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# Raising the minimum wage: Pros and cons

By John Cunniff

NEW YORK - It's probably too much to hope that politically tinged decisions can produce desirable economic results, but that will never stop the effort

A raise in the minimum wage is again up for discussion.

It is an easy proposal to make, and sometimes only a bit harder to turn it seem only fair.

into law. It is much more difficult, and some critics say impossible, to bring about the desired economic and social benefits from doing so.

Politically, a sound argument exists for raising the minimum wage beyond its \$4.25 level, which President Clinton says will be at a 40-year low in terms of purchasing power by next year. An increase would

In economic terms, however, the case is much more complex. One argument says it is ineffective, since price increases will negate any increase. Anothers state that any increase actually will be destructive.

This second argument is based partly on reasoning, partly on fact.

If you're a small-business owner, it is argued, you would be disinclined to offer a rudimentary job to a wil-

ling but totally unskilled youngster if ers affected by the minimum wage, you had to meet standards set down by the government.

The initial cost to you, the employer, would not be the only one. You would have expenses for training, paperwork and perhaps insurance. You would pay the bill for errors. And, who knows, in today's society you might get sued.

There are about 2.5 million work-

and not all are poor. Some, in fact, are not badly off at all, but simply like the idea of earning extra income.

But many are indeed poor, and they need the money.

According to those who back minimum-wage proposals, these defenseless people need the U.S. govern-

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## Be true to SJSU, say cheerleaders

#### Their hard work brings little recognition, say spirit leaders

By Catherine Ippoliti

On the sidelines of the football fields and basketball courts, cheerleading is taking the nation by storm. With their flips and kicks and cheers, cheerleaders stand ready and eager to support their teams to victory.

Cheerleading in America is on the upswing, and today 3.3 million cheerleaders take up pompoms each week, said the Wall Street Journal in an article Dec.

And cheerleading is a big business. National Spirit, a combination gym and retail store, drew in nearly 9,500 cheerleaders and dancers at their national competition. Each participant paid \$22.

But at San Jose State University, that doesn't seem to be the case. Head Cheerleader Denise McWilliams said cheerleaders here rarely get the recognition they deserve.

"We're not a part of athletics, we're not offered scholarships don't care.' and students McWilliams said.

Last week, a Spartan Daily reporter went around the university to conduct an informal poll to check cheerleaders' status on campus.

students polled offered surprising responses. Some students didn't even know SJSU had cheerleaders. Other students walked away after hearing the question, declining to comment.

Cheerleader Roxanne Acierto said part of the reason cheerleaders receive such little recognition is that SJSU is a commuter college with little school spirit.

"Recognition from students

isn't all that we're lacking in, I think it's the school," Acierto said. "We don't get invited to functions as much as we should."

Acierto said cheerleaders are held to a double standard at SJSU. They are required to maintain the same GPA and practice time as athletes, but they come under the auspices of the Student Activities and Services Office, and not athletics.

"We don't have as big a program as other colleges," Acierto said. "(SJSU) sees our program as minor-league."

With little recognition from students or faculty is a cheerleader squad at all? McWilliams said she believes they do have a strong effect on the teams.

"We help keep them (the teams) motivated, telling them they can do it even when they're losing," she said.

Acierto agrees. She said their support makes a big difference to the teams. "When the players know someone is rooting for them, they try harder.'

Cheerleaders at SJSU remain optimistic concerning the future of the spirit team, despite little recognition. McWilliams said she likes

the program the school offers, but there is room for improvement. The squad currently consists

of five women who are hoping to recruit men to join them. Without men on the squad, they are unable to compete in state or national competitions.

Tryouts for the SJSU cheerleading squad will be held in the end of March or beginning of



Members of the SJSU cheerleading squad practice for the next game.

## Students find politics boring, per U.S. survey

On SJSU campus, many agree with national results

Catherine Ippoliti

Talking politics is a poor subject among students. A recent survey conducted by the Higher Education Research Institute at the University of California, Los Angeles, reported that students have become less interested in politics.

Student participation in politics is at a nationwide low. Only 16 percent of students talk about politics on a regular basis, the report stated.

San Jose State University's professor and chair of the department of political science, Terry Christensen, said there are a few factors that might contribute to this low level of interest. One factor is the media.

"I don't think the media takes politics as serious as it should," Christensen said. "People get news from TV. If you watch TV, how much politics is on 'Hard Copy' or MTV?'

Another factor that makes students turn their back on politics is the "go for the throat" ad campaigns between candidates.

"Politicians have shifted to negative campaigns, calling each other scum bags, Christensen said. "Negative ads are self-destructive to politicians."

Christensen also pointed out that the pressures on students have increased. "People who work one or two jobs don't have time.

SJSU student Cheryl Murphy received her bachelor's degree in political science and is working on a multiple subject teaching credential. "Students are focused on their studies," Murphy said. "Student life is real sheltered.

"I learned more after I graduated than I did when I was in school," she said.

Murphy said she never gave much thought to minimum wage until she went out into the work force. "When I became affected by it was when I took an interest."

Roy Christman, an SJSU political science professor said students don't realize their own interests. It wasn't until Christman assigned some of his urban politics students to get involved in the community that they realized what a good feeling is was to do something positive.

"Every student had to do something, and they had a good time," Christman said. "Getting the students involved helped them to make a connection to the politics of the real world."

#### First renovation in 30 years planned for the Spartan Memorial building

By Linda Taaffe Spartan Daily Staff Writer

World War II caused more destruction and death than any other war in history. Bombs and missiles exploded on battle fields from the South Pacific to

Thousands of those who fought were students, faculty and alumni from San Jose State College (now San Jose State University).

Burt Watson, who attended SJSU in 1937, wrote a letter to a former professor describing his

experiences during the war.

"I am now on a base in the South Pacific where life passes in one event after another with unending regularity. It doesn't seem so long ago that I was your student. I'll never forget you, the classes and the old gang," he wrote in 1943.

After the war, some students returned decorated with medals. Some became lawyers, teachers and businessmen. But others never returned. More than 200 Spartans were killed in

stands as a tribute to the 4,500 SJSU students, faculty and alumni who served in World War II.

For more than 40 years, it has been a place for complemplation. It has also been used for club activites, speeches, memorials and weddings.

But Marilyn Charell, an Associated Students Director, is worried that the building has become too tranquil.

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## How to get your own on ramp to the information superhighway

This is the second in a series of articles about the Internet.

By Kristin Butler

All San Jose State University students have the opportunity to get on the Internet ... for free. And here's how.

'The steps to getting an account are easy," said Annie Chang, an instructional support analyst at the Computing Information Center in room 117, Washington Square Hall. "First,

students pick up a form at the Computer Center near Clark Library and fill it out."

