

Large crowd hears A.S. debate executive orders

Charell says poor attendance spurred action

By Lindy Boisvert Spartan Daily Staff Writer

The standing-room-only crowd at Wednesday afternoon's A.S. Board of Directors meeting was an exception to the rule; at the last four A.S. meetings, there weren't enough members present to officially conduct business.

In order to pass fiscal issues, a quorum, or eight members, is necessary.

Because of continued lack of quorum, A.S. President Marilyn Charell took matters into her own hands March 1 when she issued \$5,000 to the Earth Day Planning Committee. By issuing this executive order, Charell said she divided the money to where she thought it appropriate.

James De La Cruz, A.S. controller, said he believes she exceeded her authority.

"By A.S. laws, all issues must go to finance committee and then to Board of Directors for approval. Neither have hap-pened," De La Cruz said.

He said she has no executive order. "Her job is to interpret legislative action," he said.

Charell said she disagrees. "If we can't serve the students, what the hell are we

Charell said she issued the order because the Board of Directors wasn't doing its job. "If they meet quorum, then they can do business as usual."

This has not been an option for the A.S.

until Wednesday. The Board of Directors passed legislation and awarded funds to a Latin American cultural night, a Filipino graduation ceremony, a fraternity fundraiser and an interfraternity council brochure to be sent to incoming fresh-

After the A.S. passed the fraternity issues, the crowd dwindled to an audience

De La Cruz said he believes members of

something on their résumé than provid-ing a service to students, which is why the

turnout at meetings has been so low.
"Directors just don't care about A.S. and about representing students," he said.
"Commitment has declined."

De La Cruz said the issue of executive orders concerns him because it sets a precedent for other A.S. presidents.

"If we do this now, future presidents will try to do the same," he said.

Charell said she believes the business needed to get done and she couldn't wait for a meeting when the quorum would be met and the issue resolved

"I don't think anyone has any question about giving to Earth Day. They may try to over turn the issue because of technical reasons, but the result will be the same, Charell said.

The issue was brought up at a previous meeting and the funds were unanimously awarded to the Earth Day committee.

De La Cruz said he is also concerned about how Charell came up with the amount to give to the Earth Day Planning Committee. "We only have \$10,000 in the account for special allocations. \$20,000 is requested by students," he said.

"We can't stop business just because we cannot meet quorum. There's got to be another way of doing it," De La Cruz said.

The Board also passed a resolution to let students know that they are not in favor

Civilization revisited: translating the world of the Incas

Bv Russell Hall

Roland Hamilton first started his career at SJSU as a Spanish professor in 1968. Having received his master's degree here back in the '60s, he had a few friends who suggested he teach here. For the first ten years he stuck to just teaching the Spanish language, but in 1978 he started up a sem-inar of Peru, which included an interest-

at the Inca civilization.

Hamilton teaches the graduate student seminar every three years and says he teaches it differently every time; partly due to the fact he is still learning about this ancient civilization himself. This semester happens to be one in which he is teaching the seminar, and the students are sure to be enlightened since Hamilton has translated his third and most informative book about how the Incas lived.

just finished translating the book, so the first few weeks of the semester I was having a hard time figuring out how I wanted to teach the class," Hamilton said.

The book is "Narrative of the Incas" and

it is the first complete English translation of a manuscript written in 1557 by the Spaniard Juan de Betanzos. The manuscript is 82 chapters of detailed insight into the Inca culture and tradition.

Originally from Spain, Betanzo came to Peru in the mid-1530s and married Dona Angelina, a lady who was married to the last Inca king. Betanzo was ordered to write the document by the Spanish government who knew him to be an authority

on the Inca political system and culture.

"Angelina was a major source for Betanzos and gave him some valuable insight into marriage," Hamilton said.

Contrary to the trend in the 16th and

17th centuries, Betanzos used no other documents to tell his story. When he spoke of labor taxation, road building and religion it was either from experience or from actual Incas sharing their stories. Betanzos also had Angelina and her aristo-



PHOTO BY R.W. BRADFORD - SPARTAN DAILY

Dr. Roland Hamilton, a Spanish teacher at SJSU, holds a a 15th century Spanish book called "Narrative of the Incas. replica of a statue from Lake Titicaca. Dr. Hamilton translated

cratic family tell him of past Inca rulers and how they had contributed to the growth of the Inca empire.

Hamilton, who has researched Inca history since working on his doctorate at the University of Madrid in Spain, discovered Betanzo's manuscript in 1989 in a library in Palma de Mallorca, Spain. Hamilton

said he admits it wasn't easy getting a copy

of the manuscript and needed some help.
"A bill collector I met in Madrid actually
got the manuscript for me," Hamilton
said. "Dana Buchanan, who helped me
translate the book, also helped me in get-

ting the copy by writing Spanish scholars."

Hamilton said the library in Palma de

Mallorca actually only parted with a microfiche version of the manuscript, which was eventually transformed into hard copy by a lab at the University of California,

Going into the project of translating the piece initially, Hamilton said he did not know he was in for so much work

Hamilton said a colleague and friend, John Rowe from UC Berkeley, warned him it would be a difficult task.

"Dealing with the age of the manu-script, it is a very difficult work to trans-late," Rowe said.

Hamilton and Buchanan spent more than four years working on the project and plan to release the finished product through the University of Texas Press in May. The book will be a History Book Club selection and will also be available at book stores around the country.

Growing up on a pear farm in Placerville, Hamilton got his first taste of the Spanish language from the Mexican workers his dad had employed to help run the farm. Growing up in the isolated com-munity, Hamilton said he spent a lot of time with the workers.

"I got along real well with my dad's workers. They used to sing songs to me as a kid," Hamilton said.

Ever since that period in his life, Hamilton said he has been interested in the Spanish language and Latino culture in general. During his college days at California State University, Sacramento he spent a few summers in Mexico. Upon getting his doctorate from the University of Madrid, Hamilton taught an English program in Caracas, Venezuela.

Besides the three manuscripts he has translated, Hamilton said he has begun creating his own Spanish workbooks, ones which he said he feels will prove more helpful and interesting than the tradition-

"If my class doesn't like the material I am teaching them with I will dump it," Hamilton said.

Hamilton said he plans on teaching as long as he remains enthusiastic about the subject and will continue to write.

"Once I retire," Hamilton said, "I plan on retaining a link with the university by writing books."

Gay domestic violence Panel discusses problem ignored by mainstream society

"Research suggests that domestic violence results in more injuries that require medical treatment than rape, auto accidents and muggings combined," reads a Next Door domestic violence pamphlet. But did you know that gays and lesbians are just becoming included in those statis-

The violence has been going on a long time, said panelist Jeanie Morrow, executive director of Woman, Inc. It is just now the community is starting to recognize it and provide resources to help those battered, she said.

The panel, made up of Bay Area experts, came to SJSU Wednesday at 3:30 p.m. at the Umunhum Room of the Student Union to discuss the issues in a Women's Week meeting titled, "Wimmin to Wimmin/Lesbian Battering.

The discussion began with three panelists dispelling myths about lesbian relationships. "There is a lot of denial in the lesbian community," said panelist Ann

King said common myths, such as domestic violence being rooted in sexism and lesbian violence being less violent, are false. She went on the say it also crossed race and lines, such the difference between "butch" and "fem" lesbian roles, in a relationship.

"Violence is about abuse and abuse is about power and control over another individual," said panelist Hilary Wougan, a gay and lesbian domestic violence counselor. "That's the same whether you're straight or whether you're gay.

"The gay community is even more isolated," said Wougan. "If you come out as a domestic violence (case), you come out as

Fewer resources, shelters and support exists for gays and lesbians, said King. That fact often leads to disbelief in the community and under-reporting of how problem-

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PHOTO BY PAUL MYERS - SPARTAN DAILY

Anne King, Lesbian Outreach Coordinator for the Support Network for Battered Women answers questions as a member of a discussion panel on lesbian domestic violence.

The panel, held Wednesday at the Student Union, was sponsored by the Women's Resource Center.



Ban killed in court

A federal appeals court struck down Washington state's ban on doctor-assisted suicide, declaring that the terminally ill have a Constitutional right to a dignified and humane

Hoop and dreams

Spartan Sam Allen and the SJSU men's basketball team will be going to the Big West Conference playoffs this weekend with hopes and dreams of



Surviving each day

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OPINION

Face off on ... -

Affirmative action

It's the only way to counter America's xenophobia

By Dustin Shekell

I was born with America's silver spoon in my mouth.

I am a white male. I have and will be given every benefit of the doubt in our society, and the advantages given to me over other races and the opposite sex during my lifetime are documented realities.

The only way to combat America's inherent xenophobic and sexist tendencies is the implementation of a well thought affirmative action plan, both in college admission and the

Whether we like to admit it, racism is rampant in our culture despite the slowly closing gap between races ...

I know I am not supposed to have this view about an issue that is essentially slanted against me, but after looking at the overall issues surrounding affirmative action, I can't see it any other way.

Affirmative action is said by some to be a form of reverse discrimination. The rony of this statement is that those who claim this policy causes discrimination are exactly those who have never felt the pain caused when discrimination causes them to lose out on something in life. Every person in this country who is not born with my gender and color are faced with this problem

every day of their lives.

Between 1991 and 1994, approximately 3,000 discrimination cases were

seen at the federal court level. Of those, 100 cases dealt with issues of reverse discrimination, and only six of the 100 were found to have grounds The poor white males of America were actually discriminated against only six times. How many times in an average week does an African-American face some sort of discrimination?

Whether we like to admit it, racism is rampant in our culture despite the slowly closing gap between races in the past 40 years. It must be disheartening for people to realize that no matter how hard they work in life, they will have a mountain of prejudice and injustice to climb in an often futile attempt to be given treatment equal to a

Tower Records in San Jose uses magical little white tags on their CDs to deter theft. This is not an unusual tactic, but the only CDs in the store wearing the tags are those popular with African-Americans. Every rap CD in the store has a tag, but the \$30 Bonnie Raitt CD prominently placed next to the front door doesn't. This is just one example of the daily slaps-in-the-face that all non-white races come in contact within every aspect

According to the census bureau, incomes earned by non-white races are significantly less than the salaries given to white men for doing the exact same job. African-American men receive 74 percent of the compensation of an equal-ly qualified white man, while African-American women get only 64 percent. Hispanic men obtain 64 percent and Hispanic women will receive slightly more than half.

Discrimination is not limited to just other races; white women face many barriers erected by sexism in their search for equality. This often-maligned group sees only a fraction of the money men of their own race earn in the workplace.

Although women of all races compose more than half of the third of upper echelon employees in America are female.

Discrimination, racism, bigotry, xenophobia and sexism are monumental issues that will continue to plague the world as long as we allow the unacknowledged bias and the unspoken favoritism that dictates the hiring and admission policies of businesses and schools to proceed as they do now. An affirmative action plan that forces employers to make new goals as far as employee diversity without closing their eyes to white

men in general is the answer.

This should not mean creation of quotas. If gender or race this should not mean creation of quotas. If gender or race is used as a determining factor for employment, it cannot be the only factor. Judge applicants for their merits, but keep in mind the trouble the applicants are going through in their job searches simply because of the their skin color or their sex.

Dustin Shekell is a Spartan Daily Staff Writer.

It's become the very thing it was designed to fight By Paul Eiser "Neither the state of California nor any of its political subdivisions or agents shall use race, sex, color, ethnicity or national origin as a criterion for either discriminating against, or granting preferential

treatment to, any individual group in the operation of the state's system of public employment, public education, or public contracting."
This is almost an exact quote from the 1964 Civil Rights Act which, in its language, effectively prohibits affirmative action, a policy that has imposed racial

that has imposed racial and gender quotas on America.

Evan Kemp, former chairman of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC), put it best when he said the civil rights laws are now doing two things: they forbid discrimination and they require it.

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Civil rights

Because of this contradiction, affirmative action may be causing more problems than it is solving, creating a heated atmosphere to work and live in for everyone affected

Now that the issue of affirmative action has come to a boiling point and may easily burn itself out, we need to ask ourselves a question.

Is America a nation organized around the principles of individual achievement or group entitlement? Do we really want American schools and companies to judge people according to the color of their skin, instead of their

Right now American companies are in a dilemma. They want to hire the best workers, but government officials and courts pressure companies to hire and promote employees in predetermined ratios so that their numbers approximate the racial breakdown of the surrounding popula-

Because of this government intrusion, many companies are bowing to the pres-sures and changing their hiring standards and practices.

