dr. John Aldrete to give a seminar, 6p.m., Umunhum Room SU. Call 924-3830

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## Fire damages ten businesses

MODESTO, Calif. (AP) — A general alarm fire destroyed 10 businesses and caused \$3.3 million damage early today in McHenry Village, Modesto's oldest major shopping center.

The fire, of undetermined origin, broke out about 1:43 a.m. on the McHenry Avenue side of the sprawling shopping complex which opened in 1953. Firefighters from a station across the street responded to the first alarm but found flames already burning strongly, said city Fire Marshal Bill Houk.

"The flames already were through the roof when they were responding," he said.

Houk said more than 100 firefighters, 13 engine companies and three truck companies from throughout Stanislaus County kept the fire from spreading to other sections of the center which has more than 70 stores.

The preliminary loss estimate included \$2.1 million damage to the building that burned and \$1.2 million to contents, said Police Officer Kelly Huston.

He said about 25,000 square feet of store space was destroyed.

Police closed about half a mile of McHenry Avenue, the fabled street in this city 90 miles southeast of San Francisco where teen-agers cruised in George Lucas' 1970s movie "American Graffiti."

Joel Youngheim, whose Joels Shoes was saved because it was across an alley from the fire, said the scene was devastating.

Sherry Wagner of Turlock, owner of the burned-out Village Baking, said, "We'll look for new equipment and start over again."

Houk said businesses that were destroyed besides Village Baking were National Med Wellness Center, Modesto Steam Laundry & Cleaners, Togo's Restaurant, McHenry Village Barber & Styling, Ron Simi Flowers, Kirin Japanese Steak House, Ragamuffin clothing store, Erica Evans Clothes for Women and El Clavel Restaurant.

The El Clavel had not yet opened and was moving into space long held by Carmen's Mexican Restaurant, he said.

The fire apparently started in the area of Kirin Japanese Steak House, Houk said.

## Vietnam

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tions that I grew up with have changed and there's a certain sadness there because those traditions were wonderful. It was great to go back. I experienced every emotion on the spectrum and more than that."

The documentary incorporates interviews with Vietnamese experts in the fields of sociology, women's studies, health care and education.

It also talks with people on the streets of Ho Chi Minh City, Hanoi and rural villages.

"When we left San Jose, many had cautioned us that despite Vietnam's apparent move toward a free-market economic system, it was still a dictatorship and would not tolerate free expression," Gliner said. "Yet, experts were willing to criticize domestic policies and even our cyclo driver was willing to publicly address

the problems he saw with Western influence."

According to Gliner, the piece should have added significance to the Vietnamese-American population in San Jose, which is the second-largest in the U.S.

Gliner and Do believe that most of the media representations of Vietnam have been negative, usually reflecting on the bitter war and not looking to the future.

In the documentary, they hope to provide a look at the Vietnam of today and tomorrow.

"It's a poor country facing problems," Do said. "But they are enthusiastic in their work to improve their situation. There's a sense of moving forward instead of dwelling on the past. They are willing to move on, while Americans are still penalizing the Vietnamese."

**'It's a poor country facing problems, but they are enthusiastic in their work to improve their situation.'**

Hien Duc Do  
Social Science Professor

## Autopsy upsets family, double-standard alleged

RIVERSIDE, Calif. (AP) — County officials conducted an unannounced second autopsy on a woman who appeared to have fumes emanating from her body before she died.

During the second autopsy — conducted March 20, but only revealed by the county on Wednesday — officials wore protective suits and oxygen tanks, as during the first autopsy on Feb. 25.

However, unlike the first autopsy, they did not perform the autopsy in a specially sealed room to prevent any possibly dangerous vapors from escaping.

Chief Deputy Coroner Dan Cupido said Wednesday that his office talked to the county's Environmental Health Department before conducting the second autopsy, but he declined to elaborate on the nature of the second tests. Test results from the first autopsy showed extraordinary measures were no longer necessary, Cupido said.

The county on Wednesday requested a court order keeping the family from opening the casket except under strict guide-

lines such as the use of "hazardous material personnel" the county followed during the first autopsy.

However, county officials did not follow those procedures themselves during the second autopsy, the Press-Enterprise of Riverside reported today.

