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## Yeager proud of campaign despite defeat

By Francis Ladines  
Spartan Daily Staff Writer

Celebrating the end from where it all began, political science professor Ken Yeager and his supporters anxiously waited at their campaign headquarters. In a few hours the results of the March 26 elections would be in.

As the polls closed at 8 p.m., Yeager's party started. They all hoped Yeager would become the Democratic candidate for the 23rd Assembly District then beat the Republican candidate in November to become Santa Clara county's only openly gay politician. The district covers most of downtown and east San Jose.

From a warehouse behind the San Jose Arena, their grassroots campaign began last June. On election night, Al Perez, an SJSU alum, and his fraternity brothers manned the beverage table of the potluck. For months, Delta Lambda Phi, the gay fraternity at SJSU, "helped him do precinct walks, mailings, phone soliciting," said Perez.

"We know how high tuition is. He's a person who's going to support education," said Perez. With a doctoral degree in education and as a San Jose-Evergreen Community College District

trustee, education reform was one of Yeager's key issues.

"I support Ken because I think he's the best choice, even though I can't vote for him. I don't live in his district," said Judy Rickard, marketing director of continuing education. Rickard said she believes Yeager's stance on education, the environment and child care appeal to a lot of people. "I also want to see an openly gay assembly member make it in California. He's a qualified candidate," said Rickard.

A hush fell as a group of people gathered around a television set.

At 9:30 p.m., everyone cheered after hearing an early announcement of a tie between Yeager and Mike Honda for the top spot among the four candidates.

"A few precincts and the absentees (ballots); it's very early," said Wiggy Sivertsen, professor of sociology and director of counseling services at SJSU. Sivertsen said she's worked with Yeager for 15 years and co-founded BAYMEC, a political action committee for gay and lesbian candidates with him.

All hard work since last year and "this is the end of it," said Sivertsen. "I just like to sit back and wait for the results to come in. I've worked on a num-

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PHOTO BY GHIKO ARIMURA — SPARTAN DAILY

Yeager thanks his supporters and the volunteers gathered at his headquarters on Stockton Street.

## PEP Center seeks to educate

### Students teach students about prevention

By Heather L. Haas  
Spartan Daily Staff Writer

Most students attend a university to get an education. They are put through a rigorous curriculum that covers a wide range of academic disciplines. However,

such a curriculum does not always educate students on issues such as alcohol and drug abuse prevention.

SJSU's Prevention Education Program (PEP) seeks to educate students about responsible decision-making with regard to alcohol and drug use or non-use. It also aims to promote awareness of rape and sexual assault issues, said Harriet Pila, director of the PEP Center.

In order to attain its goal, PEP provides a variety of resources and services including, alcohol, drug and rape prevention presentations for classes, resi-

dence halls and student organizations.

The program provides pamphlets, posters and films which students can access to get information about alcohol and drugs as well as rape and sexual assault prevention.

PEP also takes its information out to the community, giving presentations at local community centers and elementary, junior high and high schools, Pila said.

Counseling referrals are available through the program, in which students

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## Spartan Spectrum gives spirit

By Michael Barton  
Spartan Daily Staff Writer

More than being just the "J" in the marching band half-time "SJS" formation, the Spartan Spectrum Dance Team has quite a reputation these days.

Choreographer and alumna Melissa O'Sullivan said this year's group is probably the best in years. Ten new additions and one alternate were added to the team following their March 14 auditions.

"This will be the most talented team we've had," she said.

The team has gained a great reputation, said SJSU Marching Band Coordinator Scott Pierson. The word has spread through the high school grapevines, O'Sullivan said. "One girl (from Woodbridge High School) flew from Orange County (for the audition) and she made it."

### New additions to dance team 'best in years'

The team, known for their half-time dancing at SJSU football games, performs jazz and lyrical styles. "I like to artistically represent the music so that it's entertaining," she said.

Pierson said even though they jump around a lot, the team gets mad at him when he describes it as jumping — it is dance. He said the team members take their jobs very seriously. The team practices three days per week for 2 1/2 hours. On Saturday, they practice all day.

"We've had girls go on to be 49ers cheerleaders," he said.

Most of the girls on the team come from dance majors, have dance studio experience or come from drill teams, and the competitive level is high, O'Sullivan said. She was on the team for three years herself, and has done the choreography for four years. The team performs at every game, as it has since 1964.

At the end of the season, they perform in a special presentation in the Event Center. O'Sullivan said she has used the opportunity to showcase her talent, incorporating more visual dance with traditional Irish and Celtic dancing. One year they performed a James Bond presentation, which was a big hit, she said.

Few schools have a full-time dance team, Pierson said. "(But) they're so good that they can do it."

## Making the rounds



PHOTO BY JEREMY HOGAN — SPECIAL TO THE SPARTAN DAILY

Pat Buchanan blasts President Clinton, the U.N., the New World Order and other things political during his March 23 campaign stop in San Jose.

## Buchanan visits San Jose

By Ken McNeill  
Spartan Daily Supervising Editor

While SJSU students were just getting their spring break vacations under way, presidential candidate Pat Buchanan

came to San Jose's Hyatt Hotel on Saturday, March 23, in a gathering which resembled a high school football rally more than a political function.

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## Programming Board's Wednesday night movie plans 'unzip' at the seams



PHOTO BY STEVE KEEGAN — SPARTAN DAILY

Jason Dorfman-Hill watches "Unzipped" in the Student Union.

By Michael Barton  
Spartan Daily Staff Writer

Trying to garner support for on-campus movies, Lisa Grimm of the A.S. Programming Board put together a presentation of "Unzipped," a hip, fashion-industry movie on Wednesday, March 20, in the Ballroom of the Student Union.

The Associated Students eliminated the long-standing Wednesday night movie series in fall 1994 because of low turnout and high costs, leaving the campus without a movie night, "like almost all the other campuses in the entire world," Grimm said.

She wants to get support for movies on campus so they can present movies and series not found in the mainstream. She also said she would like movies to be a springboard for other campus showings, like the upcoming student film festival April 11 and 12 and other live presentations.

"I hope this year we can establish it so we can have those options," she said.

Grimm said she recognizes the need to pre-

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Lisa Grimm  
A.S. Programming Board

sent evidence to the A.S. to reinstate the Wednesday night movie series. "It's really up to the students to get support for it."

A meager show of student support, with eight people attending the 5:30 p.m. show and 23 attending the 7 p.m. show, "Unzipped" didn't appear to help Grimm's cause.

Colleen Pon, A.S. Program Board director, said, "I truly don't see (a film series) happening ... it would just take a lot of time and expenses," even though she said she herself is a sup-

porter. "(The A.S. are) more interested in making money versus serving students."

With movies costing between \$400.00 to \$700.00, numbers would have to improve to pay the costs. A ticket for "Unzipped" sold for \$3 for students and \$4 for the public - making the movie a money-loser.

Pon said there is too much competition for movie goers with the new UA Cineplex theater downtown and others, but thinks SJSU can compete with other movie houses with special presentations such as an animation festival.

Grimm said when she first came to SJSU she was amazed there were no film nights. She said she would like to see more events on campus, but is aware it is a commuter campus. "It's almost embarrassing that almost every other school can do it."

Grimm said she feels that one of the reasons the film series failed is the lack of cross-support and advertising on campus.

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## SPARTAN SPEED READ

### Securing peace

American troops will provide armed security this week for U.N. war crimes investigator near one of the most notorious sites of atrocities in Bosnia.

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### Britain to kill cows

Britain offered Monday to destroy 15,000 cows a week over six years to try to calm fears of mad cow disease. Other European nations said they would help pay for the killings.

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### Major merger

The \$16.7 billion merger between Pacific Telesis Group and SBC Communications Inc., announced Monday, is the most dramatic makeover in the market.

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### Gay marriages

More than two dozen Christian churches are fighting Santa Clara County's plan to recognize unmarried couples, including gay and lesbians.

