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## Latin-American library opens doors to opportunity

Above, Rodolfo Torres plays the violin as Mariachi Tapatio performs for a crowd of community members and city officials, after the Saturday opening of the Biblioteca Latinoamericana and the Washington United Youth Center. The opening celebration also offered Mexican food and crafts for children.

Left, Aaron Hernandez points to a picture of a street sign in a book he was reading to his daughter, Tamaya, 7. The Hernandez family lives about a block away from the 15,000-square-foot library, which contains a large collection of Spanish language resource materials.

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## Going down

SJSU's 59 elevators most in state,  
but they're some of oldest, too

By Daniel Severin  
Daily staff writer

Ever since she was nearly trapped in the elevator in Joe West Hall the day she toured the campus, junior Andrea St. Clair has had bad experiences with the elevators at San Jose State University.

In fact, those elevators in Joe West Hall nearly scared her away from SJSU.

"It seemed like it took an eternity for the elevator to get to each floor," St. Clair said. "I started panicking, thinking I was trapped."

Ever since that day, St. Clair has been reluctant to ride in elevators on campus.

"The elevators in the campus buildings are the original ones put in with the buildings," said Mark Pecchenino manager of work control for the Office of Facilities Development and Operations.

St. Clair is surprised there aren't more problems with the elevators at SJSU, considering how old they are.

SJSU has more elevators than any other campus in the state of California, with an estimated 59, including stage lifts and service elevators, Pecchenino said.

Students such as St. Clair have little to fear from the Joe West Hall elevators, which were remodeled in the summer of 1997, according to Martin Castillo, community relations coordinator for University Housing Services.

Joe West is the only Residence Hall with elevators, Castillo said. Most of the Residence Halls have only three stories, while Joe West has 12 stories.

SJSU has a contract with an independent company, Fujitec, for all repairs to the elevators on campus, according to Pecchenino.

When an elevator is reported as not working, Facilities Development and Operations contacts Fujitec to tell them about the problem that needs to be fixed. Fujitec is responsible for getting the repairs made in a "timely" fashion.

Fujitec repaired the elevator in the Student Union Oct. 23 after it was out of service for three weeks. The parts on the

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## Female mystery writers share their literary wares

By Daniel Severin  
Daily staff writer

A donation at the door and a passionate love for mystery novels were the only things required for entrance to the Mystery and Tea discussion Saturday.

The American Association of University Women and the Sisters in Crime book club brought Camille Minichino and Lori Fairweather, two Bay Area mystery writers, to the Willow Glen United Methodist Church in San Jose for an interactive fund-raising discussion about women and the mysteries they write.

"This is a way to get together a group of like-minded people to raise money for a good cause and expose us to new writers," said AAUW member Joyce Baker, a political science graduate of SJSU and a retired teacher from James Lick High School.

Each of the writers spoke to the crowd of 50 members about her writing and the creative process, including using the Internet for research.

"I didn't realize there are so many women who are mystery readers like me. This is a clever

way to bring in new members," said city council representative Cindy Chavez, who also graduated from SJSU.

Bringing in women mystery writers was a perfect idea for a fund-raising event, since most of the group's members are avid mystery readers, said Lani Evans, an SJSU graduate and retired Gunderson High School teacher.

The two writers gave the audience an overview of their books

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American Association  
University Women member

and their life experiences that led them to become mystery writers.