"How can you ask the family to follow the procedures required in the first autopsy if the county has already ignored those procedures in the second autopsy?" said the family's lawyer, Ronald Schwartz.

Since Ramirez's death, officials have been trying to determine why she died and the source of fumes that hospitalized four members of the staff, including a doctor who sniffed the ammonia-like blood and soon suffered seizures. All four staff members have been released from area hospitals.

The body is now in a heat-sealed plastic container inside a sealed metal casket at the coroner's office, Cupido said.

Tom DeSantis, the county's spokesman, would not discuss why the county did not reveal the second autopsy.

## Plimpton

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gone into the worlds of other people to experience and write about their lifestyles. He was, for a day, a centerfold photographer for Playboy and has flown on a trapeze in the circus.

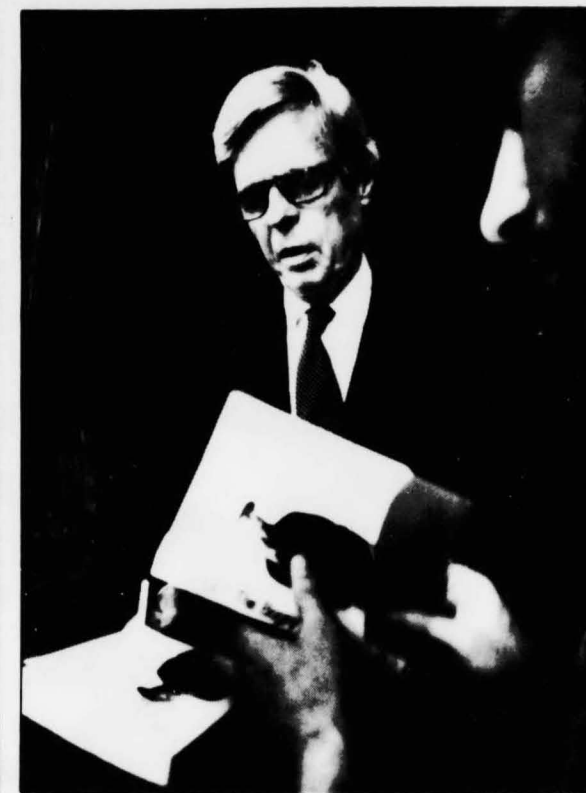
Plimpton has also been on the big screen, acting in such movies as "Lawrence of Arabia" and "Little Man Tate." In "Little Man Tate" Plimpton portrayed William F. Buckley.

A native of New York City, he serves as the fireworks commissioner there. Plimpton

has received degrees from Harvard and Cambridge Universities as well as King's College.

Plimpton will be at SJSU as a guest of the Major Authors Series program.

The series is paid for by grants from the National Endowment for the Arts, the Fine Arts Commission of the City of San Jose, the Arts Council of Santa Clara County, PARTNERS, the California Arts Council, and by the patrons of the SJSU Institute for Arts and Letters.



Author George Plimpton signs his book Thursday on campus.

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## Fast Food

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"We could offer a better food variety with better foods," he said.

Duval said that even though SJSU offers a deli, grilled burgers, Asian food, pasta, pizza and a pub, students would benefit from the added choice of a McDonald's or Burger King.

"If you eat at the Student Union every day, it starts to get old," he said.

Senior social science major Curtis Rieser likes to eat at off-campus restaurants for a different reason.

"I don't eat here at school. There is something more personal about these little places that I really like. They're a little more friendly," he said.

Nasari also said he was upset when Java Jazz, a coffee vendor on campus from Seattle, opened up in January outside of MacQuarrie Hall.

Senior Curtis Rieser, a social science major, studies at Peanuts, located across from campus on Santa Clara Street Wednesday. "I don't eat here at school. There's something about these little places that I really like. They're just a little more friendly." Myun-Sik Chang, who started Peanuts with his father in 1982, estimates his business would go down 20 percent if SJSU puts a fast-food restaurant on campus.

He said local business owners should have been given the chance to bid on the right to vend.

"We have a \$12,000 overhead to pay every month. That vendor was given a prime location on campus with no overhead (costs) and no upkeep (costs)."