The only qualification that students need to get an account is that they must be registered at SJSU.

There are two types of accounts students can get, and both offer full access on the Internet.

The Unix account uses an operating system that runs both textual and graphic information and connects to Sparta, a small

Sun 4490 computer.

The VM system is a master control program that can only access textual information, but it is run on an IBM mainframe and contains more user space than the Sun. It also offers twice as much software as the Unix system

Students may choose which type of system they want to access when they fill out their application.

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-Southpaw Notes —

## The battle to control our minds

Back in time, during the dawn of enlightenment, a mathematician named Galileo Galilei believed that the earth went around the sun.

The church put him under house arrest; they said his theories were "contrary to the views of the church." According to church leaders, the sun went around the earth.

A.J. Nomai If we bring Galileo and this story to the present, he might try to get his theory into public debate via public broadcasting. "Frontline" could do a story on Galileo and his discoveries.

But some (those who love things like the status quo) would condemn "Frontline" and Galileo. They would bellyache about the liberalism of the media letting such a man share his absurd theories with the rest of society

We hear people rant and rave about "the liberal media" all the time. Every time those politicians do something wrong, or say something egregious, instead of taking the heat, they blame the "liberal media."

But the media are not liberal, conservatives are just paranoid.

They don't want people to watch documentaries like "The Panama Deception" because they don't want people to hear another side of the story. They think people want to hear press releases from an unbiased source such as the Pentagon

It is expected that the mass audience be spoon-fed press releases from conservative offices, think tanks, and Klu Klux Klan leaders. Conservatives want to control the media more and eliminate any hope for alternative views to find a mass audience.

Whenever one hears politicians talk about the need to eliminate funding for public broadcasting, they aren't talking about balancing the budget with that money. They'd just as soon subsidize tobacco crops with the extra cash.

The real reason the right wants to eliminate federal funding for PBS is so they can control PBS, thereby controlling more of the mass



As it is now, PBS has a mandate to provide programming of every interest since it is partially funded by public moneys. Hence you get alternative programming you won't see on ABC, NBC or even CNN.

What is proposed is that corporations replace funds withdrawn by the federal government. So, essentially, the suggestion is corporate sponsored PBS,

which is kind of like a corporate sponsored NBC, which in turn makes PBS a commercial network.

What happens when you get corporate funding is you get censorship. For example, what multinational corporation is going to fund a "Frontline" episode on the workers' rights move-

More to the point, would you expect GE owned NBC to air a documentary on GE's criminal history?

There have already been problems where corporate sponsors have threatened PBS funds because of certain shows they had aired.

Conservatives, who own most media outlets already, want the rest. They want to indoctrinate the people of this country with one philosophy, and keep them in the dark about what is going on in the world.

In times of war, one of the first offensive strategies is to capture and control the mass media. Whoever has control of the media has control of the masses. They can indoctrinate the people with their politics or philosophy.

This is what is going on in America right now, a war to control the media.

The battle for our minds has begun. Do we want to let it be controlled by conservatism, or do we want to hear the whole story? If only one ideology had control of mass media, we'd still believe the sun revolved around the earth.

> A.J. Nomai is the Spartan Daily Forum Editor. His column appears every Tuesday.



### Opinion page policies

"If all mankind minus one, were of one opinion, and only one person were of the contrary opinion, mankind would be no more justified in silencing that one person, than he, if he had the power, would be justified in silencing mankind.'

John Stuart Mill, "On Liberty" (1850)

John Stuart Mill's quote can be thought of as the "modus operandi" of the Spartan Daily's opinion page. The representation of a broad range of opinions is as important to a democracy as the right to vote, and the Spartan Daily is committed to sharing diverse opinions with the community it serves.

There are two forums for

Spartan Daily readers to express themselves on the Opinion page: the Letter to the Editor or Campus Viewpoint.

A Letter to the Editor may be up to 200 words responding to an issue or point of view that has appeared in the Spartan Daily. Campus Viewpoint is a 300 to 500 word essay on current campus, political or personal issues.

Submissions become the property of the Spartan Daily and may be edited for clarity, grammar, libel and/or length. Any submission must contain the author's name, address, phone number, signature and major.

A Letter to the Editor or Campus Viewpoint must be typed or submitted on a 3.5 inch disk using Microsoft Word on the Macintosh. When submitting on disk, please provide a printout of the piece.

Letters or Viewpoints may be put in the Letters to the Editor box at the Spartan Daily office in Dwight Bentel Hall room 209, sent by fax to (408) 924-3237, or mailed to the Spartan Daily Form Editor, School of and Mass Journalism Communications, San Jose State University, One Washington Square, San Jose, Ca, 95192.

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—— Writers Forum —

#### Speed bumps aggravate parking woes

I just love driving over all the annoying speed bumps in the Seventh Street parking garage at San Jose State University.

Yeah, right.

Students and faculty must pay \$81 a semester for a parking permit, which doesn't even guarantee a spot, to take the daily roller coaster ride.

I know I could avoid the daily ride by taking the light rail, which is hassle free, but I need the convenience of being able to come and go when I please.

For this convenience I, along with all the other people who park in the Seventh Street garage, must take this daily roller coaster ride.

When one first drives into the Seventh Street garage, they will immediate-

bumps that do not span the entire length of the driving This is one reason why I despise the Seventh Street

ly notice 6-foot speed

garage. But at least I know why the annoying half speed bumps are there (besides for safety). The vendor from whom SJSU receives its

speed humps only had 6-foot sections. The remaining 4-foot sections will be installed as soon as they come in, said Richard Staley, manager of traffic and parking operations.

Of course it is unknown when this will happen. Hopefully soon.

The most amazing spectacle I see every day in



Michelle Alaimo

Just go over the

bumps, people. It will

not hurt you or your

car if you are going

the Seventh Street garage are the drivers who try to go around the 6-foot speed bumps.

Now, if these drivers were driving the campus speed limit of 5 mph, the speed bumps should be no problem.

But some people try to force their cars through the 4-foot spot where the speed bump is not installed, in the process almost hitting the cement posts in the garage

Just go over the bumps, people. It will not hurt you or your car if you are going the speed limit.

My next obstacle is getting people off my bumper. I do not understand why drivers feel the need to ride on my bumper in between each speed bump. All it does is

make me angry and I go even slower. While I, along with oth-

ers, find the speed bumps annoying, remember that they are there for a reason: safety.

There have been too the speed limit. many close calls where pedestrians have almost been hit by speeding

cars, Staley said. So I'll keep that in mind, and hopefully you will too, the next time we take a trip to the 7th

> Michelle Alaimo is a Spartan Daily Staff Writer

#### Attention **Artists**

Do you have an opinion? Do you want to be published? The Spartan Daily is actively recruiting San Jose State artists interested in drawing political car-

Political artists should have good drawing skills, keep up with current events and have a strong position on issues.

