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**THURSDAY** 

**Young Spartan** gymnastic team break records

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## black voice

By Lisa Brown Spartan Daily Staff Write

He was the controversial African-American historian on last night's segment of the KSJS program, "Race for the Times," hosted by Kweku

To characterize him as outspoken

monster of the Supreme Court. He denounced most textbooks

is an understatement. He called Clarence Thomas "the



PHOTOS By STEVE KEEGAN -SPARTAN DAILY Eighty-year-old African-American historian Herbert Aptherker discusses the progress he has witnessed African Americans make during his lifetime with Kweku Shawnn Guthrie, host of the KSJS "Race for the Times" program.

for failing to write that Abraham Lincoln once said that without African-Americans, the Civil War could not have been won.

"(Whites) won't print that," he

The image in most minds at this moment is probably stereotypical. An African-American history professor automatically means he has dark chocolate to cinnamon skin, black or brown kinky or wavy hair, and is a man who has lived a life full of racist experiences.

However, in plain English, Herbert Aptheker is an 80-year-old Jewish white man and an expert on black history, respected by African-American historians and professors the nation, and Wednesday night, he spoke for an hour and 15 minutes about everything from the origins of Black History Month to the UC Regents'

vote against affirmative action

Farrakhan

He said Nation of Islam leader Farrakhan is dangerous

because of his organizational ability. He said Farrakhan uses anti-semitic hate to divert attention from the real problems: racism, the exploitation of African-Americans and the ghetto.

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### University part of city parking study

By Rowena T. Millado

artan Daily Assigning Editor A parking study to improve the accessibility of parking in the downtown area will begin in March, San Jose Mayor Susan Hammer announced on Wednesday.

SJSU President Robert L. Caret and Hammer have had preliminary discussions regarding the university's role in the downtown parking situation.

"(Caret and I) have been working more closely togeth-

er with the parking problem," Hammer said. "It is open to question, and something we need to explore.

Independent contractors will be hired and focus groups will be formed to obtain a broad consensus of the parking situation in downtown San Jose. The study will determine the availability and cost of current parking lots and spaces for the people who live, work and visit

the downtown area. Finding parking has been a problem for SJSU journalism major, Heidi Ortmann.

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(Caret and I)

Susan Hammer San Jose mayor

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"It is a bad situation with parking," said Ortmann, who commutes every day to class from Sunnyvale. "I find myself leaving for class 45 minutes early and getting to

Abi Maghamfar, the chairman of the Parking Advisory Commission, said that there has been efforts by the city to ease the parking back up at SJSU. Maghamfar said that a downtown employee program, called DESPA, had been extended to SJSU students

DESPA provides a discounted parking rate for SJSU

students at the Second and San Carlos streets garage 'At any one time, 30 to 50 people from (SJSU) have taken advantage of the program," Maghamfar said.

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### SJSU accelerating Internet access

By Heather L. Haas

At SJSU, in the heart of Silicon Valley, students are demanding more from their university in the area of computer technology and Internet

access, preferably at a minimal cost.

But university officials say the main problem SJSU has faced is that computer technology has grown faster than the university could handle. Although Internet accounts are available, there are still problems to be fixed with limit-

"What people don't seem to under-stand is what this campus is asking costs a lot of money," said Howard

Sanders, computer center accounts

Sanders said there are two basic types of Internet accounts available to SJSU students.

The VM system, an IBM 390 main-frame, which provides e-mail and com-plete Internet access; however, the sys-

tem does not have graphic capabilities. While the system is relatively secure, students have experienced a great deal of problems with it.

Jody Humes, an English major, is one student who said she has experi-enced frustrations with the VM system.

"I have the highly acclaimed computer account on paper. However, in

practice it's another scenario," Humes

The second type of account is UNIX, a multitasking system that, unlike VM, possesses graphic capabilities and allows students to use Internet features such as the World Wide Web and graphic-rich programs such as

Netscape.
The main flaw with the UNIX system is that it is less secure than VM and requires a high powered modem to

SISU students can obtain either account free of charge from the computer center. However, these accounts

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#### San Jose works to put school districts on-line

By William Jeske

San Jose Mayor Susan Hammer announced in her January 1994 city address that by January 1997 all 30 San Jose high schools would be on-line, but the San Jose Education Network (SJEN), to whom she delegated the project, had a power surge in its operating sys-

Already 17 campuses are

hooked up, and according to a Jan. 23 fax from Hammer's office, all 30 campuses from the San Jose Unified, Campbell, Eastside Union and Fremont school districts will be on-line by this March.

"San Jose is unique among all California cities for a mayor to allot \$1 million of city funds toward getting its schools on-line," said SJEN Executive

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### Last semester's graduates give Clark Library gift of CD-ROM workstation

By William Jeske Spartan Daily Staff Write

What hasn't happened in over a century for SJSU has happened once again. Last semester's graduates presented SJSU with the gift of a CD-ROM workstation, the first gift since the senior class of December 1886 donated a tree that still stands near Dwight Bentel Hall.

Last year, the 12-member Senior Enhancement Campaign Committee (SECC) raised funds from students, parents and alumni to present Clark Library with a CD-ROM carousel-style workstation. It will include two types of encyclopedias, two dictionaries and five other reference tools totaling \$7,885.55, said Rosemary

Thorne, head of the reference depart-

SECC chairwoman Angee Ortega said the group raised \$15,000 for the hardware and software, with about \$3,000 left over to go toward next year's senior gift.

SECC members originally said they wanted to give a World Wide Web workstation, but there weren't enough funds for both

Ortega said committee members brainstormed about five ideas and isolated those which were "realistic.

Kevin Grossman, SECC director and the annual giving manager of the Office of the University Advancement, said the idea for a senior class gift came about when he

and his supervisor, Alex Sydnor, director of development, noted that other universities have class gifts, why not SISU?

The first SECC meeting will be held Thursday. The group will meet every two weeks until April, when weekly meetings will begin.

Grossman said the SECC will decide on a gift by February and the campaign to involve students, parents and alumni begins the week of April 15 with phone calls, letters, banners and fliers.

The SECC prefers to get all seniors involved in the project but welcomes the services from all classes for campaign

Last year SJSU President Robert L

Doug Hanson of Clark Library's systems

group is ready to install the hardware parts of the workstation, which will be on Clark's first floor, but is waiting for the software to be tested and approved for

Altaful Khan, associate system software specialist will test the software set up the applications.

The testing and waiting for titles to be ordered have delayed the workstation's setup. Thorne said the librarians will need to work through the applications and write user guides for ones they believe users will need. Grossman said he was expecting it to be ready by last November then by February. Now, its setup is indefi-

"I hope it'll be ready to use soon." Thorne said.

The workstation consists of three sixdisk CD-ROM players to hold 18 disks. Nine titles have been chosen, five of which have been ordered. With it will be two plaques stating the workstation is the gift of the senior class of 1995

"When (the workstation) is completed, SECC) will ask the 1995 committee and donors to come and visit the station." Grossman said. "So they can actually see that it happened."

## PARTAN

SPEED READ

#### High-tech wars

Unmanned bombers attack with laser beams instead of bombs. Hypersonic fighters soar into battle at 12 times the speed of sound. Micro-bombs kill tanks with mere grams of explosives.

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#### Pumping Iron



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#### Beginning sailing



#### Bridge makeover

The potential \$1.3 billion cost to rework the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge to make it safer during earthquakes could make replacing part of it attractive, but officials are not sure of the best method of doing so.

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Ever since the advent of television, politics have been about who's got the best hairdo...

## The trouble with Bob Barker politicians

ur government's failure to pass a balanced budget might affect you in more ways than you think.

our government, the largest economy in the world, not paying its bills.

Are Clinton and the Republican Congress

Are Clinton and the Republican Congress

They're worse than Marine recruiters who'll

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is just one federally funded department that is suffering because the elected bums in Washington can't get anything done. If the EPA suffers, then we all suffer. Industry will not look after itself. It will break envi-ronmental laws the first chance it gets if it means it

can save a little money.
Since October, the EPA has been working at 25 percent of full strength because of the budget stalemate in Washington

Without a balanced budget passed, the EPA cannot plan out its yearly budget, so it has been running from month to month — and things could get worse. Without a balanced budget, the EPA will be forced to lay off thousands of

people.

In early March, the government will have a \$30 billion bill to pay (social security, military and other benefits). If the government doesn't have a balanced budget by then and the Republicans in Congress continue to refuse to raise the debt limit, then our government will officially go into DEFAULT.