The more vendors that are put on campus, the more it hurts local business," he said.

He went on to explain that Cafe de Roma offers similar coffees at student discounts.

He doesn't understand why students stand in long lines at the vendors to pay much higher prices.

Duval said he had no idea that other restaurants were interested in vending opportunities.

He explained that if he had received requests from them, he would have taken them into consideration.

**'If you eat at the Student Union everyday, it starts to get old.'**

Ron Duval  
executive director, Spartan Shops Inc.



JEREMY HOGAN—SPARTAN DAILY

## Climate

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ate Studies office on racial, ethnic and cultural relations on campus, two or three surveys are conducted every year on the topic of campus diversity.

Asquith is directing a project in which groups of six to seven students will form discussion groups. They will be asked questions concerning their perception of racial differences and the isolation of cultural groups.

The study was commissioned by Asquith and Ray Lou, associate academic vice president. The results of this study will be revealed in late May, according to Asquith.

Nicole Padellan, A.S. director of ethnic affairs, said she is a believer in surveying people's attitudes, but said the problems stemming from a diverse campus population can't be solved by studies.

"Surveys are a starting step to figure out what needs to be

done. They show the attitudes of a focus group, but a lot of the times they don't follow through with any programs," Padellan said. "I think the administration is reaching out, but it is not a solution."

Asquith, who is also a sociology professor, said the main purpose of a campus questionnaire is to survey the population, not to implement policy.

Padellan has not seen the Campus Climate Survey, which is currently the most extensive at SJSU. She said it is a start for improving campus relations, but that the problem encompasses more than such a study can address.

"We do so many of these surveys and assessments of the campus climate, but I don't think they truly reflect the many racial tensions on campus. People need to change their attitudes, it has to be a conscious effort by everyone," Padellan said.

## CIPA

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California area such as the San Luis Obispo Telegram-Tribune and KSBY-TV.

Workshops given on the last day covered issues such as ethics, disaster coverage and a photography workshop.

Awards won were:

**Update News (mail-in competition)**

Best television newscast—first place, Chris Hane; second place, Rita Garcia  
Best television news story—first place, Will Thomas; third place, Melissa Vigil  
Best television and entertainment magazine—second place, Will Thomas  
Best television interview—third place, Treva Erskon  
Best television feature story—first place, Will Thomas  
Best television sportscast—first place, Will Thomas

**Spartan Daily (mail-in competition)**

General excellence—first place, Spartan Daily staff  
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Best newspaper news series—second place, Spartan Daily staff  
Best newspaper overall design: full size—second place, Spartan Daily staff  
Best photo essay—second place, Spartan Daily staff  
Best newspaper illustration/graphic—first place, Fred Lampert; second place, Martin Gee  
Best newspaper editorial—third place, Jason Meagher  
Best newspaper humor or satirical column—second place, Paul Wotel

**Access Magazine (mail-in competition)**

Best magazine news article—honorable mention, Deana Smith

**Spartan Daily (on-site competition)**

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## Christie Brinkley recounts copter crash, says she is glad to be alive

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Model Christie Brinkley says she thinks it's a miracle she survived a helicopter crash while on a Colorado ski trip.

"Every brave rescuer that came up on the mountain to save us took a look at what we came out of and said, 'I can't believe that you made it,'" she said in an interview on the syndicated show "Entertainment Tonight."

The interview was to be televised Friday night. Brinkley suffered bruises in the April 1 crash in Telluride, Colo.

The model and four other people were stranded for hours after the helicopter crashed while taking them up a mountain to ski.

Los Angeles real estate developer Richard Taubman was the

most seriously hurt, with broken ribs, a broken collarbone and a punctured lung.

"The pilot said it was probably 150 feet up where he lost control of the helicopter," Brinkley said in recounting the crash. "I don't know what happened. It felt as if the mountain was sucking us into it."

"After we crashed the helicopter just started rocking back and forth, the blade was still swinging around ... then it shook us over the edge of a cliff. We were rolling a little more and all of a sudden I felt myself starting to fall out of the side of the helicopter."

"I came out into the light and it was all sort of slow motion, and all of a sudden I thought I'm either going to die right now, get hit by the blade, or I'm going to survive."

