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Scheller House may have a home

By Jacquie McCrossin
Spartan Daily Staff Writer

The Scheller House has stood on campus, dilapidated and essentially unwanted, for years. Though it withstood some hard winters and the Quake of '89, its existence here has mostly been shaky. There have been numerous attempts by the university to have it demolished, and numerous last-minute reprieves.

But the old house may have found a permanent home at last, said Alan Freeman, SJSU's director of planning, design and construction — and it's right here on campus, after all.

The decision to allow the house to stand was made when Superior Court

Judge Jeremy Fogel ruled that the structure could not be demolished without a full environmental impact report. This, said Freeman, could still be challenged in the courts and could end up costing SJSU a great deal of money. Rather than go through that, the university decided to keep the structure — renovating it, rather than restoring it.

"Restoration," Freeman said, "means you bring the house back to the way it was." This would mean using the same wood, hardware, etc., and using lathe and plaster, rather than drywall. That, Freeman said, would cost much more than the planned renovation, which would simply mean "returning the house to usability."

"It's not that we're being hardhearted, but we must be careful with how we spend our money," said Freeman, who claims the planned renovation is estimated at \$1.2 million.

Freeman also said there are plans to reorient the house as part of the renovation, having it face the new pedestrian mall. This would be done when the house is picked up for necessary repairs on the basement. Once it is facing the mall, the house will make a good reception area for the university.

Renovation would include converting the first floor of the house to use for university functions and adding a kitchen for catering. Two outside areas will make it possible to serve two func-

tions at the same time. The second and third floors would then be used by the alumni association.

Because of a money shortage, Freeman said there is no set time frame for renovation, but, he adds, President Robert Caret would like to do it "as soon as possible."

The Alumni Association has already contributed money to the project. That's why Freeman said the mansion should no longer be known as the Scheller House. "The Alumni House is as good a name if not better than Scheller House," he says.

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Steinbeck Research Center gets needed help

By John Louis
Spartan Daily Staff Writer

SJSU's Steinbeck Research Center has received a \$1,300 grant from the Arts Council of Santa Clara County to promote the 1996-'97 exhibition of materials about its namesake novelist, John Steinbeck.

Dedicated in 1973, the center became one of the world's most celebrated Steinbeck archives, according to director Susan Shillinglaw. Steinbeck, a Salinas native whose most popular novel was "The Grapes of Wrath," won the Nobel Prize for literature in 1962.

The Steinbeck collection contains more than 20,000 artifacts, including manuscripts, original letters, inscribed first editions, secondary works, film memorabilia, photographs, films and cassettes.

The cost of maintaining such a large collection and purchasing new items for the center continues to increase as its popularity grows. The Steinbeck Research Center, therefore, has been experiencing difficulty securing funding to buy additional artifacts.

To maintain and enlarge its collection, the research center must rely on a variety of sources, including individuals, corporations and other public agencies such as the Arts Council.

The council awards \$280,000 in grants ranging from \$565 to \$8,500 to 89 Santa Clara County organizations from the Community Arts Fund. This fund provides cash awards to support volunteer-based community arts activities, with a particular emphasis on multicultural and culturally specific traditions and small groups.

An eight-member panel reviewed the 1996 applications. The grantees were selected from 10 of Santa Clara County's 15 cities, the majority of them from San Jose.

The Steinbeck Film Festival, numerous conferences and an international congress in March are sponsored by the research center throughout the academic year. Scholars, teachers, students and members of the community are encouraged to participate in the different functions, to visit the local facilities and to use the collection.

Students and staff members can also support the center and its fund-raising activities by joining the Friends of Steinbeck. Other levels of support include sponsor, patron, sustaining and regular memberships.

Membership dues, other contributions or requests are tax-deductible under the rules of the Internal Revenue Service.

Further information about membership, coming attractions and schedule of events may be obtained at Steinbeck Research Center, One Washington Square, San Jose, Calif. 95192-0028, or 924-4588.

MUSIC IN THE PARK



Above: Plaza de Cesar Chavez was packed to the max with spectators enjoying the jazzy sounds of Avenue Blue fronted by guitarist and lead vocalist Jeff Golub.

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Right: After the second song the concert was dedicated to six year old Mark Booth from Argonaut Elementary School who was the first to jump out and cut a rug.



Choraliers bring back awards

Spartan Daily Staff Writer

The SJSU Choraliers won six trophies, including a first place award in the folk music category, at the 1996 Concorso Internazionale di Canto Corale choir contest in Gorizia, Italy in July, continuing their successful run in international competitions.

The 31-member group competed against 30 choirs from 13 countries in the three-day contest.

The choraliers sang several American spirituals to win the folk music category, judged by the audience.

The SJSU singers ranked second in the classical music category, receiving third place for their historical program and fourth in chamber ensemble.

Charlene Archibeque, who has instructed the choraliers for 26 years, received a trophy for outstanding conducting and the C.A. Seghizzi Prize for presenting the program with the greatest artistic interest.

Archibeque said the prestigious, high-level competition, held every other year, was recommended to her by the conductor of the Lithuanian Academy Choir.

After the contest, the Choraliers traveled to Slovenia, France, Spain and Austria where they gave 11 concerts in 21 days.

Archibeque said she thinks competitions and concerts bring out the best in the group.

"I like competing because it stretches your group and you get to hear other choirs. Without that competition, you never know how good they can be," she said.

The Choraliers have won five international contests since 1973 when they won in The Hague, Netherlands. They have also won contests in Mexico City in 1980, Austria in 1988, Wales in 1991 and Estonia in 1994.

The Choraliers go on major trips every two or three years because annual trips are too expensive for the group's budget, Archibeque said.

She said the members each have to pay their own way and they often work together to earn money for the group's trips by giving concerts, selling their compact discs and singing carols during Christmas.

Other funding sources, according to Archibeque, are private donations, which are tax deductible, and grants. She said one of the best sources of income for the choraliers is the "Friends of the Choraliers," a group of people who donate money to support the trips.

Archibeque is taking a sabbatical this year to create a video on choral rehearsal techniques.

Her replacement will be former student Julie Ford who graduated from SJSU in 1991 and then went on to the Eastman Conservatory of Music for her master's degree.

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Palestinian protest

An estimated two million Palestinians took part in a general strike Thursday.

Parking advisory

"Rage against the Machine" plays at the Event Center. About 6,000 are expected to swell our streets.

Wednesday, September 4

Labor Day

No school. Finish what you started this summer and come back ready to work.

Monday, September 2

SJSU Dateline

Last day to drop classes on Touch-Tone Registration without "W's" for classes meeting more than once a week is:

TODAY!!!

Editorial

Politics as usual at conventions

For the last three weeks, voters have witnessed the two biggest political bashes in the last four years. The Democrat and Republican national conventions concentrated more about how many balloons it took to fill a convention hall than setting policy and laying out a platform detailing the party's agenda.

We saw more of a soap opera filled with choreographed scenes and tear jerking moments than any declarations or guidance.

Where else will we see a presidential nominee's wife interact with the audience with Oprah-like flair at the San Diego Republican National Convention? But, when you're down on the polls lacking women votes, a candidate will use any tactic to get them.

If the Republicans really wanted to talk about the issues, why was Gov. Pete Wilson (R-CA) banned

from the podium to talk about abortion in his own state?

At the other side of the country at the the Democratic National

Convention in Chicago, what does the moderate president do to sway more of the "Reagan Democrat" vote? He brings in Jim Brady, who served as former president Ronald

Reagan's press secretary until he was severely injured during an assassination attempt, in an attempt to solicit the sympathy vote as he came to the podium in the wheelchair he now uses.

As the sun sets into the horizon, who do we vote for? Do we vote for the most entertaining master of ceremony? Do we vote for the candidate with the best balloons? Do we vote for the best speech?

No, we want to vote for the best solution for gun control, abortion and affirmative action. We need a leader, not an emcee.

If we needed that, we could have voted for Howdy Doody.

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Tobacco industry should be banned

Smoking not a Constitutional right

By Ivan F. Bergman

A group of people are sitting at a large table in a smoke-filled room. They are discussing how declining morals are destroying American morality.

What's wrong with this picture? What's wrong is that these people are doing much worse things than Calvin Klein displaying images of 14-year-old boys without their shirts on. The activity they are engaged in is far more destructive to humanity than anything displayed in Penthouse or Playboy. They are smoking.