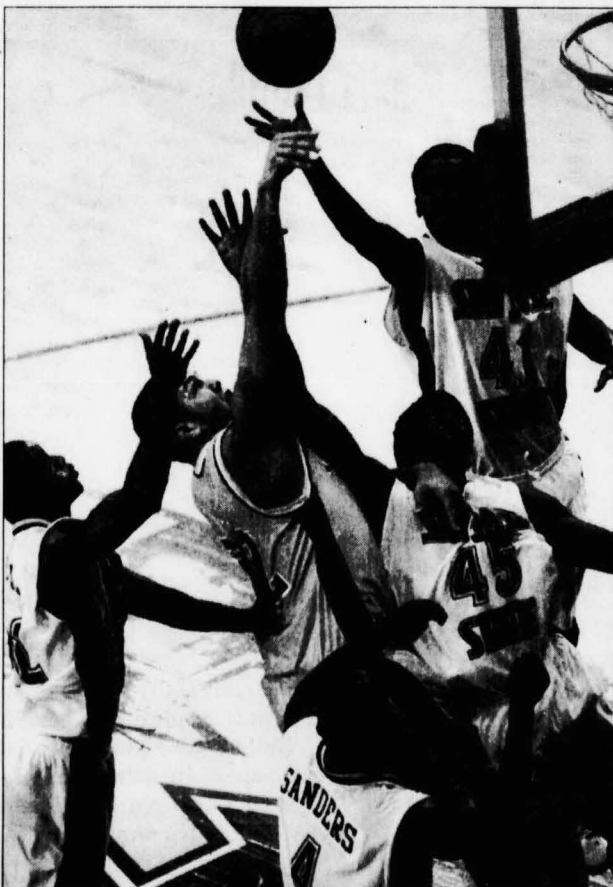
Fairweather told the group how her work as a reporter and sports writer helped her become a fiction writer. The pressures of being a journalist and being accustomed to deadlines prepared her for a career as a novelist, Fairweather said.

"I don't think I've had an unhappy enough life to write fiction," Fairweather said she told her husband before writing her first novel.

Fairweather's novel, "Blood and Water," is set in Sonoma County and tells the story of a woman accused of killing her twin sister.

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## Mixed results in hoops openers



Spartan forwards Darnell Williams (41) and Kevin Blunt (45) fight off San Francisco State Gator Matt Dutton (32) at Saturday's game at the Event Center.

### Men beat up on Division-II SFSU 61-33

By Dijorn Moss  
Special to the Daily

When it comes down to it, defense wins the game.

The Spartans as a team only shot 38 percent from the field, but they managed to hold the San Francisco State University Gators to a dismal 19 percent from the field. As a result, the San Jose State University men's basketball team opened its season with a 61-

33 victory. The Spartans jumped out to a 10-0 lead until a foul committed by Spartan Kevin Blunt, which gave the Gators their first two points off of Jeff Sutton's pair of successful free throws.

SJSU maintained its poise for most of the first half until Terrance Super made a jumper that brought the Gators to within six points, making the score 25-19. The score at the end of the first

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### Strong first half goes for naught as women fall

By Clarissa Aljentera  
Daily staff writer

The Spartans played a great 20 minutes against the University of Nevada, Reno Friday. However, during another 20 minutes the women's basketball team lacked focus, causing the team a 65-58 loss in the Event Center.

"Sometimes I hate to have halftimes. We have been focusing on playing 40 minutes," said Janice Richard, SJSU's head coach. "Fifteen minutes is good — we had 20 today."

The Spartans shot 46 percent from the field in the first half compared to the Wolfpack, who shot 32 percent. In the second half the Wolfpack shot 50 percent from the field and the Spartans dropped to 27 percent.

"We still aren't finishing. We have to be closers," said Richard who referred to the seven out of 26 shots made in the second half.

The majority of those points belonged to Spartan guard

Natasha Johnson, who scored 10 of her 16 points in the second half. "We didn't step it up. They came and wanted it more and we gave it to them," Johnson said.

Not only was Johnson leading the team with points against the Wolfpack, she also accumulated two defensive rebounds and three steals.

One of the steals was key in the second half when both teams were battling it out. Johnson came up big when she stole the ball from Angie Heer. Johnson followed through with a jumper to put the Spartans ahead by one, at 42-41.

There were 10 lead changes in the final 10 minutes of play.