In one instance of racial preferences in action, Jack Nelson, Washington bureau chief of the Los Angeles Times, announced to his staff a few years ago that white males had slim chances of being hired. When he was asked, "Isn't that discrimination?" he replied, "No, it's affirmative action."

Even President Clinton acknowl-

edged that affirmative action was being mishandled and abused. "There are times when some

employers don't use it the right way," Clinton said. "They may ... treat a flexible goal as a quota. They may give opportunities to people who are unqualified instead of those who deserve it. They may in doing so allow a different kind of discrimination."

Discrimination. That's what affirmative action was supposed to stop. Discrimination. That's what affirmative action is. What is it when the cure causes the exact same disease it is supposed to fight? It's a complete and utter failure.

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It states: "The state shall not discriminate against, or grant preferential treatment to, any individual or group on the basis of race, sex, color, ethnicity or national origin in the operation of public employment, public education or public contracting."

Sounds familiar, doesn't it?
The CCRI will be on the November ballot and either accepted or rejected by voters of the state. This will be the first time the peo-

ple will be given a choice on affirmative action since the courts forced it upon the population.

A summary by the Attorney General's Office said the initiative would save the state tens of millions of dollars in annual public employment and contracting costs, and up to \$50 million for higher education programs. The CCRI would once again present a level playing field

for everyone involved.

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American Association of Airport Executives (AAAE) Meeting on job oppor-tunities. 5p.m. SJ Int'l Airport, SJSU Aviation department, Aviation Bldg., rm. 108. Call 374-6150.

Christian Fellowship
"How to Praise and Worship." 7:30p.m. Student Union, Almaden rm. Call 286-6427.

Associated Students Judiciary Open hearing for the alleged Education Code violations in the Fall '95 Special Elections. 4:30p.m. Student Union, Call 924-6236.

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thelic Campus Ministry as. 12ncon, John XXII nter, 195 E. San Fer-ndo St. Call 938-1610.

Alliance Meeting, 3:30p.m.-5p.m. MacQuarrie Hall, rm. 223.

Hispanic Business Association Meeting. 5p.m.-6p.m. Student Union, Guadalupe rm.Call 383-8569.

Human Resources Management Association
Margaret Wilkes will address
the topic of job searching. 4:30p.m.-6p.m. Student Union, Costanoan rm. Call 243-7294.

Jewish Student Union, and Hillel Memorial march for those murdered in the recent bus bombings in Jerusalem. 12noon. Student Union, outside. Call 924-8685.

The Listening Hour SJSU Concert Choir and Choraliers. 12:30p.m.-1:15p.m. Music Bldg., Concert Hall. Call 924-4631.

Photographers Association Mike Jones of the Sacramento Bee will speak. 7:30p.m. Dwight Bentel Hall, rm. 117, Call 924-3245.

Dr. J. Scott, from the Student Health Center, will speak. 1:30p.m.-2:20p.m. Duncan all (510) 794-7727.

ool of Art and Design ient gallery exhibits. an. 4p.m. Art Bidg. 9244530.

Women's Resource Center Women's Week '96 event, "Building Bridges II," discussion to unite against racism, sexism and "classism." 11a.m.-2p.m. Student Union, Loma Prieta rm. Call 924-6500.

Women's Resource Center The Clothesline Project, decrying violence against women. All day. Art Bidg., quad and Student Union. Call 924-6500.

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Friday

Career Center
"Constructing Your Career in
Civil Engineering." 12:30p.m.
Engineering Bldg., rm. 189.
Call 924-6033.

Chinese Campus Fellowship Bible study. 2:30p.m.-5p.m. Student Union, Guadalupe rm. Call 225-2224.

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Jewish Student Union Shabbat dinner, 6:30p.m. Call 924-8685 for directions

Latter-day Saint Students Association (LDSSA) Friday Forum, an interactive game called "Encore." 12:30p.m. San Jose Institute, 66 S. Seventh St. Call 286-3313.

School of Art and Design Student gallery exhibits. I la.m.-4p.m. Art Bldg, Call 924-4330.

Women's Resource Cent. Open support group. 10:30p.m. Administration sldg., rm. 207. Call 924.6

PEOPLE

A family affair and the infection of Oz

Nepotism no worry to Spelling son

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The family name may have helped Randy Spelling get a part on his dad's new show, but his background won't come in very

handy in playing the role.

Randy plays Flipper Gage in Aaron Spelling's latest production, "Malibu Shores," which premieres Saturday on NBC. The show pits rich Malibu kids against a group from blue-collar San Fernando Valley High School, which includes Spelling's character.

acter.

"I thought it would be really interesting to play a role reversal, basically someone who was totally dif-ferent from who I am," he said.

That means someone who didn't grow up in a 100-room mansion. "It was always kind of hard to

be too much of a rebellious child because security logs people as they come in and out," he said.

It's the second time a Spelling offspring has starred on a Spelling show: "Beverly Hills, 90210"

Does that mean 17-year-old Randy is trading on the family name?

"I know some people are going to think that and say that. But that's what happens," Spelling said Wednesday. "I'm not going to worry about it."

Roseanne, Arnold together in court

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Roseanne and Tom Arnold reunited in court to battle a clothes maker

over a deal they say fell apart.

She got laughs from the jury Tuesday when asked to state her full name. "Roseanne," she said

with a shrug.

The actors, who divorced in 1994, are seeking \$750,000 of what they claim was a \$1 million deal with CelebSales of New York to promote a his-andher fashion line. Roseanne, who designed the clothes, claimed they didn't meet her standards.

The company filed a \$24 million counterlawsuit,

claiming Roseanne and Arnold reneged on agreements to market the clothing — and generated such awful publicity no one would want to buy the

Asked about bad publicity, Roseanne recalled reports of a rumored three-way marriage among the Arnolds and an assistant.

"It started as a joke in front of an audience," Roseanne said. "It was picked up by the tabloid press. They made it into a story.

Ozzy doesn't have the mettle for now

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A respiratory infection forced Ozzy Osbourne to postpone some shows on his sold-out U.S. tour.

The Grammy-winning rocker postponed concerts in Arizona and Nevada after he went ahead with a Thursday night show in Los Angeles while he was sick, his spokeswoman said.

"His condition only worsened," Michele

Schweitzer said Monday.
Osbourne, who won a Grammy last week for best

metal performance with vocal for "I Don't Want to Change the World," will perform at rescheduled concerts in Phoenix and Las Vegas in mid-April, Schweitzer said.

Snoop ready to get on with life

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Snoop Doggy Dogg says he's ready to get on with his life after being acquitted of murder in the 1993 death of a gang mem-

ber.
"I'm happy that it's over with, but how can I be
"I'm happy that it's over with, but how can I be happy that it's over with, but now can rise happy about someone being dead?" he told MTV in an interview for broadcast Wednesday.

The rapper, whose real name is Calvin Broadus,

also defended his former bodyguard, co-defendant McKinley Lee. Both men were acquitted Feb. 20.

Defense lawyers maintained throughout the trial that Lee fired at 20-year-old Philip Woldemariam in

Lee was just doing his job, Broadus said.
"His job was to protect me, protect him and anybody that was around me at any time," Broadus said. "That's what he was hired for."

Broadus is working on a follow-up to his best-selling 1993 album "Doggystyle."

Former soap star wins suit against cops

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Former soap star Brian Patrick Clarke won a \$5,426 award from a jury that found police roughed him up after he complained when him to be seen and the complained of the complained when him to be seen and the complained when him to be seen as the complained when him to be see

about his car being towed.

Clarke, who played Storm on "The Bold and the Beautiful," claims he was doused with pepper spray, hit in the groin and knocked to the ground in July

Clarke, who earlier was awarded \$4,000 in general damages, had asked for \$300,000 in punitive damages, claiming he was tightly handcuffed and

manhandled before being hauled off to jail.
"I'm disappointed with the amount of money the jury awarded, but I'm thrilled with the decision," said his lawer, Jeffrey Galen.

The jury ruled Jan. 23 that Officer Darren Holst was liable for falsely arresting Clarke and using

excessive force.

Writer pens big deal for mysteries

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) - Mystery wri er Patricia Cornwell reportedly has signed a \$20 million deal for three more books, placing her among the best-

paid novelists in the country.

The deal with G.P. Putnam's Sons would cover the ninth, 10th and 11th books in Ms. Cornwell's series about crime-fighting medical examiner Kay Scarpetta. The seventh Scarpetta work is due out this summer and an eighth is written.

Texan takes Gucci to new levels

MILAN, Italy (AP) — Texan designer Tom Ford is the hottest item on the Milan fashion ticket. Young, handsome and very talent-ed, he has redefined the Gucci look - and with it created a new fashion attitude.

fashion attitude.

The 34-year-old defines his fall-winter collection, presented Tuesday evening in a modern art museum, "luxe with an edge," saying its cool, sexy chic has all the elements of a "new classicism."

Ford became the fashion rage several seasons ago when he lifted sagging spirits at Gucci by putting high heels on the trademark

loafer, cutting the man-tailored shirts in sheer fabrics and hiking the hemline — all in living color.

This time around, the uniform offers inspiration for the Gucci daytime wear. Ford used the same theme for next winter's menswear, presented in Milan in January.

Monochromatic from head to toe, everything matches from the coat to the jacket, skirt, trouser, shoes and bag. The cut is military: Mini-dresses have epaulets, long skirts are split up the front but cut like a trouser in the back, and long coats are splitted, and gold but. coats are belted and gold-but-

The new pant suit has either a short busboy, or long double-breasted jacket, while the trousers are tight around the hips but flare at the ankle. The see-through blouse underneath is open to the

Favorite tones are white, navy, and brown. The classic menswear pinstripe is the most popular fab-

But where Ford soared into a new fashion stratosphere was in the evening wear.

It really was like dying and going to heaven, to meet the sexiest angels in creation.

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Federal court asserts constitutional right to die

Washington ban on assisted death struck down

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — A federal appeals court struck down Washington state's ban on doctor-assisted suicide Wednesday, declaring that the terminally ill have a constitutional right to a "dignified and humane death.

In the first such case to be decided by a federal appellate panel, the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals said the state's

duty to preserve life is outweighed by the right to control "the time and manner of

A competent, terminally ill adult, having lived nearly the full measure of his life, has a strong liberty interest in choosing a dignified and humane death rather than being reduced at the end of his existence to a childlike state of helplessness, diapered, sedated, incompetent," Judge Stephen Reinhardt wrote in the 8-3 deci-

The Washington attorney general's office said it hasn't decided whether to appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court. New York's ban on doctor-assisted suicide also is

before a federal appeals court. Unless overturned on appeal, the 9th Circuit ruling also means a voter-approved Oregon law, the nation's first to expressly allow terminally ill patients to seek a doctor's help in dying, is likely to be upheld. Reinhardt said the court disagreed with a federal judge's decision striking down the

Though the ruling affects only the nine Western states covered by the appeals court, a lawyer for Dr. Jack Kevorkian said he would cite the case today in seeking dismissal of assisted-suicide charges against Kevorkian in Michigan.

The Washington law was part of a ban

on promoting or assisting suicide first enacted by Washington's territorial gov-ernment in 1854. It was challenged by three terminally ill patients, now dead; a group of doctors who treat the terminally ill; and Compassion in Dying, a Seattle-based group that helps patients who want to hasten their deaths.

The ruling "puts profoundly personal end-of-life decisions in the hands of dying patients and their doctors, rather than in the hands of the state," said Ralph Mero, executive director of Compassion in Dying. U.S. District Judge Barbara Rothstein ruled the law unconstitutional in 1994. She was overruled a year ago by a

three-judge panel of the appeals court, which decided 2-1 that the ban was valid. The majority said the law protects the poor, handicapped and elderly, and prevents doctors from becoming "killers of their patients." A majority of the entire court then voted to refer the case to the 11-judge panel for a new hearing. The case attracted national attention from religious groups on both sides, civil rights organizations and medical professionals. Opponents of the Washington law proclaimed the right to "death with dignity," while their adversaries warned that y," while their adversaries warned that mercy killings" of the poor and disabled would follow

Hawaiian legislators back 'domestic partnerships'

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bill allowing same-sex "domestic partnerships" while the House took the opposite tack, backing a proposal to let voters decide whether to ban gay marriages.