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Only when there is a stigma attached to begging for handouts and society casts shame upon laziness will the homeless population shrink.

## Plight makes right

I sat in my car in the Seventh Street garage a few weeks ago, relaxing and eating the lunch I rarely have time to pack. Out of the corner of my eye I saw a man walking slowly, making his way up the steep fourth-floor incline. His head swiveled from side to side on slightly drooped shoulders. His feet shuffled. The old military uniform he wore looked one or two sizes too small.



**KEN McNEILL**

He spotted me. His feet no longer shuffled, but took long quick strides. I shrunk down in my seat. His hips moved back and forth as he zig-zagged between vehicles. Upon reaching my car, he boldly tapped on the window. Reluctantly, I rolled it down.

"Excuse me," he said. "Do you have one dollar so that I can go to the Student Union and buy a one liter container of Diet Coke?" He was very specific.

I literally had 55 cents in my pocket and in a not-so-grand gesture I pulled it out and offered it to him. "This is what I got on me," I said, holding the change out in the flat of my hand.

He stared at it for several seconds. "Uuuuh, no thanks." He turned and walked away leaving the change and his somewhat caustic aroma. Apparently it wasn't enough for him. Chump change.

He is one of the many homeless people who regularly roam the campus and surrounding areas accosting students for money. They all have a story. More importantly, they all have an angle. His is "military vet." Others go for "the homeless guy with the little puppy." My favorite is a man I saw on the freeway onramp with a cardboard sign reading, "Why lie, I need a drink."

I've seen the military man on campus almost every day for two years. Obviously, this lifestyle of begging is one this man has chosen. In the old days these people were called hobos. But at least hobos used to hop the trains and travel the country, finding odd jobs here and there to keep them going. These people are bums begging off the kindhearted innocence of young students and living off the welfare dole.

Scott Wages of the Community Homeless Alliance (CHA) doesn't think they are bums. He calls them "victims of poverty." It's almost criminal, Wages believes, that the city of San Jose could build a stadium for the Sharks and the Fairmont and Hilton hotels when they could be building low-income housing for the homeless. Never mind the thousands of jobs these three projects provided.

Wages and the CHA wonder where is the heart of San Jose when the city can spend millions of dollars renovating the downtown area and at the same time appear unconcerned about the homeless.

Actually, between the years 1995 and 2000 San Jose plans on spending a total of \$15 million on services directly affecting homeless individuals such as shelters and money for nonprofit organizations. The city also plans to spend at least \$137 million on other programs directly affecting the homeless like housing rehabilitation loans, special projects and new housing programs,

Diana Elrod of San Jose's Department of Housing said.

A few weeks ago about 30 SJSU students watched a presentation by the CHA. Students watched a video showing Wages and a group of homeless people on Thanksgiving 1992 break into abandoned houses along River Street scheduled for demolition for a Santa Clara Valley Water District flood control project. It was a "housing take over" and they refused to leave and were arrested three days later.

Afterward, they successfully won the right in court to live in some of these houses for two years. The video showed a happy (formerly) homeless couple living in their new American dream, joyfully hanging their new mailbox on the porch so the mailman could bring their welfare check right to their door.

In July, the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development awarded \$900 million to homeless programs across the country. HUD Secretary Henry Cisneros said the money was the largest sum ever handed out by the federal government. Adding all the other program funds the homeless aid this year comes to \$1.6 billion, triple what it was in 1993.

Admittedly, some people are homeless due to circumstances beyond their control, but the problem for most of the homeless population is that this money only fuels a lifestyle of drug addiction and alcoholism. How is this possible? Because both of these two problems are now considered a disability and not what they truly are — a lifestyle choice. Having a disability entitles you government money, no strings attached.

Even Eloise Anderson, director of California's Department of Social Services, says the whole welfare system should be "blown up and started over." She says the reason is that these welfare incentives deprive people of accountability and responsibility. There is no incentive to work.

A few work when they can and honestly struggle to better themselves. But the reality of holding a job is often too much for this underclass of people who have spent carefree years not working, hanging around smoking pot and drinking 40-ounce Old English 800s. Larry Arnn and Thomas West write in the "California Journal" that welfare has taught this underclass, especially males, to frankly reject the qualities that most Americans admire: self-control, sobriety, hard work, loyalty, courage, fair play and faith in God.

Only when there is a stigma attached to begging for handouts and society casts shame upon laziness will the homeless population shrink. Deserving poor need to be separated from the lazy by making welfare less generous and more burdensome. Welfare needs to be returned to what it was originally intended to be: a safety net, not a hammock.

A sign held by a man in the CHA video told the real story. His placard showed a drawing of a person lying flat on his back, probably passed out. Over his head, in his dream, was a picture of a house. Someday, if this man played his cards right, he too could break into a house, maybe on a golf course or on some beach front property and claim it as his own.

Ken McNeill is a Spartan Daily Columnist. His column appears every Tuesday.

## We should accept ourselves

By Jeffrey Niese

My sister wore big loopy earrings and friendship bracelets back when they were in. And when short blond hair and bell bottoms made a come-back, she was there to fit. And just the other day I saw her parading around with her newest modification — a belly button ring.

My sister is always on top of the newest trends, while I am a social leper. My sister loves the social scene. I hate crowds and detest people. And she loves to be surrounded by humans.

My sister and I get along great, but we are total opposites. While she spends days going out with friends to Santa Cruz and nights driving to clubs and meeting people; I prefer to stay home, read a book or play a computer game.

While my sister cares too much about what other people think about her, I do not.

I started to become the social hermit I am now

about 11 years ago. **Very rarely**

when I was in the fourth grade. **do we see**

I passed a love letter in class to a certain girl of my current dreams. My **people who**

loveliest flower received the letter that I spent about five minutes of careful **stick out.**

deliberation over where I ask her the immortal question: do you like me — yes or no? The letter was very user friendly, all she had to do was mark a box and send the letter back.

She sat five rows to the left of me and when our teacher Mr. "V" turned around to explain some insignificant math problem, I started the chain reaction of passing my letter over to my dream woman.

Immediately after receiving my letter she stood up in class and said out loud: "Mr. 'V,' tell Jeff not to send me love letters."

Class stopped, and all eyes turned to me. My face turned beet red and my body became unbearably hot. Soaked in tears, I ran out of class; the only shelter I found was underneath a huge tree in a unoccupied park.

I spent the rest of the day crying my eyes out and pondering how I could ever show my face in class again.

I could be a bum and live out the rest of my life in a trash can just like my uncle Larry, whom my parents and I passed up on the street corner last week. Or I could become a mountain man, where I'd never need to talk to anyone else ever again.

I thought the only way to deter my inevitable fates above was to build a time machine. Unfortunately, I didn't have access to any plutonium, so I couldn't change what happened. I had to slowly learn that there was nothing I could do to change it. Time was the only band aid that could heal my wound. This is one of the first incidents in my life that led me to where I am now.

My sister and a majority of the students on campus are exactly how I used to be. She cares deeply about what other people think about her and it affects her life dramatically. And like most other people she is afraid to do anything that would be considered different.

Very rarely do you see people who stick out. Most want to just blend in and be seen as a part of the whole.

I am told I have a goofy look and act like a weirdo. I reply I do not hear what they say, with a short memory I turn and walk away.

I am not a social outcast that everyone laughs at. I am an individual and I do what I want. New trends and current lifestyles do not rule me. There is only one person in the world who I care what he thinks about me, and that wonderful person is me.

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### Letter

#### Caret puts politics first

Bravo to Loretta Shows for giving our university president his due! His policies and procedures seem to forever revolve around the university's politics, rather than the actual interests of the students. He supports program after program to promote "diversity sensitivity" and "minority/teacher training," all the while, gouging bloody holes in department after department, especially the social sciences.