Despite topsy-turvy scoreboard, the Spartans made valiant attempts to regain control late in the game but fouled frequently. Their aggressiveness was apparent when they committed four of their 12 team fouls with less than two minutes.

The four last fouls were

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## Police make amends for prior mistreatment



### Learning To Fly

LEAH BOWER

I've been referred to as "little missy," and was accused of being a polar fleece-wearing, bicycling prostitute.

Because of all my bad run-ins with police — and I never received a ticket for any of the above incidents — I've always been a bit wary of the men in blue.

So, when I ran out of gas just off the Foothill College exit from 280 at 11:30 p.m. Saturday night, I wasn't expecting help. Luckily for me there was a lone pay phone at the intersection, so I dialed 911 and asked what I should do.

A wonderful officer, whose name I didn't catch, showed up and ferried me and my gas can to the nearest station. On the way he offered me his Chinese food — which he hadn't eaten because he was called to pick me up — and chatted with me.

When we pulled up next to my car another officer showed up and the two helped me fill the tank, escorted me to the station and made sure I found my way back to the freeway.

It almost makes me forget my previous experiences.

Outside Cougar Hot Springs, two park rangers pulled me over, demanded everyone get out of the car and then inspected it. Their expert examination yielded a single ancient beer bottle one officer sniffed, then pronounced it "smells like fresh beer." It must have been the bone dry cigarette butts inside that clued him in.

While his buddy was talking to my friends, he finally faced the fact the beer dated to the days of the Pharaohs and told me to put the bottle in the trunk. I did. So you can imagine my surprise when I was called to the back of the car by the other officer while he was rummaging through my trunk.

"Is this your beer, little missy?"

I lost it. I demanded they either ticket me, jail me or let us go. After much hemming and hawing, we were left to finish our trip.

Nothing, however, tops my next interaction with an officer of the law.

After getting in a fight at 3 a.m. with the guy I was dating, I took off on my mountain bike to get some air in the University of Oregon neighborhood. I was wearing a loose blue polar fleece pullover on top of a T-shirt, jeans and Teva sandals. It was a typical Oregonian uniform.

The next thing I know, I'm being pulled over — with lights, sirens and the big spotlight.

Not sure what to do, I slowed to a stop and waited for the officer. After being quizzed about where where I was going — he told me I had to be going somewhere, even though there was no curfew for 19-year-olds — then he hit me with the whammy.

"You shouldn't be out here this late or someone might mistake you for a prostitute."

If you ever go to Oregon, remember the whores there don't wear skintight dresses with cleavage showing. No, they are clad in Eddie Bauer polar fleece pullovers, Levi's and yuppie sandals. The upper-class "escorts" sport North Face backpacks and work the REI parking lot.

The stories of my pleasant encounters with police are not as interesting as the bad, but they make more of an impact.

Don't judge the whole profession by a few bad seeds — every field has them.

Leah Bower is the Spartan Daily managing editor. "Learning To Fly" appears Mondays.

## JUST MOUSE PADS



MIKE LUKOVICH  
PLATE DISTRIBUTION

## 'Battle of sexes' should teach lessons

It amazes me how two people made up of the same stuff can be so different. To be more specific, two genders. Men and women are made up of the same skin, muscles, bones and internal organs.

We all have two eyes, two ears, a nose, 10 fingers and 10 toes. We all have a head full of gray matter, a heart beneath our rib cage and the leg bone always connects to the hip bone.

So what makes us so different? I find it incredible that with the major differences — physically, that is — being primarily only in genital organs and the hormones they produce, men and women seem to be different species altogether. We all have amounts of testosterone and estrogen, although they differ.

I don't think the gender-difference mystery will ever be solved, and maybe it's true that men are from Mars and women are from Venus — it sure seems that way sometimes.

Forgive me for the following generalizations about the sexes. They are ones commonly made, and although I'm not one to make sweeping generalizations about anything, they do seem to make some valid points.