The state Supreme Court in 1993 decided it was unconstitutional discrimination on the basis of gender for the state to ban same-sex marriages unless it can show a compelling state interest to do so. Legislators have been

struggling to develop a response, considering whether to rewrite state law to meet the court's objections or get a constitutional amendment that would block the ruling.

The dispute in Hawaii has attracted considerable interest in other state legislatures, with proposals being considered to bar recognition of same-sex marriages per-

The Senate, in a 14-11 rollcall vote, approved and sent to the House on Tuesday a measure to create a system of domestic partnerships for gay and lesbian couples in Hawaii.

"It is the way out of the legal minefield we now find ourselves in," said Senate Judiciary Committee Chairman Rey Graulty.

The 51-member House approved an equally controversial proposal to put before the voters next fall a proposed constitutional amendment to ban same-sex

House Judiciary Committee Chairman Terrance Tom called domestic partnerships a "naive and misguided" approach to appease the Supreme Court. He said voters should have the right to make the decision.

"But the homosexuals never had a right to marriage under the Constitution, anyway," Tom said. So, proposing a vote for a constitutional amendment is

just to clarify the marriage

statutes, he said Randall Sen. denounced the Supreme Court's ruling as neous," saying the court's ruling misread the intent of the state's Constitution and "trampled upon the concept of the separation of powers." The way to rectify it is for the Legislature to let the people clarify the intent of the Constitution through an amendment, "in effect over-

ruling the court," Iwase said.

Rey Graulty

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In the House, Graulty argued that without a law creating domestic partnerships giving same-sex couples some of the benefits of married couples, it's a virtual certainty that the courts would legalize same-sex marriages. The measure would also be in keeping with the pluralistic state's tradition of tolerance, he said.

Rep. Billy Swain, said, "This is going way beyond tol-

erance. This is condoning.'

Report indicates home life stabilizing All in the family

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Carol De Vita

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WASHINGTON (AP) - Despite a widespread belief that the American family is disintegrating, family patterns in the 1990s are showing much more stability than they were 10 years ago,

according to a private study.

One reason: The baby boom generation has reached middle age.

The American family of the 1960s was a married couple with two or more children in which the husband was the sole breadwinner, says the study by the Population Reference Bureau.

The family of the 1990s "typically has only one or two children and both parents work outside the home," it says. "Changing marriage and divorce patterns, the influx of married women into the labor force, the stagnation of men's wages, and the aging of the baby-boom generation all have played a role in the transformation of the

'Middle age is the time of life when family responsibilities come to the fore," researcher Carol DeVita told a news con-

One-third of families have children under 18. two-parent married couple families are on the increase and the average number of children vomen will have in their lifetime now is 2.0, the highest since 1972, she said.

The major changes in the family structure are probably passed," DeVita said.

California, of course, remains by far the most oopulous state with 31.6 million residents. Texas has assumed second place with 18.7 million, edg-ing New York with 18.1 million. The rest of the top 10 in order last year Pennsylvania, Illinois, Ohio, Michigan, New Jersey and Georgia.

Wyoming is the least populated.

The country's minority population is 26 percent. The District of Columbia leads the 50 states with a 75 percent nonwhite population. Hawaii is the only state where the majority of its residents are from minority groups, at 68 percent.

"New Mexico is on the verge of becoming majority minority," DeVita said. The state has a 50 percent minority population, followed by California with 47 percent, and Texas 46 percent.

Asian Americans had a median household income in 1994 of \$40,500, the highest among racial and ethnic groups. Next was \$35,000 for non-Hispanic whites. Blacks reported a median household income of \$21,000, the lowest, just under the \$23,400 for Hispanic

Nevada had the biggest population growth by percentage between 1990 and 1995, followed by Idaho, Colorado, Washington, New Mexico, Georgia, Oregon and

Texas. Connecticut, Rhode Island and the District of Columbia lost population. In 1994, 683,000 legal immigrants and 121,000 refugees came to the United States. One of every

three went to California. Contrary to the popular image of aliens storming across the border at night, about half of undocumented aliens entered the country as legal immigrants — often as tourists or students but stayed when their visas expired, DeVita

The number of illegal immigrants is estimated from 1.1 million to 2.9 million a year, but most leave voluntarily or are deported and only about 300,000 remain as permanent settlers, she said.

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Emergency bills don't add up

Study shows hospitals charge double for urgent visits

BOSTON (AP) - Anyone who has ever gone to the emergency room for a sore throat or cold knows the bill can be breathtaking. Now a study shows why: Hospitals charge double what the treatment actually costs.

Emérgency room bills are so exorbitant that insurance compa-nies often try to discourage people from making needless ER visits by requiring them to pay a large share of the bill. Some insurers refuse to pay anything if chest pain turns out to be indigestion rather than a heart attack.

A researcher at the University of

Michigan set out to see how much a routine trip to the ER actually costs the hospital. His conclusion: A typical non-urgent visit costs hospitals \$62, but they charge \$124.

"This study shows that the average cost of a non-urgent visit to an emergency department is much lower than commonly believed," Dr. Robert M. Williams wrote in Thursday's issue of the New England Journal of Medicine.

The reason ER bills are so much higher than costs is that half of all patients never pay. So those who do pay subsidize those who don't.

Emergency rooms are required by law to treat all emergencies, regardless of whether patients have insurance or are willing to

pay their own bills.
Williams based his findings on a survey of 24,010 visits to the emering patients out of the emergency gency rooms at six community hos- room may never materialize.

third of these visits were for such non-emergencies as sprains and

He concluded that the emergency room cost compares favor-ably to what a doctor charges for seeing a new patient in a private office. Nationally in 1993, that averaged \$53.

In an editorial, journal deputy editor Robert Steinbrook calculateditor Robert Steinbrook Calculated that the markup for non-urgent ER visits nationwide could amount to \$5 billion to \$7.2 billion. However, he cautioned that Williams' figures might not apply to hospitals everywhere, especially big-city ones.

big-city ones.

"All the same," he wrote, "the data suggest that much of the purported savings achieved by keep-

Community debates stray bullet

ERIE, Pa. (AP) - When he heard about the stray bullet that picked 14-year-old Emily Perilla out of a New Year's Eve crowd, Eugene Ott scraped together \$475 to help pay her medical bills.

A month later he learned his only son, Reggie, had fired the bullet into the air from nearly a mile away. Now, Ott and many in Erie's small black community are accusing prosecutors of racism for pur-

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Reggie could get 32 years in prison. Reggie Ott, 21, is black; Emily is white.

"It seems that every time there is a case of this sort, they use a black minority to make an example,' said the Rev. Herlies Murphy, pastor of the Community Missionary Baptist Church.

Sister Anne McCarthy, a spokeswoman for the Benedictine Sisters

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would have happened if Mr. Ott had been a white college student, drinking a few beers and shooting a few shots into the air.

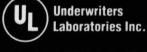
While Emily and her family watched fireworks on Perry Square, Reggie Ott attended a house party. He and fellow revelers fired their guns into the air shortly before midnight in a New Year's tradition police have tried to dis-

The bullet that struck Emily burrowed 6 inches into her brain and stopped at the base of her skull. A ballistics test traced it back to Ott's gun, which was found when he and a friend were arrested last month for car theft.

In a videotaped interview with In a videotaped interview with police, the 21-year-old Ott admitted firing his 9mm pistol. "It was New Year's, you know. I just wanted to shoot off my gun," he said. "I just pointed straight in the air."

Emily now walks with a cane, but her dector except her to make

her doctor expects her to make almost a complete recovery. Ott is in jail, charged with aggravated



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Republicans ready to boost weapons spending

GOP could increase budget by billions

WASHINGTON (AP) - With the ink barely dry on President Clinton's defense budget request, congressional Republicans say they are ready to add billions to boost weapons spending.

Defense Secretary William Perry and

Gen. John Shalikashvili, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, faced a second round of questioning Wednesday from lawmakers about Clinton's \$243 billion defense

budget plan for 1997.
Only two days after the formal submission for the budget, the focus is on weapons spending, which under the Clinton proposal would reach the lowest level next year since the beginning of the Korean War.

"As was the case last year, we will also increase the defense spending top line," Rep. Floyd Spence, R-S.C., chairman of the House National Security Committee told Perry and Shalikashvili Wednesday. Spence said the Clinton defense plan puts the military "down that 'slippery slope' of

deeper force reductions."
"I think it's incredible that they could

have the troops in Bosnia, Haiti and Lord knows where else, and figure they can cut the defense budget," said Rep. Bob Livingston, R-La., chairman of the House

Appropriations Committee.

In the Senate, Strom Thurmond, R-S.C., chairman of the Armed Services Committee, said after a day of testimony from Perry and Shalikashvili that weapons spending must increase. Thurmond and other Republicans voiced doubts about a budget plan that cuts weapons spending Wednesday against the promise that such spending will increase later in the decade.

Every year the Clinton administration promises that modernization of the force will be remedied in the 'out years," Thurmond said. "I have little confidence that the administration's request to modernize at the turn of the century will actu-

Previously approved Republican spending plans would add \$14 billion to Clinton's defense request. The statements by Livingston, Thurmond and others indicate that most of that money is likely to go into weapons spending. The Clinton budget seeks \$38.9 billion for weapons pur-

Perry and Shalikashvili defended the plan but conceded that weapons spending has hit bottom and must increase. Republican senators sought to drive a wedge between the Pentagon's top civilian

and uniformed officials by pointing out Shalikashvili's previous statement that weapons spending should hit \$60 billion by 1998 or 1999. Under the Clinton plan, that level would not be reached until

Shalikashvili underscored his earlier comments, noting that the military was fast approaching the time when it could no longer rely on the vast stocks of equipment left over from the 1980s military buildup. But he said that if the money isn't available in the next year or two, the administration should "recognize that (\$60 \text{ heiling}) number and set that kind of (\$60 billion) number and set that kind of nail on a wall that we work toward.

Key measurement of living standard rises **American**

productivity, the key measurement of how fast living standards can rise, increased by 1.1 percent in 1995. It was the best showing since 1992 but still far below the typi-cal increases in the decades following

World War II.

The Labor Department reported
Wednesday that the 1995 increase in productivity, which measures output per hour of work, exceeded puny gains of 0.5 percent in 1994 and 0.2 percent in 1993.

Productivity slowed sharply as the year

was ending. Productivity actually fell by 0.5 percent in the final three months of 1995, the first decrease since a 1.1 percent

decline in the first quarter. While the overall 1995 increase is the

best showing since a 3.2 percent surge in 1992, last year's productivity gain was still less than half of the averages turned in during the 1950s and 1960s when productivity often rose more than 2 percent annually.

It has been the marked slowdown in productivity starting in the mid-1970s that most economists believe lies at the root of a host of problems besetting America now, from job insecurity to the failure of average incomes to show any marked improve-

Higher productivity means that employ-

Employers can pay more to efficient workers

ers can pay workers higher salaries

because they are more efficient.

If productivity is stagnant, then wages and standards of living are stagnant as well because workers can't receive salary increases without increasing inflationary

Both the Republican controlled Congress and the Clinton administration often cite the need to boost productivity as a touchstone for their economic programs but so far long-term solutions have eluded Washington policy-makers. The problem looks worse now because

the government has switched to a new measuring system for overall output, the gross domestic product, that lowers GDP and thus decreases productivity gains since the number of hours worked has not

Before the switch to the new GDP measuring system, productivity for nonfarm businesses was reported to be increasing at an annual rate of 2 percent in the July-August quarter. Under the new system, the third quarter gain is now put at a rate of

rate of 3 percent in the second quarter.
For the year as a whole, the 1.1 percent increase reflected a 2.7 percent gain in output, which outpaced the 1.6 percent rise in the number of hours worked.

Unit labor costs, considered a key factor n inflation, rose 2.5 percent in 1995, up from a 1.6 percent increase in 1994, but lower than a 2.1 percent rise in 1993. Analysts believe that unit labor costs have been extremely well behaved in the cur-rent recovery and this is a key factor keeping inflation below 3 percent for the past

U.S. sends Israel help

PLO also will receive American assistance

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Clinton administration is sending experts in diplomatic security and counterterrorism to help Israel. They also will train Yasser Arafat's Palestinian forces.

A team of FBI agents is in Israel and additional agents will follow once Israel tells the United States what kind of speeds, a Justice official said cialists it needs, Department

Tuesday.