If you are interested in becoming a Spartan Daily political cartoonist, contact the Forum Editor at the Spartan Daily or submit your cartoons at the Spartan Daily office in Dwight Bentel Hall, room 209. Submissions should include the artist's name, address and phone number.

The cartoons will be reviewed by Spartan Daily editors and artists will be notified by phone if their cartoons will be pub-

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---Letter to the Editor -

#### Women: Be cautious when sharing roles with men

street garage.

Dear Editor,

Sometimes I become a little concerned when pieces by women, such as Jennifer Ferguson's ("Men should help out around the house," Feb. 2), characterize men as taking advantage of traditional women's roles (house cleaning and child rearing).

Sure I believe people in the same house should share in the housekeeping. However, I believe it is reckless to pursue equality in all aspects of human

When women apply sarcastic "unfair" checks on men, it requires caution. Ms. Ferguson states that men wouldn't be here without women...of course men wouldn't be here without women, neither would women without men.

Males produce women, the egg. Thanks to modern science and medicine, who knows what the future may bring to human reproduction.

It seems Ms. Ferguson just wants a little appreciation from

her male counterparts - not an entirely female population. The point is, we need each other.

Ask men, in general, what they want in a spouse. Imagine grandma hearing the following as a sample reply: a college degree or a good job with security, steady income so I may stay home and raise the babies, and someone who doesn't mind taking over the wheel for occasion-

al car trips out of town. Before marriage, discuss individual expectations and why they are important. If your beloved disagrees, think again before tying the knot.

Due to finances and practicality, our society is changing with respect to traditional husband and wife roles. But, I think it is important for

women to remember that if they want the assumed and almost natural right to care for their children, as opposed to their husband or ex-husband, be careful what you wish for.

> **Cindy Scarberry** Journalism

## Sparta Guide

SJSU's Weekly Calendar

#### **Today**

AIESEC

General Meeting and Guest Speaker 6:30p.m. - 8p.m. Student Union Costonoan Room. Call Lisa, 298-9720.

Asian American Christian Fellowship Deepen Your Friendship with Christ 7:30p.m. Student Union Almaden Room. Call

Beta Alpha Psi

Pledge Orientation 3p.m.-4p.m. Business Classrooms, 004 and 4p.m.-6p.m. BC208.Call 788-0290.

Career Planning & Placement On-Campus Interview Orientation 12:30p.m. Eng. Bldg. Rm. 189 and Building a Winning Resume 2p.m. Student Union Costanoan Room *and* Co-op Orientation 2:30p.m. Student Union, Almaden Room Call 924-6033.

Chicano Commencement Information & Registration Tables 10a.m. - 3p.m. In front of Student Union. Call 270-7138.

Delta Sigma Pi Job Search Strategies 7:30p.m. Student Union Guadalupe Room.

Gamma Zeta Alpha

Rush 9a.m. - 3p.m. In front of Student Union. Call 272-5808. and Informational Meeting (free food & drinks) 7p.m. Student Union Music Room.

Golden Key National Honor Society
Welcome Back Meeting 4:30p.m.

Student Union Almaden Room. Call 924-3508. Improvised Music Studies Mariachi Workshop open to students and community. Earn one unit of credit. 7p.m. - 9:30p.m. Music Dept., Rm 186. Los Angeles Unified School District & Chicano Library **Resource Center** 

Informational Meeting. 4p.m. Wahlquist Library North, Rm. 307. Call 924-2707.

**Mountaineers of SJSU** Slide Show & Meeting 5:30p.m. Student Union Guadalupe Room.

School of Art & Design

Reception: The Art of Oriental Rugs" 5p.m. - 8p.m. Art Building, Gallery One. Call 9244327 and Student Gallery Art Receptions 6p.m. - 8p.m. Art & Industrial Studies Bldg. Call 924-4330.

SCTA - Student California Teachers Association Meeting 12noon - 1p.m. Sweeney Hall, Rm. 331. Call 924-3738.

Sigma Theta Psi Sorority Rush 8a.m. - 2p.m. In front of Student Union. Call 944-2643.

Ski & Snowboard Club Meeting for Wed. Ski Trip 7p.m. Student Union. Call 924-8225.

Society of Women Engineers Meeting 12:30p.m. - 1:30p.m. Engineering Bldg., Rm. E-335. Call Leanne, 773-1262.

Student Counseling Services Women's Support Group, issues related to food and body image 12noon-1:30p.m. Administration Building, R. 201. Call 924-5910.

Theta Chi Bowling with the Brothers 7p.m. Theta Chi Fraternity. Call Marco,

<u>Wednesday</u>

Akbayan, Piupino Student Organization of SJSU Meeting 2:30p.m. Student Union, 3rd floor. Call 534-1140.

Career Planning & Placement Interview for Success 5:30p.m. Sweeney Hall, Room 348. Call 924-6033.

Chicano Commencement Information & Registration Tables 10a.m.-3p.m. In front of Student Union. Call 270-7138.

**Liberal Studies Society** Elections & Social 3:30p.m.-5p.m. Student Union Guadalupe Rm.

Library Donations & Sales Ongoing Book Sale 10a.m.-2p.m. Wahlquist Library North, Donations & Sales Unit.

**LLD Student Association** Meeting to discuss TESOL Conference 1:30p.m. Student Union Costonoan Room. Call 924-4413.

Ohana of Hawaii Membership Drive Info., month of February. Call 993-0212.

**Re-entry Advisory** Building Networks on Campus 12noon-1:30p.m. Student Union Pacheco Room. Call 924-5930.

Free BBQ and Sports 12:30p.m. At Sigma Nu. Call 289-9558.

Sigma Theta Psi Spring Rush 8a.r. Outside Student Union. 8a.m.-1p.m.

**SJSU College Republicans** Information Table 11a.m.-2p.m. Outside Student Union. Call 510-786-3947.

SJSU I.E.E.E. Student Branch IEEE Pub Party, meet other EE's 12:45p.m. SJSU Pub. Call Frank,

Q-Zar Laser Tag 7p.m. Theta Chi Fraternity. Call Marco, 279-9629.

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#### Memorial

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We've just let it go, and it's unfortunate because it has so much meaning.

Marilyn Charell

"The (Spartan) Memorial is not being used because it's stinky and needs help," she said. "It hasn't been renovated since 1966. We've just let it go, and it's unfortunate because it has so much meaning."

Though they need additional funds, the A.S. is planning to update the building this summer. A committee has met with a designer to discuss plans to replace the carpet with tiles and restore the redwood interi-

David Simi, a SJSU music instructor, has already donated a six-rank Schoenstine pipe organ to the memorial.