For example, while men will never understand why most women feel the need to bring at least four — or 40, depending on the destination — pairs of shoes for a weekend getaway, women will never cease to be amazed at how men can pack all they need for the same trip in a tiny bag. One pair of shoes, two max.

Men cannot figure out why many women take so friggin' long to get ready to go anywhere. I have heard comments too numerous to count about women taking hours to get ready to go anywhere from a movie — where they will be sitting in the dark, no less — to a cocktail party. Granted, some women can get ready quickly and without much fuss or primping in front of the mirror, but at the same time, women forever question how men can get ready so fast. In fact, I myself have made the comment that I wish it could be that easy.

When women have a problem, they tell their best friend, their sister, their mom and whoever else they feel comfortable talking to. This gets it out in the open and generally someone will offer a solution to the problem. At the very least, women will feel much better about a problem, especially after several days of agonizing, crying, venting an / or discussing what's wrong.

When men are angry or upset, they are known to put a fist through a wall or window. They don't usually

### OFF THE RECORD

Melissa Matchak



want to talk about it, but storm around, pissed off, until they get over it, which is usually rather quickly. This is a major mystery to me, and also a point of frustration. There have been several occasions on which I have wished I was a man just so I could get through a problem as quickly as they seem to. Maybe men do sit around and worry about things or spill their guts to their best friends, but we women just don't see it. I'd like to think so.

And of course, the bathroom thing. Women generally go in groups. It's OK to chat in the bathroom, private or public. It's a place to gossip and check hair, makeup, clothes and teeth. Men go to the bathroom for that very purpose — no chatting, no primping, nothing. Must be nice.

Finally, bonding rituals. Wow, are men and women different in that respect. Most of the male bonding I have been fortunate — I think — enough to witness has usually involved sports or beer or both. It seems to me when men are absorbed in a football game on TV or when they are drunk as hell, only then can they truly bond and share their emotions with one another other. Yes, perhaps I am stereotyping here, but most of you can attest to seeing this behavior among males.

Women, on the other hand, can bond by doing just about anything.

Shopping, talking, eating, watching "chick" movies and even working are all bonding activities on some level. Women bond more easily, I believe, because of their willingness to be open and to listen to one another. We also don't have much of a problem sharing our feelings and experiences — good or bad — with other women we are close to.

With all these differences, it's a miracle procreation happens. Somehow, so many of us are willing to get past the gender mysteries and be together. That's reassuring.

Men and women all should remember that variety is the spice of life. We're all different for a reason. Could you imagine what the world would be like if we all had the same ideas, feelings and ways of doing things? How boring.

I'm not saying one gender is better or worse than the other, but despite the seemingly impossible task of looking past our gender-related differences, it's important to keep in mind we're all made up of the same stuff inside.

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## Proposed laws against junk e-mail necessary

Daniel Severin

STAFF WRITER



Have you ever opened up an e-mail in your inbox titled, "Find Lost Loved Ones or Your Money Back! Guaranteed!" only to discover that it is really an ad for an obscene porn Web site?

This happens more often than people realize. It is really frustrating to get unwanted messages that some money-hungry company sent you to try to get you to buy its products.

There are three major bills currently in U.S. congressional committees that would put an end to the practice of companies sending ads to people who subscribe to Internet service providers.

A survey about unsolicited e-mail conducted by eSearch.com found that 92 percent of those questioned received unsolicited messages, and 77 percent of those people were offended by the constant bombardment of unwanted messages.

Nearly half of the people surveyed by eSearch.com said they were unable to tell how the senders obtained their addresses.

It is mystifying to think about where these companies have gotten my address from.

I can't tell where they got my name, and I don't frequently visit sites that are explicit in nature.

Most Web sites now have a link that allows visitors to sign up for e-mail updates about the services provided by the company whose home page they are accessing.

E-mail regulations were seen as a good idea by 46 percent of the people asked.