Instead of supporting increases in our Social Science departments (which include African-American studies, Mexican-American studies, and a whole host of other classes that promote diversity in the classroom), Caret seems more interested in preserving his "vision" (or rather, his image in the political arena). The student's need for classes and teachers doesn't seem to interest him either, and his response to the crippling cuts our university has had to face

is shameful. I have listened to several instructors who have bemoaned Caret's unresponsiveness and apathy to the university-wide cuts that have been made. Furthermore, I have heard little of Caret's attempts to provide scholarships, fellowships, and other practical assistance to minorities and underprivileged students. I know for a fact that all of the departments in the Social Sciences are suffering, and there is very little chance that these departments will be able to hire any more full-time professors, (minorities or otherwise) to increase the diversity of their departments.

This is where money is greatly needed; not in foolish "diversity training" programs, whose only aim is to promote Caret's personal political agenda.

C. Clarkson  
Humanities

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SJSU's Daily Calendar

## Today

**Building Social Support**  
General therapy group.  
12:30p.m.-2p.m. Administration Bldg., rm. 201.  
Call 924-5910.

**Bulwer-Lytton English Club**  
Meeting, with entertainment and refreshments. 3p.m.-4p.m. Faculty Offices, rm. 104.  
Call 436-7471.

**Catholic Campus Ministry**  
Mass. Noon. John XXII Center, 195 E. San Fernando St. Call 938-1610.

**Circulo Hispanico**  
Meeting, with tutoring and conversations in Spanish. 2p.m.-3p.m. Student Union, Council Chambers.  
Call 924-8024.

**Department of Nutrition & Food Science**  
Bioelectrical Impedance Analysis testing, measuring percentage of body fat (\$5 for students, faculty, staff). Noon-2p.m. Central Classroom Bldg., rm. 103.  
Call 924-3110.

**KSJS (90.5)**  
Staff meeting for the campus radio station. 5:30p.m. Hugh Gillis Hall, rm. 118. Call 924-4547.

**Library Donations and Sales Unit**  
Book Sale (donations welcome). 10 a.m.-2p.m. Wahlquist Library, rm. 408 and Clark Library, lobby.  
Call 924-2705.

**Office of Faculty Affairs, Sponsored Programs Faculty Development**  
Research Teaching and Technology Symposium Series, "The Study of Lupus in African American Women," and other psycho-social issues. 4p.m.-5:30p.m. Student Union, Costanoan rm. Call 924-2426.

**Ohinwan Shoria Ryu Karate Club**  
Workout. 4p.m.-5p.m. Spartan Complex West, rm. 202. Call 924-8759.

**School of Art & Design**  
Student gallery exhibits - Jason Challas, his class; Sharon Seale, MFA exhibit; Lisa Ricci, BFA exhibit; Ethan Miller, painting; Gabrielle Bye, installation; and "Measured Movement: The Art of Labor." 11a.m.-4p.m. (reception 6p.m.-8p.m.). Art Bldg. Call 924-4330.

**School of Art & Design**  
Tuesday Night Lecture Series, with Manuel Lucero, artist. 5p.m.-6p.m. Art Bldg., rm. 133. Call 924-4328.

**Theta Chi and Alpha Omicron Pi**  
"Hilarious Hypnotist." 8p.m. Student Union, Loma Prieta rm. Call 292-9656.

**Women's Resource Center**  
Open meeting. 11a.m.-12:30p.m. Women's Resource Center, Administration Bldg., rm. 217. Call 924-6500.

**Asian Student Support Group**  
Meeting. 2:30p.m.-4p.m.

## Wednesday

Administration Bldg., rm. 201. Call 924-5910.

**Bulwer-Lytton English Club**  
Meeting with entertainment and refreshments. 12:30p.m. Faculty Offices, rm. 104.  
Call 436-7471.

**Campus Democrats**  
Meeting. 4p.m. Student Union, Montalvo rm. Call 364-1243.

**Catholic Campus Ministry**  
Mass. 12noon. John XXII Center, 195 E. San Fernando St. Call 938-1610.

**Concert Choir**  
Choir needs tenors and altos. Apply 9a.m.-10:30a.m. Music Bldg., Choral Activities office. Call 924-4332.

**Department of Nutrition & Food Science**  
Bioelectrical Impedance Analysis testing, measuring percentage of body fat (\$5 for students, faculty, staff). 3:15p.m.-4:45p.m. Central Classroom Bldg., rm. 103.  
Call 924-3110.

**Hong Kong Club**  
Meeting. 12:30p.m.-1:30p.m. Student Union, Council Chambers. Call 896-2663.

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Call 924-2705.

**Meteorology Seminar Series**  
"The Effects of Surface Heat Fluxes and Horizontal Advection Tendencies on the Production of Generalized CAPE," by Gregory L. Hunt. 11:45a.m.-12:45p.m. Duncan Hall, rm. 615. Call 924-5200.

**ReEntry Advisory Program (REAP)**  
Brown bag lunch, and presentation "Career Decisions," by Chris Clark-Talley from the Career Center. Noon-1:30p.m. Student Union, Pacheco rm. Call 924-5950.

**School of Art & Design**  
Student gallery exhibits - Jason Challas, his class; Sharon Seale, MFA exhibit; Lisa Ricci, BFA exhibit; Ethan Miller, painting; Gabrielle Bye, multimedia installation; and "Measured Movement: The Art of Labor." 11a.m.-4p.m. Art Bldg. Call 924-4330.

**Student Society for Technical Communication**  
Meeting, with topic of "Putting a Portfolio Together." 7p.m.-8p.m. Student Union, Cosanoan rm. Call (510) 713-7373.

**Theatre Arts Department - School Touring Ensemble Program**  
"Studio Hour" (free admission). 12:30p.m. Hugh Gillis Hall, Hal Todd Theatre. Call 924-4664.

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# PEOPLE

## Dirty Harry hitched, Rooney fans miffed

### Eastwood marries KSBW anchor

LAS VEGAS (AP) — The High Plains Drifter has been pinned down. Clint Eastwood and his TV anchorwoman girlfriend, Dina Ruiz, tied the knot Sunday in a small private ceremony.

The on-screen tough guy was all smiles when the couple got their license at the Clark County Courthouse.

"He was very relaxed and very pleasant," said Kathy Webb, deputy clerk of the license bureau. "He called me by name. He surprised me. He was a very nice person, very down-to-earth."

The couple stayed at the Mirage Hotel-Casino. Officials there would not say where the wedding took place.

It was the second marriage for Eastwood, 65, and the first for the 30-year-old Ruiz, an anchorwoman at KSBW in Salinas, Calif.

### Rocker to be proud paisley poppa

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — The artist formerly known as Prince will soon have a name that's easy to pronounce: Dad.

The pop star and his wife, Mayte, who married on Valentine's Day, are expecting their first child in November. His publicist, Lisa Donadio, insisted Monday's announcement is no April Fool's Day joke.

A press release said Mayte and her husband, who identifies himself with an unpronounceable symbol, were overjoyed at the news.

### Roseanne weighs in on television

NEW YORK (AP) — Roseanne knows exactly what's wrong with television, and it's not her.

"I love television, but the majority of people who work in television hate television, which translates into hatred for the audience," she said in an interview in the May issue of Spin magazine. "I know what television means; I always have. It's our companion, it's our teacher, it's our everything."

"I was always showing these poor people who were working really hard, but were never getting ahead," she said. "And I have to correct that, because I can't leave these characters in a place where their hard work never pays off."

### Huston's debut a 'no-go' for Turner

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Huston, we have a problem.

Anjelica Huston's movie directing debut, "Bastard Out of Carolina," has been rejected by the

Turner Broadcasting System. The film, based on the Dorothy Allison best seller, is about a girl with an abusive stepfather and an uncaring mother.

Ted Turner watched the film and decided he wanted nothing to do with it, sources speaking on condition of anonymity told Daily Variety. Of particular concern to Turner was a rape scene involving the girl, the sources said.