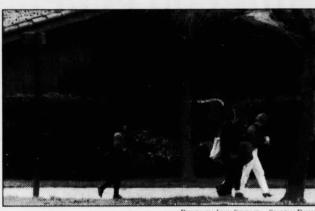
The idea to build a me-morial came after former SJSU student Lt. Kenneth Bailey was killed in Italy in 1943. His parents wrote to the alumni president suggesting a nonsectarian chapel be built so the memory of those who served and sacrificed would not be forgotten.

The memorial was dedicated in 1952 after being built entirely from private donations from the students, staff and alumni.

Sorority members joined together and sewed four service flags, each displaying stars with the names of SJSU veterans who served during the war.

"I think (the renovation) is a wonderful idea," said Harry Powers, an art professor at SJSU who designed the stained glass window on the memorial's

Contributions to the memorial, can be made A.S. Business Office at 924-6200 or leave a message for Charell at 924-6418.



Students walk by the Spartan Memorial which is located next to the faculty offices and the Spartan Complex West

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# Surgeon general nominee faces criticism

#### Republican concern over Dr. Henry Foster's performance of abortions

harsh criticism, the White House today defended Dr. Henry Foster Jr.'s selection as surgeon general and said that his performance of abortions should not become "a litmus test on choice."

Press secretary Mike McCurry said President Clinton stood behind the Tennessee doctor who made his name preaching abstinence to teen-agers. But the spokesman said there is concern over the opposition Foster's selection has generated from Republicans and conservatives.

'We're always concerned when people indicate opposition to such a highly qualified

WASHINGTON (AP) — Facing and respected nominee," McCurry said. "It would be unfortunate if they take the nomination of Dr. Foster and turn it in to a litmus test on choice. But apparently on some quarters on Capitol Hill there's a desire to do that.'

Senate Republicans on Sunday predicted trouble for Foster, whose nomination has not formally gone to Congress yet. Republicans also chastised the White House for not telling Congress sooner that the doctor performed a handful of abor-

"I want to support the president and we're certainly going to look at it, but there are some very troubling things concern-

It would be unfortunate if they take the nomination of Dr. Foster and turn it into a litmus test on choice.

> Mike McCurry President Clinton's press sec

ing his nomination. ..." Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah said today on "CBS This Morning."

"I do think it is in serious trouble," Sen. Trent Lott, R-Miss., said Sunday.

"Will it be in some difficulty?

Yes," Senate Majority Leader anti-abortion groups mounted a Bob Dole, R-Kan., said in a separate interview.

Foster, a Tennessee gynecologist-obstetrician who battled teen pregnancy in Nashville housing projects, was announced as Clinton's choice Thursday. The next day, the White House revealed he has performed fewer than a dozen hospital abortions, mostly to save the mother's life or in cases of rape or incest. An unspecified number apparently were elective abortions.

Despite White House efforts to focus on the 10,000 babies Foster delivered and his work to promote abstinence among teen-agers, conservatives and

campaign against him. Some Republicans, including Dole, criticized the White House for not telling them sooner that Foster performed abortions.

"I'm ... troubled by the fact that we were not given that information before the nomination was sent up," Dole said on NBC's "Meet the Press."

McCurry said an "honest mistake" led to Senate Republicans being told last week that Foster performed just one abortion. After Foster reviewed his records, including cases where abortions were peformed in connection with other medical procedures, he uncovered more, McCurry said.

# **Immigrant** smuggling on the rise

Border crossings are U.S. growth industry

TIJUANA, Mexico (AP) - A crackdown four-month-old against illegal immigration at the U.S.-Mexico border is increasingly pushing desperate border crossers into the highpriced arms of immigrant smug-

The smugglers charge as much as \$30,000 for a promise to deliver the illegal immigrants north into the United States via intricate and sophisticated underground networks.

Operation Gatekeeper, a border control initiative introduced last October, has made it more difficult for would-be crossers to enter the United States in Tijuana and its U.S. counterpart, San Ysidro.

'The more difficult the crossing, the better the business for the smugglers," said Miguel Vallina, assistant chief of the Border Patrol in San Diego.

The smuggling rings operate discreetly. When members are caught, they seldom receive stiff sentences — usually two to three years.

While Gatekeeper has bulked up the line with agents and equipment, anti-smuggling units remain paltry, Vallina says.

U.S. Atty. Alan Bersin has pushed for a more aggressive approach by the federal government. The FBI says it will begin reviewing selected smuggling cases

In Mexico, it is unlawful to smuggle illegal immigrants through the country, but smugglers have successfully bribed members of the federal judicial police and the immigration service, said officials in both

Some Mexican police are on the take to the tune of \$40,000 a month, they said. In return, the police allow smugglers to maintain "safehouses," places where illegal immigrants are collected before moving northward.

"They drive transport, guarantee safety and get people out of jail sometimes," a U.S. agent, who asked not to be named, told the Los Angeles Times.

"There is active corruption...The smugglers who get arrested are the ones who don't have protection from the police."

#### Vietnam vet runs 1,300 miles for friendship

HANOI, Vietnam (AP) - An American veteran of the Vietnam War has set out to run the 1,300 miles from Hanoi to Ho Chi Minh City in the name of friendship.

Michael Liscio, 52, an actor from Los Angeles, started his run Sunday at the mausoleum of Ho Chi Minh, the communist leader who fought to unify North and South Vietnam.

He plans to finish in Ho Chi Minh City, formerly Saigon, in time for the 20th anniversary of the city's fall, which ended the war on April 30, 1975.

"Every day of my life for the past 30 years, I remembered Vietnam as a war," he said. "I wanted to erase those dark memories.'

Liscio last came to Vietnam in 1965 as a supply clerk in the U.S. Navy. He said he began to protest the war when his Navy stint ended in 1966. He arrived in Hanoi last month to race in the city's second international marathon. He ran despite having broken the fibula in his left leg in December.

He ran Sunday with a plastic brace around his lower leg, which he said had mended well enough for the trip.



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## Over-the-phone sales pitches ban upheld

Law against automated commercial calls ruled a 'threat of privacy' by court

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) - A federal ban on automated, tape-recorded telephone sales pitches was upheld Monday by a federal appeals court, which said Congress accurately identified commercial autodialing as a "threat to privacy."

The ban was blocked in December 1992, two days before it was to take effect, by U.S. District Judge James Redden of Portland.

He said it was too broad and did little to protect residents from unsolicited calls, the majority of which are made by live callers.

But the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled 3-0 that the law was a valid response to a problem identified by Congress and did not unduly restrict advertisers' freedom of expression.