The FBI team and a legal specialist from the bureau's office in Athens, Greece, were assigned to help the Israelis after a suicide

bombing in Jerusalem Feb. 25.
Three deadly bombings followed, killing 61 people, including four Americans.
The head of the State
Department's counterterrorism

office, Philip C. Wilcox Jr., who also has run the Israeli desk at the department, will leave for Israel this weekend to head an inter-agency team, a Department official Wednesday. The team will assess ways to

improve the prevention of terrorist attacks and to bring terrorists to justice. Tuesday, at President

Clinton's direction, bomb-detection equipment was flown to Israel to help intercept terrorists at border crossings. Clinton said his aim was to

"support the fight against future terrorist attacks, to bring killers to justice and to rally support for peace in the Middle East."

A senior U.S. official said

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Yasser Arafat's Palestinian Authority forces would be trained to use the American devices. Presidential spokesman Mike McCurry said the equip-ment being sent now and later was to help both Israel and the Palestinians combat a terrorist Palestinians combat a terrorist threat.

Secretary of State Warren Christopher said Iran was deeply involved, financing, training, perhaps even directing groups such as Hamas, the militant Islamic organization that claimed responsibility for the

four bombings. He said the United States was trying to rally European and other nations to isolate Iran, but did not want to single out Syria

or any other country.

In a television broadcast to the Israeli people, Clinton expressed his deepest sorrow and strongest outrage" over the bombings and announced his

Israeli, Palestinian forces clamp down on militants

We are in a state of war with

terrorism and terrorists. The entire

world is fighting terrorism, and we

are part of the world. We are not

standing by and watching.

HEBRON, West Bank (AP) - Israeli and Palestinian security forces arrested more than 100 suspected Islamic militants and raided the radicals' strongholds Wednesday in an effort to halt a bombing war that has terrorized Israel.

It was the first time Palestinian police and Israeli troops conducted coordinated raids in PLO-run territory. The Israelis were clearly leading the crackdown, but the cooperation of hundreds of PLO police was no doubt intended to signal a dis-illusioned Israeli public that Yasser Arafat was committed to peace.

The sweep came a day after Israeli troops confined more than 1 million Palestinians to their towns, and sealed more than a dozen houses of suspected militants.

In refugee camps surrounding Hebron and Nablus, and in Hebron itself Wednesday, Israeli soldiers rounded up dozens of people believed linked to the Hamas group, which carried out four suicide bombings in

Israel in nine days.

At the Askar refugee camp near Nablus Tuesday night, about 20 Palestinian police and Israeli troops arrested relatives of one of the bombers, Shaghnoubi.

They also shut two Palestinian colleges and two Islamic charities in Hebron, the last Israelioccupied city on the West Bank, and two other West Bank col-

eges.
In the Gaza Strip Wednesday, Palestinian police raided the Islamic University, breaking into rooms and seizing papers and student ID cards. They also

and seizing papers and student ID Cards. They also seized the school's mosque. Students were not on campus, but police briefly detained seven guards. Israeli army officials said the man who bombed Tel Aviv on Monday, killing 13 Israelis, came from Palestinian-ruled Gaza. Security sources said he was helped by an Israeli Arab arrested the night of the attack; neither man was identified. Seeking to show that Yasser Arafat's

joining the battle against Hamas, the Palestinian attorney general echoed Israeli comments about a war on terror to try to save the PLO's peace talks with Israel.

We are in state of war with terrorism and terwe are in state of war with terrorism and terrorists," said Attorney General Khaled Kidra. "The entire world is fighting terrorism, and we are part of the world. We are not standing by and watching." He said Palestinian police have arrested about 300 Hamas supporters.

Several thousand Palestinians in Nablus took

irt in a peace rally organized by Arafat's Palestinian Authority Wednesday.

As Arafat's piped-in voice declaimed "Yes for peace ... no for terrorism," Palestinian police broke up a pro-Hamas march by students nearby, beating the marchers and arresting at least 10 peo-

ple.

The marchers yelled "We will sacrifice our blood and spirit for Yehiya Ayyash" — the Hamas bombmaker assassinated Jan. 5 in an operation widely attributed to Israel. Suicide bombers who have attacked Israel since Feb. 25 have said the bombings were to avenge Ayyash's murder. The four bombers killed themselves and 57

other people, and seemed to come menacingly close to their real goal: killing the peacemaking that has won the Palestinians autonomy in the Gaza Strip and six of the West Bank's largest

Arafat Wednesday approved a life sentence with hard labor for the man

accused of recruiting three of the four bombers. Mohammed Abu Wardeh was convicted Tuesday night by a Jericho court; he is in Palestinian police custody but was not present at the trial.

Israelis have begun to fear that no treaty can end the hatred between

the two peoples.
After the latest bombing
Monday killed 14 people
including the bomber in downtown Tel Aviv.

Israelis gathered to shout the old chants of enmity. "Kill the Arabs," some screamed. Others con-demned Prime Minister Shimon Peres as a traitor for giving up land to Palestinians in his desire to end decades of war between the two peoples.

Khaled Kidra

Palestinian attorney general

While Arafat ordered his forces to join the bat-tle against the militants, he also protested that Israel was violating its peace accords with the Palestine Liberation Organization by conducting some raids without consulting the Palestinians.

Arafat is torn by conflicting interests: He mi prove to the Israelis that he is doing something about Hamas, but if he is to retain any credibility among his own people, he cannot appear to be an

Israeli puppet.

Israel said it would persist in its arrests, however, and security sources said Peres authorized them to deport Hamas leaders, a measure that hasn't been applied since the government deported 400 Islamic militants in December 1992. The sources said about 100 Hamas members could be deport-

engaging in "widespread and well-documented human rights abuses," including arbitrary detention, forced confessions The highly critical report is certain to secure Taiwan is touch off renewed debate in Congress about the administration's policy of maintaining normal trade and economic ties national

Department accused China Wednesday of

The 42-page review of the rights situation in China is part of the State Department's annual report on human rights conditions around the world.

It was released as a top Chinese official, important thing Liu-hua Qiu, was due to arrive for talks with Secretary of State Warren Christopher, National Security adviser Anthony Lake and other officials. The report said the rights problems in

interest is to China stem from the intolerance of dissent and the inadequacy of legal safe-state it ... guards for basic freedoms.

Abuses included arbitrary and lengthy incommunicado detention, forced confession, torture, and mistreatment of prisoners," the report said. "Prison conditions remained harsh. The government continued severe restrictions on freedom of speech, the press, assembly, association, religion, privacy, movement and worker rights." It said the frequency of prisoner executions is such that these inmates are among the primary sources of organs for transplant. The Chinese media reported 1,100 death sentences in China last year,

htt the State Department report said the actual number was probably much higher.

In Beijing, China's Communist government opened its annual legislative session Tuesday with a blast at the Clinton administration's "unwise China policy" and an announcement of missile exercises near Taiwan's main two ports. Premier Li Peng said the island never will be

allowed to secede from China, clear evi-dence that the tests are to intimidate Taiwan's nationalist government in advance of this month's elections.

In Washington, the State Department summoned China's ambassador, Li Daoyu, to receive a complaint about the tests, which White House spokesman Mike McCurrycalled "provocative military exercises and missile tests which will be reckless at this time."

House Republicans accused the administration Tuesday of showing "strategic ambiguity" in east Asia, a policy they said "virtually invites conflict" involving China. "A free and secure Taiwan is vital to U.S. national interests," said Rep. Christopher Cox, chairman of the House Republican Policy Committee, which approved the GOP statement. "The first and most important thing we can do to safeguard that interest is to state it ... so that the government in Beijing ... will have no doubt that we will assist in defending Taiwan in the event of invasion, attack or

Scientists clone sheep

NEW YORK (AP) - In a feat never before accomplished in mammals, scientists have found a way to turn a laboratory dish full of cells into hundreds of geneti-

cally identical sheep.
Scientists in Scotland took cells from an embryo, grew thousands of copies in the lab and then used copies to produce sheep from

Experts said if the technique can be perfected, it will be a major gain in the ability to make genetic changes in livestock for research and to quickly produce animals that give more or better milk or meat, resist diseases or

display other desirable traits.
"It is a great achievement," commented Robert H. Foote, professor emeritus of animal physiology at Cornell University in Ithaca, N.Y.

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Alexander, Lugar officially pull out, throw support behind charging Dole

Sen. Dick Lugar, two also-rans in the Republican presidential race, bowed to the inevitable Wednesday and folded their campaigns. On the way out, both endorsed Sen. Bob Dole.

The former Tennessee governor went first, telling a news conference in Nashville that he has ended his conditions.

ended his candidacy. He congratulated the front-runner Dole and offered him his support.

Lugar of Indiana made his announcement in a Senate hearing room, his family surrounding

him.

"The apparent nominee is a man for whom I

"The apparent nominee is a man for whom I have great admiration, Senator Bob Dole of Kansas, and I look forward to his nomination," Lugar said, adding that he and his wife, Charlene, planned to vote for Dole in Indiana and will "ask our friends to do the same."

Alexander said he went across America asking if Dole was the man Republicans want to oppose

President Clinton.
"What I discovered is the answer of most Republicans is yes," he

He was warmly cheered by a roomful He of Tennesseans.

Dole "has character, he has dignity," Alexander said. "We gave it our best shot.

accept the vice presi-dential place on the Republican ticket,

n't be a very good second

If anyone asked him, he said, he'd present a list of five people who would be better qualified for the second place. He didn't name them.

Alexander and Lugar

Dick Lugar

were considered spoilers
just last week by jittery Republicans rooting for
Dole and aghast at the populist conservative
uprising Pat Buchanan was suddenly bringing to

Dole steam-rolled the competition in eight primaries Tuesday night.
Alexander, former federal education secretary,

had been emboldened by a third-place finish in New Hampshire but found little to sustain him

after that. Even before it was formally announced, Lugar's decision brought dismay to former associates. "It breaks my heart." said Robert D. Beckmann

second fiddle.

I wouldn't be a very good

Jr., Lugar's press secretary when he was mayor of Indianapolis.
"He didn't fail the

American people, the American people failed him," said William Hudnut, who succeeded

before Tuesday. Lugar never cracked the top four before the so-called Junior Tuesday series of contests, often getting only a few per-centage points of the vote. His best showing

Tuesday was a fourth in Vermont, where he got 14 percent of the vote. Alexander's departure will remove from the GOP campaign an ardent advocate of transferring federal powers to the states, more ardent even than Dole, who waves a copy of the Tenth Amendment, emphasizing state rights, wherever

Lamar Alexander

he goes.
It will remove, too, a sea of red and black plaid shirts, Alexander's trademark statement of his connection with just-folks. He gave out hundreds

during the campaign.
"We take pride in the fact people have taken some of our positions and (are) using the bully pulpit to push them along," Mark Merritt, his communications director, said on CNN. "We've run a very clean campaign. We didn't succumb to some of the mudslinging that some of the others

Alexander, 55, had been fiercely critical of Dole for lacking vision, made veiled but unmistakable references to the senator's age, 72, and went after Buchanan when the former commentator started

Lugar told aides he planned to quit after Dole beat him in Tuesday's Vermont primary.

Soldiers sentenced in Okinawa rape case

convicted Thursday in the rape of a 12-year-old Okinawan girl and sentenced to $6\,1/2$ to 7 years in prison in a case that became a symbol of America's controversial bases on this southern island.

The verdict, handed down by a panel of three judges at the Naha District Court, followed six months of protests against the U.S. presence. Support for American troops on Okinawa is at one of its lowest points since World War II. None of the three U.S. GIs — Navy Seaman Marcus Gill,

of Woodville, Texas; Marine Pfc. Rodrico Harp, of Griffin, Georgia; and Marine Pfc. Kendrick

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Ledet, of Waycross, Georgia — showed any emotion when the sentences were read.

Gill and Harp were sentenced to seven years and Ledet received 6 1/2 seven years and Ledet received 6 1/2
years. The sentences, tough by
Japanese standards, will be served in
Yokosuka prison, just south of Tokyo.
All three had confessed to some
role in the crime. On the trial's open-

role in the crime. On the trial's open-ing day, Gill said that he raped the girl, while Ledet and Harp said they helped abduct her, but only because Gill bullied them into joining him. The court, however, said Harp's

testimony was "untrustworthy," and he therefore was given the same sen-tence as Gill. In a statement, the judges said the

crime was carried out "systematically," violated the victim's human dignity and caused her extreme physical and psychological harm.