There's an anti-smoking ad today that goes something like this, "Sure smokers have the right to smoke, but everyone has the right to breathe."

I agree with the second half of this statement. The first part, "Smokers have the right to smoke," is what bothers me. Who said that smokers have the right to smoke? Why should they have the right to smoke?

In a 1988 report, the surgeon general declared nicotine to be an addictive drug comparable to other addictive substances in its ability to induce dependence. The report also called the monetary and human costs far greater than those attributable to cocaine, alcohol or heroin.

If the surgeon general says that smoking is worse than even heroin, why doesn't the government ban tobacco products? The "monetary costs" mentioned above include costs to our health care system, which will go bankrupt

within a few years if something is not done to cut costs.

You don't believe cigarettes cause enough problems to affect the health industry? Look at the statistics for just lung cancer: The American Cancer Society estimated that in 1988, smoking would account for 83 percent of the 139,000 deaths from lung cancer, which is seven times as likely to strike a smoker as a non-smoker.

Treatment of 115,370 patients costs money. The worst part of it is that they do it to themselves. Most smokers convince themselves that they will not ever have problems. This is because of the addictiveness of the nicotine in tobacco products, and the fact that problems usually do not begin to occur in the smoker until later in life. By the time problems begin to be serious enough to be noticed, the smoker is totally hooked on the nicotine.

My former roommate, a smoker, has convinced herself that she will never get sick from cigarettes because she has a 96-year old great aunt who has smoked for years and is still alive. Chances are, my roommate will die before she's 70, let alone 96.

You don't believe me? Medical studies have established that overall mortality is twice as high among middle-aged men who smoke as among those who do not. Last time I checked, suicide was illegal.

To prove that people should not have the right to smoke, however, Dr. Kevorkian would ask if smoking presented a health hazard to others. Well how about this:

Research has proved that mothers who smoke more frequently give birth to premature or underweight babies.

Three studies published in 1981 have suggested that nonsmoking wives of smoking husbands experience an increased risk of lung cancer, and other studies have found increased illness in nonsmoking children of smoking parents.

What other drug causes such a broad range of problems?

If tobacco were newly discovered today, it would immediately be classified a controlled substance. The widespread usage of tobacco products is one of the biggest problems in our society today. While the FBI spends its time investigating Calvin Klein for showing a shirtless 14-year-old in a TV ad, hundreds of thousands of men, women and children are dying each year directly or indirectly from tobacco smoke.

I think that society's position on tobacco shows a remarkable amount of hypocrisy. Religious and political leaders should reevaluate their stands on tobacco in relation to the facts and the volumes of material available on the subject. The only people who benefit in the least way from tobacco are tobacco companies, tobacco lobbyists and politicians who receive campaign contributions from them.

After all, it isn't written that all men have the right to, "Life, liberty and a smoke."

Ivan F. Bergman is a Spartan Daily Staff Writer.

Friend's revelation changes perspective

Gays face many prejudices

By Christine Ann Bacas

Homosexuality is wrong. At least that's what I was told when I was growing up.

Raised in a strict household by a pious Catholic mother, I was told gays and lesbians were "sinners."

I accepted the statement as a child accepts being told the Earth is round. Not knowing I knew anyone who was gay, I was indifferent to the subject and never cared for issues affecting gays and lesbians, such as serving in the military and having same-sex marriages.

My family and friends used their religion as an excuse to condemn homosexuals. I had no such excuse. I felt it was a lifestyle that would never interfere with mine. Although I cared nothing about gay rights, I promised myself I would not degrade anyone by telling jokes and spreading hatred, much like my friends did when they talked about the gay lifestyle.

The turning point came when I discovered my best friend of five years is gay.

I feared the worst, but our relationship did not change. Contrary to the stereotype, he did not become a flaming, HIV-positive, promiscuous deviant. He was the same intelligent, witty and caring person I had always known.

Suddenly, the subject of homosexuality had a new meaning. It took sharing the experience of a friend to realize how much a subject, which I had cared nothing about, actually affected my life.

I was angered when the "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy was implemented in the military. It sent the message that as long as gays and lesbians stayed in the closet, everything was fine.

But, look at some of the contributions gays and lesbians have

made in history: They wrote great books (author Willa Cather), performed unforgettable music (musicians Elton John and Freddie Mercury of Queen), defined the culture of a great era on the silver screen (actor Rock Hudson), stood proudly as champions (Greg Louganis and Rudy Galindo), and epitomized the beauty and fashion industry (supermodel Hunter Reno).

Besieged by ignorance, Gov. Pete Wilson is supporting anti-gay sentiments. According to "Out" magazine, he is calling on the Department of Social Services to enact regulations to make it more difficult for anyone but married heterosexual couples to adopt children in California.

Do children really care about a person's sexual orientation? What I cherished most as a child was knowing my parents loved and protected me.

Gays and lesbians are denied basic rights such as marriage, a privilege many take for granted. Without legal recognition, same-sex couples cannot enjoy tax and health benefits, and cannot make decisions for their partners in medical situations.

The fight for gay rights reminds me of the fight against racism, which I have experienced since I immigrated here from the Philippines when I was a baby.

History has taught us that once you condemn one undesirable group, you condemn us all.

After all, it was less than 60 years ago that restaurants hung up signs such as "No dogs or Filipinos allowed." The mere thought makes me gasp.

What will cause us to gasp 60 years from now when we look back on the injustices inflicted upon the gay community?

Christine Ann Bacas is a Spartan Daily Staff Writer.

Wealthy elite run the country

Corporations threaten democracy

By Ed Oberweiser

American democracy is under siege by the most powerful barbarians ever assembled to storm the gates of freedom—the corporate elite.

The modern corporation is a truly undemocratic institution which, strangely enough, determines almost all the basics of modern life.

An ordinary citizen has two ways to relate to the modern global corporation: you can rent yourself to it (as an employee) or you can buy something from it (as a consumer).

A few corporate elites determine: what most of us read (in newspapers, magazines and books); what we see (in theaters and TV); what subjects are fit to be "public issues," permissible for discussion and debate; what modes of transportation we will have; how our food and fiber will be grown, processed and marketed; what products will be made by what technologies using what raw materials and which manufacturing techniques; how our work will be defined, organized and compensated; how much toxic contamination will be present in our air,

water, soil and food; and who will have enough money to run an election campaign and who will not.

U.S. corporations' share of U.S. income taxes collected during the 1950s was 39 percent. During the 1980s the corporate share dropped to sixteen percent.

The tax reform act of 1986 reduced the taxes of the worker earning between \$10,000 and \$20,000 annually by the astounding sum of six percent while those making \$1,000,000 or more had their taxes cut by 31 percent.

The wealthy and their corporations used these tax windfalls to considerable advantage. They bought other corporations and moved millions of jobs out of the country to Indonesia, the Philippines and Mexico where workers must work for far less than their American counterparts. This saved them more money which they could easily afford to use for financing sympathetic candidates' campaigns for public office. They inflated the cost of political campaigns.

In the 1994 election cycle, the winner of a seat in the U.S. House of Representatives spent, on the average, \$518,000 while the loser

spent \$239,000. The winner of a seat in the Senate spent, on the average, \$4.1 million and the loser \$3.4 million.

The winners outspent their opponents in 86 percent of all House races and 88 percent of Senate contests. These winners owe something to their beneficiaries—favorable legislation, tax subsidies, lax regulation or complete deregulation of their activities.

If they do not deliver the goods during their terms, they will not get that campaign money again.

The corporate elite have gained control of our government with their dollars and the results have been disastrous for the American worker and the environment.

Studies conducted in the state of New York have estimated that 50,000 to 70,000 workers die in the U.S. from chronic occupational diseases resulting from past exposures to toxic substances.

The corporations are wrecking the environment, killing us and our children and making us sick, and sending our jobs overseas and buying our elections.

They control our "reality" by limiting what we are told. According to Ben Badikian, author of *The Media Monopoly*, twenty

huge corporations control more than half of U.S. media outlets.

What we need is more active citizen participation to protect democracy.

We Californians can vote for Calping's campaign finance reform measure on the ballot in November. It's a start, but what we really need are publicly financed elections. The other thing we can do is vote for Ralph Nader, the Green Party candidate, for president.

Ralph Nader has been fighting corporate power and abuses on behalf of workers, consumers, taxpayers, and the environment for decades.