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## Right on the money

*Pitcher Dave Sick is flawless in five games this season*

By Thomas Zizzo  
Spartan Daily Staff Writer

He has an unblemished record this season of 5-0, he's the Spartan baseball team's No. 1 starter and he's a Major League prospect. He's senior pitcher Dave Sick.

Sick has an ERA this season of 3.53 with 71.1 innings pitched and has 56 strikeouts. His career ERA at SJSU is 4.09 with 16 wins, eight losses, and 159 strikeouts. Sick is ranked 10th in the Big West conference for his ERA and fifth for strikeouts and fourth for innings pitched.

Sick has been attending and playing baseball at SJSU for four years now. A 22-year-old business management major, he is playing baseball for SJSU on a scholarship.

Sick chose to attend SJSU because he wanted to stay in California after his parents moved out of state, and SJSU was the only college that offered him a scholarship.

Ever since Sick was 7 years old, he has been playing base-

ball. Sick said that he always wanted to be a pitcher.

He has dreams of playing professional baseball.

"I'd love to play professional baseball. I'd play anywhere, it doesn't matter," Sick said.

Although SJSU is not one of the most widely known colleges for baseball, Sick said that SJSU plays for one of the best conferences in the country. If there aren't very many scouts who come out to see SJSU play, then there will be a lot of scouts coming out to see No. 1-ranked teams like Cal-State Fullerton play SJSU.

But if the Major League doesn't call, Sick will be ready.

"If it doesn't work out I guess I'll find a real job," he said.

Spartan baseball coach Sam Piraro said that he would like to see Sick get the opportunity to play professional ball, but said that he needs to be consistent on his outings.

"Scouts want to know if he's as good as he's gonna get," Piraro said.

**'We turn to him for the big outings. When he's pitching his game, he's very good.'**

Sam Piraro  
SJSU baseball coach

Piraro said that Sick gives a 100 percent effort at all times.

"We turn to him for the big outings. When he's pitching his game, he's very good," Piraro said.

Friend Marco Cuevas who played baseball with Sick about four years ago in a San Jose summer league said, "Dave was always a tough competitor that always did what the best he could for his team."

In his fourth season at SJSU, Sick is the team's No. 1 starter for the second straight season. He is in his third season in the starting rotation.

In addition to getting the job done on the field, he does well in the classroom. He is a seven-time SJSU "Scholar-Athlete" and a two-time CoSIDA All-District VIII academic All-America choice.

He also won the 1993 Big West Conference "Scholar Athlete" award. His GPA at SJSU is 3.54.

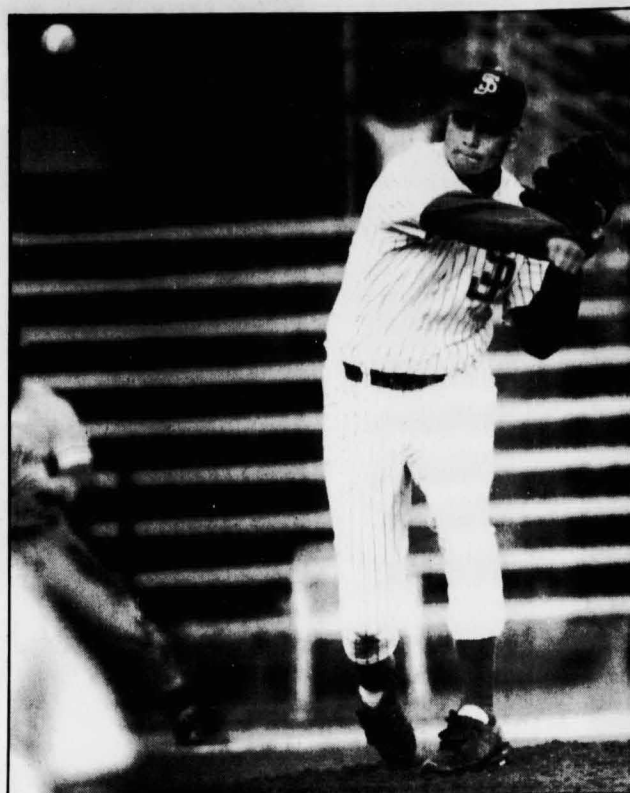
"I want to get good grades. This is my first time taking 17 units. It's hard; you miss class because of games," Sick said.