The U.S. Embassy in a statement

refused to comment on the ruling and said an American military observer was present at all the pro-

observer was present at all the pro-cedings and reported no problems contrary to U.S. or Japanese judicial practices. "Japan is a nation under the rule of law, just as the United States is a nation under the rule law," the statement said.

We respect each other's legal processes.

Prosecutors said the three forced the girl into their rented car on the night of Sept. 4 as she left a stationery shop after buying a school notebook. They allegedly beat and bound her as Gill drove to a deserted road amid fields of sugar

The girl was raped there, and abandoned. Still bleeding, she wandered to the nearest house and tearfully called home. Gill, Ledet and Harp were arrested by military police

Prosecutors argued before the judges — there are no jury trials in Japan — that all three participated in the rape and deserved equal punishment.

NATO forces end stand-off with Croat police

Group had taken station in Serb-held suburb

HADZICI, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — NATO peacekeepers forced a band of Croat police out of a Sarajevo suburb Wednesday, ending a standoff that bared the frictions in the Muslim-Croat federation that is

The 18 Croat policemen moved into the police station in the Serb-held suburb of Hadzici late Tuesday on the eve of its handover to a police force made up of Muslims, Croats and Serbs.

They accused Muslims in the federation of giving the Croats no say on who would represent them on the force, and of picking the Croat

It was not clear who the policemen were or who sent them. Some reports said they were Bosnian Croats; others said they were from Croatia, which the Croatian government denied.

The apparent nominee is a

admiration, Senator Bob Dole of

Kansas, and I look forward to his

man for whom I have great

nomination.

Whoever they were, their presence was another ominous sign of just how frail the union is between Bosnia's Muslims and Croats, who fought a brutal war-within-a-war in 1993. Their federation was created two years ago under U.S. pressure as a counter-weight to the Bosnian Serbs, and if it fails to function, the whole Bosnian eace agreement could unravel.

Responding to an appeal from U.N. police in Bosnia, French troops with the NATO-led peace force moved into Hadzici in force overnight. About 100 of them, in 20 armored personnel carriers equipped with heavy machine guns

said Lt. Col. Richard Pernod, a

NATO spokesman.

The 18 Croat police left at 8:30 a.m., as demanded by International Commissioner Fitzgerald.

"If you refuse to leave voluntarily, I will have to call IFOR to have you removed," Fitzgerald said at one point, using the acronym for the NATO-led force in Bosnia. "IFOR is authorized to remove you by force if

necessary."

Capt. Mark Van Dyke, a spokesman for the peacekeeping mission, said the French were ready to "use force as authorized under the Dayton agreement" to dislodge the

A bomb exploded at the Hadzici

police left and a mixed force representing the Bosnian federation entered. Windows were blown out but nobody was injured. More explosive charges were found on the roof of the building and defused.

Initial reports said the police were from Mostar and Kiseljak, Bosnian cities controlled by Bosnian Croat hardliners who oppose the Muslim-Croat federation.

The officers said they were there

on authority of Jozo Leotar, a Croat who is deputy interior minister of the

But NATO officials later said they were police from neighboring Croatia stationed in Mostar, and were sent by Bosnian Croat officials in the federation who claim the Croats on the police force were picked by

Columbia gets view of free satellite

Shuttle comes within 65 miles of escaped craft

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) -Columbia's astronauts got another glimpse of their escaped satellite-on-acord, but their faint, faraway observations were of little help to scientists.

U.S. and Italian researchers wanted details on the cable and whether it's still 12 miles long more than a week after it broke off the space shuttle.

For all NASA knows, the copper, nylon and Teflon cord dangling from the satellite has been cut short by a small meteorite since it broke while being unreeled from Columbia.

Columbia passed within 65 miles of the satellite Tuesday, in all likelihood the last close approach between the two

The seven astronauts could not see the ball-shaped satellite and its shoelacethin cable at that point because of the bright moon, but they later got a glimpse from afar.

"Basically all we really see are pin-points of light real close together," shut-tle commander Andrew Allen said.

Before breaking, the tethered satellite generated electricity while sweeping through Earth's magnetic field. Scientists hope tethers will one day

generate power for space stations and lower experiments to Earth. Columbia's 15-day research mission is

scheduled to end Friday with a landing at Kennedy Space Center.

It's a day longer than planned to allow for more experiments.

because we are a little bit isolated and we miss our families, but we'll stay up here and get our job done as best as we can do," Allen said in a space-to-ground news conference.

This morning, Allen chatted with the commander of NASA's next shuttle flight, Kevin Chilton, as Columbia soared over Kennedy.

Chilton and his crew were aboard Atlantis for a practice countdown; Atlantis is scheduled to fly to the Russian space station Mir later this month.

"When you get up here," Allen joked, "if you see anything we left, bring it home for us."

NASA is not sure whether the tethered satellite still will be in orbit by the time Atlantis lifts off on March 21.

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A new study found that people who were put into stressful situations showed the least amount of tension when accompanied by their dog. The stress levels were highest when the subjects were

with their spouses.
"I think that dogs are non-evaluative, and they love us," explained Karen Allen, a research scientist at State University of New York at

Buffalo's medical school. Allen is to present the results of

her study Thursday at a meeting of the American Psychosomatic Society in Williamsburg, Va.

"A pet dog was clearly more effective in controlling physiological reactions in stressful situations than other conventional

than other conventional approaches, she said Wednesday.
The study involved 240 couples, half of whom owned dogs.
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Results

From Mar. 6

Baseball

SUSU beat Fresno State in a slug fest at Muni Stadium, 15-14, Tuesday night.

SUSU second Walsh continues his 18 game hit ting streak and is batting .411



See Baseball story on page 8.

Schedule

For March 8-11

- ◆ Spartans start play in the Spartan Classic vs. Penn State
 University, Thursday,
 3:30 p.m., Muni Stadium.

 SJSU vs. SCU and
- Portland, Saturday, noon & 7 p.m.
- ◆ Third place game game, Sunday, noon.
 ◆ Championship game,
- Sunday, 3:30 p.m.

Women's Gymnastics

◆SJSU against UC Davis in the Spartan Gym, Friday at 7:30 p.m.

Softball

- ◆ SJSU at Longbeach State, Thursday, 1 p.m. ◆ SJSU at UC Santa Barbara, Friday, noon.

Women's Tennis ◆ Long Beach at SJSU,

Friday 11 a.m., Spartan Courts

Men's Tennis

 Pepperdine at SJSU, Saturday, 11 a.m., Spartan Courts.

Men's Basketball

 Big West Conference Championships, Friday-Sunday, Reno, Nevada.

Judo

 SJSU competes in 35th National Collegiate Championships, March 9, SPX 44A % B.

Briefs

SJSU women's gymnas-tics team is ranked 47th in the nation.

Spartans set sights on UOP

Basketball team keeps Final Four Tourney dreams alive

This weekend six teams will be going to the Big West Conference playoffs with hopes and dreams of victory. By Sunday, only one will achieve them and move on to the NCAA Final Four Tournament.

Tomorrow at 7:30 p.m., one game in the playoffs will determine if the SJSU men's basketball team will be able to continue its quest to be that team as it faces off, gladiator-style, against University of the

One team will survive, the other

will be sent home.
"It's all Pacific," said SJSU coach Stan Morrison on what he is focus-ing on for the playoffs. "One hun-dred percent of my time is devoted to game number one against

The last time the Spartans played UOP on Feb. 18, they beat them 79-73, but the situation then was different than it is now.

"Pacific was quick to note that they only had one day to prepare for the game," Morrison said, explaining that UOP had played a game two days earlier. "This time around, both teams have had a chance to prepare."

According to him, SJSU will have a tough game to play because they are evenly matched with the Tigers. Morrison said that both teams have very deep benches and do not just rely on teamwork to carry them through.
"Pacific is a team with real bal-

ance and has good inside and outside scoring," he said. "They are not one dimensional and don't just

have one player scoring for them."

Point guard Tito Addison echoed Morrison saying that neither team has a clear advantage over the other.

"I think we can match UOP player for player. Our teams match up

pretty well," Addison said. Though UOP is favored to win Friday's game, according to Addison, that doesn't faze the Spartans because they've been the

underdogs for much of the season.
"Our back was against the wall," he said, saying that it made the team all the more determined to reach the playoffs, which they did. "We knew that if we lost any more games we were out.

Morrison expects Friday's game to be an extremely physical one in which both teams give their all to win. According to him, neither team can afford to slack off for

"If either team has a period of tentativeness, then I believe that team is doomed to lose," he said.
"The team that can sustain its intensity each time down the court can win the war."

He elaborated further saying that neither team will be saving anything for Saturday, because if they lose on Friday, there will be no Saturday. "You snooze, you lose, Morrison said.

Three elements that will help determine the game, according to him will be rebounding, free throw shooting and defensive consisten-

"I'm looking for really sharp playmaking from Olivier St. Jean, Tito Addison and Marmet Williams," Morrison said. "The defensive concentration by our postmen Roy Hammonds, Sam Allen and Rich Taylor is an

If the Spartans triumph over UOP, they will face UC Irvine Saturday, with no time to practice

What it comes down to in the end, despite all the plans and strategies, is a very simple equation voiced by Addison.

"You lose, you're out," he said.

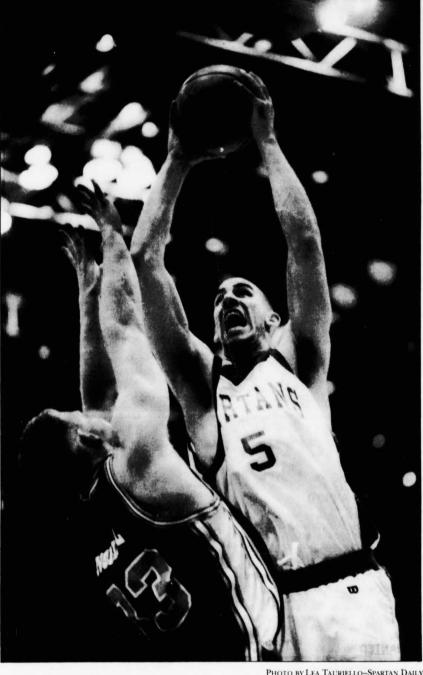


PHOTO BY LEA TAURIELLO-SPARTAN DAILY SJSU forward Sam Allen elevates himself on this shot against UOP on Feb. 18.

Gymnasts rank in BWC

By Lisa Brown

Bridget Coates, a freshman, is the Spartans top all-arounder and is ranked third in the Big West Conference with a score of 38.875,

Coates will lead the Spartans today as they take on the University of California Davis at

7:30 p.m. in the Spartan Gym. Coates is not the only Spartan ranked, though. Tara Law, a junior, is the Spartans No. 2 all-arounder who is ranked fourth in the BWC with a score of 38.800.

On the balance beam, there is a three-way

individual tie in the Big West Conference. Law, Hawley Almsted, an SJSU sophomore,

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Spartans rally in eight inning Stevens start rally with SJSU gym-nast Carissa

two-run double

Spartan Daily Staff Repor

SJSU had pulled out a come from behind victory over Fresno State with Travis Peterson's game

winning RBI single.

The right fielder's hit capped off a five run rally as the Spartans defeated the Bulldogs 15-14 in a non-conference game.

Left fielder Eric Stevens started the rally in the eight inning with a

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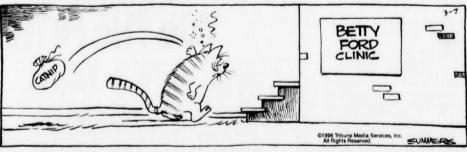
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Gymnastics: Spartans ranked in many areas

and Katy Maty from CSU Fullerton all have a score of

The Spartans, ranked third overall in the Big West Conference, enjoyed their highest ranking during the regular

The Spartans are ranked second in the Big West in the floor exercise event with an average score of 47.750 out of 50.000

The Spartans' single highest floor exercise score this season was 48.725.

"The better people are doing,

the more it inspires (other) peo-ple to do better," Walker said. While other teams attempt

every trick in the book, the Spartan objective is focused on simply performing their existing

"We want to emphasize as few mistakes as possible (and) per-fect what (we) have," Walker said.

The Spartans have broken many school records this season and have possibly the best SJSU

"We've built up the program

Walker also said that with each practice, the team seems to

we are now (and we're) build-ing our confidence," Walker said.