His civic leadership has resulted in improved auto safety, the Freedom of Information Act, OSHA, EPA, the Consumer Product Safety Commission, the Safe Water Drinking Act and meat and poultry inspection Laws.

He will represent those of us who are not rich, which is most of us.

Ed Oberweiser is a Spartan Daily Staff Writer.

Letter to the Editor

Information tents give students help

We sincerely hope that new and continuing students found the 4 Information Tents helpful and informative during the first two days of classes. Even during this age of high tech tools, there is little that can replace the warm friendly smile and assistance from a knowledgeable student or staff member. A sincere THANK YOU is extended to everyone that helped make a difference to over 8,000 students in that two day span. A special note of appreciation to the staff and students in Student Outreach and

Recruitment, the Student Life Center and the President's Office for making this program a huge success. Best wishes to all for a wonderful and productive semester.

Warm regards,

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SPARTA GUIDE

SJSU's Weekly Calendar

TODAY

Contravention: SJSU's Student Theatre Group
First General Meeting
 6:00pm
 Hugh Gillis Hall 226; call Lance: 270-0857 ext.53

Asian Student Union
 Ladies' Night, ladies free all night!
 9:00pm-2:00am
 Club Bien Bien, San Francisco; call Jeff C. 787-0683

MONDAY

No school Monday

WEDNESDAY

Pre-Law Club
 5:30 pm
 Hugh Gillis Hall 215; call Chris 985-9713

Associated Students Program Board
 A welcome day concert by The Supernaturals
 12:00pm
 Student Union Amphitheatre; call events line 924-6261

Re-Entry Advisory Program (REAP)
 Brown bag lunch-welcome to SJSU
 12:00-1:30pm
 Pacheco room, Student Union; call Jane Boyd 924-5950

Liberal Studies Society
 Coordinator's reception- food, games, fun!
 3:00pm-5:00pm
 Pacheco room, Student Union; call Consuela 379-5293

Lutheran Student Fellowship
 Bible brown bag
 1:30pm-2:30pm
 Montalvo room, Student Union; call D. Hawkins 292-5404

Career Center
 Recruiting services orientation
 5:30pm
 Almaden room, Student Union; call Career Resource Center 924-6033

Career Center
 Co-op orientation
 12:30pm
 Costanoan room, Student Union; call Career Resource Center 924-6033

Nu Alpha Kappa
 Rush social
 7:00pm
 Jack's Pizza, 1468 Monterey Rd., San Jose; call Eliseo 297-0374

M.E.Ch.A.
 First meeting
 3:00pm
 Chicano Resource Center; call Kochilt 295-4318

AAAE (American Association of Airport Executives)
 First meeting of the semester; free pizza
 6:00pm
 AB 108; call Steve 277-0143

Chi Pi Sigma (coed law enforcement) Fraternity
 Rush Table
 8:00am-12:30pm
 MacQuarrie Hall, fifth floor; call John Czerniec 998-8433

PEOPLE

ALL THE GOSSIP THAT'S FIT TO PRINT

Brooke goes for broke

NEW YORK (AP) — The romance between Brooke Shields and tennis star Andre Agassi was no instant match.

"At first I fought our being together," Shields confessed in Sunday's Parade magazine. "I kept thinking, this is where I bolt and say, 'Thanks for the experience.' Instead, we became engaged."

Making that step was hard, said Shields, who once "preferred crushes and unrequited love, because a real romance threatened my relationship with my mother."

Shields, 31, is now a fixture at her fiancé's matches — although that could change because of her other recent commitment, a new NBC series, "Suddenly Susan." But she said she and Agassi will walk down the aisle in the near future.

"We haven't set a date, but we will not be one of those perpetually engaged couples," she said.

Oasis OK

LONDON (AP) — Laryngitis and household obligations prevented Liam Gallagher from joining his band Oasis this week — not a much-rumored tiff with his brother.

So said the band's lead singer before flying to the United States to join the group's tour Thursday.

Earlier in the week, Gallagher refused to board a Chicago-bound plane with the rest of the band.

Gallagher said he pulled out because of laryngitis and problems moving with his actress girlfriend Patsy Kensit. He denied there was a rift with his brother, Noel, who filled in at Tuesday's opening show near Chicago.

"Me and Noel are all right. We have had chats and that," said the 23-year-old Gallagher, who had shaved off his trademark stubble. "He can't wait to see me."

Model wants Vincent back

MISSION VIEJO, Calif. (AP) — Jan Michael Vincent's girlfriend wants him back — if he can kick his alcohol and drug problems.

"I love him and want to restore our relationship, but he has to show me he can stay clean and sober," Lisa Marie Chifalfo said in Thursday's USA Today.

The 52-year-old "Airwolf" TV star broke his neck in a car crash Monday, and police are investigating whether he was drunk. He is in serious condition.

Chifalfo said she once won a \$400,000 judgment against him after he kicked her in the belly, causing her to suffer a miscarriage.

"I was only beaten once, and it was because he was on drugs," the 34-year-old model said. "If you knew the other side of him, when we'd go fishing and bowling, you'd understand how kind he was."

Bardot begs for mercy

PARIS (AP) — Brigitte Bardot, who has used her screen fame on behalf of dolphins, wolves and rabbits, has written to U.S. senators asking them to end a NASA project that sends monkeys into space.

The U.S.-French-Russian Bion project studies the effects of weightlessness on the animals.

"Fourteen electrode wires sunk into seven muscles in the monkeys' arms and legs tunnel under their skin and exit from a hole carved in their backs," wrote the actress, who retired from the screen in 1974.

In her letter, Bardot asked the United States to stop funding the 20-year-old project.

"Researchers surgically bury a thermometer in each animal's abdomen; a wire in the thermometer exits the monkeys from yet another hole cut in their backs," she wrote.

A NASA spokesman called the description

"incorrect and dramatized."
 "The thermometer is the size of a piece of grain," Michael Braukus said. "The wire is thin as a hair."

Olympian gives kidney

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. (AP) — An Olympic athlete whose brother needed a kidney donated one of her own during surgery that doctors said went flawlessly.

Missy Schwen, a silver medalist in pairs rowing, gave one of her kidneys to her older brother, Michael Towles-Schwen. The surgery took place Wednesday in Chicago.

Schwen, 24, should be able to compete again. Surgeons were careful to make a small incision, according to Tom Schwen, the athlete's father.

During a visit to the White House with the U.S. Olympic team, Missy Schwen asked President Clinton to write a get-well card to her brother. She planned to surprise him with it during his recovery.

Shue seeks harder core

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Elizabeth Shue says she's ready for more roles like the one she had in the dark and gritty "Leaving Las Vegas."

Shue, 33, didn't always feel that way, admitting she was content early in her career with lovable, girl-next-door roles in such movies as "Cocktail" and "Back to the Future." She played a prostitute in "Leaving Las Vegas."

"There are some actresses, like Gwyneth Paltrow, who at a very early age have an intensity, an ability and a body of experience that allows them to reveal all that in a role," Shue said in Thursday's Orange County Register.

"I was very different. I was not able to express who I was. I wasn't honest with all the complexities of my personality so I wasn't drawn to complex characters."

Fire dog

Dog playing with matches starts house fire

KELSO, Wash. (AP) — Officially, the cause of fire at Matthew Gould's home is listed as dog playing with matches.

Gould, 22, was awakened by a smoke alarm early Wednesday and saw flames in a bedroom.

He said he called firefighters, doused the fire and discovered that Sadie, his 5-month-old German shepherd mix, had gnawed into a

cardboard box containing matches.

"This is a first," said fire Capt. Mark Maker.

"The cause of the fire officially is a dog playing with matches. Somehow she chewed ... just right and didn't slobber enough."

Gould was relieved when firefighters believed his story. "I was afraid those guys thought I was

playing with matches or something," he said.

Sadie may have chewed her way right out of a home.

"We've been talking about getting rid of her for a while now," Gould said, "and this kind of put it over the top."

'Chemical castration' law nears passage

SACRAMENTO (AP) — The state that took a hard line on criminals with its "three strikes" legislation is now about to adopt the nation's first law requiring repeat child molesters to undergo chemical castration.

Despite protests from civil libertarians and warnings from therapists that the injections won't curb some molesters' appetites, Gov. Pete Wilson has said he will sign the bill, which requires two-time sex offenders to take the hormone-suppressing drug Depo-Provera upon parole.

Drafted by a victims' rights activist and introduced by Assemblyman Bill Hoge, a Republican from Pasadena, the bill has received near-unanimous votes in both houses of the Legislature. It faces a final vote in the Assembly this week.