It was a tough decision, the trade paper quoted an unidentified Turner executive as saying, because the film is a "stunning, powerful work" and Huston "deserves tremendous respect for her directorial debut."

### Hurley producing love

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Elizabeth Hurley's found a way to keep a close eye on wayward boyfriend Hugh Grant: produce his movies.

The model is producing "Extreme Measure," starring Grant, and he jokes she is taking the title literally when it comes to critiquing his work.

"You see my bloody nose? That was after she saw dailies last night," Grant joked during an "Entertainment Tonight" interview for broadcast Tuesday.

Actually, he said, it's working well: "She knows my foibles and everything, which is quite a comforting feeling when you're acting."

Still, it might be better if they had separate hotel rooms to go to at the end of the day. "Instead, we just go home and fight," Grant said.

Grant, who starred in "Four Weddings and a Funeral," was arrested last June as he sat in his parked car with a prostitute. He pleaded no contest to lewd conduct and was fined and placed on two years' probation.

### Rooney fans jam phone lines

NEW YORK (AP) — Andy Rooney's viewers heeded his call and jammed the switchboard at Associated Press headquarters in response to a column suggesting the crusty "60 Minutes" commentator should retire.

AP's chief television critic, Frazier Moore, suggested in a March 20 column that Rooney's show-closing commentaries had become dated and "chronic fuddy duddy." He told Rooney that the program "would be better off without you."

Rooney responded by putting the address and telephone number of AP's Rockefeller Center headquarters on the screen and urging viewers to call and express their opinions on his future.

Calls began immediately, tapered off overnight and began again this morning, forcing the news service to add an extra operator.

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# U.S. troops to protect war crimes investigators

## Commander says confrontations not expected

TUZLA, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — American troops will provide armed security this week for U.N. war crimes investigators near one of the most notorious sites of atrocities in Bosnia, opening a new chapter in the U.S. mission.

Adm. Leighton Smith, commander of the NATO-led peacekeeping mission, told reporters Sunday he did not expect any

major confrontations when investigators from the U.N. War Crimes Tribunal search for mass graves and other evidence of atrocities near Srebrenica, in eastern Bosnia.

The U.N. search is expected to start Tuesday.

Srebrenica is in the Serb portion of Bosnia. Thousands of Bosnian Muslims are believed to have been slaughtered in the area by Bosnian Serb troops last summer in a human catastrophe that helped galvanize NATO members' resolve to enter the conflict.

Smith said the U.N. investigators had good reason to request U.S. security

because "there are still some crazies around here, and some of them have guns."

"There may be some demonstrations," the U.S. admiral said. "This obviously is a very emotional issue. But I don't anticipate that there will be problems" for the American troops.

Another U.S. military officer, speaking privately, said the war crimes tribunal has asked for similar U.S. assistance at sites near Brcko, northwest of Tuzla. The officer said the Brcko work probably would get under way in a few weeks.

Smith escorted Defense Secretary William Perry on a visit with U.S. troops.

Perry later met in Sarajevo, the Bosnian capital, with acting Bosnian President Ejup Ganic.

The secretary then flew to Tirana, Albania, to attend a conference Monday with defense officials from several southern Balkan nations, including Macedonia and Bulgaria.

He proposed a number of modest steps of "good neighborliness" and military openness that he said could help the region overcome the kinds of ethnic conflict that led to war in Bosnia.

Perry had planned to take a helicopter tour Sunday over parts of the demilitarized buffer zone that is being patrolled by

Implementation Force, or IFOR, troops, but a blinding snow storm kept him grounded. Instead he visited the U.S. Comanche Base for a briefing and a chat with soldiers.

Asked about providing security at Srebrenica, Perry said he fully supports Smith's plan, but he mentioned no details.

Speaking with reporters, Smith initially was reluctant to discuss specifics of the Srebrenica plan. Pressed for details, he said American officers would provide a liaison team that could, if an emergency arose, immediately call on U.S. firepower in the area. Some medical support also will be provided.

# Russia stops Chechnya operations, rebels attack

MOSCOW (AP) — Russian military officials said they halted combat operations in Chechnya Monday as President Boris Yeltsin ordered, but separatist rebels showed no sign of wanting peace on Moscow's terms.

Gen. Vyacheslav Tikhomirov, commander of Russian operations in Chechnya, said he had given federal troops the order to cease fire just after midnight Sunday, in accordance with the peace plan Yeltsin announced earlier in the day.

The Interfax news agency reported Monday that Chechen rebels attacked a column of federal troops near the guerrilla stronghold of Vedeno, killing 28 Russian servicemen and wounding 75 on Sunday. Earlier, the agency said the incident occurred Monday after the Russians ceased combat operations.

The Russian defense and interior ministries in Moscow said they had no information on the attack.

Chechen forces are concentrated in the southeastern part of

Chechnya and are unlikely to stop fighting as long as Russian troops are in the southern republic.

Russia also seemed unlikely to halt all operations, and Tikhomirov said Russian troops reserved the right to open fire if attacked by rebel forces.

He said so-called "special operations" would be carried out against the rebels and that "the fighting with the gangsters will continue."

Yeltsin announced the plan to end the unpopular war to try to improve his chances for victory in

June presidential elections. He is trailing Communist leader Gennady Zyuganov in the polls.

The Kremlin announced that Yeltsin signed a decree Monday to enforce the peace plan, which included a truce, a phased troop withdrawal, new elections and negotiations on Chechnya's status within the Russian federation.

Tikhomirov told reporters in the Chechen capital, Grozny, Monday that no troop pullout was planned right away. "The troops will stay where they are and con-

duct negotiations on peace and accord," he said.

Yeltsin's plan stopped short of meeting rebel leader Dzhokhar Dudayev's main demands: full independence for Chechnya and a complete withdrawal of Russian troops from the breakaway republic.

"Without doubt, we will not put up with terrorist acts and we will respond to them adequately," Yeltsin said in taped remarks aired on nationwide television.

Yeltsin's plan did not appear to

differ greatly from other proposals announced since Russia sent in 40,000 troops in December 1994 to quell Chechen separatists, and there was no sign the rebels intended to lay down their guns.

Lawmakers of all political stripes were quick to criticize the plan.

Reformist legislator Sergei Yushenkov told the Interfax news agency the peace move was "clearly a belated and insufficient step," while presidential candidate Alexander Lebed branded it a "campaign fraud."

# Nations meet at jobs summit

## Chirac urges G-7 countries to compromise

LILLE, France (AP) — President Jacques Chirac urged the world's seven richest nations Monday to seek a "third path" between unbridled free-market economics and interventionist policies to get millions of unemployed back to work.

Welcoming the Group of Seven labor ministers at their second jobs summit, Chirac said it was the "obsession" of the G-7 nations to get their collective 22 million jobless back to work.

He challenged the ministers to dovetail "the most flexible markets where wages adjust downward — I

am especially thinking here of the North American economies — and job markets where salaries are best preserved, mainly the economies of continental Europe."

"That is precisely what is at stake at this conference: defining the outlines of a third path," Chirac told delegations from the United States, Japan, Canada, Germany, Italy, Britain and France.

Joint action is unlikely when such free-market boosters as the United States and Britain share the table with the more interventionist France and Germany.

Brimming with confidence after the United States created 8.5 million jobs in the past three years, U.S. Secretary of Commerce Ron Brown saw little cause to change tack.

"The United States comes to

this conference feeling very good about the progress that we make," he said.

He credited the reduction in the budget deficit and low inflation as instrumental in creating the right environment for job creation. U.S. unemployment stands at 5.5 percent, half that of the 15-nation European Union.

However, the price is greater poverty, lower wages and a thinner social safety net.

"We don't want (U.S. style) hire and fire," said the German economics minister, Guenther Rexrodt.

Reflecting a common agenda at the two-day meeting, Chirac urged governments to reduce budget deficits, cut the cost of unskilled labor, reform the welfare taxation system and boost job incentives through vocational training.