If you or I don't pay our bills and go into DEFAULT, then we end up with creditors showing us our new home — a drab cardboard box with a wonderful year of the server.

derful view of the sewer.

Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin has kept us out of

DEFAULT for the past three months by juggling assets held by federal employee trust funds. But the March bill will be too much for Rubin to handle. And for the first time ever, the United Stated of America will break its promise to pay its bills

The United States' credit and it's capability to pay its bills is the backbone of this country.

I can't think of anything more embarrassing than



tary is really a lot of fun

Ever since the advent of television, politics have been about who's got the best hairdo. Reagan Politics have gone from the Abraham Lincoln days of actually trying to lead a country to the present situwas a master at this. In what other country could an

Recently, I conducted a highly sophisticated SJSU opinion poll. I asked 11 students who they blamed for the government impasse. One student thought the Republicans were at fault, two students blamed Clinton, three looked at the large stream and five students. me like I was speaking German and five stu-dents thought both the Republicans and Clinton were to blame.

One thing is for sure — this is not the way to win votes for the '96 election. It's the kind of thing that will make dark horse runner Steve

Forbes a serious contender. Remember Ross Perot's 'I'm not a politician' campaign in "92? The Republican sweep of Congress in "94 was not a move to the right, it was a move away from the establishment. And why did we all fall in love with Colin Powell?

Because he's not a politician.

American people are getting fed up with government and the Bob Barker politicians. The extreme example of this is the rise of the Militia movement. Why is Michael New a hero when he refuses to obey

Can anyone figure out how the United Nations is supposed to take over the world when they can't even a little Eastern European country to listen to

Our elected officials better get their act together, or they will end up losing the public's already paper-thin

Jeffrey Niese is a Spartan Daily Staff Writer.

From the Heart -

### Saying "I love you" helps family get through rough waters

y aunt is an unpredictable, funny, loving woman who looks at life as a stepping stone L to heaven. When she is not praying or reading psalms, she tries to be around her family. Though at times picky, she loves to have a niece or nephew over for milk and cookies at her apartment.

Being one of her nephews, I have grown to admire my aunt Olympia, 74, who supports me in my quest to follow God and pursue my dreams. She is a piece of art, a rose petal that never goes dry.

She is the kind of aunt that always has something to

say. Whether it's giving advice, sharing her daily strug-gles or just lending an ear to listen to a nephew's traf-fic-filled life.

So when news came that my aunt, alias Tia Oly, was going to have open-heart surgery, worry filled my heart as I saw a frail, sweet, comical lady, who I loved dearly, undergo a dangerous procedure.

My heart almost popped out of my chest when my mother told me about her condition. My mom told me about how, on her way to the hospital, my aunt had a close call. At one point, the doctor said if she had waited 15 minutes more to call 911 she would have had a heart attack in her apartment. Having seen my father fight cancer a year ago, memories flooded my mind, and I could only pray for the best.

The surgery would involve taking veins out of the her leg and using them to repair clogged arteries to the heart and was performed at Mount Diablo Medical Center.

My aunt, fortunately, pulled through the surgery and her demeanor and swift recovery earned her the name "Captain Comeback" amongst our family. In the process she drew our family together — teaching us the value of loving each other all the time.

A few hours after the surgery, she began exercising by taking her first steps around the hospital halls. Eventually, she worked her way back to her room to

stun and cheer up all of us who

maneuvering for a political advantage.

"That's the fastest any patient has recovered from that surgery," the family was told by a nurse tak-

ing care of her "She's incredible." A sigh of relief was in order. Yet, my aunt was not out of rough waters. Days later she would real-

ize she was not as strong as she was before the surgery. She could not do all the tasks and activities she was accustomed to doing before. Walking became a burden.

On top of things, she had to put up with bad care at a convalescent home. Despite her strong will, her eyes filled with tears at night because of the way the nurses treat-

her - breaking our hearts when we vis-

ited her. "I have to

would say. "He has gotten me through this so far and He will

see me through all the way."

Eventually, her doctor would tell us that she was ready to go home, but that she needed to be looked after. She could not bend down or carry heavy objects, and she would have a hard time buying groceries and washing clothes.

But what was my aunt's biggest obstacle? People thinking she was OK. Because she looked normal on the outside and was walking, many people assumed she was fully recovered. A few days before she went to the mall and walked for hours, but said nothing of her fatigue to my cousin Doriel

EDDIE ZACAPA

She is a piece of art,

a rose petal that never goes dry.

"It's not fair," she told us as she stayed in her apartment for Christmas because she felt weak. "People don't know how I truly feel and assume they know how I feel as if they were doc-

At times, many of us in our family had assumed she was OK, and expected her to be able to carry on. But my aunt ended up feeling burned out and

sitting on a rocking chair soon to catch

It seems as if we do this all the time - that is, assume people are OK and everything is hunky dorey. It is because we draw comfort in knowing that all is going smoothly. But when things aren't going well,

assume they are,

the peo-ple closest to us ones

who pay the price. The reality is, it's not the outside that should be analyzed but the inside. We are not going through what she is, and we need to have more empa-

It was a bit frustrating not having my Tia Oly at the family Christmas party because we loved her so much and we wanted her to have a great Christmas with the family. But the best gift that we could offer her was to understand what she was going through, and give her

My aunt is trying to live her life to the fullest; in doing so she may appear to be doing OK, but on the inside she is making a superhuman effort to please

others — out of love. So, we needed to give some of that love back.

She taught us the value of saying, "I love you," and that the bottom line is we should be willing to love people all the time. This admirable lady once again taught us a lesson: That we need to learn to trust people and humble ourselves to give them a hand. Why? Because we love them.

'My nieces are like little angels," she said of my cousins Doriel, Danette and Michelle, who visit her regularly. "They always have looked after me. I love nem very much; we need to stay united — in love.

We all are in awe of my aunt's speedy recovery and how she magically united us.
"It's like when tough times come, we always draw

closer," my brother Roger said. "I wish we could always be this close

And so do I. That's why it's important to keep in touch with all of our families' lives by giving them a call and visiting them throughout the year. We too easily forget about our family as we go to school, work, and the worries of life consume our time —

clogging up our desire to love them. If I knew I wasn't there for one of my family members when they needed me the most, I would feel like a rotten apple. My aunt's surgery taught us that we don't have to be sick or in deep trouble to be loved, but that we need to be a family at all times.

Whenever my aunt invites me over to have milk and cookies, I'll be there.

Eddie Zacapa is a Spartan Daily Staff Columnist. His column appears every Thursday.

#### Letters to the Editor -

#### Nixon should not be lionized

The current media controversy about Richard Nixon caused by Oliver Stone's film is certain to ignore some very important

hings.
Nixon in his campaign speeches promised to end the Vietnam war. Instead, he escalated that war, and it continued for four more years.

Nixon secretly bombed Cambodia. This massive carpetbombed bombing of the Cambodian countryside caused hundreds of thousands of deaths, and increased peasant support for the murder-ous Pol Pot. It helped facilitate the Cambodia.

Nixon and Kissinger made no secret of their dislike of the democratically elected government of Salvador Allende in Chile. Through economic pressure and CIA activities, this government was overthrown, and the right-wing dictator, Pinochet, was brought to power. Thousands of students, intellectuals, union organizers and, people who tried to help the poor were arrested, tortured and killed.

Watergate, which receives nearly all the publicity, is really a small incident in comparison to these

In a sane and decent society, instead of being lionized in death living for the tremendous crimes humanity Cambodia and Chile!

Gary Sudborough

#### Prop. 197 is good for public safety

Proposition 197 should be judged by what it is. Simply put, it is a measure to resume management of the state's overgrown mountain lion population — something it has been barred from doing either by law or by lawsuit since the early '70s.

The opponents of this measure

genocide that occurred later in by the media, Richard Nixon are falsely trying to portray it as a anywhere in the proposed law, but Without this ability, many of the included in Proposition 117 of 1990, but that is a very misleading representation. Proposition 117 banned all proactive management tools for the Department of Fish and Game, and only allows the department to react after a lion has either attacked someone, or injured someone's pet or other domestic animal. I cannot conceive of any wildlife biologist concerned with species balance that would consider this an acceptable management tool. Proposition 197 would more

appropriately be labeled as a repeal of the management ban placed on the species. It does not even address the issue of hunting

Fish and Game to propose whatever management tools it feels are necessary after it completes its three-year study. Then the Fish and Game Commission will hold public hearings, and consider the proposed management plan in relation to both science and public opinion before adopting all or

I don't know what will come out of the three-year study of the species, and neither do the experts at the Department of Fish and Game. All I know is that they need to be given the responsibility and the tools to manage this predator species in conjunction with every other species that it preys upon. of Fish and Game is trying to manage are being put at serious risk, including big horn sheep, elk and deer herds.