State in first place with a high team score of 193.425, Boise State in second place with a high team score of 192.100 and SJSU in third place with a high team score of 191.825.

Spartan gymnasts are ranked

43rd nationally out of hundreds of colleges.
The Big West Conference

championship will be hosted by Utah State on March 30, at Logan, Utah.

Walker said in order to beat Utah State, they would have to have a perfect meet.

"If we have a good day at Utah State, we could move up to

second (place)," Walker said. SJSU's highest Big West Conference championship finish was second place in 1987.

"It's going to be difficult but possible," Walker said.

Baseball: Spartans win

two-run double off the left-center Third baseman Ryan Johnson fol-

lowed with a double to score Stevens. Then pinch-hitter Chris Kokaly tied the game with a run scoring double.

Two batters later, Peterson's single scored pinch-runner Adrian Phillips for the winning run. Reliever Justin Farias shutdown all

three batters he faced in the ninth with strikeouts, giving him his third

The Spartan offense was lead by Johnson with three hits, including two doubles and two RBIs.

Catcher Steve Ashley had three hits, including a RBI triple and designated-hitter Desmond Aguirre had two hits and three RBIs. SJSU out hit the Bulldogs 17-15.

Second baseman Patrick Walsh's two base hits extended his hitting streak to 18 games. Walsh's batting average is at .411 and he has 12 RBIs for the season. Stevens also has 12 RBIs and leads the team with three home runs.

Third baseman Ryan Johnson is batting .333 and first baseman Robert Berns is at .326.

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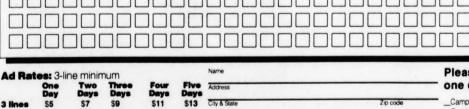
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Clothesline project airs the pains of abuse



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Carlin Jacoby, a student in Behavioral Sciences reads the writing on the clothes outside the Student Union, in the Art Quad on Wednesday.

The Clothesline Project, brought to SJSU as a part of Women's Week, tells part of the history of sexual abuse by the people who experienced it.

A little light-blue tank top with frilly lace trim, one typically worn by a girl or petite woman, hung on a clothesline in the SJSU art quad Wednesday.

Multicolored lettering across the front of the shirt pro-claimed: "You hurt me once/It won't happen again/I'm not afraid of you anymore/I'm angry and hurt/But I promise you

that I'll get even soon."

This shirt was one of many T-shirts and blouses made by sur-

This shirt was one of many T-shirts and blouses made by survivors of rape and incest, or by the families of the victims who were not fortunate enough to survive, which are being displayed by the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom this week as a part of Women's Week.

"For many of the women who make these shirts, this is the first word they ever said to anybody," said Joan Wildermann, the director of the clothesline project. "This is a long healing process for many women, and this is often the first step they take to heal the deep wound."

The pain and suffering of the abused women is apparent in the words written on the shirts. Each shirt contains a unique message, detailing a personal experience of abuse perpetrated

message, detailing a personal experience of abuse perpetrated against women. Although all the shirts serve as some kind of the catharsis for the people who create them, the means by which catharsis is reached is different.

"This is kind of powerful," graduate student Cathy Morgali said. This gives a human edge to the issue."

Some of the shirts simply state how much pain the women have endured both physically and mentally as a result of their attacks, some even detailing in depth the circumstances surrounding their attack. Others shirts violently lash out at their attackers, yowing to some day reap revenge upon the man or attackers, vowing to some day reap revenge upon the man or men who have violated them. "Stiff dick, no consciousness" was bluntly printed in enor-

"Stiff dick, no consciousness" was bluntly printed in enormous letters on the front of an old white sweatshirt. A verse on a shirt documenting the daily hell of a rape survivor states: "I'm furious that I still think about you/That you creep into my consciousness/You have long forgotten me/But you altered my life in ways you cannot imagine/I have to deal with you and men like you every day/And the bile rises in my throat again/We will continue to fight back."

While passing by the exhibit on Wednesday, an SJSU student, herself a victim of rape, said she wanted to vent her feelings of frustration and pain by writing her sentiments down. With no shirts available for her to write on, she wrote "I am a survivor" on the tablecloth of the organizers of the event,

survivor" on the tablecloth of the organizers of the event, demonstrating the eagerness of many victimized women to anonymously tell their story as a means of starting their heal-

"We are trying to let people know about this ugly, ugly, ugly subject," Wildermann said, "and what they can do if they have this buried in them."

The clothesline will be on exhibit today inside the Student

Violence -

atic domestic violence is in the lesbian and gay community, she said.

Morrow added that domestic violence is hard to break out of, with all the same barriers as the straight community. But with gays, Morrow said, they may have to come out and face homophobia too. The Bay Area is just opening up to the issue for women, but there are no shelters for men that face same-sex domestic violence, she said.

Even the San Jose Police Department have recently added domestic violence training, including for gays and lesbians, said Wougan. So there is recognition of the problem, she said. "It's not a couple problem," said King. "It's an individual problem.

"I never knew that there were such things that happened. The subject never came up," said hospitality management freshman Eva Lau. "You know it's not just one person that it happens to, not just if their straight. No one ever talks about it."



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Telling Stories

Text by • Shawna Glynn, Etc. Editor

y mother and I took on the roles as caretakers when my grandfather fell gravely ill. Instead of sticking him in a nursing home, we moved him in with us. Despite having only a two bedroom rental at the time, we made arrangements to set him up in the living room. It was too close for comfort, but we had no other choice.

My 74-year-old grandfather, Tony, was young at heart. He enjoyed the things in life that set him apart from many other folks his age. He loved to get drunk and talk about the good old days, he loved to chain smoke while watching car races, his favorite pastime was gluing himself in front of the television, watching reruns of "Baywatch." He loved women in skimpy bathing suits.

Tony was dying from cancer. His body was thin and frail and he often hallucinated when his morphine level was increased to control his pain. Despite his fast deteriorating condition, Tony kept his sense of humor. He would wake me up every night at midnight and ask me to put an Eddie Murphy movie on for him to watch. He would laugh himself to sleep after repeating Murphy's foul language over and over.

One morning at 2 a.m., Tony screamed for me. Both my mother and I jumped out of our beds and rushed to his side. He began crying. He was in pain and his feet were so swollen he could not get up to get his medication. We called the doctor.

There was nothing anyone could do for Tony. The doctor sent in a hospice nurse to check on him and the goal became "keeping him comfortable." Every day his medication was increased and no longer did he have his sense of humor. No longer did he speak.

Tony's face became gaunt and his skin color became gray one day. He had kept me and mother up for 48 hours groaning as loud as his weak voice would allow. He was dying and we were watching it before our very eyes.

It was a Friday afternoon in late August, when the hospice nurse hooked Tony up to an IV. We could no longer give Tony his medication orally, so now it would be injected. Within moments of Tony's new method of receiving his morphine, something happened.

Tony stopped groaning. It was as if his pain had ceased completely. The tanned color on his face returned. The hospice nurse instructed my mother and I to stand on either side of him if we wanted to be with him. It would be our last time.

My mother and I each took one of Tony's hands in ours and watched him carefully. His breathing slowed until it completely stopped. It was very quiet and the room became very cold. My mother and I let go of his hands and even though we had both pronounced him dead, he lifted his arms.

"Rosalie," he said with a strong voice, "I'm coming home."

Tony lowered his arms. He was gone. It was the first thing he

Tony lowered his arms. He was gone. It was the first thing he had said in days, and the last.

My mother I and didn't say much that night, but later we sat and spoke of his last words. We didn't understand what happened that day. How can a man who quit breathing, who could no longer speak say the words he said? We had thought he was dead.

We decided he was leaving us and my grandmother, Rosalie, was there to guide him. We decided that my grandmother, who also died of cancer, was sent as an angel to take him to the other side.

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Angels are common to many cultures. Some people believe there is someone watching out for them "out there," although there are different ideas of what form angels take.

Feature

Angel Connections in the Afterlife

Text by Shane Lewis • Photo by Paul Myers

Then Sharon Kuhbander's father died six and a half years ago in the late hours of the night, the one thing she took comfort in was that the angels were with him.

Her father had been in the hospital dying of cancer and while he was mumbling to no one in particular, he suddenly, after 2 a.m., said, "Oh shit, here they come."

The only people present when he had said this was Kuhbander, who was asleep, and her brother and sister, who had both been awake.

"We think the angels were coming for him. I think that when you die, somebody is there to walk you to heaven," she said. "I totally believe with his faith and everything they came and led him away."

Kuhbander, a child development major at SJSU, is only one of millions of people throughout the world who believe in the existence of angels and have had their lives touched by them.

The word angel itself is derived from the Greek word "aggelos," translated from the Hebrew word "Mal'akh," meaning messenger.

Angels cross over through many beliefs, described in many primitive religions as bright, powerful spirits that appear in dreams and visions and protect people or tribes.

In Hinduism and Buddhism, gods are accompanied by groups of spiritual beings. It is in Christianity, Judaism and Islam that angels became much more developed in writings. All angelic beings are involved in the afterlife.

"I think that religion is in many ways what we do to deal with our mortality," said Richard Keady, professor of religious studies, who teaches a death, dying and religion class at SJSU.

Keady said angels exist primarily in religions to give comfort to people, especially when it comes to the subject of death. "I think that there is a lot of pain and suffering in the world and people are looking for help and aid." Keady said.

As an agnostic, he said he neither discounts nor accepts their existence.

"Who am I to say that a person did not see an angel," Keady said. "Just because it is not in my experience doesn't mean it did not happen in someone else's."

Kuhbander said she is a firm believer in angels and has been raised to have those beliefs. She attended Catholic schools throughout her schooling and attends 10 a.m. Mass every Sunday.

"I've always believed that somebody is looking after me, like a guardian angel," she said, adding that they act as spiritual guides. "They are like somebody who is behind you in case you fall."

According to Keady, the question of what happens when one dies is something that connects every human being to one another, which can explain the wide belief in angels.

"It is the ultimate question each of us has to face. We have a common structure of existence," he said. "We are all human beings and we all face death. It is reasonable to speculate about messengers between us and the afterlife."

Not only do people wonder about the afterlife, they also believe there will be a judgment made on them there.

"There's a lot of fear and that fear is a function of the expectation of the afterlife and that some kind of judgment takes place," Keady said.

It is from this belief that a person will either be sent to hell or heaven in the afterlife that the darker side of religion comes into play. More specifically, that is where Satan and his demons come in.

Known as Lucifer Morningstar, described as the most beautiful of the heavenly hosts, it is he who

led one third of the angels into war against God. According to the Bible, the archangel Michael led the rest of the angels who remained loyal to God, and cast Lucifer and his followers from heaven to hell in a great war.

Gus Ferreira, a computer science major, said he believes these fallen angels are now the demons who try to tempt humanity to corruption.

"Demons are the exact same thing as an angel, except they do not do the will of God," he said, explaining that while angels try to show people the right path, demons are doing the opposite. "I think that there is to some extent, a devil and an angel talking on each shoulder like in cartoons."

There has been an upsurge in the belief of angels. What is surprising though, is that many people who have these beliefs do not think that there is a Satan, a hell or demons.

"I don't think people want to believe in the forces of evil," Keady said. "If there were real demons out there then that would be very threatening. I don't think we want to believe that there is an ultimate power of evil that is threatening good."

In the end, Keady said, people may be looking for the wrong answers if they think God and his angels should be telling them how to lead their lives. By not interfering in people's lives, God may be showing how powerful he is.

"Somebody who respects free will and the dignity of the individual is more powerful than a dictator," he said. "Maybe all God can do is provide the goal toward which we need to move. Maybe that is the elegance of his power."

Etc

Down By Law untouched by pop appeal

Text by Lisa Brown

for those who are sick of that alternative excuse for music and who long for the days when original alternative music meant something, Down By Law's latest release is a refreshing throwback.

DBL honors the memory of the predecessors of punk, like Johnny Rotten and the Sex Pistols and the Clash.

DBL's latest release, "All Scratched Up!," is their fourth album on the Epitaph label. From the first track to the last it sounds like punk lives again.

The band members play tight and sound hard, loud, rowdy and rude — just the way a punk band is supposed to be.

This is the kind of head-banging punk that triggers your head's side-to-side and up-and-down reflex into overdrive.