"Congress accurately identified automated telemarketing calls as a threat to privacy," said the opinion by Judge Betty Fletcher. "...Congress may reduce the volume of intrusive telephone calls without completely eliminating the calls."

The ruling, if it stands, will allow the law to be enforced nationwide. The court said 41 states and the District of

Congress accurately identified automated telemarketing calls as a threat to privacy.

Judge Betty Fletcher 9th District Court of Appeals

Columbia had laws banning or restricting automated commercial calls within their borders, but those laws do not limit interstate calls.

One law, in Oregon, was struck down under the state constitution in 1993. Another, in New Jersey, was ruled unconstitutional by a federal judge the same

Charles Hinkle, lawyer for the Salem, Ore.-based National Association of Telecomputer Operators, which challenged the ban, said the law was discriminatory because it allowed the Federal Communications Commission to exempt

profits. His challenge to the FCC's regulathan 180,000 solicitors to call 7 million tions that created the exemption is pending before the appeals court.

In addition, Hinkle said, "it's going to have a dramatically adverse effect on small-business people who rely on these machines. ... National advertising organizations were in support of this law because they don't like this kind of competition. This does not affect the big stock brokersages who ... make thousands of automated calls each day and can switch to live operators.

The FCC did not immediately com-

Another portion of the same federal law, which prohibited unsolicited commercial advertisements by fax machine, was upheld by the same court last week.

The autodialing law prohibits the use of automatic dialing machines for residential solicitations unless the message is introduced by a live operator or the consumer has consented.

Fletcher said testimony at 1991 congressional hearings showed that machines could dial up to 1,000 numbers

autodialing by charities and other non- an hour and were being used by more people a day.

The pro-autodialing association said tape-recorded calls accounted for only 3 percent of all telephone solicitations, a figure accepted by Redden. The FCC said 17 to 30 percent of telemarketing calls were taped. In either case, Fletcher said, Congress was entitled to conclude that such calls were a significant intrusion on residential privacy.

Quoting congressional findings. Fletcher said taped, automated calls were more invasive than live calls because the taped messages "cannot interact with the customer except in preprogrammed ways" and "do not allow the caller to feel the frustration of the called party." She said they also cluttered answering machines and made it difficult for consumers to remove their names from calling lists.

Hinkle said the comparison made no sense. "It's very frustrating to get a call from a live operator because it's hard to hang up on them," he said. "It's easy to be rude to a machine.

#### 3-year-old wins lifetime of ice cream

SANTA CLARITA. (AP) - Let's just call him Sundae's Child.

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And the Los Angeles County toddler's become quite a commodity himself since winning the ice cream dreams, said Lee Holden, spokesman for Ben & Jerry's Homemade Inc. of Waterbury, Vt.

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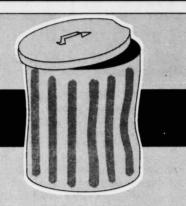
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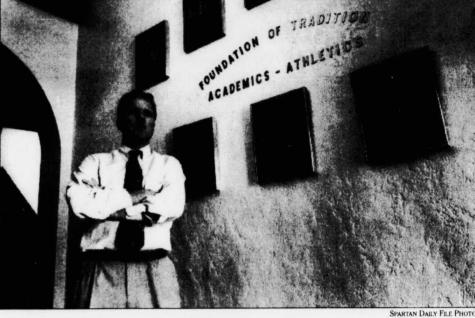
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## Athletic gender-equity progress continues

By Blair Whitney

A year after settling two lawsuits over gender equity, San Jose State University's athletic department continues to make strides toward achieving gender

The suit by the California chapter of the National Association of Women (NOW) was settled in the fall of 1993 with a consent decree in which SJSU agreed to achieve gender equity in athletic scholarships for female athletes.

A related suit by the U.S. Office of Civil Rights was settled that same semester with SJSU agreeing to create equal opportunities for female athletes in NCAA programs.

Both lawsuits were based on federal Title IX regulations that state "no person in the U.S. shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any educational program or activity receiving federal financial assistance."

SJSU's athletic program does not receive federal funding but the university does, thus forcing all related programs to comply with such mandates

"I'm pleased with the direction the school is taking to achieve total compliance," said Carolyn Lewis, SJSU's associate athletic director.

tled these lawsuits require that SJSU's athletic scholarships mirror within five percent the gender ratios of our undergraduate students, said Thomas Brennan, SJSU's Athletic Director.

San Jose State currently has a participation ration of 62 per-

I'm pleased with the direction the school is taking to achieve total compliance.

Carolyn Lewis

cent males to 38 percent females, in contrast to the undergraduate population - 51 percent female and 49 percent

"We are going to comply with the court decrees by achieving equality in participation, opportunity and scholarships," said Brennan. "We have had a gender equity committee that has helped us draft plans to respond to the complaints."

The gender equity committee, made up of coaches, administrators and SJSU presidential appointees, has helped us to draft a plan for compliance that has become a model for other colleges, said Brennan.

"The athletic's board will ulti-

tions for new sports to add, and will forward these to SJSU President Caret for approval in March," Brennan said

The department looked at a number of sports for recommendation, such as women's soccer, water polo, and track and field.

"We've also looked at the NCAA's list of emerging sports such as badminton, archery and bowling. We've had to look at what's happening in the Western Athletic Conference and the high schools in our service area before deciding on what sports to expand into," Brennan said. "The Office of Civil Rights has been really pleased with the model for compliance that the gender equity committee has come up with.'

SJSU added a women's cross country team this fall as part of the effort to achieve gender equity. In the future, SJSU will be adding other new sports to achieve compliance.

SJSU has also had to cope with significant expenses in maintaining its current athletic program. "With rising tuition costs, our scholarship expenses have increased," Brennan said. "Its outgrown all other segments of our budgets."

"Our current model calls for adding these new sports while preserving our existing program," Brennan said. model will be re-examined each





#### Abdul-Jabbar headlines Hall-of-Famers



SPRINGFIELD, Mass. (AP) Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, the NBA's all-time leading scorer who played on nine championship teams in college and in the pros, was voted into the Basketball Hall of Fame today along with six others.

Also voted into the Hall were women's Olympic and college stars Cheryl Miller and Anne Donovan, former Soviet coach Aleksandr Gomelsky, former NBA official Earl Strom, forward Vern Mikkelsen and coach John

"I'm just happy things worked out," Abdul-Jabbar said. "It hasn't sunk in yet.

From the time Abdul-Jabbar, then known as Lew Alcindor, stepped onto the Power Memorial High School court in New York City in 1961, through his three NCAA championships at UCLA and 20 years in the NBA with the Milwaukee Bucks: and Los Angeles, he dominated: the game as few men have.

His high school teams lost six: games. His college teams were defeated twice.