# Beef ban stands

## Britain offers to destroy 15,000 cows per week

LUXEMBOURG (AP) — Britain offered Monday to destroy 15,000 cows a week over six years to try to calm fears of mad cow disease. Other European nations said they would help pay for the killings, but refused to lift a ban on British beef exports.

Farm ministers from the 15 European Union nations met in an emergency session to seek ways to calm consumer fears that have sent European beef and veal sales plunging.

British Agriculture Minister Douglas Hogg said his government would ensure that dairy cows over 30 months old would be "removed from the food chain" when they can no longer give milk. He said Britain would consider a "selective cull" of other cattle judged most at risk.

Other nations said the measures were not far-reaching enough for them to meet London's request for an immediate lifting of the worldwide ban on British beef exports imposed by the EU last week.

"The embargo should be lifted only when we have absolute guarantees the risk is over," French Agriculture Minister Philippe Vasseur told reporters. Dutch minister Josias van Aartsen said it would be at least six weeks before the ban was lifted.

Britain's EU partners indicated they would help cover the huge cost of slaughtering and incinerating animals and compensating farmers. Hogg

appealed for the EU to pick up 80 percent of the tab, with the British government making up the rest.

"That's up for discussion," Vasseur said. But, he added, "the cost of these measures is too much for any member state to support; we have to stand together."

The EU meeting was expected to continue late into the night as the ministers grappled with the details of the British plan.

But Spanish Farm Minister Luis Atienza said no decisions were likely until after the proposals were studied by experts from the EU veterinary committee, due to meet Tuesday in Brussels, Belgium.

"We have to make sure that the measures we take ensure the eradication of the disease and the risk to our consumers' health," Atienza told reporters.

The continent-wide health scare flared March 20 when the British government acknowledged there may be a link between mad cow disease and the equally incurable Creutzfeldt-Jakob brain disease in humans. Previously, the British government had denied any link.

The announcement sent beef sales crashing, first in Britain, then across Europe as consumers worried that their herds may have been infected by British cattle. A small number of mad cow cases has been detected in other EU nations, including France, Ireland and Portugal.

"The embargo should be lifted only when we have absolute guarantees the risk is over."

Phillippe Vasseur  
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Former SJSU student Kay Wilcox and fellow Buchanan supporter Sandra Menyhardt shout "Go Pat Go" during a Buchanan rally at the San Jose Hyatt.

# Buchanan

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Nearly 1,500 Buchanan supporters from all over the Bay Area came to listen to their candidate's message he calls "conservatism of the heart." It was Buchanan's largest show of support in Northern California.

"He's a great speaker," said SJSU student Mark Stromberg.

Buchanan, interrupted often by cheers and chants of, "Go, Pat, go," spoke emphatically to the crowd about the hot button issues around which he has built his campaign: his strong stance against abortion, his opposition to NAFTA and GATT, the necessity of curbing illegal immigration, his opposition to the U.S. military serving under the auspices of the United Nations flag and the record of his opponent Bob Dole which included Dole's support of the \$50 million Mexican bailout.

"Guess who's on the hook for that one. They're off the hook and all the American people are on the hook," he said.

"Hit 'em with a hatchet job like they hit you," one woman yelled from the crowd.

"Now we don't need extremists," Buchanan joked back.

Outside the Hyatt, about 50 people gathered to protest against Buchanan's election campaign. Carrying signs and posters, the protesters chanted, "Pat Buchanan we know you, Hitler was a fascist too."

Supporters and protesters taunted each other briefly after the rally but



PHOTO BY JEREMY HOGAN — SPECIAL TO THE SPARTAN DAILY

A man sells T-shirts before the Buchanan campaign speech. One shirt on the left reads, "Earth First, We'll mine the other planets later."

San Jose police kept things from getting out of hand.

Near the conclusion of his speech, Buchanan stressed the importance of getting a strong turnout on election day.

"This campaign is about more than just Pat Buchanan, it's about more than delegates, it's about who will decide the future of the Republican party and, I believe, who will decide the future of America," Buchanan said.

But on election day, Buchanan was only able to garner 16 percent of the

vote in Santa Clara county and 17 percent statewide. Dole clinched the nomination with a strong 67 percent of the California vote.

When the election results clearly favored Sen. Dole, Buchanan claimed a moral victory and vowed to take his message to the convention.

In the days' aftermath, from conservative Orange County, Buchanan rallied for his cause and again vowed to take it all the way to San Diego, the site for the republican convention this fall.

"It is our campaign that has set the agenda for America," he said.

# PEP

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who are in need are given information on various multi-cultural organizations that provide counseling services.

In the fall, PEP handled about one student referral every other week. However, this semester, that number has increased to about one or two referrals each week, Pila said.

When asked why she thinks more students are coming to PEP for referrals, Pila said, "I'd hope to think it was because people knew we were here. We did get a lot of exposure in the fall."

Pila also mentioned the exceptional efforts of the center's student educators (PEP-SE) who work to promote responsible decision making regarding alcohol use and drug prevention.

There are 12 PEP-SEs who work in a variety of ways to educate their peers and assist those who have been affected by alcohol and drug abuse or sexual assault, as

well as to promote PEP's activities and services.

"The group of educators we have is wonderful," Pila said.

SJSU senior Anna Vilchez, a community health science major, has been working at the PEP Center for two semesters. She is currently involved with Project Fox, an eight step self-defense program for men and women that takes place on from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. on Tuesdays in the Spartan Complex, room 202.

Vilchez recently received the Outstanding Student Award from BACCHUS and GAMMA, a peer education network with which PEP is affiliated.

Vilchez, who spends her spare time tutoring and mentoring junior high school students, said she decided to apply to work in the PEP Center because she was interested in preventing alcohol and drug abuse.

"I really love working with kids,"

"It sounded like a worthwhile idea, and it turned out to be fun, especially talking to students."

Khari Crowder  
PEP Center

said Vilchez, who said she hopes to pursue a career in drug prevention and gang prevention and awareness after graduating in May.

Senior Khari Crowder, a radio, television and film major, has been involved with the PEP Center for three years. The first two he spent as a volunteer.

Crowder said he became interested in PEP after taking Health Science 195, a course which trains students to volunteer at the center.

"It sounded like a worthwhile idea, and it turned out to be fun,

# Unzipped

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"Each group seems to work independently," she said referring to KJSJ and the A.S., for example.

"Other schools have inter-campus meetings," Grimm said. She said she would like to see more support for on-campus activities in general.

Grimm said she thinks a film series would liven up the campus community and offer more variety as a service to students. She envisions a fun atmosphere where the program board could provide unusual movie themes and events.

With the poor showing for "Unzipped," Grimm plans to focus on the upcoming student film festival. She said with the limitations

placed on her, the Wednesday night series is out and she will use film in other ways.

"Each group seems to work independently. Other schools have inter-campus meetings."

Lisa Grimm  
A.S. Programming Board

The upcoming film festival will highlight student film making, and be "educational."

She said the progression will move from the student festival to independent films and then to distributed smaller films, so people understand the film process and gain an appreciation for film making.

Although she was disappointed about the showing at "Unzipped" Grimm said she remains optimistic. "I think there is still hope."

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# Poking pained pets can soothe animal aches

TIBURON, Calif. (AP) — With practiced aplomb, the patient endured the indignity of having needles stuck in her buttocks and back. To show there were no hard feelings, she turned and licked the doctor.

"Acupuncture needles are fine little things, like hairs," said veterinarian Pamela Bouchard to explain why Truffles, the choco-

late-brown Labrador she was treating, didn't mind the forest of pins sprouting from her backside.

"They don't cut like hypodermic needles."

And, added Truffles' owner, they saved her pooch's life.

Truffles was Bouchard's first afternoon patient. She had spent the morning treating dogs and cats in central Marin — part of a daily

routine that takes her as far as 100 miles to visit up to 10 ailing creatures in as many hours.