Music aficionados will appreciate this tasteful, yet totally bitchin' return to punk music that is actually cool. The band hopes "All Scratched Up!" will reward the most dedicated punk heads with a gift that keeps on giving.

The compact disc has a respectable 16 tracks and the LP version has a bonus for all the vinyl freaks: a full side of extra tracks.

DBL is making sure it's following is fed the proper diet of music so fans will keep coming back for more.

"I think I'd rather have Down By Law fans than any other fans," said lead singer Dave Smalley. "There's more intelligence and passion mixed with positive energy and good spirit than I've ever seen in my years in the punk scene."

Other band members are Angry John (bass, vocals and anger); Sam Williams (guitar, vocals and whaaa?); and Danny Westman (drums, attitude and looks).

The band's lyrics include life experiences, disgruntled postal employees and their intense dislike for Counting Crows. They even have a song that expresses their desire for a girl whose personality might actually be more appealing than her looks, a novel concept in this world where sex sells and fashion rules.

DBL said they stand firmly against those ideals and they aren't afraid to let you know it. Attitude is all over this album.

If the influx of sprouting "melodic punk" bands has got punk lovers down, there's no need to worry about the authenticity of DBL. Their punk dues have been paid and if punk rock is making a comeback, DBL is riding on the crest of the wave.

DBL saw two U.S. tours and two European tours in 1994 and 1995 and said things will be no different in 1996. Their spring tour has already started, so look out and listen for them. They will likely make an appearance in a small club or room.

Whether DBL can withstand the test of time has



yet to be seen because they are relatively unknown to

Virgin bands, untouched by the "pop" appeal this early in their careers, are usually raw and probably the best to see before they hit the big time, prime time, mega-mainstream.

Hopefully DBL won't open for some "mega" band so they can be seen up close and personal in a small club.

Watch DBL tour dates this spring and summer, because missing them at this point in their career would be, as DBL puts it, "detrimental to your health."

Pulp: A different class of British folks

Text by Jeffrey Niese

If you heard there was a group that called itself Pulp, you might think they were ripping off the name from the popular film by Quentin Tarantino. But nothing could be farther from the truth.

The British band, Pulp, released their first album, "It," in 1983, but hasn't received any type of recognition until their latest album, "Different Class."

"Different Class" sounds similar to an early David Bowie production, but the overall sound of the group is different enough to stand on its own.

The six-member band employs two keyboard players who heavily influence the band's sound. The lead guitarist also plays a violin on a couple of tracks, which adds a different taste.

The lyrics by the lead singer and band founder, Jarvis Cocker, are not just meant to sound good; Cocker tries to make a statement with his words.

"I haven't devoted 15 years of my life to a

joke," Cocker said in a prepared statement.
"You may think we're misguided, but we're
totally honest. Anyone who has listened
properly should realize that we're never
tongue and cheek."

The song "Common People," which was No. 1 as a single in Britain, says common people are more interesting and more real than people who are perceived as famous. In the song "I Spy," Cocker tells of his

In the song "I Spy," Cocker tells of his ideas about people and the world. In each song, Cocker talks honestly about something he feels strongly about.

A couple of the songs on "Different Class" can honestly be called good. The veteran band is well educated on how to play their instruments and they complement each other nicely. But there are also songs like "Disco 2000," which sounds like it belongs in a soundtrack from a Corey Haim movie.

Other songs sound like they would fit a



valley girl's image instead of the pop culture Cocker claims to have been a part of in early 1980s.

But no one can deny that Cocker is eccentric. Pulp recently came off a tour where Cocker was confined to a wheelchair for more then a year for breaking his pelvis while jumping out a window to impress a girl. Ouch.

Pulp has become one of the most popular and acclaimed bands in England. "Different Class" entered the British album charts at No. 1, and has sold more than a million copies worldwide. The band was named "Band of the year" by British Broadcasting Corp. Radio One.

About the prospect of coming to the United States, Cocker said, "I'm intrigued to see what American people think about us. Obviously I can't help but write from a very English perspective, but I'd hope that people in America could appreciate that the things we're writing about are quite universal."

"Different Class" is worth checking out, as long as you have the option to exchange it for something else.

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Text by William Jeske

ost locales of police procedural mystery movies are monopolized by alabaster cities like New York or Chicago. Cities where hard-bitten cops buck the law and bypass bureaucratic red-tape to catch the drug-dealing homicidal maniac. Hack writing has our savvy heroes exclaim macho catch phrases when making a spectacular kill.

Fortunately, independent filmmakers like brothers Joel and Ethan Coen ("Raising Arizona," "The Hudsucker Proxy") don't need to adhere to such exuberancies to pull off a good mystery, especially when they base it on true stories.

Best remembered for movies catering to filmgoers whose sense of humor is cerebral rather than salacious, the Coen brothers base their latest movie, "Fargo," in their home state of Minnesota. They compile a fact-based fictional crime story using events that actually happened from different crimes in the Midwest.

The story begins as befuddled and nervous car salesman, Jerry Lundegaard (played by William H. Macy), falls into extreme debt and concocts an elaborate scheme to have two thugs, a weaselly Carl Showalter (played by Steve Buscemi of "Reservoir Dogs"), and stonefaced Gaear Grimsrud (played by Peter Stormare of "Fanny and Alexander"), secretly kidnap his wife and then ransom her to his rich father-in-law.

The motley pair kidnap Lundegaard's wife but kill a police officer and two bystanders to keep from getting caught. Now that blood's been spilled, Lundegaard's plans go from bad

Expectant first-time mother and officer, Marge Gunderson (Francis McDormand), gets on the case of her first homicide.

Director Joel Coen would have us non-Midwesterners believe from the initial introductions of the characters (especially Gunderson) that they're mostly ignorant hicks who blunder

through rural farm life and whose only intelligent response to remarks is the Norwegianaccented "Oh, ya" and "You betcha.

"There's something about rural mid-America that resists the temptation of selfanalysis, unlike the country's East and West Coasts," McDormand said. In time, the stoicism gives way to characters who are capable of impressive critical thinking

In examining the facts of this case and with our understanding of the behavior of Midwesterners," Joel Coen said, "we were able to speculate about the individual motivations, intentions, actions and reactions of characters that were intriguing to us and who held a certain resonance for us.

Macy's perpetually manic Lundegaard comes off wonderfully and he keeps the character's tension taut throughout the movie. "The thing I loved most about Jerry (Lundegaard) is the fact that he never gives up," Macy said. "He sets the plan, he is sure it will work and, despite all information to the contrary, he never deviates from it. Up to the very last scene in the movie, he's still fighting to make it work.

McDormand, who was nominated for an Academy Award for her role in "Mississippi Burning," portrays Gunderson with a strange but workable strategy of a character who, if the crime isn't solved, wouldn't be too moved, but still is pressed to pursue the murderers and their possible connection to Lundegaard.
"Fargo" does conform to the Coens' pat-

tern of bleakness in their movies. "Fargo" is filmed in what looks like a snow-caked wasteland set against a gray horizon with morbid

blood scenes for a splash of

Just how the homely warmth of this dark drama makes for a good mystery is for moviegoers to investigate - a case well worth investigating.

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From left to right: Elizabeth Price, Jessica Schatz and Donna VonJoo communicate with each other using vocabulary consisting of body motions in "As We Speak."

Women Dancing, Dance 96

Text by Jennifer Johnson • Photos by Chris Simescu

Terms such as "fighting snakes" and "praying fish" were used to describe body gestures during last week's dance rehearsal.

Members of the University Dance Theatre (UDT) were warming up for their first performance of the year, Women Dancing Dance '96, March 7-9 in the University Theatre.

"This is the first year we have had an allwomen company," said Fred Mathews, UDT director. He said this was a good opportunity to have a performance coincide with the celebration of Women's Week.

Women Dancing Dance '96 is a combination of five different pieces performed by contemporary dancers. Mathews said it is a repertoire of work by professional choreographers.

This year's UDT dancers are seniors Elizabeth Price, Emily Rosenthal, Jessica Schatz and Donna VonJoo; juniors Amy Chiang and Gina da Guia; and sophomore Aimee Lam.

Local artist Gary Masters, choreographer Janice Barrett and recent SJSU graduate Shelly Loder each have a piece in the performance. Mathews will contribute two pieces.

Mathews' "Spirit Wrestlers," which was performed last year, will be revived for this year's event. It is described as a "raw-edged metaphor" with women venturing into the dark and ominous wilderness and emerging into healing and light. "It is about women as peacemakers," Mathews said.

"Night Walk," another piece by Mathews, is described as a nightmare under water. He said it is about a group of women trying to maintain equilibrium in spite of a nightmare. "It is meant to be jarring," Mathews said.

"Shattered," choreographed by Masters, is a piece symbolizing women's lives being torn apart by all the horrors that accompany war. He said the inspiration for this piece came from a disturbing documentary about the former Yugoslavia.

"[It is] an incantation, a prayer for the broken lives of Bosnia, Croatia and Serbia," Masters said. "By making theater real, it can touch our soul and spirit so, in some way, it can change people for the better."

Barrett has been a choreographer in San

Jose for six years, following 10 years as a professional dancer in New York. Barrett's "As We Speak" is a comical look at how people effectively and ineffectively communicate. It is performed to the music of Bobby McFerrin.



Elizabeth Price "cradles the memory of a child" in "Shattered." It was inspired by the strife in Bosnia. The loss of a child represents the loss of innocence.

"Dish-Rag Body," a solo piece by Loder, is an abstract of the environment in a jazz club to the music of Nick Cave and the Bad Seeds. Loder danced with UDT for five years and choreographed this piece to complete her graduation requirements last semester. Mathews asked Loder to perform the solo for the show.

"This is an extra treat for me because I can come home to my family (UDT) and work with them," Loder said.

The dancers said they would like to see a good turnout at this year's performance.

"The goal is to enlarge the audience, but [also] to enlarge the awareness of the university," Price said. "It is amazing how many people don't even know there are dance companies on campus. There are four, one of those being a professional company."

The professional company is Limon West and is directly affiliated with The Limon Dance Company on the East Coast. Masters is the director. Both Mathews and Masters danced with the eastern company.

"We are the only university in California with a resident professional dance company," Mathews said. "Professional dancers are in our midst."

Mathews said much of the ideas for UDT performances come from past experiences and watching other companies around the area. If he sees something he likes, he said he invites the artist to choreograph a piece.

Auditions for UDT are held in the spring. "It is a year long commitment," Mathews said. "It is fun to watch a new company find its own identity."

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Fred Mathews director of University Dance Theatre

Because the dancers work so closely together during the year, Mathews said they become intimately acquainted with each other. The dancers practice about 10 hours a week, but closer to shows they practice about 20 hours a week.

Along with rehearsal, the dancers have to make time for costume fittings and alterations. Elizabeth Poindexter, professor of theatre arts, is the costume designer. She works closely with the choreographers to come up with the right design for each piece.

"We sit down and talk. They let me know the basic idea or metaphor they are working off of," Poindexter said. The dance production fund absorbs the cost for the costumes.



With a shawl that represents the image of a bird of peace, Aimee Lam opens her wings and offers a prayer to the universe because she has lost hope of things changing in "Shattered," choreographed by Gary Masters. The other dancers lay in a "river of blood" but they are "not dead in body but dead in spirit."

Price said Poindexter is a significant part of the dance department and UDT. "She is an artist," Price said.

Poindexter said it always gets exciting close to performance time. "You get to the point where you say 'I'm tired of seeing these [costumes] on mannequins. It's time to see what they look like in real life.'"

Mathews said UDT is designed for students who aspire to have careers as dancers. All of the dancers said they would like to dance professionally, but in this area (San Jose) it is difficult. Rosenthal said some of them will move out of the area upon graduation. Others said they will change course to stay here.

Price currently works in dance management, Lam practices an art form called Flamenco (a Spanish gypsy style of dance), da Guia said she wants to be a dance anthropologist and VonJoo said she aspires to have her own dance company.

Poindexter said the group of dancers are great. "Because I am a faculty member I get a chance to watch them grow. That's always really exciting," she said.

The dancers said they are excited about the fast approaching event. In the meantime, the dancers and choreographers are smoothing out transitions.

The University Theatre is on Fifth and San Fernando Streets in downtown San Jose. Tickets for Women Dancing Dance '96 are \$6 to \$10 and can be purchased at the door or by calling 924-4555.



Jessica Schatz looks away from the rest of the performers in "Shattered." Looking away represents "the anguish over their own wrongdoing against other ethnic groups." The rope represents the division that separates the ethnic groups in Bosnia.