If you want to return public safety and species balance to wildlife management in California, I urge you to support and vote yes Proposition 197 on the March 1996 ballot.

Gordon Van Vleck, Former Secretary for Resources State of California

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#### TODAY

Akbayan of SJSU Folk dance orientation. 6p.m. Student Union, third floor. Call 534-1140.

The American Society of Civil Engineers / Associated **General Contractors** Bi-Annual Ice Breaker" (with free food and drinks) 5:30p.m. Engineering Bldg., Rm. 150. Call 924-3865.

**Asian American** Christian Fellowship "What's so Different about Christianity?"- by Ken Fong. 7:30p.m. Student Union, Costanoan Rm. Call 286-6427.

Beta Theta Pi Fraternity Rush event (showing movie "Bio-Dome.") 6:30p.m. Meet at 282 S. 10th St. Call 629-7044.

Campus Crusade for Christ "Night Life." 8p.m. Student Union, Guadalupe Rm. Call 294-4249.

Chi Pi Sigma (Co-ed fraternity for those interested in law enforcement).
Rush table. 8a.m.-12noon.
MacQuarrie Hall, Fifth floor.
Call 998-8483.

Delta Sigma Pi "Meet the chapter." 8p.m. Business Classrooms, Rm. 004. Call 943-4748.

**Delta Zeta Sorority** Dinner and bowling. 6p.m. Meet at Delta Zeta house. Call 292-6549.

Gamma Zeta Alpha. Recruitment and info table. 8a.m.-1p.m. Student Union. Call 297-7952.

**Hispanic Business Association** Meeting. 5:30p.m. Business Classrooms, Rm.104. Call 383-8569.

**Human Resource** Management Association
Orientation meeting.
4:30p.m.-6p.m. Student
Union, Costanoan Rm. Call 943-7294.

LM.S. Mariachi Workshop Traditional Mexican music workshop, 7p.m.-9:30p.m. Music Bldg., Rm. 186. Call 924-4675.

The Listening Hour "My Favorite Chopin," - with Dr. Alfred Kanwischer on piano. 12:30p.m.-1:15p.m. Music Bldg., Concert Hall. Call 924-4631.

Sigma Omicron Pi Rush event ("Come meet the sisters") 7p.m. Sweeney Hall, Rm. to be announced. Call 924-8420.

Sigma Theta Psi Information table.11:30a.m.-2p.m. Student Union. Call 238-3827.

SJSU Annual Fund Senior enhancement campaign meeting. 6p.m.-7p.m. Alumni Association (next to U.P.D). Call 924-1136.

Student Health Services Seminar: "Birth Control Matters," featuring the Brady Bunch's Maureen McCormick 4p.m.-5p.m. Engineering Bldg., Rm. 109. Call 924-6117.

**Television Education Network** San Jose Medical Center, and Student Health Services Broadcast of "Birth Control Matters." 12:15p.m.-1p.m. Call 924-6117.

#### FRIDAY

Beta Theta Pi Fraternity Rush event, ("Rock 'n' Tacos"). 7p.m. Meet at Beta house, 282 S. 10th St. Call 629-7044.

Chinese Campus Fellowship "Welcome Day." 2:30p.m.-5p.m. Student Union, Guadalupe Rm., Call 225-2224.

Fencing Club Meeting and practice. 5:30p.m.-7:30p.m. Spartan Complex, Rm. 089. Call 280-6019.

Gamma Zeta Alpha Recruitment and information table, 8a.m.-1p.m. Student Union. Call 297-7952.

InterFaith Council Conference/planning meeting, ("Religions and the Mutual Search for Global Responsibility"). 9a.m.-10a.m. Student Union, Montalvo Rm. Call 292-0535.

International Students Conversational English groups (Informal sessions to practice spoken English skills). 1p.m.-3p.m. and 3p.m.-5p.m. Student Union, Pacheco Rm. Call 374 4740. Call 274-4740.

Latter-Day Saints Students Association Friday Forum," (with games and food). 12:30p.m. San Jose Institute, 66 S. Seventh St. Call 286-3313.

M.E.Ch.A. Social meeting. 2p.m. WahlquistLibrary, third floor. Call 246-2565.

Pilipino Engineering and Science Organization First general meeting. 3p.m. Student Union, Montalvo Rm. Call 270-5256.

igma Lambda Mu Fraternity ecruitment/informational meeting, 11p.m.-3p.m. Student Union, front. Call 924-8015.

Stars on Ice Volunteer training for ice skat-ing with differently abled chil-dren. 4:30p.m. Ice Centre of San Jose, 1500 S. 10th St. Call 292-6745

WHOOPS!We goofed. The information in yesterday's Guide was in error. We regret the mistake. Sparta Guide is free and available to students, faculty & staff associations. Deadline is 5pm two days before publication. Forms available at DBH 209. Entries may be edited to allow for space restrictions.

### Air Force prepares for war of the future

Unmanned bombers attack with laser beams instead of bombs. Hypersonic fighters soar into battle at 12 times the speed of sound. Micro-bombs kill tanks with mere grams of explosive. Information "munitions" seek out and confuse enemy computers.

These are scenes Air Force plan-ners imagine as they peer into the 21st century.

The Air Force already is the

most powerful in the world. What it wants now is to find ways to stay ahead, even as it gets smaller and

money gets scarcer.

Some of the answers are sketched out in a 15-volume report, "New World Vistas," Air Force Secretary Sheila Widnall said Wednesday. An advisory group of outside experts - mostly scien tists and engineers — compiled the report at Widnall's request.

"The changes will be as profound as those experienced by the

from sail to steam," the study says.

Widnall said the Air Force is setting aside money to pursue these ideas, which apply to a broad range of Air Force activities from using smaller, more advanced satellites in space to developing better trained officers.

Prominent among the "Vistas" ideas: Use unmanned aircraft to do more than the spy missions they perform now; let them take the place of some combat planes. Guided from control centers inside the United States, robot planes could roam the world with laser weapons to destroy ground and air targets.

Although it goes against the grain of traditional Air Force people, the idea of pilotless combat aircraft has inherent advantages over manned warplanes

Unmanned craft could be more survivable, for starters. Shape and function need not be constrained

Gene McCall, who directed the "Vistas" project, told a Pentagon news conference an unmanned strike plane could be designed to accelerate at 20 times the force of gravity, or double what a pilot can withstand. With such speed of maneuver the unmanned plane could simply outfly a hostile missile, McCall said.

An unmanned bomber or fighter also could be stealthier, McCall said. The plane could be perfectly flat on the bottom, reducing vulnerability to radar detection. The landing gear could be on top rather than on the bottom, and a simple rollover maneuver — impossible with a human in the cockpit - would put it in landing

Small versions of the unmanned combat plane could be carried aboard and launched from large conventional aircraft — giving

them truly global reach.
For all its promise, remotely

nessman and legislator.

Both candidates offered voters a

piloted combat planes aren't likely

to enter the Air Force for another 20 years or so, McCall said.

Even then, McCall said, pilots will not become extinct. "I don't

think we're ever going to replace

completely the manned aircraft,

**Democrat wins** Oregon mail vote

#### Wyden says victory a sign of things to come in Congress

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — In an election billed as an early barometer for the national political season, Rep. Ron Wyden won a close race to become Oregon's first Democratic U.S. senator in nearly 30 years, replacing Bob Packwood.

Wyden, who survived a dismal performance on a pop quiz and attacks labeling him a tax-and-spend liberal, says his victory in Tuesday's special Senate race sends a message to the GOP-controlled

This race does have national implications. Oregonians are saying that this Congress is too extreme on a number of key issues," Wyden said.

In the nation's first vote-by-mail congressional election, Wyden turned back a strong, well-financed campaign by Gordon Smith, a conservative GOP busi-

departure from Oregon's tradition since the '60s of electing moderate

Republican senators.
With 100 percent of precincts reporting, Wyden had 568,335 votes or 48 percent, Smith had 551,100 or 47 percent and four other candidates divided the remainder.

About half of those responding to a telephone poll said they viewed the Senate race as a referendum on the GOP congressional agenda or President Clinton's poli-

Voters in the poll blamed Republicans in Congress more than Clinton for the budget crisis.