Similar legislative efforts are under way in Texas, Massachusetts and Wisconsin.

The weekly drug injections

would be optional after a first molestation offense and mandatory after a second crime against a child under 13. Offenders could choose to be surgically castrated instead. Unlike surgical castration, the injections eventually wear off.

The American Civil Liberties Union has already promised a legal challenge.

"This bill poses serious, unresolved legal problems regarding some very fundamental constitutional rights, including the right to privacy, the right to procreate, and the right to exercise control over one's body," the ACLU said.

The injections are seen as a way of fighting what is often a compulsive type of behavior.

Attorney General Janet Reno has put the repeat-offender rate among child molesters at as high as 75 percent. Other estimates are even higher.

Backers of the bill cite studies in European countries with chemical castration laws. Hoge said repeat-

"We're not talking about cutting off their testicles. Maybe someday, but not now."

Susan Carpenter-McMillan executive director of the Pasadena Women's Coalition

offender rates among child molesters in Europe have dropped from almost 100 percent to just 2 percent.

But experts who deal with sex criminals have doubts about chemical castration's universal effectiveness.

"The notion that we can just give dangerous offenders a shot and not have to worry about them can be misleading," said Dr. Fred Berlin, founder of the Sexual

Disorders Clinic at Johns Hopkins University.

Nancy O'Malley, a prosecutor in Alameda County who has handled sexual assault cases for 10 years, agreed, saying some child molesters are motivated not by sexual desire for children but by a need for power and control.

"Chemical castration isn't going to change that," she said.

The treatment of child molesters varies around the country. Some are sometimes locked up and given counseling, others, depending on the facilities of the state, receive no therapy at all.

The castration bill is the latest development in California's get-tough approach to criminal justice. Voters in 1994 passed a "three

Swami sentenced for scamming

Mainstream Krishnas hope saga behind them with sentencing

MARTINSBURG, W.Va. (AP) — Mainstream Hare Krishnas expressed hope that the sentencing of a former Krishna leader for racketeering puts an end to an ugly saga that hurt many people in and out of the religion.

Swami Bhaktipada was sentenced Wednesday to the maximum 20 years and was fined \$250,000.

He pleaded guilty to a racketeering charge that accused him of amassing millions through fundraising scams and conspiring to murder two followers in 1983 and 1986 after they threatened to cause his downfall with rumors that he was a homosexual and a child molester. Despite the plea, he denied involvement in the slayings.

Anuttama dasa, spokesman for the International Society of Krishna Consciousness, said the

sentence was justified given the pain Bhaktipada caused.

"It's unfortunate that many people are still affected by his improprieties. For one, the entire Krishna community has suffered. Some of the things he did set back the positive things we're trying to do," he said from his office in Rockville, Md.

"On behalf of the whole movement, we're happy to see this come to a conclusion," he said.

Bhaktipada, whose Krishna commune at New Vrindaban was once the nation's largest, could have his sentence modified after a medical evaluation.

Bhaktipada, 59, suffers from severe asthma, hypertension and has been weakened by the effects of childhood polio. He has walked with a cane since he was beaten by a devotee in 1985.

The International Society for Krishna Consciousness expelled his group in 1987 for straying from its teachings. And Bhaktipada is no longer allowed to live or teach at New Vrindaban, a community 60 miles southwest of Pittsburgh that he started in 1968.

At the sentencing hearing, Bhaktipada smiled and, at one point, turned to acknowledge devotees sitting behind him.

"Whatever the Lord does, I accept," he said.

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Clinton vows to champion families

'Hope is back in America,' he tells Demos in finale

CHICAGO (AP) — In a rousing climax to the Democratic convention, President Clinton appealed for a second term Thursday night by offering himself as a champion of working families ready to lead America "into a new century of new challenge and new promise."

Accepting the Democratic nomination for a second time, Clinton took credit for reviving the economy while cutting the deficit, welfare rolls and crime — and for holding the line against Republican budget cuts he said would have gutted Medicare and education.

"Hope is back in America," Clinton declared in a 66-minute acceptance speech that ended with Chicago's United Center hall in a confident, celebratory frenzy, 150,000 balloons and endless rain of confetti streaming down on delegates convinced the White House would be theirs for four more years.

Clinton's speech was the finale

of a convention remarkable for its unity — long an elusive Democratic commodity but now abundant in a party chastened by its 1994 loss of Congress and suddenly again confident in its 50-year-old leader.

While Democrats were upbeat, the embarrassing resignation of Clinton's top campaign strategist, Dick Morris, distracted somewhat from a convention celebration that also included renomination of Vice President Al Gore.

Clinton saluted his Republican opponent, Bob Dole, for his military and government service and promised he would not attack his opponents personally or tolerate such attacks by his supporters. He had the luxury to make such a vow, enjoying a solid lead in the polls over Dole and Reform Party candidate Ross Perot.

But Clinton did not hesitate to draw a long line of sharp policy differences with Dole, casting him as partner to GOP proposals that

would have put gaping holes in the social safety net. Now, Clinton said, Dole was pushing a "risky" \$548 billion tax-cut plan that would balloon the deficit or require even deeper budget cuts than Republicans proposed last year.

"The real choice is about whether we will build a bridge to the future or a bridge to the past," Clinton said in drawing a contrast with his 73-year-old rival. "About whether we believe our best days are ahead or behind us, about whether we want a country of people working together, or one where you're on your own. Tonight, let us commit ourselves to rise up and build that bridge to the 21st century."

With four more years, Clinton said he would enact a grab bag of tax cuts targeted to working families, including a \$500 per child tax credit and incentives to pay for vocational and college education. Also on his wish list: tax incentives to convince businesses to hire welfare recipients, and an expansion of his national service program to create a new literacy corps to teach youngsters to read.

Clinton said his taxes were "paid for line by line, and dime by dime" in a balanced budget plan he said

would be quickly enacted if voters returned him to office and sent along a Democratic Congress.

In California, Dole said Clinton's 1993 tax increase should be a reminder to voters enticed by the incumbent's modest new tax cut proposals. "Don't believe him," Dole said.

Looking abroad, Clinton took credit for progress toward peace in the Middle East, Haiti and Northern Ireland and vowed a relentless fight against terrorism, singling out Libya and Iran as international outlaws. "America must act, and America must lead," he said.

The Democrats were heading out onto the campaign trail in an unfamiliar position: Heavily favored to win. Not since Franklin Roosevelt in 1944 has a Democratic incumbent been re-elected, and Clinton's 1992 victory was only the second for a Democrat in the seven presidential elections of the past 30 years.

Several national surveys suggested Clinton led by 15 points or more as he officially opened his campaign against Dole. Looking to keep the momentum, he was embarking Friday with Gore and their wives on a two-day bus trip



President Bill Clinton campaigning at SJSU in 1992.

FILE PHOTO

modeled on their 1992 post-convention journey. Clinton and Gore lingered long in the hall shaking hands, as delegates danced one last Macarena — the latin dance that became a convention trademark.

Democratic speakers marveled at the turn of events, recalling that Clinton and the party were given up for dead after Republicans

seized Congress two years ago. "Not so long ago, this was thought to be a lost election," Sen. Edward M. Kennedy said as he warmed to delegates for Clinton's speech, one of three Kennedys in Congress to speak on the final night. "In 1996, we are proud of who we are, proud of where we stand, and proud of who leads us."

Top adviser to president resigns after tabloid report

CHICAGO (AP) — President Clinton's top political adviser, Dick Morris, resigned Thursday after a tabloid reported that he had a relationship with a prostitute and allowed her to eavesdrop on calls to the White House.

In a seven-paragraph statement issued by the White House, Morris said he resigned Wednesday night.

"While I served I sought to avoid the limelight because I did not want to become the message. Now, I resign so I will not become the issue," he wrote.

His response to the report itself: "I will not subject my wife, family or friends to the sadistic vitriol of yellow journalism."

It was an enormous distraction for Clinton just as he was preparing his evening address to accept the Democratic nomination.

Morris, who had left Chicago for his home in Connecticut, said in his statement that he was honored to help the president "come back from being buried in a landslide and make it possible for him to have a second chance at a second term."

He called Clinton "a great president and a great man."

The former Republican consultant, who worked for Clinton in the 1980s, thanked the Democratic Party for "allowing me to return."