"I work too hard, but I love it," declared the 41-year-old native of Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan. She admitted that her relentless schedule means "I'm neglecting my dog and my cat and my bird and my friends and my garden and myself."

While there are other veterinarians who make house calls or apply Eastern medical techniques to animals, Bouchard believes she is the only vet in Marin who does both, as well as practicing the more familiar form of Western medicine.

For Bouchard, the previous grind of working in a southern Marin veterinary clinic proved unrewarding.

"I felt that I always had to rush," she said. "I wanted to really get to know my patients as individuals." She wanted to visit her furry patients in their own environments.

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# Yeager

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ber of races for gay and lesbian candidates. This is the only one that I had a real hope to have a chance of winning."

And if Yeager does, "I'll be very pleased," she said. "I think it will be a real statement of the kind of quality of the town we live in."

As the night went on, Yeager's voter percentage faded, along with supporters' confidence. With most precincts in, Honda's 38 percent to Yeager's 28 percent prompted Yeager to speak at 11 p.m.

Yeager said he had just called Honda to congratulate him on running a good campaign.

"The numbers are not going in our favor. It looks like it will be another place and another time," said Yeager.

Someone asked him how he felt. "I feel fine ... I could feel better," he said drawing laughter. Admitting he did not know what was going to happen, "I didn't want the result to decide if we ran a good campaign or not."

"I think we had the farthest to

“ We ran, without a doubt, the best campaign this city has seen in many a year.

**Ken Yeager**  
Democratic candidate for the 23rd District and SJSU political science professor

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go," said Yeager, as he mentioned he was not the son of a current assemblyman and was not a city supervisor. "I don't think I would have undertaken this if I didn't feel that I could do the best job."

"So many campaigns are all very expensive advertising, it's not grassroots anymore," said Yeager. With many SJSU students in attendance, he said he was really proud to train the next generation on how to run a campaign. "I think that is the legacy in this."

"We ran, without a doubt, the best campaign this city has seen in many a year," he said.

Yeager said San Jose is a wonderful, diverse place "that judges us on the content of our character."

"We're really moving in the direction to step beyond the prejudice that governs a lot of people. It's a stepping stone," said Sivertsen.

Ending his run of candidacy and his speech, Yeager thanked his supporters. "Now you're really going to make me cry. Eat some more, go home and get some sleep."



PHOTO BY CHERO ARIMURA — SPARTAN DAILY  
Yeager receives an ovation after giving his concession speech to his volunteers election night.



## Palm Sunday

LEFT: Bishop Pierre DuMaine stands outside Saint Joseph's Cathedral in downtown San Jose wishing parishioners God's speed as they leave Palm Sunday Mass, including six-year-old Susan Ortega. BELOW: Petra Griffiths holds a couple of roses she crafted out of palm leaves while waiting outside Saint Joseph's Cathedral for Mass to start.

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## Supreme Court expands age bias law

WASHINGTON (AP) — Employers who fire workers over 40 and replace them with significantly younger people may be violating a federal anti-bias law even if the new employees also are over 40, the Supreme Court ruled Monday.

The unanimous decision revived an age-bias claim by a North Carolina man who was fired after his supervisor said he was "too damn old for this kind of work."

The ruling expanded the reach of the federal Age Discrimination in Employment Act, which protects workers age 40 and over.

In other action, the court: —Let a Georgia death-row inmate pursue a last-minute appeal filed in hopes the state will change its execution method so he can donate his organs after death.

—Agreed to use the case of an impoverished Mississippi woman to decide whether people whose parental rights have been terminated must be allowed to appeal even if they cannot afford to pay the court fees.

—Agreed to study a voting-rights dispute over how municipal court judges are elected in Monterey County, Calif. The eventual ruling may provide important new guidelines for other local elections across the nation.

—Refused in a Tennessee case to resolve conflicting rulings over parents' right to sue their state government for not doing enough to help them collect child-support payments.

—Rejected an appeal by a Houston news reporter sued for libel who says a judge wrongly ordered him to help identify a confidential source.

In the age discrimination case, lower courts had ruled that no illegal bias occurs if an employee is fired and replaced by someone over 40.

That meant James O'Connor would have

lost the age-bias lawsuit he filed after being fired from his manager's job at age 56. His replacement was 40.

"The fact that one person in the protected class has lost out to another person in the protected class is ... irrelevant, so long as he has lost out because of his age," Justice Antonin Scalia wrote for the court.

But Scalia said replacing a 68-year-old employee with one who's 65 might be "very thin" evidence of age discrimination.

"The fact that a replacement is substantially younger than (O'Connor) is a far more reliable indicator of age discrimination than is the fact that (O'Connor) was replaced by someone outside the protected class," Scalia said.

Although the decision focused on firings, it could apply as well to people who contend they were discriminated against in some other way — such as not being hired, or getting demoted or transferred.

O'Connor, of Cary, N.C., had worked since 1978 for Consolidated Coin Caterers Corp., which operates cafeterias and vending machines in industrial plants.

He managed one of the Charlotte-based company's sales regions.

In July 1990, part of O'Connor's territory was assigned to another employee. O'Connor said that at the about that time, his supervisor, Ed Williams, began making age-related derogatory comments.

O'Connor said Williams told him he was "too old" to play 18 holes of golf five days in a row, and later that he was "too damn old for this kind of work."

O'Connor also said that Williams said within his earshot, "It's about time we started to get some young blood in this company."

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## Gene therapy tested for HIV treatment

WASHINGTON (AP) — An experiment in three HIV patients has shown for the first time that gene manipulation can protect immune system cells from infection by the virus that causes AIDS, researchers say.

The experimental therapy at the University of Michigan involved inserting altered genes into white blood cells from HIV patients, expanding the number of the altered cells in the laboratory and then injecting the cells back into the patients.

A report on the research is to be published today in the

Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences.

Dr. Gary J. Nabel, professor at the University of Michigan Medical Center and a Howard Hughes Medical Institute researcher, said the work showed for the first time in clinical studies that gene therapy can be used to prolong the survival of CD4 T-cells, the white blood cells that are the primary target of the HIV, the virus that causes AIDS.

A loss of CD4 T-cells is a primary marker for the progress of the HIV infection and it is believed that guarding against the loss of these

cells may prolong life for HIV patients.

In the study, Nabel and his colleagues targeted an HIV gene called REV which is essential for the reproduction of the virus in infected cells.

The researchers drew blood from three HIV patients and then separated from that blood the CD4 T-cells that are attacked by the virus. These cells were treated with two antiviral drugs to prevent further HIV reproduction. Then one of two altered genes were inserted using gold micro particles as the transfer vector.

## Costumed Kevorkian faces third trial

PONTIAC, Mich. (AP) — Dr. Jack Kevorkian arrived for his third assisted suicide trial Monday in a rented colonial-style costume, complete with white wig, knee breeches and shoes with large buckles.

"I'm dressed for the part now," said Kevorkian, who has frequently criticized laws against assisted suicide as out of date.

Kevorkian, twice acquitted of assisted-suicide charges, faces a new trial under the state's common law, which leaves fewer options for the defense.

About 100 prospective jurors received a questionnaire Monday to be used as a tool in selecting a jury for the Oakland County Circuit Court trial.

Kevorkian faces trial over the October 1991 deaths of Sherry Miller, 43, who had multiple sclerosis, and Marjorie Wantz, 58, who suffered severe pelvic pain.

Autopsies found Miller died after inhaling carbon monoxide; Wantz died of a lethal injection. Theirs were the second and third of the 27 deaths Kevorkian has acknowledged attending since 1990.

In previous trials that prosecuted Kevorkian under Michigan's now-expired assisted suicide law, a provision exempted doctors who were trying to control pain and suffering. That was a key factor in his acquittal three weeks ago on charges stemming from two 1993 deaths.