Most people sign up with free e-mail services, such as Hotmail or Yahoo! Mail, through companies that are legally forbidden from selling your address to companies seeking to make a profit, according to Junkmail.org, a site devoted to increasing consumer awareness about the laws controlling e-mail usage.

The leading bill that seeks to control unsolicited e-mail correspondence is the Unsolicited Commercial Electronic Mail Choice Act of 1997.

According to the bill, commercial e-mail messages that are sent to people will be required to read "advertisement" in the subject field of a message.

Companies will no longer be allowed to send advertisements for their products to Internet users who have not shown prior interest in their merchandise, according to the bill.

Messages must be sent from valid e-mail addresses, according to the bill. Anonymous mailings will no longer be allowed if the bill is passed by Congress.

Unfortunately for everyone who gets countless useless messages every day — I got two today — the bill is still being discussed in congressional committees.

The bill is a step in the right direction, but it doesn't go far enough to solve the problem of offensive, unwanted e-mail messages.

The other bills currently in debate place very small penalties on companies that send messages to people who are uninterested in their services.

A bill that forces companies to stop sending messages to people without their permission is necessary to put an end to the perpetual annoyance of consumers who are overwhelmed by useless messages.

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### Today

#### Nutrition and Food Science Department

Body composition analysis, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. in the Central Classroom Building, Room 221. For more information, call James Burke at 924-4337.

#### School of Art and Design

Student galleries art exhibitions 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the art and industrial studies buildings. For more information, call John or Jenny at 924-4330.

### Catholic Campus Ministry

Daily mass, 12:10 p.m. to 12:35 p.m. at the Campus Ministry Center, 300 S. 10th St. For more information, call Bob Barry at 938-1610.

### Phi Chi Theta

National professional co-ed business and economics fraternity, resume and mock interview workshop by Eddie Tan from Adeco, 8:30 p.m. in the Pacifica room, Student Union. Open to all majors. For more information, call Alicia at 930-8618 or David at 265-7442.

### KSJS Celluloid Dreams

Radu Mihailanu, director of the new film, "Train of Life," 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. on 90.5 fm. For more information, call Shannon Wright at 924-4578.

### National Association of Black Accountants

Bowling social — free pizza, free bowling, 6 p.m. in the Student Union Bowling Center. For more information, call Rohelia at 835-

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4994 or Rodney at 727-7229.

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Tuesday night lecture series, 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Art Building, Room 133. For more information, call Andy at 924-4328.

### Counseling Services

Ongoing support group for students taking or considering taking medication for concerns such as depression, anxiety, OCD, etc., 4

p.m. to 5 p.m. in the Administration building, Room 222B. For more information, call Jill Steinberg or Christie Fukunaga at 924-5910.

### Marketing Association

Ray Wong of radio station Wild 94.9 will discuss promotions and marketing techniques in the radio industry, 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Almaden room, Student Union. For more information, call Arlene at 870-2086.

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The Spartan Daily wants to know how you plan to celebrate the end of the century. Tell us your plans by e-mail at sdaily@jmc.sjsu.edu, attn: opinion editor. A list of the party plans will be published Dec. 6, 1999. No names will be included.

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## NEWS

San Jose State University



Gloria Leonard (center), a 1992 San Jose State University alumna, talks to fellow American Association of University Women at "Mystery and Tea" at Willow Glen Methodist Church Saturday. The Mystery and Tea was a fund raiser for the Educational Foundation.

Douglas Rider / Special to the Spartan Daily

## Mystery

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Minichino has written a series of mysteries based on the periodic table of the elements and set in her home town of Revere, Mass.

"Creating a fictional character was like living another life,"

Minichino said.

Her books center around an overweight retired physicist who helps the police solve murders and lives in an apartment above a funeral home, Minichino said. Each book integrates information about physics into a modern murder mystery, making science appear more fun.