The timing of the episode could not have been worse for the president: Clinton is scheduled to accept the Democratic presidential nomination tonight. Campaign meetings designed to focus on fine-tuning the president's speech instead were dominated by the Morris controversy.

Morris has always been a controversial figure in the White House, condemned by liberals who disagreed with his strategy of having Clinton coopt Republican issues.

The New York Post published an account of a story from the Star that said two days before the start of the Democratic convention, Morris showed Sherry

Rowlands copies of the speeches Hillary Rodham Clinton and Vice President Al Gore would deliver days later.

On another occasion early in their relationship, the paper said, Morris called the president and held out the telephone so Miss Rowlands could hear Clinton. "There was no doubt about it, it was The Man," the Star quoted her as writing in her diary. "I was finally impressed."

The Post quoted Phil Bunton, editor-in-chief of the Star as saying Miss Rowlands came to the tabloid with the information in mid-July and that "she kept this diary of all the things he told her."

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Two million Palestinians protest Israel's policy

Arafat calls general strike in response to expansion of Jewish settlements

RAMALLAH, West Bank (AP) — Showing a united front against Israel's hard-line government, Palestinians staged a general strike Thursday in the West Bank, Gaza Strip and east Jerusalem to protest the planned expansion of Jewish settlements.

The strike, called by Yasser Arafat and observed by nearly all two million Palestinians in the area, was seen as a warning that Palestinians would no longer put up with what they see as Israel's foot-dragging in peace talks.

It also marked the first open confrontation since the May election of Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu.

The strike — the first ordered by Arafat since the start of Palestinian self-rule in May 1994 — closed shops and schools and halted transportation in the region.

The action had little impact on the Israeli economy, but provided a boost for Arafat, increasingly criticized at home for failing to get Netanyahu to budge on the peace process.

"It's our battle for Jerusalem, and I think it is now or never," said Abed Nasser Adin, among some 90 percent of shopkeepers in the West Bank town of Hebron to observe the strike.

Arafat's strike call — which some seemed to be heeding under pressure by Arafat's security forces — came in response to Israeli plans to build 900 apartments in the Jewish settlement of Kiryat Sefer and Tuesday's demolition of a Palestinian youth center in disputed east Jerusalem.

The apartments would end a four-year curb on settlement expansion in the West Bank.

Defense Minister Yitzhak Mordechai this week approved building a total of 2,000 new homes in West Bank settlements, Israel radio reported Thursday.

Palestinians also have become increasingly bitter about Netanyahu's refusal to meet with Arafat and his failure to commit himself to an overdue troop rollback from Hebron, the last West Bank city under

Israeli control.

Palestinian legislator Hanan Ashrawi described Thursday's protest as "the first step to bring to the attention of the Israelis and the rest of the world that we have a serious problem here."

In Gaza City, where Arafat's office is located, streets were empty of traffic and shopkeepers sat along the roads. Children stayed indoors.

In the West Bank town of Ramallah, where most shops remained closed, members of Arafat's security forces patrolled the business districts coaxing those who defied the strike to close down.

Israeli radio said the army was on high alert and had increased security checks at crossing points into the Jewish state.

Arafat's strike call came Wednesday, during his harshest attack yet on Netanyahu's 3-month-old government. "They declared war on us," he said.

Netanyahu responded angrily, saying Israel takes "a very grave view" of what he called an attempt to escalate violence and harm the peace process.

General strikes were commonly used during the 1987-1993 uprising against Israeli occupation.

As rhetoric between the would-be peace

"The process is collapsing.

Khalil Shikaki
director of independent Palestinian think-tank

partners grew, Khalil Shikaki, director of an independent Palestinian think-tank in the West Bank, warned the threat of violence is "very serious and very present."

"The process is collapsing, and this is the time when groups which have used violence in the past might find a golden opportunity to show themselves as saviors, and show they can answer the Israeli intransigence," he said.

In what appeared to be an immediate accomplishment for the Palestinians, the two sides' top negotiators, Dan Shomron and Saeb Erakat, held an unscheduled meeting Thursday.

Erakat, a member of Arafat's Cabinet, told his Israeli counterpart that the Palestinians remained committed to the peace talks, but were impatient because of the slow pace.

In Ramallah, Jordanian Prime Minister Abdul-Karim Kabariti met with Arafat and promised that his country would intercede with Israel on behalf of the Palestinians.

In a veiled warning, Kabariti said Jordan would not stand by if Israel harmed the rights of Muslims in Jerusalem, a city sacred to Judaism, Islam and Christianity.

The Palestinians want east Jerusalem, which Israel captured from Jordan in the 1967 Mideast war, as a future capital.

Netanyahu has said he will not negotiate over the city, although the Israel-PLO agreements call for its future to be determined in talks on a final peace settlement.

Faisal Hussein, the top Palestinian official in Jerusalem, said the prayer call was intended to test Israel's claim it assures freedom of worship in the disputed city.

Arafat also urged Palestinians to attend Friday noon prayers at Jerusalem's Al Aqsa Mosque in large numbers, suggesting they should defy Israel's six-month blockade of the West Bank and Gaza that bars Palestinians from entering Israel.

Reports of rebel activity, clashes in three Mexican states

TLAXIACO, Mexico (AP) — Members of a little-known rebel group staged widespread raids in three southern Mexican states, fighting with police in clashes that killed at least 12 people.

The bloodiest clashes occurred early Thursday in the popular Pacific Coast resort city of Huatulco, in Oaxaca state, where at least nine people were killed. None of the victims were reported to be tourists.

The attacks by the Popular Revolutionary Army called into question the government's earlier suggestions that the group was neither a serious threat nor an actual rebel movement.

Since the group first appeared on June 28 near the resort of Acapulco, some officials have repeatedly suggested it was a "pantomime" limited to the state of Guerrero.

The first attack in Oaxaca happened at 10 p.m. Wednesday, in the mountain city of Tlaxiaco, when about 60 masked men wearing camouflage uniforms

raided city hall. Police said the rebels were armed with AK-47 automatic rifles.

Police commander Juan Feliciano Arango Dias said the attack killed at least two officers, and that one was missing.

The attackers, who wore civilian sweaters over their uniforms against the cold, left behind leaflets and manifestos of their group, known by its Mexican acronym EPR. They painted slogans on houses, "Long Live the EPR! With the Popular Struggle It Will Triumph!"

Blood stained the entrance and passageways of city hall this morning, and bullet marks scarred the main door and nearby trees in the town plaza. The streets were empty except for military patrols every block or two.

In the second Oaxaca attack, about 80 heavily armed rebels staged raids just after midnight in Huatulco, about 100 miles south of the state capital.

They simultaneously attacked the town plaza, the naval post and the offices of the prosecutor and the federal police.

The Oaxaca state government said that at least nine people were killed: two police, three soldiers, two civilians and two attackers. The government did not name the attackers, but Oaxaca city police and Mexican television stations blamed the EPR.

A woman who answered the phone at the Hotel Sheraton, one of the resort's most fashionable, said: "There was only a little clash in the town last night and a few wounded but the hotel zone was not affected."

In neighboring Guerrero state, officials said that unidentified assailants fought with police near the town of Tixtla, east of the capital Chilpancingo, killing at least one officer and injuring four others.

And in Chiapas state, federal highway police said apparent members of the EPR briefly blocked a high-

way between the state capital and the town of San Cristobal de Las Casas.

Chiapas was the scene of brief fighting in early 1994 between federal troops and rebels with the Zapatista National Liberation group. The Zapatista, who seek better living conditions for the state's poor, indigenous Indians, have been holding peace talks for months with the government.

Little has been discovered about the EPR since several dozen masked, uniformed men and women carrying automatic weapons appeared at a June 28 memorial service for peasants slain by police in the western state of Guerrero.

The group distributed its manifesto to journalists, including two from The Associated Press, at a meeting earlier this month in central Mexico. Claiming an affiliation with the previously unknown Popular Democratic Revolutionary Party, the rebels spelled out a leftist political platform.

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Sports at a glance

Schedule

Football

◆ The Spartans begin their inaugural season in the WAC 11 a.m. Saturday in Colorado Springs when they attempt to slow down QB Beau Morgan and the rest of the potent Air Force offense. **See story on page 7.**

Volleyball

◆ The women's volleyball team begins its season today in Stockton where they will take part in a tournament hosted by former Big West foes, the Tigers from the University of Pacific. **See story on page 6.**

Men's soccer

◆ The Spartans begin their season 7:30 p.m. tonight at Spartan Stadium when they meet Cal State University Stanislaus.