Wyden, who favors abortion rights, also won slightly more votes from women. Abortion was one of the six top issues cited by most voters as being equally important, along with the environment, education, taxes, the federal budget negotiations and the Republicans' performance in office.

The telephone poll of 1,192 voters was conducted Thursday

through Monday for Voter News Service, a cooperative of the four major TV networks and The Associated Press.

Wyden's victory was an auspi-cious kickoff to the season for Democrats and a blow to Republicans, who now will see their Senate margin cut to 53-47. It also continued a trend begun last November as Democrats held off GOP efforts to take over Virginia and Maine legislatures and the

Rentucky governorship.

Despite the narrow margin of victory, Wyden said the results show that people believe House Speaker Newt Gingrich and his Republican colleagues have taken Republican colleagues have taken

things too far.
"It certainly ought to be a wakeup call to Republicans on issues such as the environment, a woman's right to choose, and putting some balance in the balanced budget," said Wyden, who has served in the U.S. House for

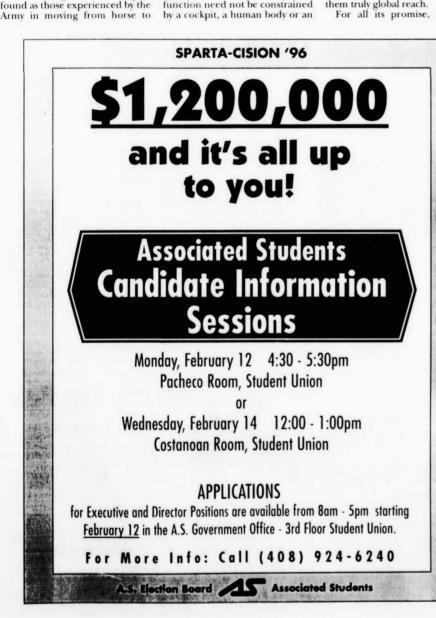
Wyden will serve the nearly three years remaining in the term of Packwood, who resigned in disgrace last fall after being accused of sexual misconduct. It was not immediately clear when he would be sworn in.

Smith never publicly conceded, although he did call Wyden to offer his congratulations. A Smith spokesman, Dan Lavey, later said that the Republican has no plans to run later this year for the seat being vacated by GOP Sen. Mark Hatfield.

Voting began three weeks ago. and hours before the 8 p.m. dead-line, more than 60 percent of the voters had already cast their bal-lots. More than 160 drop sites were available around the state for voters who waited too late to mail in their ballots or who simply pre-ferred to vote on "Election Day."

While final turnout figures were not immediately calculated, officials had said that option of mailing in ballots had boosted turnout in the Senate primary last month to 57 percent, the highest level in a nonpresidential primary since

Elections officials estimate the mail-in balloting saved the state \$1 million in the primary and general





### Aptheker: Historian says students must be informed, learn social order

"Malcolm X changed," he said. "It's pos-sible Farrakhan can change."

Racism Black people are not racist," he said.

"Black people can't be racist."

Aptheker said, "Racism is the insistence

upon the innate inferiority of African-American peoples."

He said the UC Regents' vote against

affirmative action was not only sexist, but a reactionary drive by Gov. Pete Wilson and part the right wing wave of the coun-

"I think (the vote) is racist and racism is a very important component of reaction,"

A new radicalism

Aptheker said the challenge for today's college students is to become informed, learn what the social order is, how society functions and "how best to create a useful

hife distinct from a cow."

Aptheker said he sees a new radicalism appearing, especially among the African-American population.

He said that as the oppression worsens,

the radicalism will grow.

Symptomatic signs, Aptheker said, include the Million Man March, adding that "the content (of the march) out-

weighed the limits of the leadership. Aptheker said another symptom of a ew radicalism was when the University of Massachusetts at Amherst dedicated its Massachuseus at Amin'rst dedicated library to W.E.B. Du Bois — a famous African-American educator who helped

American's role in America.

Aptheker, who said he was blackballed by most white historians because he was a member of the communist party and

transform the Negro view of the African-

because he sympathized with the plight of African-Americans, is scheduled to receive an honorary doctoral degree from the same university; another sign of radicalism, he said.

Aptheker said he became an American activist during the McCarthy hearings, college student uprisings and the civil rights revolt during the anti-Vietnam War move-

Aptheker cited a variety of reactions by others to being white and Jewish and interested in Black history.

He recalled while in his twenties, when

he was invited to lecture before a black church audience, he went down to the basement for a reception.

The minister took him aside and said,

"Now, Herbert, you can tell me.

Aptheker said the minister thought he was passing for white and that he could

confide in him.

In later years, his interests drew even more attention to him. FBI records, according to Kenneth O'Reilly, author of "Racial Matters: The FBI's Secret File on Black America, 1969-1970," indicated that the agency bugged Aptheker's phone and abandoned underwriting a book-length critique of his work in black history only ecause it was too expensive.

**Black History Month** 

Aptheker said Black History Month originated from Negro History Week founded by Carter G. Woodson in 1915 to honor Lincoln and Booker T. Washington, who were both born in

His resumé is long and distinguished.
After applying for and winning a
Guggenheim fellowship in 1951, he began
work on his "Documentary History of the

Negro People," and in 1994 ended the seventh and final volume with the assassina-tion of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

African-American historical research requires a search of works by an author

named Herbert Aptheker.

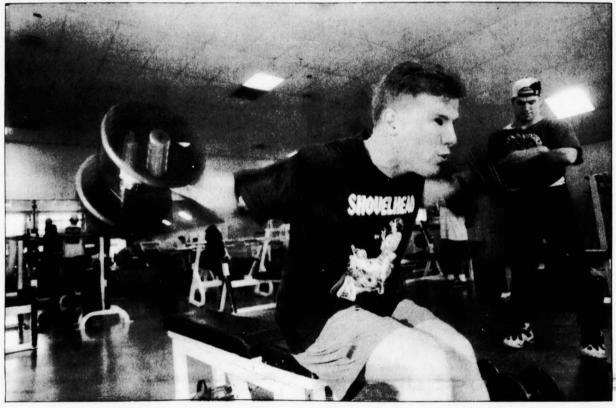
Before leaving the United States on a self-imposed exile to Ghana, Du Bois

named Aptheker his literary executor. Searching by author at Clark library will net 44 listings; 31 are African-American topics. Of those 31, 16 are about Du Bois

Overall, he Aptheker has written and edited more than 80 books.

He said he just finished volume one and recently began volume two of his autobi-

### IRON BUTTERFLY



Junior finance major Brian Horton took advantage of the workout facilities available in the Event Center's weight room on Wednesday as senior Dave Brown waited.

#### Internet

are only free during the school year. To keep an account over the summer, students must pay a \$45 fee, or face termination of their

account, Sanders said. Students who were not aware of the summer fee called the computer center to complain last semester when they discovered their account had been terminat-

As for learning how to use Internet accounts, there is virtually no help available for students. There are no classes offered in the area, and there is very little written

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"It is something that needs to be changed," said Sanders about the lack of account information for

Although SJSU does provide free software called Spartacom, which works with a modem to access accounts, some students who have tried to access their accounts from off-campus locations said they have still experienced difficulties.

"Spartacom is like 1981 compared to now," one frustrated stu-

Sanders recommended that students invest in commercial modem software to obtain smoother connections.

If students wish to run graphics programs with their accounts, they need to obtain a licensed campus software, the cost starting at \$10.

Improvements in these systems are in the works. The UNIX system is undergoing software and hardware improvements. Because of the work being done, no new UNIX accounts will be issued until Feb. 19, Sanders said.

Plans have also been made to improve SJSU's lab facilities, including upgrading many of the PC's and adding Pentium chips to several machines, said Carl Vigil, interim director of the computer

Sanders also said he believes students are willing to pay a small fee for a good system.

Sanders said that if SISU is unable to provide adequate Internet access, students should seek off-campus services. He recommended a service called NSI, which is located in Milpitas. NSI provides unlimited Internet access for a flat rate of \$17.50 a month.

### Director David Katz.

**On-line** 

Kevin Purseglove, director of communications for Hammer's office, said that Hammer allotted \$500,000 a year. SEJN also received funds from 3Com, Sun Microsystems, Novel, Pacific Bell, Netcom and Intel.

Katz the combined funds from SJEN and contributions from the hool districts comes to about \$16 million

March 9 will be 'Net Day when "an army of 100 volunteers," Katz said, from Santa Clara and San Mateo Counties will meet at the campuses to install the computers

and get them on-line.