With events like this one,

AAUW hopes to make its events more attractive to college students.

The group is working with the women's studies department at SJSU to increase the number of members who are students, Leonard said.

The proceeds from the talk benefit the association's Education Foundation, which is devoted to improve the educational opportu-

nities available to women and girls, said Gloria Leonard, membership vice president and a 1992 graduate of San Jose State University.

Last year the AAUW raised \$3 million to benefit 271 women, Leonard said. The group raises money from collecting dues and holding annual events such as the Mystery and Tea.

## Elevator

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elevator were obsolete and needed to be special-ordered, which caused the project to take longer than anticipated, said John Skyberg of Facilities Development and Operations. Mechanical failure in other parts of the elevator came in a chain reaction after the installation of the new parts,

delaying the repairs even longer, he said.

All problems with elevators need to be reported to the help desk in the facilities office, Pecchenino said.

Every year facilities conducts an audit of all the buildings on campus to determine what problem areas need to be fixed, Pecchenino said. The problems are listed in order of priority, and the most important things get repaired first.

There are currently two elevators that are out of service on campus, one in Duncan Hall and one in Clark Library, Pecchenino said.

It costs an estimated \$80,000 to upgrade an elevator on campus, Pecchenino said. With only \$1 million in the budget, the office is unable to fix every elevator right away.

The process of prioritizing the repairs on campus, which is a result of budget cuts in the 1980s,

is called deferred maintenance.

One reason why there are so many problems with the elevators on campus is because little was done in the way of preventative maintenance by Tri-County, the contract holder before Fujitec, Dan Johnson of facilities said.

This year facilities is modernizing the elevators in McQuarrie Hall, the business classrooms and Clark Library, Pecchenino said.

## Former centerfold casts cloudy image as weather anchor

(AP) — There's unsettled weather at a San Jose Spanish-language television station — and the center of the storm is swirling around the new weather anchor, a former magazine centerfold.

Monica Mesones, 35, posed in the buff two years ago for the inaugural issue of Un Estilo de Vida, Playboy's now-folded magazine for Hispanic men in the United States.

She said she agreed to the \$10,000 layout after her parents gave their approval. But while many in the KSTS-TV audience support her hiring earlier this month, others are troubled.

Much of the concern comes from people who feel that posing nude means she lacks conservative values they feel are needed to hold such a high-profile job.

"It's a controversial issue, and I'm aware of that," Mesones, 35, said. "I definitely, definitely, definitely have a lot of respect for

other people's opinions."

"Hopefully, my job will speak for itself," she added.

The station is busy marketing Mesones. Station officials said they aren't trading on her magazine appearance, but they aren't blind to the interest it has generated.

"We're not exploiting it. We're just trying to promote her as a personality, a weathercaster and an entertainment anchor," General Manager Ralph Herrera said. "Obviously, we don't mind the attention."

Mesones was born in Uruguay and raised in New York and Houston. She arrived in San Jose with no weather experience, having done sports features for nine months at a Houston station.

Prior to that, she traveled for 17 years, modeling for magazine covers, performing in a 1991 Ricky Martin video and appearing in department store ads.

She works long hours on her delivery and says she wants to take meteorology classes. The station plans to hire a meteorology consultant to help her.

"I have a great opportunity to grow," Mesones said. "This is my new interest, my new passion."

While her impact on ratings won't be clear until they are released next month, station officials think her upbeat personality and good looks will have a positive impact on the all-important numbers.

Not everyone is convinced. "If they are trying to represent us, Latinos, they should do so with true values that our women have," said Luz Agudelo, a viewer who writes a local Spanish-language newsletter on Latino family issues.

"It sends the wrong message to our young Latina women," said Teresa Guerrero-Daley, San Jose's police auditor. "I definitely don't see her as a role model."

But Maribel Alvarez, executive director of MACLA / San Jose Center for Latino Arts, suggests people are getting too worked up about the magazine.