## **SPORTS**

# President steps into batter's box

#### Clinton fills the role of MLB commissioner

President Clinton, essentially filling the vacant role of baseball commissioner, attempted to force a settlement of the strike Monday by asking his mediator to recommend his own solution.

With no progress toward a negotiated agreement after 25 months of talks, with no sign major leaguers would end their 179-day-old strike, and with the scheduled start of spring training just nine days away, mediator W.J. Usery was to give the president his plan Monday night and then try to convince the squabbling sides to accept

Both sides thought Clinton was the only one with the ability to force a quick end to the mess. Hours after presenting a \$1.61 trillion budget to Congress, the president found himself in the middle of a dispute that has disturbed fans for half a year.

Owners also demanded salary caps during negotiations in 1985 and 1990, but commissioners Peter Ueberroth and Fay Vincent forced them to push those plans aside. The dispute cost Vincent his job 2 1/2 years ago and left players with no one to turn to other than the government and the courts.

Players and owners, who broke off joint talks Saturday, said they couldn't predict their reaction until they saw the submitted solution. They didn't talk Sunday, ignoring Clinton's order that they try to resolve things themselves. No talks were held before Usery's second trip to the White House in two days.

"I'm not sure what's happening," union head Donald Fehr said at midafternoon. "I'm sure they'll tell us.'

Usery and his aides talked separately with the sides throughout the day as the special mediator refined his plan. Usery, a labor secretary in the administration,

appointed by Clinton on Oct. 14 to mediate the strike, which began Aug. 12 when players walked out to fight the cap owners formally proposed two months earlier.

On Jan. 26, six days after owners adopted plans to start spring training with replacement players, Clinton announced his deadline for a settlement. With the sides still billions of dollars apart, Usery said he would hand the president his proposal first, then give it to players and owners.

"I would be hopeful that they would accept it," he said.

Neither side knew what Clinton would do if they rejected the plan. The president could propose special legislation to enact terms of a settlement or binding arbitration, but both types of bills would have to be approved by the House and Senate.

The strike, baseball's eighth work stoppage since 1972, canceled the final 52 days and 669 games of the season and wiped out the World Series for the first time since 1904.



Yankees caps.

Ruth's cousin, 91-year-old

Milton Brundige, recalled anoth-

er side of The Babe. A teen-age

Ruth ran away from the St.

Mary's Industrial School and

was hiding out at Brundige's

Baltimore home when truant

"George jumped out of bed

and he ran out that back door,

right into the cop's arms,

officers rapped on the door.

Brundige said.

Former Stanford first baseman Mike Aldrete, who had stints with the San Francisco Giants and Montreal Expos, reaches for the ball as

Ken Caminiti, a former Spartan, dives back in safely. Caminiti, a former Houston Astro, is now with the San Diego Padres

#### Both sides seek resolution on The Bambino's 100th birthday

BALTIMORE (AP) - As the nation's baseball players and owners met 50 miles away to resolve the strike, baseball fans, politicians, and the family of Babe Ruth called on the memory of The Bambino to save the national pastime again on his 100th birthday.

Everyone attending the Baltimore birthday bash bash Monday seemed to draw the same parallel: The Babe revived the game once before, perhaps his birthday bash can inspire the game's leaders to breathe

life into it again. The date coincided with President Clinton's deadline for both sides in the strike to cut a deal or let the government offer its own plan. Orioles announcer baseball Jon Miller reminded grumpy

fans that the game fell out of favor once before but The Babe removed the pall when the Chicago Black Sox threw the 1919 World Series, breaking all previous home run records with 54 in 1920.

"The game was in sorry straights when The Babe almost single-handedly lifted it up to new heights," Miller said.

The celebration was held under a plexiglass tent outside George Herman Ruth's birthplace, a three-story brick rowhouse that lies a long fly ball away from Oriole Park at Camden Yards. The rowhouse opened as a museum in 1974 for the celebration wearing after it was already approved for demolition.

Party goers wore baseball garb bearing Yankees and Orioles logos. Ruth played for the Orioles only for two months in 1914, and then moved to the Boston Red Sox and on to the Yankees, where he played from 1920 to 1934.

As Mayor Kurt Schmoke and other political heavy-hitters cut a ribbon over the museum doorway to rededicate it, several hundred onlookers gasped and cheered as Ruth lookalike Willis "Buster" Gardner appeared in the doorway wearing The Babe's uniform and carrying a Louisville Slugger. His flared nostrils, jutting jaw and sagging belly bore an uncanny resemblance to the photos of The Bambino that line the museum's

When two of Ruth's granddaughters saw Gardner on the street during a visit to the Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown, N.Y., they insisted that he don the Yankees jersey and impersonate the Sultan of Swat at the birthday celebra-

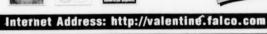
"I remember my dad taking me out to see him when I was at Cleveland stadium. Gardner, 57, a truck mechanic from Oberlin, Ohio. "I feel proud to be here and proud to look like him."

Along with political and sports figures, the celebration drew hard-core fans starved for major league baseball. Chet Jelinski closed his Bloomfield, N.J., carpet-cleaning business, gave his twin sons the day off from school, and drove down

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Caminiti and other former Spartans await decision



Former Spartans Ken Caminiti and Steve Friend celebrate after Friend's homerun during the 1983 season. Caminiti will continue playing for

srike ends this season. If it doesn't, MLB plans to bring up minor leaguers

League Baseball: Ken Caminiti, San Diego Padres; Mark Langston, California

Angels Former Spartans in minor leagues during the 1995 season: Rob Andrakin, Sioux Falls Canaries (Independent Northern League); Jeff Ball, Houston Astros organization; Eric Booker, Sloux City Explorers (Independent Explorers (Independent Northern League); Matt Brown, Minnesota Twins organization; Jason Bugg, Atlanta Braves organization;
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Former Spartans in Major California Angels organization; Jeff Garrett, Ogden aminiti, San Diego Padres; Raptors; Tim Gavello, Ogden Raptors; Angelo Leber, Sioux Falls Canaries; Paul Pavicich, Minnesota Twins organiza-tion; Derek Reichstein, Florida Marlins organization; Tim Salado, Ogden Raptors; Dave Sick, California Angels organization; Anthony Telford, Atlanta Braves; Dave Tellers, Colorado Rockies Anthony organization; David Zuniga, New York Mets organization.

> The Spartans (2-4) dropped 5-1 decision to Hawaii Rainbows (7-2) at Rainbow

Stadium Sunday. San Jose's lone run came in the top of the fifth. Shortstop Brian Forman reached on a throwing error and advanced to second. Rightfielder Travis Peterson singled driving in

Forman, for an unearned run. The Spartans are struggling at the plate, hitting .185, led by Patrick Walsh at .273.