Katz said both PC's and
Macintosh computers will be used.

Purseglove said all computers will come with microprocessors so they could be compatible with var-ious types of hardware, such as printers and modems, and also accommodate any software being

Later, teachers will have their choice of which type fits their curriculum.

One way teachers got to devel-op a preference was if they attended the Summer Institute, a threeweek training session conducted at SJSU with the San Jose College of Education. Katz said that in the

last two years about 1,000 high school students and teachers attended to become familiar with computers and accessing servers and databases.

"In most cases, the students taught the teachers," Purseglove

One campus already getting a head start is James Lick High School. Site technician and teacher, Barry Goldsmith, is preparing for 'Net Day and said some consoles are already on-line. Goldsmith said accessibility is free range but users must sign an acceptability agreement policy' when accessing to keep users from calling up non-essential sites, such

as cyberporn.
"The learning possibilities are just incredible," Purseglove said.
"A teacher can access a site and students who have computers at home can call up the same site."

Katz said one program already implemented to work with schools going on-line is Novel Certified Network Users. Students who use work stations can apply to work at Novel as network monitors when

Novel as network monitors when they graduate.

Evergreen Valley and San Jose City College are also hooked up to the Internet. At San Jose City College, several computer labs have on-line computers that are installed with Netscape.

### **Parking**

From page 1

But SJSU Parking Supervisor, William Calhoun, said there hasn't been a space problem, but a loca-

tion problem for students. "It's not the lack of parking," Calhoun said. "Not everybody wants to go (use the Park and

Park and Ride is a service where students can park their cars at South Campus, across the street from Spartan Stadium on S.

to campus.

But location isn't the only problem for Ortmann, so is the price. She said she not only spends an average of \$25 a week on parking, but she also spends time walking to her car throughout the day feeding parking meters.

The contractors and focus groups are to submit a report about the parking study to San Jose City Council in December

### Olestra warning gives company challenge

CINCINNATI (AP) - If Procter & Gamble Co. is to make a hit out of its fake fat, it must persuade consumers to stay hungry after they read about possible side

That could pose quite a marketing challenge, analysts said. The Food and

Administration approved olestra last week for use in salted snacks and crackers. But the FDA is requiring a label warning con-sumers that the fake fat may cause some undesirable side effects.
"This 'red flag' on the label is

going to give them a reason not to use the product," Al Ries, a mar-keting consultant in Great Neck, N.Y. said Tuesday.

The label will read: "This product contains olestra. Olestra may cause abdominal cramping and loose stools. Olestra inhibits the absorption of some vitamins and other nutrients. Vitamins A, D, E

and K have been added."

As if the marketing challenge weren't enough, it remains to be seen whether consumers will like olestra's taste, said Jack Trout, a marketing co Greenwich, Conn. consultant

"I think packaging is going to be one problem, but I think taste will be the big thing," Trout said.

Not a problem, said P&G. The Cincinnati-based company said its

tests show consumers like the taste of Olestra, on which P&G has spent more than \$200 million to develop.

Olestra is six to nine months from its debut in still-undisclosed test markets. It will be sold as Olean (pronounced oh-LEEN) and used in P&G's Pringles chips and also tested by Frito-Lay Inc.

In Wednesday's edition of the Spartan Daily, Jo Whitlash's name was misspelled. We regret the error.



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### **Distant** galaxy found

#### **Ancient system** is 14 billion light years away

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Astronomers at the California Institute of Technology say they've found the most distant — and ear-liest — galaxy yet at 14 billion light years from Earth, near the constel-

lation Virgo.
The still-unnamed system brings scientists closer to the time of galaxy birth, within a billion years of the Big Bang thought to have formed the universe 15 billion years ago.

The extremely faint galaxy, discovered because it left its signature in light from an even more distant but brighter quasar, may offer clues to the formation of the Milky Way, which contains our solar sys-

The discovery, made with the W.M. Keck telescope atop the dor-mant Hawaiian volcano Mauna Kea, is described in the Jan. 20 issue of Astrophysical Research Letters.

Thomas Barlow, a Caltech astronomy research fellow and study co-author, said in an interview Wednesday that the galaxy was found through indirect measure-

We essentially see the shadow

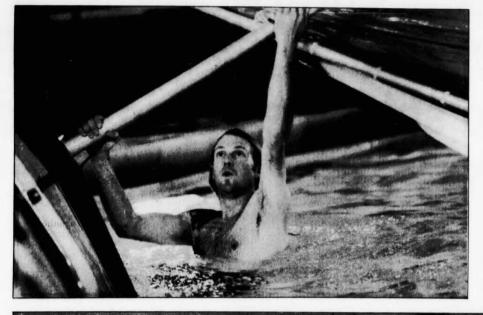
of the galaxy in the spectrum of the quasar, he said.

Gas in the galaxy absorbs some of the quasar's light, which helps tell where the galaxy is and what elements it contains.

"We don't think we've seen the galaxy directly. People at another team think they've seen an image of it; but that's unconfirmed," he

said. The team from Caltech in Pasadena dated the galaxy based on a phenomenon called redshift, a shift in the color of light as something moves away, analogous to a train whistle getting lower in pitch as a train gets further away, Barlow

"This is essentially the highest red-shift galaxy that we've detected, which means it's the closest to the beginning of the universe,'



### WHAT TO DO WITH AN UPSIDE **DOWN TAO8**



TOP: Matt Olver, a Senior in Cultural Anthropology, capsizes a sailboat in the swimming pool in Spartan Complex East in the Beginning Sailing class. Olver is enrolled because he says he has a yuppie friend with a sailboat and he wants to learn to sail so that someday he can sail away with his friend.

BOTTOM: SJSU student Linh Nguyen jumps in the pool to upright a capsized sailboat in the class. Nguyen is going to the Caribbean next semester and wants to sail while he is staying there

### Extradition ordered for on-line assault case

MERIDEN, Conn. (AP) - A California man will be extradited to Connecticut to face charges that he molested a 13-year-old girl after they struck up a relationship over their computers.

England Tou Cha, 25, of Fresno, is being held without bail at the Fresno County Jail. Connecticut police expect him to be extradited within two weeks.

Cha will be charged with 13 counts of second-degree sexual assault, 17 counts of risk of injury to a minor and two counts of fourth-degree sexual assault, Meriden police said.

Police said Cha had on-line con- encounter in October, and the

versations with the girl in March mother contacted police.

In September, Cha visited the girl in Meriden and the two had consensual sex, police said. In chatting on the con Connecticut, it is illegal to have sex Detective Gary Brandl. with anyone under the age of 16.

The girl told her mother of the

Cha, a fast-food restaurant worker, told police that he had met more than 70 women or girls by chatting on the computer, said

### Controversial novel has nation's capital pointing fingers

WASHINGTON (AP) - A sexy, hot-selling fictional account of the 1992 presidential campaign has Washington buffs trying to figure ut who wrote it, including President Clinton.

Even the editor of "Primary Colors," Daniel Menaker of Random House, swears he doesn't know who authored the lavishly reviewed book, whose Clinton-like protagonist is dogged by questions of his Vietnam War draft status and allegations of adultery as he tries to win the White House.

The writer, Anonymous, is vari-ously believed to be a White House insider, a journalist, an established novelist or possibly, because of its mischievous contents, a mischievous contents, a Republican mole in the Clinton

campaign.
Random House, which paid what Menaker described as a fairly steep" advance based on reading only half the manuscript in April, has the book in its sixth printing after only a few weeks in book-

"Words cannot describe how much I wish I had written it," wrote Time magazine's Walter Shapiro, who conducted what was purported to be an on-line com-puter interview with Anonymous.

The writer, who described writing the book as "a lonely process," refused to answer any autobiographical questions and said, "I hope my identity is never revealed" so the book can be judged on its merits.

Random House dealt only with an agent, Kathy Robbins, and a

About the only thing the reader is told about Anonymous is that he or she is married. The book is ded-

icated to "my spouse, living proof director James Carville), Orlando magazine writer Lisa Grunwald, that flamboyance and discretion are not mutually exclusive."

"Primary Colors" is copyrighted by Machiavelliana Inc., a mysterious company set up to receive the royalties, which should be substan-

Clinton, who hasn't read the book but says he may look at it on those long flights on the 1996 campaign, on Tuesday issued a smiling challenge for reporters to ferret out the author.

You all find out everything in the wide world. The least you can do is tell all of us who wrote that book," Clinton said. "It's the only

Washington in three years."