Sick said that his parents and two older sisters are supportive of his baseball career.

"My sisters always come out to see the games," Sick said.

Sick said that his most memorable time at SJSU was last year when the team beat Cal-State Fullerton in the last game of a three game series.

"We lost the first two games. I pitched five innings and we beat them to go to regionals," Sick said. "It's been fun."



MATT WALLIS—SPARTAN DAILY

Senior Spartan pitcher Dave Sick is undefeated in five outings this season. His 3.53 ERA ranks him fifth in the Big West Conference. A business management major, Sick hopes to make it to the Major Leagues.

## Quackers! It's Duck Soup Classic time

*For SJSU sailing team, winning weekend sailboat race would be just ducky*

By Joan Burke  
Spartan Daily Staff Writer

SJSU's sailing team will host the North Series 6 and 7, a sailboat race, this weekend.

The team has decided to call the event the Duck Soup Classic because of its location at Lake Cunningham Regional Park.

"Some people can't tell whether it's a lake or a pond. The water is green and it has ducks," Matthew McLaren, an SJSU sailor said.

The team will be competing against Stanford, Cal Berkeley, and UC Santa Cruz and many other teams at the annual event.

SJSU has not hosted a regatta in over a year. According to the team captain Chris Lunsford, hosting the sailboat race is important.

"It's important because we can choose the place and we've chosen to have it on our home turf where we practice. We know

the wind shifts and that's going to help us get ahead."

Although the sailing teams race the same type of boat, SJSU anticipates heavy competition.

"Stanford and Berkeley are powerhouses in sailing. Stanford consistently does well," Lunsford said.

McLaren agreed.

"Stanford has an edge because they have an ex-olympian for a coach, 18 new boats and a really

big program," McLaren said. "We have no coach, and three boats so we're the underdogs."

The SJSU team, which practices every Friday afternoon, is looking forward to the event.

"I'm excited. I think we have home court advantage and we might be able to pull off an upset," McLaren said.

SJSU has a 15 member team which includes three female sailors.

## SJSU hockey team hopes to score in PCHA playoff action

Spartan Daily Staff Report

The SJSU hockey team has made it to the Pacific Collegiate Hockey Association (PCHA) playoffs.

With a league record of 8-5, the Spartans are off to Stockton where they are have three games scheduled for the weekend.

The first game is on Friday at 2 p.m. against the UCLA Bruins. On Saturday the team plays Pepperdine at 9 a.m. and on Sunday the Spartans will face off with USC.

If they are successful in their games, the SJSU team members will go on to the finals to play for the California PCHA championship. They were not invited to play for the American Collegiate Hockey Association (ACHA), so after this weekend the Spartans hockey season will be over until next year.

## Men's tennis team wins, 6-1

Spartan Daily Staff Report

SJSU's men's tennis team defeated Santa Clara University 6-1 in a non-conference match on Wednesday.

The Spartans dominated in doubles play without losing a single set. SJSU's Brandon Coupe-Del Rosario duo beat SCU's Matison-Gagnon pair, 8-6.

Alvisstur-Bauman of SJSU upset SCU's Olin-Blair duo with a 8-6 victory.

Downey and Marasigan of SJSU swung their rackets to win against SCU's Testwuide and

Zahn, 8-3.

In singles, SJSU's Derek Del Rosario pulled out a win against SCU's Dave Matisons 7-6 (9-7 tie breaker), 6-4. Aaron Downey of SJSU also had a tie breaker win against Jason Ting 6-4, 6-7 to 7-6.

Ryan Marasigan beat SCU's Ryan Blair 6-2, 6-1. SJSU's Yuval Bauman defeated Dave Zahn of SCU 7-5, 6-1.

Santa Clara's Ben Freeland beat Nicholas Inoesco by default.

The Spartans will go up against Utah on Monday at 1:30 p.m. at Spartan Courts.

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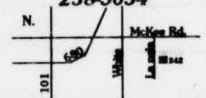
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