Women's soccer

◆ The women's team opens its second season as an SJSU sport when it plays at Spartan Stadium 11 a.m. Saturday, against Pepperdine.

Cross Country

◆ The team will be off and running September 7 at the San Diego State Invitational.

News & notes

Water polo

◆ Women's water polo was named the newest intercollegiate sport at SJSU. The team begins play in Spring of 1997.

Women's golf

◆ The large shoes vacated when SJSU coaching legend Mark Gayle announced his retirement prior to the Spartan's second place finish in the NCAA tournament in May will be former SJSU golfer and UOP coach Eric Arnold.

Judo

◆ SJSU Judo coach Yosh Uchida is one of four people who will be inducted into the San Jose Sports Hall of Fame 5:30 p.m. October 8 on the concourse at the San Jose Arena.

Volleyball team prepares; realizes challenge of WAC

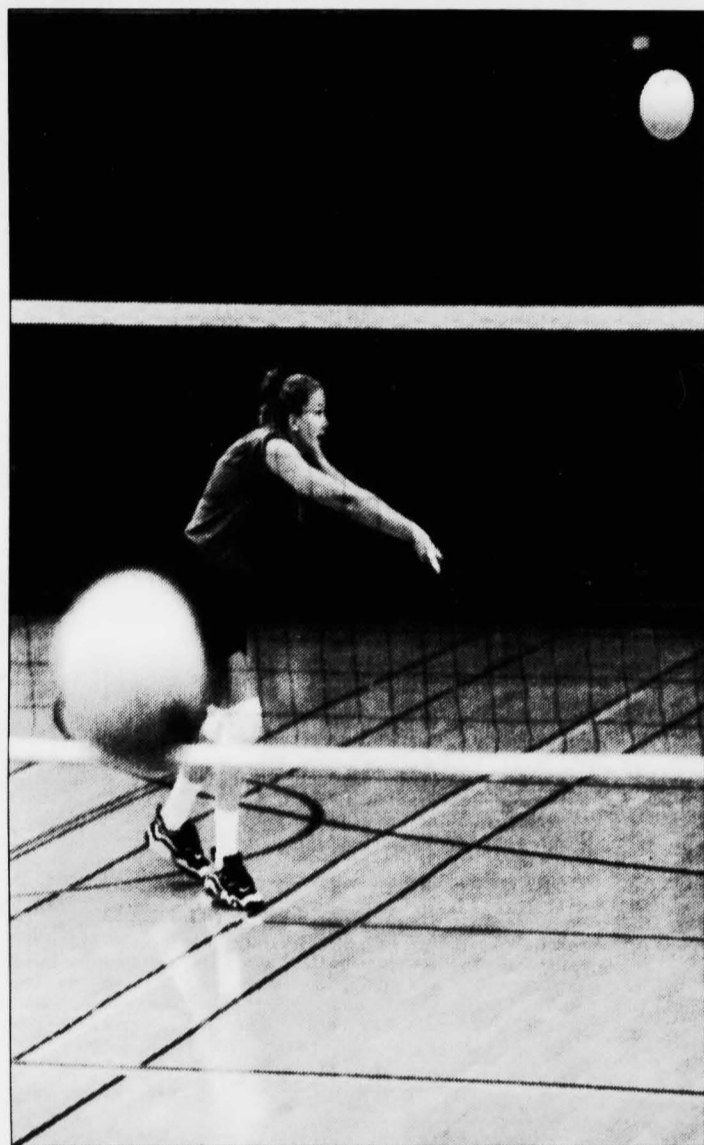


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Senior Brooke Jones practices a passing drill on Thursday with her fellow Spartans. The volleyball team begins its season on Saturday against Sacramento State at the University of the Pacific tournament in Stockton. The first home game is on Sept. 12, against Providence, Rhode Island.

By Marcus Walton
Spartan Daily Staff Writer

Football coach John Ralston said he believes his team can go undefeated in the Western Athletic Conference this season. Volleyball coach Craig Choate has no such fantasy for his squad — a berth in the WAC's first ever post-season conference tournament would satisfy him.

With the nation's top-ranked team, Hawai'i, joining perennial volleyball powerhouses San Diego State and Brigham Young University, ranked No. 10 and 19 respectively, in the WAC, Choate has no problem saying that he doesn't see his team winning the league.

"This is going to be an incredibly hard year," said Choate, who is entering his fourth year at SJSU. "The goal is not to win the confer-

ence, but to get to the WAC tournament. I don't care what our record is as long as we get to the tournament."

While some may say the team's goals should be to possibly repeat the 23-12 record of the 1994 season, reality says the team will struggle to turn in a mediocre record.

Coming off a 14-17 season in a mediocre Big West conference and the loss of Paola Paz Soldan and Melizza Benitez, two of last season's seniors, the Spartans are hurting in terms of maturity and playing experience as they begin play in the WAC, which is the No. 3 ranked women's volleyball conference in the country. No member of the team has more than one year of Division I volleyball experience. The team has two seniors, two juniors, three sophomores and two freshman.

Despite their relative youth and inexperience, the Spartans think the WAC tournament is within reach, considering the top 12 teams will be picked. Three of the WAC's 16 teams are entering their first year (University of Nevada, Las Vegas, Southern Methodist University and Texas Christian University) and the University of Tulsa is coming off winless season in which it won all of 8 games, which should give the Spartans an edge in the chase for a conference slot.

Despite their lack of experience, Spartan volleyball players see their youth as a long term positive.

"We're a real young team, but we are going to have the same people on the court for the next two to three years," said Angie Sylvas.

With two seniors who have little major college experience, the Spartans will look to Sylvas, a sophomore, for its offensive firepower.

Sylvas, a BWC All-Freshman team member, had 410 kills last season and will be the Spartans' leading offensive threat.

"She has to rise to this level of play," Choate said of his 6-foot outside hitter. "She's our biggest hitter. Physically, she's real nice and she can do it. She just has to mature into the game."

Even while faced with the prospect of starting across the net at Hawai'i, with returning All-American selections Robyn Ah Mow and Angelica Ljungquist, and SDSU, with two all-WAC team selections, SJSU volleyball players are confident they will at least reach postseason play.

"I don't think it's any different than the Big West," said Jones, the team's only starting senior. "We still play Hawai'i and (The University of California) Santa Barbara."

"This year we have a common goal and we have people who are willing to sacrifice the time and effort. I see this team growing and at the end of the season reaching a plateau and upsetting someone."

Team members hinted at dissension in last year's squad, but say they don't fear those problems this season.

"We get along really well this year," said Sylvas. "No one is arguing and everyone is getting along. That stuff cost us quite a few games last year. I think we have people this year who are willing to make sacrifices for the team."

Cone rejoins Yankees sooner than expected

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) — After missing almost four months, David Cone doesn't want to wait four more days.

Cone, who hasn't pitched for the New York Yankees since May 2 because of a small aneurysm in his right shoulder, rejoined the team Thursday at Anaheim Stadium for the opener of a four-game series.

Manager Joe Torre said Cone would start Monday in Oakland, partly because the Athletics have more right-handers in their lineup than the Angels and partly because Jimmy Key's elbow is OK after he was hit by a line drive in his last start.

"I'd pitch tonight if they wanted me to. I'd come out of the bullpen," said Cone, who has made two successful rehab starts in the minors and will throw on the side again before Friday night's game.

"I'm just anxious to get the first one out of the way. I'll take anything at all after the long layoff. That's how anxious I am to get back out there and make as many starts as I can."

Torre emphasized that the right-hander would not be used in relief, despite the fact closer John Wetteland is on the disabled list. Besides, Cone is capable of throwing as many as 100 pitches now, according to Torre.

"Why waste 100 pitches in Double-A if the team has a spot for me here?" said Cone, who was on the disabled list for the third time in his 11-year career and the first time since 1987 with the New York Mets.

"I didn't see the need to make another start in Double-A. I figured if I can throw 80-90 pitches in the minors, why stay down there, if I'm sharp and I'm able to mix my pitches?"

Cone, 33, has pitched only 40 innings for the Yankees this season, going 4-1 with a 2.03 ERA in six starts. He underwent tests on his right hand at Columbia-Presbyterian Medical Center on May 6, after missing his first start in nine years because of the circulatory condition that caused numbness in three fingers and his palm. Cone made one more start, beating the White Sox 5-1 at Yankee Stadium and underwent surgery May 10.