A synopsis of the book is basically a summary of Clinton's 1992 primary campaign for the Democratic nomination, with names changed, relationships embellished and a few fictional intrigues added, including a sexual advance by first lady Susan Stanton on narrator Henry Burton, who is a thinly disguised version of key Clinton aide George Stephanopoulos. The Clinton character is Gov.

Jack Stanton of an unnamed, small Southern state.

He is portrayed as a man who was "incredibly undisciplined about time, and making decisions, and figuring out who should do what on staff" but who was always in control. His profanity-spewing wife describes him as "faithless, thoughtless, disorganized, undisciplined."

The book is full of other easily identifiable and richly drawn char-acters, including Richard Jemmons (Clinton campaign Ozio (former New York Gov. Mario Cuomo), Lawrence Harris (candi-Her sister, Mandy Grunwald, a date Paul Tsongas) and Cashmere media consultant for Clinton's McLeod (Gennifer Flowers, who campaign, told the Post: "If she claimed she had a 12-year affair with then-Arkansas Gov. Clinton) McLeod has tapes.

"In spite of its sins, it is far and away the best thing I have read about the 1992 campaign," wrote author Michael Lewis in a New York Times review. He speculated that the author might be Stephanopoulos, who has denied

So has everyone else, including some who haven't been asked. Carville, Shapiro, Mark Miller of Newsweek, Sidney Blumenthal and Michael Kelly of The New Yorker, political consultant Paul Begala, former Deputy Treasury Secretary Roger Altman and several others involved with the 1992 campaign all say they aren't Anonymous

The Washington Post's column "The Reliable Source" insisted last week that the best candidate is campaign, told the Post: "If she did it, she didn't tell me."

In Wednesday's column, a new candidate was added: cartoonist Garry Trudeau, who draws the political satire "Doonesbury." CNN's "Larry King Live" devot-

ed an hour to possible authors Tuesday night without a confession. A dozen new names cropped

up.
Begala, who said he hasn't even read the book, said if it came from someone in the campaign it was an act of "deception and disloyalty."
Writer Erik Tartoff, who also
denied authorship, said he
thought Clinton might like it, but
only if he read it after he leaves the

Menaker, who is Random House's senior literary editor, said he was given the first half of the book to read by Random House President Harold Evans.



### Quantum closing Milpitas factory

Corp. said it will quit making its own high-end disk drives, close two factories and lay off about a quarter of its work force.

The decision announced Tuesday came 15 months after Quantum, a leading maker of low-end disk drives for desktop machines, paid \$360 million for Digital Equipment Corp.'s high-capacity drive business. Those drives store data for computer systems.

Quantum said it would no longer make its own highcapacity drives and will instead Matsushita-Kotobuki Electronics Industries of Japan



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Electronics already makes Quantum's drives for desktop machines, which make up the greater part of Quantum's rev-

Two factories, one at its Milpitas headquarters and the other in Malaysia, will be

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## **SPORTS**

#### Sports

#### Results

For Jan. 31

Women's Basketball SJSU loses to Hawaii 62-39, Event Center,

Wednesday

Johnson, SJSU, 7 Tania Brunton, Hawaii, 19 SJSU is 6-12 overall and 2-8 in the BWC. Lead scorer: Natasha

Freshman SJSU gymnast Danielle Wasko is off to a stellar start as she surges toward the ecord books



See Wasko story on top of page 6

Baseball

◆ SJSU hopes to turn the record in home opener

See bottom of page 6

#### Schedule

For Jan. 30- Feb. 4

Women's Basketball

 Cal Poly San Luis Obispo at SJSU, Sunday, 2 p.m.

Men's Basketball

SJSU at UNLV, Las Vegas, Nevada

Thursday, 8:05 p.m. • SJSU at New Mexico State Las Cruces, New Mexico Saturday, 7:30 p.m.

Women's Gymnastics

SJSU at C.S. Sacramento Sacramento,

Friday, (TBA)

◆ SJSU at UC Davis
Davis, CA
Saturday, (TBA)

◆ SJSU begins its season on Feb. 3, against CS Los Angeles in Muni Stadium at 1:30 p.m.

**Rugby**◆ SJSU host UC Santa Cruz on Saturday at South Campus, 12 noon

Hockey ◆ SJSU host Pacific on Friday, ICE CENTRE, 8 p.m. Pacific at SJSU, Saturday, 10:15 p.m., Stockton

#### Briefs

SISU forward Sam Allen is probable for tonight's game against UNLV. Allen injured his left ankle in Saturday's game against UCSB.

## Wasko shines early in the season



PHOTO BY CHRIS SIMESCU - SPARTAN DAILY

SJSU women's gymnast, Danielle Wasko repeatedly went through her routine on parallel bars during practice on Wednesday at the Spartan Complex.

#### Freshman gymnast vaults a 9.65

By Shane Lewis

If Danielle Wasko had not been afraid of ice skating, she might never have become one of the top gymnasts for the SJSU team.

"My parents put me into ice skating, but I fell and cried," Wasko said, smiling. "They took me out and put me in gymnastics.

That is where Wasko has been ever since for the last 15 years. Now at the age of 18, she is a freshman member of a gymnastics team that has already broken six of the college's records after just two meets.

Wasko had tied the record set for vaulting with a score of 9.65 at the team's first meet Jan. 19 at UC Berkeley. The triumph was especially welcome since she had been having trouble landing on her ford during her trouble landing on her feet during her warmups for the event.

"We didn't know what the problem was, but we knew there was one," said Wasko's mother Sandie, who was in the stands during the event. "Whatever it was, she and the coach worked it out.

Her record was then subsequently broken the next week by teammate and fellow freshman Bridgett Coates, who scored a 9.675. But, do not look for any

"I think it's great," Wasko said of Coates breaking her record. "You get an instant family when you join the team. We support each other. Gymnastics is not really an individual

For each event, there are six players competing, and of their scores, five are counted toward the team's total score. Because of this, there is added pres-

sure on Wasko to perform well.
"You don't want to fall because you're going to hurt the team's scores,'

Jackie Walker, the women's gymnas-tics team coach, said that it is this atti-tude that makes Wasko perform well.

"She's a perfectionist and that's what the sport is all about, Walker said. When she does something, she does it

Wasko came to SJSU from Rancho Cotate High School in Rohnert Park, after receiving a scholarship from the

SJSU that paid for most of her way. Earning a scholarship through gymnas-tics had been one of Wasko's major goals in life, because the money to support her gymnastics activities had been funded by her parents.

"The actual training comes right out of your pocket," Les Wasko, her father and chief of the Cotati Police Department, said. "Coaches alone cost \$200-250 a month, and then there are travel and equipment expenses."

He estimated the total expenses came to around \$7,500-8,000 a year. Those expenses are something Wasko's parents no longer have to worry about now that SJSU pays for all the traveling expenses. They also no longer have to hire a coach for their daughter.

"It's a major burden off our shoul-ders," her father said. He and his wife have followed their

daughter's meets across the country in such states as Florida, Idaho, Nevada, Utah, and even out of the country to Canada. One of her parents has always been present at her competitions.

"If I can't see them, I can hear them. I always know where they are," Wasko said with a broad grin. "My parents are real funny. They bring a video camera and tape the events. They have almost every event on tape." every event on tape.

For Wasko, gymnastics gives her a sense of accomplishment. "It takes a lot of concentration. You

have to keep your personal life outside of the gym and you have to keep focused," she said. Her mother said Wasko was accus-

tomed to a strict schedule during high school. She woke up, went to school, practiced at the gym for four hours, came home, ate dinner, did homework and then went to bed. The next day,

and then went to bed. The next day, the cycle would repeat itself.
"Gymnastics is not something you can do for a couple of hours and become good at," her mother said.
Wasko's father agrees. "It's year round, so you can't really take a break from doing managing.

from doing gymnastics, or you'll lose too much."

Her mother comes right to the

"There's a saying that goes, 'If gymnastics was easy, they'd call it football."

### Players anxious to start new season

It is a brand-new season and the Spartan baseball team is anxious to take it on. This weekend the team takes on Cal State Los Angeles for a two-game series at San Jose Municipal Stadium.

"It is important to get off to a good start," said Coach Sam Piraro, now in his tenth season. "We've had some good practices

and are very anxious to play." The Division II Golden Eagles from CSLA (0-2) will be trying to break SJSU's streak of four consec-

utive season-opening wins. CSLA Coach John Herbold said he is confident that the fans will be treated to two competitive games. "We have a lot of talented young

players who sometimes shine or sometimes make mistakes due to their inexperience.