Jason Simontacchi, expected Coach Sam Piraro to be the top recruit for the Spartans' young pitching staff, has a team worst 7.56 ERA.

In six innings of work he gave up six hits and four earned runs, taking the loss. His record dropped to 0-2.

At De Anza College, Simontacchi was an All-American selection. He had a 9-1 record and a 2.09 ERA last



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## U.S. hospitality is more than a hot cup of coffee

#### South Pole rescue teams help weary tourists

AMUNDSEN-SCOTT SOUTH POLE STATION, Antarctica (AP) - After years of giving the cold shoulder to intrepid skiers, hikers or snowmobilers who reach the South Pole, the United States is now showing a little hospitality.

"For the true adventurers who do something phenomenal, we are allowed to help them out a little bit," said John Parland, station manager at the pole.

Traditionally, the U.S. National Science Foundation and its support crew limited assistance to a hot cup of coffee and quick tour of the site. Bad publicity over that grudging attitude prompted a policy review this season.

The Foundation is still worried its warmer hospitality policy will encourage more adventurers, who sometimes get into trouble and require U.S.-taxpayer funded rescues, and may interrupt scientific experiments.

"Adventurers can go there. The problem is when they get into trouble, they turn to us for help," Tucker Scully, the director of the State Department's office of Ocean Affairs, said in a telephone interview from Washington.

Yet, when three Norwegians skiers arrived at the pole Dec. 28, 1994, they volunteered to work at Scott-Amundsen base and got full meals in exchange for working in the kitchen and helping with inventory.

whole lot better being able to welcome them," said Erick Chiang, the NSF officer who manages all three U.S. Antarctic

Last month, a six-man Spanish ski team, led by an army commander from a high mountain military school in the Pyrenees, came to film a Spanish public television series. They gave a lecture to the South Pole staff and were allowed to stay for a day.

Dick Smith, an Australian who flew around the world over both poles in 1988, complained that he got only a cup of coffee on arrival at the South Pole and a few hours' sleep on a couch, but no radar or weather reports and no fuel to continue his journey.

Smith went on to Russia's Vostok station, which gave him some fuel to continue his jour-

That was typical of the tepid welcome all drop-ins received

The United States can't bar people from the South Pole; no one owns Antarctica, and anyone can come and go as they

But the bases and stations are the property of the countries that run them, and access to their facilities can be restricted.

High-rolling polar tourists pay about \$25,000 for the roundtrip flight from Punta Arenas, Chile,

"The station people feel a to the pole for a two-hour stopover and back. They get a cup of coffee and some cookies. a quick look around the inside of the geodesic dome, and then they're sent on their way.

A less frequent problem, but more worrisome, are adventurers who may not be prepared for brutal Antarctic conditions.

"An awful lot of time and heroic effort has been spent to help people who get themselves into trouble, and at considerable expense," Scully said.

The outstanding example of that happened Dec. 27, 1993, when Norwegian army Capt. Jostein Helgestad plunged 130 feet to his death in a crevasse during an expedition.

His team was hoping to recover the tent, Norwegian flag and sledge that Roald Amundsen left at the pole Dec. 16, 1911, when his party became the first to

"The Norwegians still haven't paid us back" for the rescue, Chiang said. The expedition was billed \$130,000, and the Norwegian government agreed to back up the costs. Chiang said he is confident the bill will be paid eventually.

Steve Dunbar, a search-andrescue specialist who risked his life in the effort to retrieve Helgestad's body, has mixed feelings about Antarctic adven-

"Personally, I have a lot of sympathy for these folks, and I can identify with them. The spirit of adventure is still impor-

But, he added, "A lot of these expeditions make up excuses to come here because it is

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#### Former President Reagan celebrates 84th birthday

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Former President Ronald Reagan blew out candles on a chocolate mousse cake and flashed his famous aw-shucks smile during a private 84th birthday party thrown Monday by his staff, a spokeswoman said

Reagan blew out three candles atop the cake after devouring his favorite meal - meat loaf, mashed potatoes and macaroni and cheese - at the private Regency Club party, said

Cathy Busch, spokeswoman for Reagan.

"He just loved it. He was thoroughly enjoying himself," said Busch, adding that nine Reagan staff members blew noisemakers, donned party hats and sang "Happy Birthday" to the former

The staff also gave him a salt water aquarium, which was set up in his 34th-floor Century City

office and featured five fish. "Flipper for the Gipper," Busch laughed.

by Mary White on Tuesdays and Thursdays in the Industrial Science building room 237

Reagan thanked his staff for the well wishes "on the 45th anniversary of my 39th birthday," an annually updated Reagan adage familiar to Reagan watchers for many a birthday.

There was no hint of Alzheimer's disease as Reagan joked with his staff, said the spokeswoman.

Reagan disclosed last November in a poignant handwritten letter to "fellow Americans"

that he was diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease and has now begun "the journey that will lead me into the sunset of my life."

Reagan said he was in early stages of the disease and he was feeling fine.

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# WORLD EVENTS

## China's trade surplus with U.S. may spur sanctions

BEIJING (AP) - China's growth into a major exporting power raised the likelihood that chronic friction with the United States would culminate in U.S. plans for trade sanctions.

"This was bound to happen," says Masatake Takahashi, a Tokyo-based expert on international trade policy. "It was the same process with Japan and Taiwan. Now China.

China's trade surplus with the United States soared to nearly \$30 billion last year, second only to Japan's \$50 billion. Only two years earlier China's surplus was \$19 billion.

China is one of many Asian nations the United States has accused of failing to adequately protect intellectual property rights.

Pirated CDs, videos, computer software and watches are sold in markets throughout Asia.

Exasperated by China's failure to crack down on intellectual property theft, on Saturday the United States announced 100 percent tariffs on \$1.8 billion worth of Chinese products.

Complaining that its national dignity had been violated, China struck back with 100 percent

ucts, including video games, compact discs, cigarettes and alcohol.

The U.S. trade battle with China sounds a lot like its feud with Japan. But this time, the sources of tension are much

The signs are that neither side, however, wants the situation to deteriorate further.

China extended an invitation to resume trade talks in a letter received in Washington Sunday night, U.S. Trade Representative Mickey Kantor said Monday. He said U.S. negotiators would head to Beijing next Monday to resume talks.

"I don't know how China could have responded more quickly," Kantor said.

The sanctions would focus on products unlikely to have massive economic impact in terms of overall trade or employment. And since they are not due to take effect until Feb. 26, there still is time for a face-saving

The talks broke off without an agreement on Jan. 28, just before China's weeklong lunar New Year holiday.