Guitar master Satriani strums up SJSU

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Text by Lindy Boisvert

Thatever instrument he plays, his music has the same quality; it is alive with feeling. To hear him live will be a truly awe-inspiring experience. Faculty and students will have a chance to hear Joe Satriani when he plays at the Event Center at 8 p.m., Sunday, March 10.

Satriani is an instrumental genius who plays the guitar with absolute technical mastery. He has studied music theory and trained under the jazz piano master, Lenny Tristano.

"He taught me self-discipline," Satriani said.
Satriani played lead guitar during his high school years. Performing songs from Black
Sabbath and Led Zeppelin, he plucked his way through former albums with speed and accuracy. In

this latest album he puts it all together with maturity, skill and wonderful emotional execution to let his listeners know that he has finally found his groove in the music industry.

His concerts have been well received in Australia, New Zealand and parts of Europe. His first leg of playing extended halfway around the world, and before doing the other half, he is committed to doing a series of dates in the United States. Upon completion of his domestic duties, he will finish his circle around the globe with dates in the Pacific Rim, South America and Europe.

He said he recalls the time when it was difficult to break into the industry.

"'Surfing with the Alien' couldn't even get a club tour," he said. "The way the music industry is now, they want you to do two albums and then go away. I feel lucky; this is my seventh album and it's doing good."

After seven albums, Satriani seems to have finally hit the mark. His new self-titled album has something for everyone. He combines jazz, blues and rock songs into a well-rounded composition that he shares with lucky

"I try to make each album as different as possible," Satriani said. "It is liberating to be able to do that."

It is easier to do that when your accompanying band has experience playing with the best in music history. Producer Glyn Johns and Satriani hand picked drummer Manu Katche (from Peter Gabriel's band), bassist Mathan East (from Eric Clapton's band) and rhythm guitarist Andy Fairweather Low (also from Eric Clapton's band).

"We asked ourselves: 'What would be our dream band?' It was Johns' idea to add rhythm guitar so I could concentrate on other stuff," Satriani said.

Effect pedals are used only minimally compared to former albums, except in the song "Cool #9," in which Satriani said he lets his emotions control the direction that the song takes.

"Johns told me to plug in whatever I wanted and just play like it was live," Satriani said. "We finished the music in the studio in two weeks."

The music was completed by Satriani before the group even went into the studio. He had written and mastered it all alone before meeting his studio band. Together, they have molded themselves into a collage of personalities and produce music that stirs the soul.

Satriani uses some older instruments to add color and texture. In "Slow Down Blues," he uses the dobro, an instrument that looks and sounds like a guitar, but is aluminum and hollow and has more resonance.

In the tune "Sittin' 'Round," the lap steel is used. Developed at the turn of the century, this instrument is a rectangular box about two feet long with six strings. It is used a lot in Hawaiian music.

"'Moroccan Sunset,' (one of the most emotional pieces), focuses on a kind of daydream about the cathartic state of watching a sunset, then I put it in a more exotic setting," Satriani said.

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The Listening Hour' featuring The SJSU Choraliers



Text by Jeffrey Niese

The SJSU Concert Choir and Choraliers will perform today in the Concert Hall in the Music building from 12:30 p.m. to 1:20 p.m. as part of "The Listening Hour," an ongoing musical production showcasing different types of music each week.

Conductor Charlene Archibeque said this concert gives students and the community a chance to hear different types of music.

"The Concert Choir and

front of an audience to get feed back," Archibeque said. Archibeque has been at SJSU for 26 years. She conducts at "The Listening Hour" once a semester.

"The Listening Hour" has been in existence for 20 years, and is held every Thursday from 12:30 p.m. to 1:20 p.m.

SJSU student and choralier Simone Kunst said, "We do a lot of off-campus performing but this is different. It allows

Choraliers need to perform in us to sing on campus in front of been well received by students our community and students."

Archibeque said "The Listening Hour" is also used as a dress rehearsal before they preform outside SJSU.

The Concert Choir and Choraliers will perform songs from Brahms, Bruckner, Verdi and San Francisco composer Kirke Mechem. They will also preform folk songs from the Philippines and Colombia.

Coordinator Joan Stubbe said "The Listening Hour" has and is averaging 150 students a performance.

Stubbe said "The Listening Hour" is open to everyone, admission is free and can also be taken as a class for credit. She said students can receive one unit for helping with production and preparation for the performances.

The goal of "The Listening Hour," Stubbe said, is to supply students and the campus community with the opportunity to hear diverse types of

In February, "The Listening Hour" hosted the SJSU Electro-Acoustic Ensemble and the 20th Century Chamber Music, visiting artists from the University of Dayton. Etc.

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Concert conjures Steinbeck, California spirit

Text by Francis Ladines

usic evoking feelings of pioneer spirit, the wild west and cowboys can be heard March 12 in a tribute to John Steinbeck and California's heritage. As part of the Year of Steinbeck, a concert will be held at 7:30 p.m. at the SJSU School of Music in the Concert Hall.

"We realized the focus had to be Steinbeck and the forces of labor that have built California," said Janet Averett, professor of music and conductor of the concert. She said the origins of California cannot be explained without mentioning Mexico. The six performance pieces chosen follow two similar themes: Mexican/Spanish music (Latin) and music about the West

The concert will be performed by the San Jose State University Symphonic Band.

The symphonic band is a group of wind musicians which also has percussion and one stringed bass player," Averett said.

The night will start with the SJSU Mariachi Ensemble playing just outside the Concert Hall at 7 p.m.

The event is divided into halves, with three selections in each. The first piece is "Prairie Overture" by Robert Ward. "It's a light, care-free number about cowboys," Averett said.

The second piece is "East of Eden" by Robert Nelson. It is a four-part piece, featuring narration. Nils Peterson, English professor and poet, will read excerpts from Steinbeck's novel "East of Eden." The third selection, "Fandango," by Frank hopes people will come away with more Perkins is Spanish dance music.

The second half opens with "La Fiesta Mexicana" by H. Owen Reed. The Mariachi Ensemble will accompany the symphony in this selection. "Cielito Lindo" student ID. by Nashiro Iwai, is "a jazz style arrangement of a Mexican folk song."

The final piece is "The Cowboys." This overture is by John Williams who composed the "Star Wars" anthem and the Olympics theme.

Shawn Hines, music major and trumpet player, said the pieces are fun to play and go along with the show. "This concert will remind people of the American theme; it's written with the music. If you close your eyes, you can really see the images of American history.

Averett said she believes the concert will be an educational experience. She of an appreciation for California and it's heritage

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March 7

March 8

George Clinton and Parliament Funkadelic will play at the Catalyst on Pacific Avenue in Santa Cruz. Doors open at 8 p.m. and showtime is 9 p.m. Tickets are \$27 in advance and \$28.50 at the door.

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March 11

Toshiko Akiyoshi Trio, composer and pianist who symbolizes the spirit of jazz. performs at the Kuumbwa Jazz Center (320-2 Ceder St.) in Santa Cruz at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$14.00 in advance and \$16.00 at the door. For more information, call

March 12

San Jose City College's Dance Department presents "Dance City Choreographers' Collective," featuring current modern dance works by innovative South Bay choreographers. The dance concert will include new works by Carol Fields, Mary Forrest, Linda Grieve, Jancy Limpert, Jimmy Listenbee, Donna Presson and Jeannine Vogt. Concert time is 8 p.m. in the College Theatre (2100 Moorpark Ave.) in San Jose. Gen is \$7. For more information and additional perform 2181 (extention 3629).

Les Ballets Africains presents "Heritage," a new work created for the company combining traditional Guinean dance, music and griot with acrobatics and drama. The perfor-Hall (U.C. Berkeley Campus, Brancroft Avenue at Telegraph) in Berkeley,

March 13

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Frame of Mine

Text by • Julie A. Galván

I can't believe she's eating

butter

Forgive me, Jenny Craig and Richard Simmons, for I have sinned.

It has been three whole weeks since my last low-fat meal.

I have exulted in the taste of real cream cheese, whole milk and baked potatoes with sour cream.

I have substituted Ben and Jerry's for frozen yogurt and low-fat ice milk.

I have skimped on the margarine and splurged on the butter.

I have eaten this and more — and not felt guilty.

If you listen to the television I am not a true woman of the '90s. A true woman of the day would be health-, fat- and salt-conscious. She would feel really good about eating low-fat pretzels and plain, toasted bagels.

She would grin wickedly while eating CHOCOLATE graham crackers, all the while knowing they have a third less fat than the regular ones. She would work out (I dropped my step class); she would refuse seconds (I ask for thirds); and she would never, ever, eat Chocolate Cookie Crisps (it's one of my favorites).

I'm either ahead of my time, or way, way behind.

I used to feel guilty around a friend of mine who often lives life with one watchful eye on nutrition labels, the other on the disgusting, fat-loaded things that I stuff into my mouth.

I'd lick the frosting off my Hostess cupcakes and look up to see her watching me. I'd dip my McDonald's fries into ketchup and lick the grease off my burger, only to catch her looking at me sadly.

"That's so bad for you," she'd say with a sigh, as I guiltily struggled to swallow that last bite.

But since then, I've had a Great Awakening. I've decided that some fat is good. Some fat can be healthy. I limit my fast food intake, but refuse to substitute Equal for sugar. I've cut back on salt, but I refuse to eat foods with fat substitutes, such as Simpless or Olestra. Anything that has people running to the bathroom cannot possibly "do a body good."

And for all of you out there who are questioning what you're reading, I have one thing to say: "Hey, I have Julia Child on my side."

That's right. In an interview that ran in Wednesday's Mercury News, the Culinary Queen said it's too bad that people are so obsessed with the fat in food.

"Food should be fun and you can binge, but your general objective is moderation, great variety, small helpings and reasonable exercise," she said.

Well, I need to work on the exercise aspect, though I think a week or two in high-stress mode burns more calories than a

In the meantime, I'll continue eating deep fried zucchini, breaded shrimp, Hostess cupcakes, spicy buffalo wings, corn dogs, mozzarella sticks, fudge brownies, peanut butter and un-reduced fat dressing.

In moderation, of course. Etc

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Week of March 7 - 13



Aries

(March 21- April 19): Don't let any negative comments people have upset you this week. You're vulnerable to criticism and more likely to take things personally. Keep a stiff upper lip.



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Taurus

(April 20 - May 20): Every now and then, you have to take time off. Now is a better time than ever to leave town, at least for a weekend. The months ahead look grim, so enjoy time away while you have a chance. If you think you're busy now, wait until spring.



Cemini

(May 21-June 20): There are people who are acting deceitful toward you, only they're doing it behind your back. You will hear what these people are saying and it will hurt your feelings. As soon as you find out what is being said, sit and write a letter to the culprits. They will be ashamed.



Cancer

(June 21-July 22): You have been feeling dangerous, carefree and wild and your behavior has been out of the ordinary. Refrain from activities that can harm you, like mountain climbing, skiing, gambling, etc. Your judgment is poor right now.



Leo

(July 23-Aug. 22):Promotions, rewarding grades and rich propositions are pouring in. You have an abundance of options right now and oppurtunity is banging down your door. Enjoy every second of it.



Virgo

(Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Use caution with those people you don't know well. Whether its a blind date or a partner on a school project, getting too personal can be misleading.



Libra

(Sept. 23- Oct. 22): Love is in the air, Libra. You're falling for someone and this someone feels the same way. Long commitments are in your midst. This new relationship will prove true, honest and life giving.



Scorpio

(Oct. 23- Nov. 21): Pay close attention to your dreams. Decisions are hard to make, but you're working through the details while you sleep. Let your conscious be your guide.



Sagittarius

(Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Avoid explosions whenever possible in the week to come. Tempers get heated when personalities collide. Step around issues that seem to be unresolved. There is plenty of time to dispute these issues when people are at ease.



Capricorn

(Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Rain, rain go away. The weather is getting you down. Dark clouds are bringing dark moods. You're melancholy and you can't wait until the sun comes out. Go ahead and mope.



Aquarius

(Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Pulled in a thousand directions, and still you manage to keep your focus. It is a wonder your're not on the verge of a nervous break down yet. Keep your humor and ignore the little voices.



Pisces

(Feb. 19-March 20): A flash from the past will leave you scrambling to resolve the unresolved. This will happen in the most appropriate time.





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