Inexperience is definitely a factor for CSLA, whose players average 20 years old. "Our team is about 95 percent freshmen. We have a lot of players who were drafted right out of high school but decided to go to school instead," said Herbold.

According to Herbold, CSLA is 23rd on the all-time draft list for

Universities.
Despite the CSLA talent, SJSU has managed to win 21 of 33 meetings between the two teams. SJSU split two games with the Golden Eagles last year.

(CSLA) always have ent and they will be a good test for us early in the season," Piraro said. with returning senior Rich Ledeit to take the mound on Saturday, and Solano Junior College transfer, Jason Davis, to hurl for the Spartans on Sunday.

Piraro describes Ledeit as an aggressive power pitcher who is difficult to hit when he has his breaking ball working.

Davis has a little different style.

Jason is a pitcher who depends a lot on great location and his great change-up. However, he is also sneaky-quick (player) who can fool you with a fastball.

Backing up Ledeit and Davis will be returning starters Eric Stevens, Travis Peterson, Brian Fessenden. Making up the rest of said. the lineup are newcomers Ryan

returning centerfielder, John Alciati. Chris Kokaly and Desmond Aguirre will platoon at the designated hitter spot.
Piraro is set to let his starting

pitchers go as long as they can but has relief pitchers Israel Long and Justin Farias to go to if needed. Closing pitcher Mike Simonson is available in the late innings to slam the door.

Rich Ledeit is ready to go and is optimistic about the team's chances this year. "I feel we are going to surprise a lot of people this year. We may not be loaded with talent, but we are going to win some games as long as we exe-

#### **BIG WEST** Men's Baseball Schedule

CS LOS ANGELES MUNI STADIUM, 1 p.m.

California Berkeley, Calif., 2 p.m.

San Diego State San Diego, Calif., 5 p.m.

San Diego State San Diego, Calif., 1 p.m.

San Diego, Calif., 2 p.m.

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## **SPORTS**



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SJSU players Sarah Cantway and Sasha Spalding of the women's basketball team fumble for the ball in the second half against the University of Hawaii.

## Spartans fumble away

By Paul Eiser Spartan Daily Staff Writer

They came charging out of the gates, but after that things got diffi-cult for the Spartan's women's bas-ketball team Wednesday night.

At the tip off, Erin Irving grabbed the ball to put in the first two points of the game, but after that the Rainbows from the University of Hawaii stuck close to the Spartans giving them little space to maneuver. It wasn't until after Hawaii scored 12 unanswered points that Kylie Page got in another shot, sink-

ing a three-pointer to make it 12-5. Hawaii kept getting by the Spartan's defense but in the second quarter things started to improve

At the end of the first half the At the end of the first half the Spartans were behind 28-22. The Spartan's shot 26 percent in the first half but did make five shots from the three-point line. "The three-point shooting was our strength," Coach Karen Smith said, "The's what heart and the first half the strength of the said," "That's what kept us close the first

In the middle of the second half Page fell to the floor, the wind knocked out of her. She was pulled out for the rest of the game.

In the final quarter, Ayana Smith also had to leave the game after apparently knocking heads with another player.

At the five minute mark, the Spartans made their last field goal but added four more free throws to end the game 62-39.

The leading scorer for SJSU was Natasha Johnson with seven points. As for the future, "We're going to get a lot stronger. A lot closer as a team. Our goal was the top four, but

now we're just trying to get in the tournament, said guard Kari Steele. Page was upset with the results, "We just need to be able to play two halves of basketball. We get intimidated, we give up. We don't do the little things that keep us ahead"

The next game for the women's basket-ball team will be against Cal Poly San Louis Obispo, Sunday.

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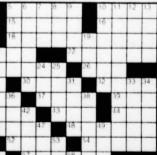
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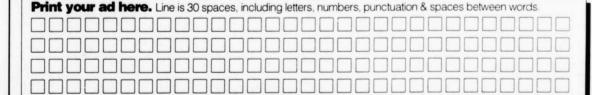
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## **Experts prefer replacing part of Bay Bridge**

### **Earthquake** repairs called too expensive

SACRAMENTO (AP) — The potential \$1.3 billion cost to rework the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge to make it safer during earthquakes could make replacing part of it attractive, but officials said Wednesday they won't know the best way to go for nearly a year.

State Transportation Director lames van Loben Sels said he

tion in December, after extensive tests about whether to rework parts of the entire bridge or to overhaul only the western portion and

replace the eastern part. Replacing the four-mile span from Yerba Buena Island to Oakland would take about four years, the director said. There are no estimates vet on the cost, he

The price of retrofitting the entire eight-mile-long, 60-year-old bridge has increased into the range of \$1 billion to \$1.3 billion, Caltrans officials said.

Though it would cost even more to replace part of the double-deck you wouldn't end up with a patchwork" of repairs, van Loben Sels said.

A new bridge would be built to the north of the current span, which would continue to be used during construction. The last steps would be tying the new bridge to the existing structure and demol-ishing the old one.

A portion of the upper deck of the eastern span fell onto the lower deck during the 1989 Loma Prieta earthquake, killing a woman and shutting down the bridge for a month of repairs.

Since that temblor and the Northridge quake in 1994, renewed efforts have begun statewide to make highway bridges

But engineers determined that the cost of reworking the Bay Bridge is about double the amount

originally envisioned.
"The hazards are greater. The vulnerability is greater. The cost is greater," said van Loben Sels.

Caltrans officials said they were uncertain about the source of the additional money for repair or replacement. If voters pass a \$2 billion bond

measure to retrofit highway bridges, the Bay Bridge would get some portion of the \$650 million for the state's seven toll bridges –

far less than is needed for the Bay

Bridge work alone.
Opponents of Proposition 192
on the March 26 ballot attacked the price of Bay Bridge work Wednesday as another reason to defeat the measure, saying the bond proposal does not provide enough money and would limit

other funding sources.
Gov. Pete Wilson's administra-tion had portrayed the bond measure as adequate to complete seismic retrofitting work on major highway bridges.

Some Caltrans engineers report-edly knew about the high cost of Bay Bridge work in time to change the bond measure, but the department director said he did not know about the higher price until December.

The cost of Bay Bridge repairs has risen because of the difficulty of the job. "We're essentially pio-neering," said chief Caltrans engineer James Roberts.

Caltrans engineers said they want to make the bridge strong enough to survive 45 seconds of shaking from an 8.3 magnitude quake on the San Andreas fault or from a 7.5 magnitude Hayward

Both the eastern and western sections of the bridge rest on foundations less sturdy than originally

Joseph Thomas, of Seaside, was arrested Monday, said Assistant S. Attorney Amber Sax Rosen. He was charged Tuesday on one count of robbery. U.S. Magistrate Patricia Trumbull scheduled another hearing for Thursday and

prison, the prosecutor said.

It was not immediately known when the additional charges would be filed, Rosen said Wednesday.

The FBI has considered the Blue Bag Bandit the No. 1 robber Northern California. The

The man who robbed the banks stuff money in.

He also was remarkable for his casual but neat attire — polo shirts

Thomas runs a business called Joseph Thomas Consulting in Carmel. His business card says the business does marketing, media and management consulting,

July 1994 at a Bank of the West in Milpitas, and the latest was Dec. 27 Westamerica Bank in San

However, Thomas was charged only with robbing a Wells Fargo bank in Sunnyvale in September

### More Californians bankrupt in 1995

#### Despite signs of stronger economy, state filings up

SANTA ANA (AP) — More Californians filed bankruptcy papers last year than in 1994, although there was a sharp decline in businesses seeking to reorganize under bankruptcy court pro-

The total number of bankruptcy filings, as compiled and released Wednesday by the Santa Anabased public record service CDB Infotek, was 183,334 in 1995, up 5.2 percent from 174,252 in 1994

That seemed at odds with many assessments of the state economy, which have generally been favorable in recent months. Not only has the unemployment rate fallen, but personal income and tax collections have both increased dramatically, leaving state coffers with an unexpected surplus.

California accounts for more than 13 percent of the national economy and would be the seventh-largest economy in the world if it were a nation. Because it is so large, its four-year recession and recent signs of strong recovery have been watched closely far beyond its borders.

'I don't really understand it,' Salomon Bros. regional economist David Hensley, a California specialist, said of the bankruptcy fig-

Hensley, who is based in New York, has been predicting vigorous growth for California.