Although officials on both sides have kept the volume of

key, the standoff on copyright protection comes at an awkward time for Sino-U.S. ties.

Washington has pushed Beijing much harder than its neighbors on the issue, notes China specialist William H. Overhold in his 1994 book, "The Rise of China," perhaps because of the vastness of the potential Chinese market for American movies, music and other products.

It also may reflect the resurgence of conservative Republicans in the U.S. Congress following last November's elections, which has increased pressure on President Clinton to stiffen his stance toward Beijing on such issues as trade, human rights and Taiwan.

"China has not delivered results that the Congress views as satisfactory, and Clinton will continue to face pressure," Takahashi.

Republican House speaker Newt Gingrich last week called for Taiwan to be readmitted to the United Nations and said Taiwan's President Lee Teng-hui should be allowed to visit the United States.

Such suggestions can be expected to infuriate Beijing,

tariffs on a variety of U.S. prod-rhetoric and recriminations low which considers Taiwan a renegade province and says such actions would constitute interference in China's internal affairs.

China, which was admitted to the United Nations in Taiwan's place in 1971, requires that all nations with which it has diplomatic ties to sever relations with Taiwan.

Despite President Clinton's decision last May to revoke the link between normal trade ties and China's human rights performance, human rights remain another area of abrasion.

Last week, the State Depart-

ment's annual report on human rights cited China as an authoritarian state that had failed to improve its record of "widespread and well-documented human rights abuses.'

Chinese officials shrugged off the criticism, as they have in the past.

The Chinese leadership, for its part, may be less willing to compromise than in the past, in part because of uncertainty over the health of paramount leader Deng Xiaoping.

Deng's successors, led by President Jiang Zemin, have tended to react harshly to U.S. demands for concessions on trade and human rights, reportedly because of pressure behind the scenes from Communist Party elders who favor a hardline stance toward the United

Such pressures complicate the efforts of officials on both sides seeking to keep relations on an even keel.

"These two great civilizations must now engage one another - for better or worse - to a degree that has never before occurred," Overholt says. "The United States and China need a mature relationship.

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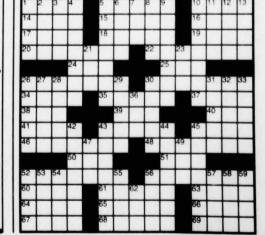
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## Wage: Makes good politics, but bad cents

ment to support their right to live decently. It is a sentiment widely shared.

The difficulty with the contention is that it isn't fully supported by the facts.

Teen-age unemployment in some inner-city areas is 50 percent or higher, and it has stayed there despite dozens of government programs

Is it likely that minimum wages can help such areas? They haven't in the past. It seems entirely likely that they

might even cause some potential employers to eliminate jobs.

In short, the need for jobs and a decent wage is very real, but the idea of meeting the need by minimum-wage legislation is somewhat less real, and maybe altogether unreal.

While wage by mandate has a poor record of effectiveness, the record could become even

Compelled by a more competitive marketplace, companies are learning to produce more with fewer workers, and that

trend is destined to continue.

Those without skills are likely to find fewer opportunities in the future, no matter how good or bad business conditions might be, while those with skills will be in demand. It is a trend that still has a very long way to go.

If so many are without jobs today because they have no skills, any minimum wage increase could hurt rather than help. Without a skill they cannot work; without a job, they cannot learn a skill.

Like nature, the marketplace is harsh.

Something needs to be done about getting willing but unskilled workers into the job world, where they can learn and contribute and live with respect and human comforts.

But minimum-wage legislation? Politically, it might be popular, but that's not where it should be measured.

The only logical measurement is what it has done for the least employable workers, and what it might do in the future.

## Book about L.A. riots wins Newbery award

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — The story of an American Indian girl's search for her mother and pictures illustrating a child's perspective of the Los Angeles riots won top honors in children's literature Monday.

The American Library Association gave the 1995 Newbery Medal for literature to author Sharon Creech, 49, a Cleveland native whose book "Walk Two Moons" was chosen among thousands of children's books published last year.

"I'm stunned and numb and amazingly honored," Creech during a telephone interview. "I didn't even know the book was being considered for the Newbery.'

Her book, published by HarperCollins, tells the story of a 13-year-old girl of American Indian origins who sets out with her grandparents to find her mother, who has not returned from a trip to Idaho.

The award for best illustrated work, the Randolph Caldecott Medal, went to David Diaz, 36, who created the impressionistic paintings that tell the story of

Judges called the publication by Harcourt Brace & Co. dramatic and groundbreaking.

Diaz used acrylic paintings on collage backgrounds to portray a night of urban rioting from a child's point of view. Using vivid colors inspired by German impressionist painters, Diaz used no flesh tones and little detail in drawing facial features.

"In the book, there's no one that's ever called African-American and Latino," Diaz said during a telephone interview from his home in Rancho La Costa, Calif. "Just Mrs. Kim in the book you assume that she's Korean, but you never know."

Diaz, of Latino descent, said he wanted to leave room for interpretation. The book was based on the story by Eve

Creech said her love of nature and childhood memories of a cross-country road trip inspired her to write about 13-year-old Salamanca. While not an Indian herself, the caucasian Creech said she has always felt a bond with American Indian heritage.

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"The first thing I would suggest to students, even before they get an account, is to buy a book on how to work Unix or VM," said Deborah Young, an instructional support analyst at the Computing Information Center.

"It's like moving to a new city. You have to figure out where everything is and how to get to it," Young said.

There are two main places where students can use comput-

**Eagle Scout** 

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DANVILLE, Calif. (AP) -

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At the lab, monitors collect student ID cards and assign users to computers. Once there, students are on there own.

However, there are usually other users, on or off line, who are happy to assist a "newbie," someone new to the Internet.

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offered to teach her.

"People are generally very friendly on the Internet. There is a certain etiquette that they follow. Communication is very easy flowing," Lum said.

"It's fun learning," said senior Zsuzsi Ba'rtfai who can often be found in the Washington Square lab helping every "newbie" she

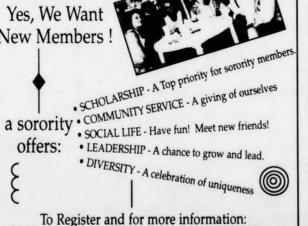
"The trick is to try things yourself, don't let others do them for you," she said. "You can learn from your mistakes, and remember, there is nothing that you can do wrong that can't be fixed."

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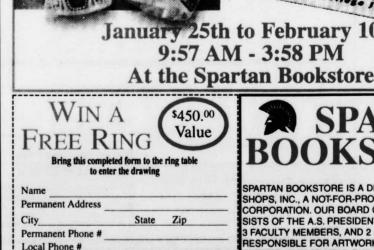
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