But under the common-law prosecution, the state must prove only that Kevorkian knew the two women sought to commit suicide and that he gave them the means to kill themselves.

"It doesn't matter why he was doing it," said Erroll Shifman, a former Oakland County assistant prosecutor. "There was no defense in common law. You just aren't allowed to do it."

The 67-year-old retired pathologist faces up to five years in prison if convicted. Kevorkian lawyer Geoffrey Fieger said it is unfair to prosecute Kevorkian under a law the Legislature never put on the books.

"Everyone understands that this is a phony law," Fieger said.

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## Sports Focus

### Wrap up

From March 23-April 2

#### Baseball

◆ Spartans finished the spring break 4-1 with victories over USF, 8-0, CS Hayward, 18-4, and New Mexico, 9-3 and 3-2. The one loss was to New Mexico, 6-5, in the weekend series.

#### SJSU golfer

Aaron Oberholser won the Pacific Coast Intercollegiate tournament on March 28-29. Spartans finished second.



See golf story on page 8.

#### Women's Golf

◆ SJSU moves up to finish third at the Ping/ASU Invitational.  
◆ The women finished with a 54 hole total of 906, 15 shots behind team Champion Arizona State, which finished with 891, and one shot behind second place Stanford which totaled 905 on the par 72 course.

#### Women's Gymnastics

◆ Spartans finish fourth in Big West Conference Championships as Tara Law, Bridgett Coates and Hawley Almstedt qualified for the Regional meet.

See gymnastics story on page 8.

#### Men's Gymnastics

◆ Spartans take on Air Force and coast by with 216-214 victory last Friday.

#### Softball

◆ Spartans split double-headers this weekend. The Spartans lost to CS Fullerton 13-3, 3-2, on Saturday and beat New Mexico 4-3, 8-5, on Sunday.

#### Women's Tennis

◆ Spartans beat Chaminade, 7-2, Lewis and Clark, 5-1, and University of Hawaii-Hilo, 8-1, on Thursday.  
◆ Spartans then lose to University of Hawaii, 9-0, on Friday at Hawaii.

#### Men's Tennis

◆ Spartans drop two matches on Friday and Saturday, 7-0, 7-0, to USC and Utah State.

# Baseball team makes good on break

## Spartans win four straight before falling to New Mexico

By Paul Matarangas  
Spartan Daily Staff Writer

San Jose State University men's baseball team (20-16 overall, 2-3 conference) is preparing for a three-game series this weekend hosting the University of Nevada-

Reno Wolf Pack (20-8, 3-3).

The Spartans are coming off a successful spring break week as they won four out of five games. Before last week the team also provided coach, Sam Piraro, with his 300th collegiate victory against Southern Utah. In Piraro's tenth year of coaching he has posted a career total 306-238-2 record.

In the first two match ups last week, USF and Cal State Hayward were severely out-gunned against the Spartans losing 8-0 and 18-4 respectively.

The Spartans then rolled into a weekend three-game series against New Mexico State and overpowered the Aggies in the first two games before falling, 6-5 in the final game on Sunday.

The Wolf Pack, on the other hand, is coming off a four-game losing streak, getting pummeled by Stanford last Tuesday and swept in a three-game series by UC Santa Barbara over the weekend.

The Spartans will rely on a powerful offense that is hitting a collective .300 to propel them past

the Wolf Pack.

Among the Spartans sluggers, standouts include lead-off hitter and right fielder, Travis Peterson. With a .372 batting average, Peterson is leading the club in runs (32) and is second on the club in hits (45).

Toting a .396 batting average, second baseman Patrick Walsh leads the team in hits (57) and has hit safely in 33 of the 36 games this season.

The Wolf Pack will be led by their second baseman, Wade

Jackson. Jackson is swinging a red hot bat right now hitting .390 with ten home runs, doubling the Spartan best of five by Robert Berns and Eric Stevens.

Wolf Pack third baseman, Andy Dominique will also provide a test for Spartan hurlers as he posts a batting average of .362 and ten home runs as well.

SJSU left-hander, Jason Davis, has a 3.57 ERA and has three complete games under his belt this season. The junior pitcher has hurled a six-hit shutout this year.

# Softball team comes out even

## Spartans lose two, win two

Spartan Daily Staff Report

The SJSU softball team (13-20) lost both games of a doubleheader then bounced back to win both games of a doubleheader weekend the next day. Both double-headers were held at PAL stadium and were against conference rivals.

Against #5 in the nation Cal State Fullerton, Saturday, the Spartans lost 13-3 in a five inning game and lost 3-2 in the next. Against #25 New Mexico State, Sunday, the Spartans won 4-3 in nine innings and won 8-5.

On Saturday's game, Fullerton had several scoring flurries. In the first inning, it scored four runs, in the fourth it scored five, and in the fifth, three. Starting pitcher Brandi Isgar allowed only one run during her four innings.

The second game against Fullerton was much closer. Corina Lilly pitched the complete game, allowing only three runs for seven innings.

In Sunday's first game, sophomore outfielder Victoria Ruelas hit her second double with two outs in the ninth inning to break the 3-3 tie and win the game 4-3. Ruelas hit two-for-three, including two sacrifices and one RBI.

The second game also had freshman outfielder Maya Garcia going two-for-three, including a three run triple and one sacrifice.

A five run first inning and three runs in the sixth kept the Spartans ahead to win 8-5.

Lilly received both wins, improving her record to 7-11.



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The Spartans struggled to bring things together during Saturday's double header against Cal State Fullerton, in which they lost both games. In the first game, a bad throw got past SJSU catcher Sarah Coughlin allowing Fullerton's Chris Zboril to score one more run.

# Oberholser wins third tourney

## Golf team takes second

Spartan Daily Staff Report

SJSU golfer Arron Oberholser won his third tournament of the season at the Pacific Coast Intercollegiate men's golf tournament. As a team, SJSU took second place.

Oberholser birdied the 18-hole for a final round four under par 68 to successfully defend medalist honors.

Oberholser beat golfers from 24 schools from across the country at the Sandpiper Golf Course in Tempe, AZ.

He finished with a 54-hole hole total of two under par 214. Oberholser beat Weber State's Chris Myrick and Nevada's Rich Barcello by one shot, who both shot 215.

This was the first time in the tournament's history for a golfer to successfully defend the individual championship. In doing so,

Oberholser picked up his third tournament win of the 1995-96 season and the fourth in his career.

Earlier this season, he won the Fresno Lexus Classic and the Nike Northwest Classic.

The SJSU team finished second, five shots behind Pepperdine.

Helping in the effort were ninth place Jonathan Baker, 15th place Justin Russo and 83rd place Steven Grier.

# Gymnasts finish fourth in Big West Championships

Spartan Daily Staff Report

Utah State University held and won the Big West Championships event on March 30.

The SJSU women's gymnastics team finished the meet in fourth place separated from third place finisher Cal State Fullerton by only half a point.

Tara Law finished all-around events and floor exercise in the No. 2 position with a score of

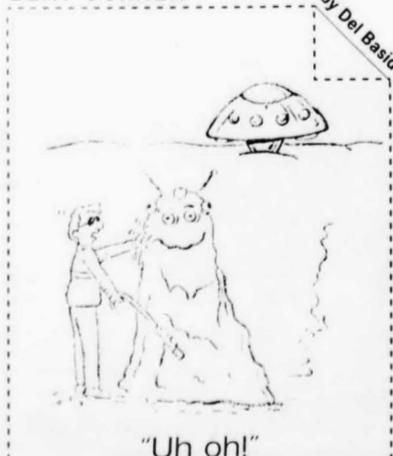
38.850 and 9.750. Hawley Almstedt finished second on the beam with a score of 9.750.

The Spartans will send three gymnasts to the Regional Championships this weekend. Law, Almstedt and Coates will be representing the Spartans at this event.

This marks the first time that the Spartans have sent three gymnasts as individual entries.