He speculated that declining home values in some parts of the state, combined with the interest rate spike in 1994, might have been enough to push more peo-ple into bankruptcy a year later.

Total bankruptcy filings peaked at 197,943 in 1992. However, the people who wound up in bankruptcy court last year were deeper in debt than in 1992.

Ted Gibson, principal econo-nist for the California mist for the California Department of Finance, also was surprised by the figures and said y perhaps were attributable to falling home prices. Gibson said he didn't think they reflect the outlook for jobs, which is increasing, but rather lingering personal credit problems.

The bankruptcy filings seemed

interior regions of the state where home prices declined the most last

For example, Sacramento County bankruptcy filings were up by 17.2 percent in 1995, San Bernardino by 15 percent, Riverside by 18.8 percent and Fresno by 15.5 percent.

Bankruptcies declined in parts of Southern California and the Bay Area. The decline was 3.0 percent in San Mateo County, 2.1 percent in Ventura County and 2.9 percent in Los Angeles County.

An especially severe rise came in many rural counties. Amador, Tuolumne and San Benito counties had year-over-year increases in the 35 percent-to-40 percent

The decline in Chapter 11 filings, which give businesses a respite from creditors, is more in keeping with other signs that the economic recovery in California is taking hold. Chapter 11 filings were down 24.8 percent from 3,814 in 1994 to 2,870 last year, CDB Infotek reported.

Chapter 13 filings, in which individuals reorganize their finances under supervision by a court-appointed trustee, increased 5.3 percent from 34,869 to 36,702

The most common bankruptcy proceeding was Chapter 7 filings, in which assets are liquidated to pay debts. They rose 6.1 percent from 136,931 in 1994 to 144,261

The median amount of declared debt for a voluntary Chapter 7 bankruptcy was \$60,170 last year, up 22 percent from \$49,321 the year before. In 1992 it was \$37,865, CDB Infotek report-

Rick Rozar, CDB's chief execusaid aftershocks from California's four-year earthquake of recession in the early '90s are still being felt. And with home prices down sharply, people are less likely to be able to borrow against their home equity to get them through tough times, he

The numbers include all bankruptcy filings, individual and com-mercial. Multiple filings under different names were counted only once, said John Karevoll, a researcher who helped CDB process its data.

### Tip nabs robber who hit county banks

ed to be filed against the so-called Blue Bag Bandit, a U.S. attorney

An anonymous tip led authorities to the man they believe was the well-dressed robber who politely relieved 29 Northern California banks of \$100,000.

a detention hearing Friday. Thomas, 46, is being held with-

Rosen said additional charges in connection with the other robperies would be filed against Thomas, whom authorities suspect of robbing the banks over the past 18 months. If charged and convicted of all the robberies, Thomas could be sentenced 120 years in

agency says it is rare for one per-son to rob more than half a dozen

ranging from Sonoma to Santa Clara counties and Sacramento got his nickname from the blue canvas duffel bag he sometimes used to

and cardigan sweaters — and his polite manners. He told tellers, "I'm sorry I have to do this."

Authorities found in his possession a black satchel that matches one used in some robberies, sunglasses like those worn by the robber and \$6,900 in cash still bound Rosen said. The first robbery occurred in

FBI spokesman George Grotz said a caller to the "We Tip" hot-

### Court says caller I.D. doesn't need additional rules

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) -Caller I.D., which lets telephone customers see the caller's number, can start June 1 in California without the privacy measures ordered by a state agency, a federal appeals court ruled Wednesday.

The 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals said the state must follow federal rules, which require display of a caller's number to a fee-paying customer of the service unless the caller has taken steps to block the

A caller can prevent disclosure by pressing the star key and 67 on a touch-tone phone before an individual call, or by telling the phone company to block all displays of the number. Those rules are already in effect in the 47 states that allow Caller I.D.

The state Public Utilities Commission, when it provisionally approved Caller I.D. in 1992, imposed additional measures for nearly 40 percent of Californians who pay for unlisted numbers. Those numbers would not be displayed on any calls unless the caller had told the phone company to allow display, the commission said.

The PUC reasoned that those customers had already shown a desire to keep their numbers private, and might not learn about the need to take further steps to protect their privacy. Some consumer groups voiced additional objections, saying Caller I.D. would be a tool for abusive telemarketers and could endanger some callers, like battered women, who wanted to conceal their location.

Pacific Bell and GTE-California, the state's two major phone companies, decided that the restrictions made the program too unprofitable to unprofitable to implement. Instead they urged the Federal Communications Commission to set uniform nationwide standards,

an effort that succeeded last May. The FCC said California's restrictions, adopted by no other state, were unfair to out-of-state customers and thwarted a national policy of promoting Caller I.D. The appeals court said the FCC acted within its authority in overriding the state's rules.

The federal agency rationally concluded that California's restrictions "would impede the development" of Caller I.D., said Judge Arthur Alarcon in the 3-0 ruling. He also rejected the PUC's argument that the privacy rights of customers with unlisted numbers

"A phone number is not among the select privacy interests protected by a federal constitutional right to privacy," Alarcon said, citing a Supreme Court ruling that upheld the disclosure of phone numbers to police.

Pacific Bell spokesman Dane Pasco said the company was prepared to offer the service June 1, when the FCC rules take effect in California. He said residential customers would be charged \$6.50 a month to learn their callers' numbers and business customers would pay \$7.50 a month. He also said Pacific Bell would routinely block the display of numbers from facilities such as police stations and battered women's shelters

By rejecting state rules that would have excluded 40 percent of the callers from the program, the FCC "makes the Caller I.D. product more valuable to the typical consumer" who buys it, Pasco said. He called the service "an electronic peephole, like the hole in your door that lets you look out before you decide whether to answer."

He also said Pacific Bell is planning a \$35 million program to educate customers about Caller I.D. and their ability to block it. But PUC lawyer Mark Fogelman said PacBell has acknowledged that no more than half the customers are likely to understand their options.

"Millions of California citizens who are paying for unlisted numbers will have those numbers go out without their knowledge and consent if they don't get educated," Fogelman said.

### Gates sees Microsoft lobbying Washington to fight restrictions

BEVERLY HILLS (AP) Computer software magnate Bill Gates said Wednesday his Microsoft Corp. may have to turn lobbyist because of potential regu-

lation of the Internet. 'Unfortunately, it means we're going to have to spend some time in Washington, D.C. In the first 15 years of Microsoft history, we never visited Washington," Gates said

Wednesday. But legal ambiguity about such issues as who might be liable for remarks in an on-line chat room the user or the company which Microsoft's voice be heard, Gates

"It's very important in this envi-ronment to establish who's respon-

sible," he said. The specter of too many rules requires that Microsoft break its tradition, said Gates, chairman

and CEO of Microsoft Corp.
Gates has taken general stands on issues such as free trade, but

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like many in California's high-tech, politics-shy Silicon Valley, has refrained from lobbying on specif-

Addressing a meeting of the Hollywood Radio & Television Society at the Beverly Wilshire Hotel, Gates did not give further details of how Microsoft, the world's largest software company, will proceed in Washington.

Gates spoke glowingly about a wide-open future of personal com-puters and advised his entertainment industry audience to get with the program.

"We say this is the information age. What the heck do we mean? We mean there are tools that allow us to get information easily," Gates

He advised that anybody working in the entertainment industry should be using electronic mail.

"At Microsoft we got rid of paper forms" and have gone strictly to e-mail communication, Gates

He predicted that communica- crowded. tion, both personal and business, will increasingly be conducted via e-mail and more user-friendly

computers will spur that trend. Within four to six years, he pre-dicted, people will be able to talk to computers instead of using a keyboard or cursor.

Gates predicted that the "gold rush" atmosphere surrounding the Internet will produce some big winners among companies trying to capitalize on the global information sharing vehicle. He cautioned, however, that while a percentage will strike pay dirt, most won't

Asked about the prospects of Microsoft's announced joint ven-ture with NBC, an all-news cable TV channel with an on-line tie-in, Gates agreed the market is getting

Fox also has said that it intends

to launch a challenge to CNN "I think somebody's gonna lose money. It's a risky business," he

Gates said Microsoft probably wouldn't be jumping into too many other new ventures like the so-called MSNBC or other on-line commercial outings.

'There's just a few, and then we'll be set," he said without pro-

viding details. A lighter moment came when Gates was asked about the lavish home he's building in Washington state at a reported cost of \$35 mil-

"I wish it was \$35 million," he replied. "It's just like a movie budget. It's hard to stop when you get going.

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