"When I first heard the word 'aneurysm,' I didn't know what it meant. I didn't know if I'd ever pitch again," Cone said. "I didn't know what the prognosis was, but I knew this day would come. It was just a matter of when. I don't even think about it anymore when I throw."

Cone made his second rehab start last Monday, throwing 83 pitches over six innings for Double-A Norwich and allowing an earned run on four hits with six strikeouts.

"I pushed them all along to let me back sooner, but they were very passive and I should be thankful for that," he said. "The organization hasn't pushed me at all. In fact, I really pushed them, to prove I was ready."

The 1994 AL Cy Young Award winner, who has gained a reputation over the past five seasons as a rent-a-pitcher for pennant-hungry teams, hopes to help stop a 6-12 slide that cut the Yankees' AL East from 12 games to four.

"Just pitching is not enough for me," Cone said. "I want to pitch well and be a part of this team and be one of the reasons we get into the playoffs. If I fell on my face, it would be a disappointment. But now I'm getting greedy and I want to pitch well."

Martinezes duel; Ramon victorious

MONTREAL (AP) — Ramon Martinez beat his younger brother Pedro, limiting Montreal to three hits in eight-plus innings Thursday night to lead the Los Angeles Dodgers to a 2-1 victory over the Montreal Expos.

Mike Piazza and Eric Karros hit consecutive home runs in the fourth inning for the Dodgers.

Pitching against his brother for the first time, Ramon Martinez (11-6) improved to 6-0 in his last seven starts against Montreal. He struck out seven and left after allowing his fifth walk.

Todd Worrell stranded the tying run at second in the ninth and got his 36th save.

The 28-year-old right-hander, 9-0 in his last four starts, issued a bases-loaded walk to David Segui in the third. He then retired 13 straight batters before walking his 24-year-old brother with two outs in the seventh. It was his second complete game of the season and 35th of his career.

Pedro Martinez (11-9) allowed two runs on six hits, striking out a career-high 12 and walking one. It was the right-hander's fourth complete game of the season and seventh overall.

The victory was the sixth out of seven games for the Dodgers who are now a game and half in front of Montreal for the National League Wild Card spot.

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As usual for the first week of school, students wait in the infamous "cashiering line" outside Wahlquist South on Wednesday.

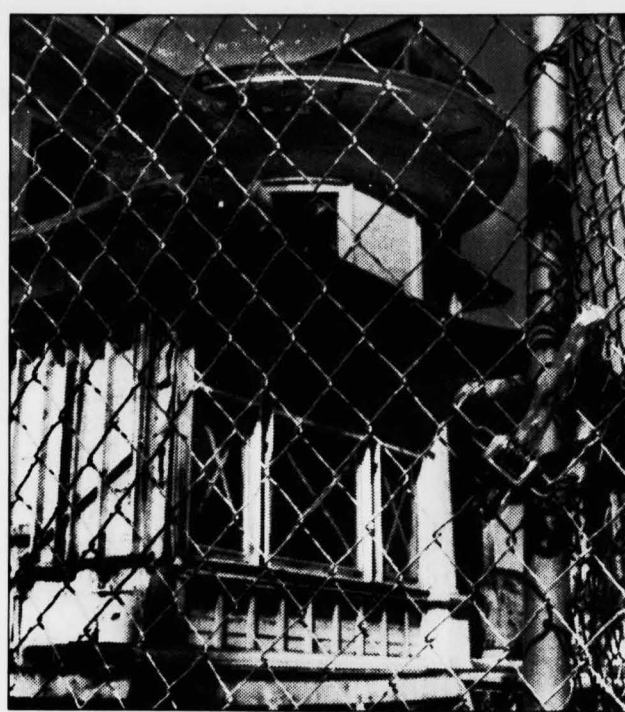


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The Scheller House, also known as Building DD, stands chained up and largely ignored. Renovation plans, however, may soon free the historic structure and reassert its presence in the campus community.

House

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SJSU when the state of California purchased the property for campus expansion back in the 1960s. It housed faculty offices and the departments of African-American studies and urban regional planning until around 1990, when it became a vacant building.

"The house could qualify for the National Register of Historic Places," said Jack Douglas, head of SJSU's special collections and archives, in a 1991 "Campus Voice" article, "but since it has been state property for so long, it has not been possible to include it on any of the city's historic inventories." Douglas, a longtime supporter of the Scheller House, is out of the country and unavailable for comment.

Freeman questioned the historical significance of the Scheller House, which was named after District Attorney Victor Scheller, then the youngest man to have been elected district attorney in the state.

Scheller was also one of the organizers of the San Jose Chamber of Commerce in 1900.

He resided in the house with his sister's family after Theodore Lenzen, San Jose's most prominent architect in the late 1860s, designed the house in 1904. The Scheller House is one of the last remaining examples of Lenzen's work in San Jose.

Defending the house's shaky past, Freeman said the university's first obligation is to provide educational facilities, though, he adds, "the building's historical value was a constant issue."

Pacing polar bears may get Prozac

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Polar bears on Prozac?

The San Diego Zoo's furry white carnivores have taken to pacing back and forth in their new, \$5 million Polar Bear Plunge enclosure, and zookeepers say the drug could be used to alter the annoying behavior.

But the San Diego polar bears won't be popping pills anytime soon. Animal behaviorists hope to use reinforcement techniques to fix whatever is causing the pacing — not just mask it with chemicals.

"Some zoos, we've heard, have given Prozac to animals, but that's not in our plans," said JoAnne Simerson, an animal behaviorist. "Down the road we may revisit that option."

The new exhibit allows visitors to watch the bears swimming in a 130,000-gallon pool and playing — or pacing — on 5,500 square feet of beach. A side of the pool is lined by huge windows for underwater viewing.

It's not clear why females Bonnie, Shakari and Chimook repeatedly walk 10 feet, turn around and return. A male bear, Castor, used to pace in an old enclosure but doesn't anymore.

The female bears don't pace all the time — just long enough to concern their keepers and visi-

tors. A zoo official has been posted at the exhibit to answer questions about the pacing and the bears in general.

Other zoos have reported the behavior, and some observers have reported seeing wild polar bears pace near food sources.

Perhaps the bears are bored or need more room to run around, experts say. Others believe it's a sign of stress, a way to mark territory or even a natural behavior that has no explanation at all.

"It certainly looks like a harmful behavior, but if you take emotion out of it, we see them as kind of channel surfing — a mindless thing like someone who sits in a rocking chair and rocks and rocks," Simerson said.

Although most zoo visitors say the pacing isn't unbearable, zookeepers want to better understand and ultimately change the behavior to something less unvarying.

"I read in the newspaper all the negative things, but I don't think it's that bad," said Lori Gohranson of San Diego. "They could be bored, but then again they might be doing their traveling. I think it's a neat exhibit."

"If you saw them hurting themselves, it would be different," she said. "It's something that they do. It doesn't bother me."

So far, behaviorists have tried placing logs in the bears' paths, but the bears continued their pacing around the barriers. Zookeepers are also increasing activities such as fishing and playing.

But the best hope for changing the behavior remains with reinforcing nonpacing activities, Simerson said. That means the animals get some sort of positive reward such as food whenever they stop the repetitive march.

"The biggest response was using camel hair," Simerson said. "They loved it — real stinky. We don't always want to use food because they're on diets. If it's just food, all we're doing is making a feeding behavior."

During a recent visit to the enclosure, Chimook was seen pacing but eventually jumped into the pool to the delight of spectators. When the bear jumped out, he was corralled in a special area for the reinforcement.

Meanwhile, zookeepers string an olfactory reward, camel hair, on the trees and dropped off cow femurs — apparently a polar bear delicacy.

Once zookeepers have a better idea of what causes the pacing, they might be able to make more changes in the exhibit. If the bears need more room to run,

for instance, a treadmill might be set up, Simerson said. Implants might also be used to monitor stress, he added.

The polar bear exhibit, which is believed to be the largest in the world, opened in June to large crowds.

It has quickly become the most popular enclosure at the zoo, said spokeswoman Georgeanne Irvine.

No conclusion on additive's effects

TRENTON, N.J. (AP) — Linda Maetti has spent thousands on air filters and medical care since she began getting horrible headaches, crippling neck pain and nausea four years ago.