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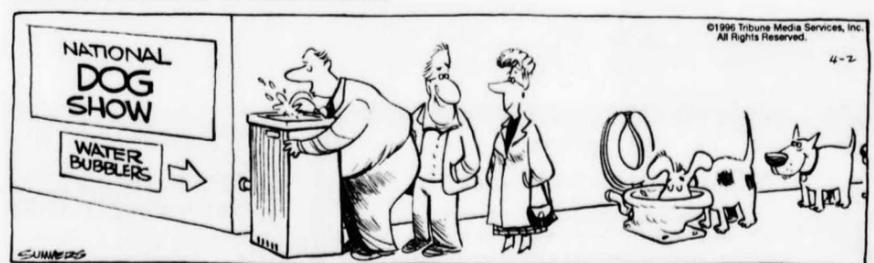
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# Baby Bells grow up in \$16.7 billion merger

## Pacific Telesis, SBC to form nation's second-largest telecommunications company

NEW YORK (AP) — SBC Communications Inc. and Pacific Telesis Group Monday agreed to merge in a \$16.7 billion deal, the first combination of two regional Baby Bell phone companies.

They will become the nation's second-largest telecommunications company after AT&T Corp. It is the most dramatic phone-company makeover since Congress revamped the nation's telecommunications laws Feb. 8 and a harbinger of similar large combinations to come.

The merger gives SBC and Pacific Telesis greater size and financial power to offer a broader range of communications services, something made possible by the law.

The two companies are among seven formed from the 1984 breakup of the old Bell System monopoly. Together, they serve the two largest states, California and Texas,

and will have 30 million phone lines.

The merged company will take the SBC name and be led by SBC chairman and chief executive officer, Edward E. Whitacre Jr. Pacific Telesis chairman and CEO Phil Quigley will become vice chairman of the combined company.

The merged company SBC will have more than 100,000 employees, revenues of over \$21 billion, operating cash flow of \$9 billion,

and income of almost \$3 billion.

Although local Bell phone companies were not previously prohibited from combining, the new telecommunications law created a competitive environment that has made it more expedient for them to merge.

The law removed prohibitions that prevented long distance companies from entering the local phone business and vice versa. Cable companies also were freed

by the law to offer phone service.

"In this new competitive environment, customer satisfaction, a strong market presence, efficient and lower-cost operations, a substantial financial base quality and new, innovative services will be crucial to success in the marketplace," Quigley said in a statement.

The terms of the deal call for Pacific Telesis shareholders to receive 0.733 shares of SBC stock for each of their shares. Based on

last week's stock prices, Pacific Telesis shareholders would receive SBC stock worth about \$39 per share.

When complete, SBC shareholders would own about 66 percent of the combined company and 34 percent would be held by Pacific Telesis investors.

The corporate headquarters for the combined company will be in San Antonio, where SBC has been based since 1993.

## New ATM fees start adding up

### Some consumers may be charged for using machines

NEW YORK (AP) — Starting Monday, consumers across the nation could be charged an extra fee to use an automated teller machine outside of their bank's own system.

"This is an April Fool's joke to the consumer," said Rep. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y. "Only it's not a trick because it's not going to go away."

The charge is a result of decisions last year by two major ATM systems operated by Visa International and MasterCard International. Visa did not set a maximum fee that could be charged but said it expects banks to charge 25 cents to \$2.50 per transaction

for machines not owned by their bank. Some consumers could end up getting charged twice. Until now, ATM users typically were charged an average 95 cents per transaction by their own bank, if they were charged at all. For the first time in most states, consumers may have to pay two fees, one to their own bank and one to the owner of the bank machine.

"This amounts to a secret double whammy on bank customers," said Schumer, who has proposed a bill that would require ATMs to disclose how much they're charging and give the customer the option of canceling the transaction.

Visa's Plus ATM Network and the MasterCard-Cirrus ATM Network both require banks that levy surcharges to post signs at the ATM and notify customers on the ATM screen that they face an additional fee. A Schumer

spokesman said he's aware of these efforts, but that Schumer wants the disclosure written into law.

The first place consumers might notice the charges is while on vacation. Banks want to charge fees at ATMs located in tourist areas.

Banks lobbied Visa to lift its ban on ATM surcharges because they want to levy fees at ATMs located in hotels and resorts, convention centers and highway rest stops. These ATMs are convenient to customers but expensive for banks to operate.

At the urging of local banks, 15 states already had made ATM surcharges legal — several within the last year. Those states were Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Idaho, Louisiana, Maine, Mississippi, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, South Dakota, Texas, Utah, and Wyoming, according to the American Bankers Association.

## A battle over definition

Associated Press

More than two dozen Christian churches are fighting Santa Clara County's plan to recognize unmarried couples, including gays and lesbians.

The proposal by county Supervisor Mike Honda would let unmarried couples living together to register as domestic partners. Several other cities, including San Francisco, Los Angeles, Sacramento, Berkeley and Palo Alto, have similar registries.

The domestic-partner designation is symbolic, carrying no legal weight. But opponents say recognition of same-sex unions threatens traditional marriages and biological families.

"They may just push it off and hope we go away," said Richard Kennedy, pastor of Los Gatos Christian Church. "But I assure you, we will not go away."

His church and 28 others in the county have written letters to county supervisors and last week

### Churches fighting recognition of unmarried couples

took out an ad against the plan in the San Jose Mercury News.

They promise to fight the proposal when it comes before the Board of Supervisors.

The county's Human Relations Commission discussed the plan last week and will do so again on April 23.

It will then forward its recommendation to the supervisors.

The county already gives some recognition to same-sex couples by extending benefits to partners of county employees. The San Jose Unified School District recently decided to extend benefits to unmarried couples, gay and straight.

Some of the same churches opposing the domestic-partner proposal also fought the county's attempt to forbid discrimination against gays and lesbians. The supervisors passed such a measure, but voters later overturned it.

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## Groups rally against columnist's firing

OAKLAND (AP) — About 100 people rallied outside the waterfront offices of The Oakland Tribune Monday to protest the firing of columnist Bill Wong.

Chanting "We want Bill!" the racially diverse group of protesters ignored a steady downpour for the hour-long gathering in support of the 54-year-old Wong, who was among a handful of Asian-American columnists at major metropolitan dailies.

"Wake up! Take back this dumb decision," said former Gov. Jerry Brown, whose home, and the headquarters for his group We The People, is near the newspaper offices in Jack London

Square. "If you want to sell any papers ... you'd better respect the people that live in this city because you are a service, not some kind of colonial power," said Brown.

Officials at Alameda Newspaper Group, which saved the Tribune from folding by purchasing it in 1992, did not return telephone calls to The Associated Press seeking comment on the rally.

But in a letter to readers that ran on the front page Monday, Tribune Editor Tim Graham defended the firing as a "very painful decision" brought on by economic realities, not racial considera-

tions. Graham said the Tribune, like other newspapers, has been forced to deal with rising newsprint prices and soft advertising revenues.

Six editorial positions have been eliminated at the Tribune during the current budget year, Graham said. He noted that many other newspapers have had to eliminate jobs, facing the same economic pressures.

Graham said critics have "recklessly and unfairly," questioned the Tribune's commitment to diversity.

He said people of color account for about 30 percent of the Tribune's editorial staff, including a department head.

## Fast-food chain pulls Bell prank

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — A cursory check of the Liberty Bell on Monday found no trace of taco juice on the iron, no Burrito Supremes in the crack.

No, Taco Bell didn't buy the Liberty Bell. In an April Fools' Day joke, the fast-food chain took out full-page ads in eight newspapers announcing that it had purchased America's symbol of freedom to help shrink

the federal debt. The bell will henceforth be called, the ads said, the Taco Liberty Bell.

By noon — the traditional time for confessions — the company came clean. The bell will remain in its home outside Independence Hall, and the Irvine, Calif., company will donate \$50,000 toward preservation and maintenance.



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