Barry Dorfman avoids driving in heavy traffic and works from home whenever possible because of similar ills and breathing difficulties.

Andrea Nesbitt makes a 100-mile round-trip drive from her suburban New Jersey home to the Pennsylvania countryside each week just to fill her car's gas tank.

Why? Like Maetti, Dorfman and others in New Jersey and several other states, she blames mysterious symptoms — headaches, eye and nose irritation, heart palpitations, dizziness and nausea — on the gasoline additive MTBE.

"It has so devastated my life that I have to go to Lancaster (County, Pa.) to be able to have some function," says Nesbitt, a writer in her 40s who is considering uprooting her family for Lancaster's MTBE-free air.

Methyl tertiary butyl ether, a derivative of natural gas, is added to gasoline to boost its oxygen content and make it burn more cleanly. It is used as part of federally mandated efforts to improve air quality in the nation's most polluted areas, densely populated regions with some 73 million residents, including all of New Jersey.

"I believe everybody's being harmed by it," says Dorfman, a 42-year-old pension consultant. "We're just the first to be aware of it."

MTBE makers say it is safe and was carefully tested before it began replacing lead in high-octane gas-

oline in 1979. They blame health complaints on media coverage of people angered because gas containing MTBE costs several cents more per gallon, cuts mileage a few percent and has a more unpleasant odor than regular gas.

Despite dozens of studies worldwide, most researchers seem only able to agree they don't know enough about its short-term or long-term impact.

"Reformulated" gas containing nearly 11 percent MTBE is intended to reduce emissions of benzene and other toxins and cut ground-level ozone (smog). In some areas, including northern New Jersey, gasoline with about 15 percent MTBE, known as "oxygenated" fuel, is used in winter months to reduce carbon monoxide emissions.

Opponents say any reduced pollution comes at the cost of a new health hazard.

"When I go to the gas station, I get extremely nauseous and throw up," said Maetti, a 46-year-old accountant. "If I get stuck in traffic, I get completely disoriented and have to pull over."

Such concerns led Barry Grossman, a salesman, to form the group Oxybusters in 1993 "to get rid of MTBE." By last fall, the group amassed petitions with about 15,000 signatures urging a ban in New Jersey.

Actually, people aren't reporting symptoms everywhere. MTBE is used, leaving many scientists puzzled. But complaints of respiratory and neurological problems, skin rashes and other ills have come from Alaska, Montana, New Jersey and Wisconsin and, less frequently, from Arizona, California,

Colorado, Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania and Texas.

In Alaska and in Missoula, Mont., public outcry led state officials to pull MTBE from the market and instead use another oxygenate, ethanol, made from corn.

The nation's petroleum industry spent an estimated \$5 billion developing MTBE because of mandates in the 1990 Clean Air Act. MTBE is used in nearly all reformulated gas in the Northeast and 85 percent of reformulated gas nationwide.

"This stuff has been used in gasoline all around the world with out health problems demonstrated," said Fred Craft, executive director of the Oxygenated Fuels Association, which represents makers of MTBE and ethanol.

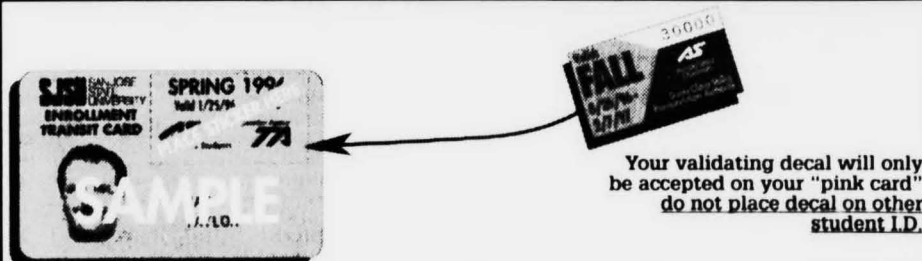
Whatever researchers eventually conclude will have a huge financial effect on oil companies that make MTBE, as well as on farmers and companies that process corn into ethanol and would like a bigger share of the oxygenated fuel market.

Myron Mehlman, adjunct professor of environmental and community medicine at Robert Wood Johnson Medical School in Piscataway and Mobil Oil Corp.'s former director of toxicology, insists MTBE should be banned.

He believes studies showing huge doses cause cancer in rats and mice prove it should be treated as a suspected human carcinogen.

Other scientists dispute the results and conclusions of those studies.

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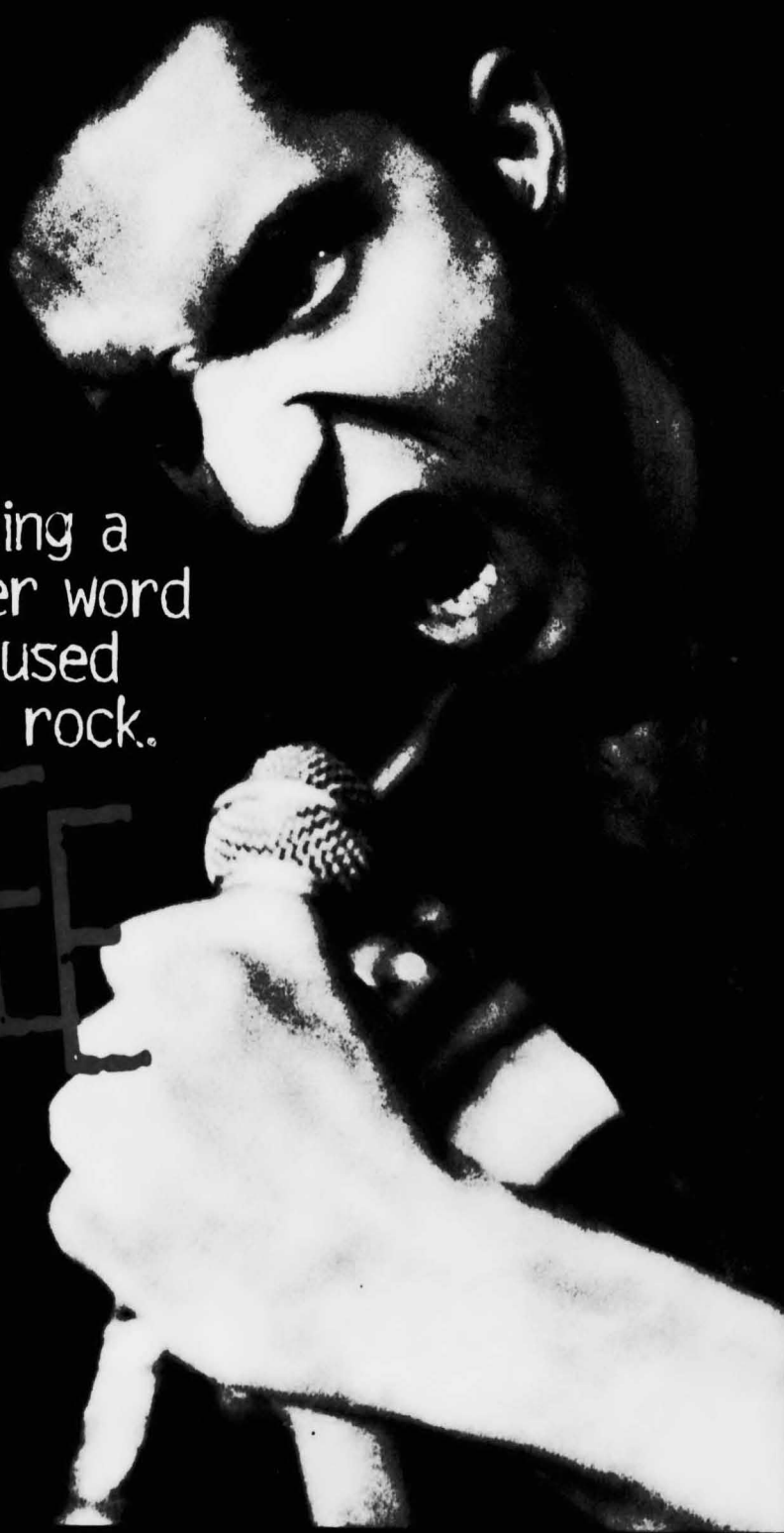
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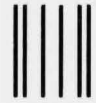
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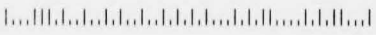
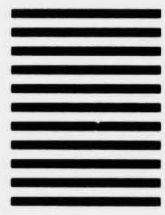
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