"She's obviously been working very hard to get some attention," Alvarez said, "and that's what all Latinos do, whether they're professional, have Ph.D.s or are aspiring actresses or are working in Silicon Valley."

"I think we should rally behind her and give her as much support as we can," said Gloria Alvarez, program director for Enlace, which helps Hispanics in the San Jose-Evergreen Community College District.

Mesones got off to a bumpy start, betraying her inexperience, but she's improving enough to make her boss happy.

"It was a rough start," said Herrera, "but every day I think she's gotten better and better and better."

## Healing starts for Texas A&amp;M

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) — Thousands of classmates, families and friends gathered in churches across Texas on Sunday, quietly sobbing and praying for the 12 people killed when a four-story pyramid of logs collapsed at Texas A&M University.

"I'm here to help the Aggie family from what has been a tragic situation in the state of Texas," a somber Gov. George W. Bush said before an evening memorial service at Central Baptist Church near the campus. "It is a time to pray and a time to hear the word."

Bush, who did not speak during the service, signed the guest books of all 12 victims, three of whom were buried Sunday.

The leaders of their congregations and others tried to comfort the mourners during services throughout the day, and they addressed the survivors of Thursday's tragedy.

"The reason you are here this morning is not luck," said Dwight Edwards, senior pastor of Grace Bible Church. "God is not through using you for his purpose."

The logs have been stacked annually for 90 years as part of the runup to the football game against rival University of Texas. The bonfire is a deeply held tradition on this football-mad campus of 43,000 about 90 miles northwest of Houston.

Local, state and federal officials planned to map out an investigation strategy this week to determine how the 40-foot pile collapsed. But Charles Anderson, pastor of A&M United Methodist Church, said the answers would do little to comfort those left behind.

"Answers won't hold your hand," he said. "Answers won't hold you in their arms, and answers will not sit by your bedside on a sleepless night."

A busload of students attended the funeral Sunday of Jamie Hand, 19, an environmental design major and artist who sang at her church and was buried near her home in Henderson. Many of the group gathered in front of her casket to sing the "Aggie War Hymn."

"If Henderson was a magical kingdom, Jamie Lynn Hand was without a doubt its princess," Rev. Ron Barney told about 1,500 mourners.

Services were held in Austin for Christopher Breen, 25, an

A&M graduate who had returned to help pass on the bonfire tradition. Breen's family kept the ceremony private, but in a statement recalled his love of the outdoors and thanked those who offered support.

"He loved people, and we thank all of his friends for letting us know how much he meant to you," the statement read. "Sharing your memories broadens our knowledge of Chris and the many facets of his character."

In Katy, near Houston, a funeral was held for Christopher Lee Heard, 19, a pre-engineering major and a 1999 graduate of the Marine Military Academy, a private military prep school in Harlingen.

Almost 100 young men in uniform from the academy and the A&M Corps of Cadets attended the service. Heard's drill instructor recalled him as a prankster who would fill boots with shaving cream. Others remembered his love of hunting and fishing.

At First Baptist Church in Bryan, about 50 students knelt around the altar and prayed during a moment of silence. At least eight of the students killed in the accident attended the church in the last month, said minister Tim Owens.

Owens invited people to speak about what they were thankful for. One man replied: "Thank you for giving me and my fellow co-workers the ability to rescue some of the Aggies from the bonfire."

One of seven people still hospitalized was released Sunday. Of the remaining six, two were in critical condition.

About 70 people were stacking the logs when the pile gave way. Some students were hurled from the structure; others were trapped in the shifting logs.

Bill Anderson, student president of the Memorial Student Center, a campus building that honors fallen Aggies, said the university spirit of honor, integrity, faith, hope and family is essential now.

"A lot of people don't understand Texas A&M, and the deeper things people don't understand about Texas A&M are the values that we embrace," he said. "We're going to survive this because of those values and I know that."

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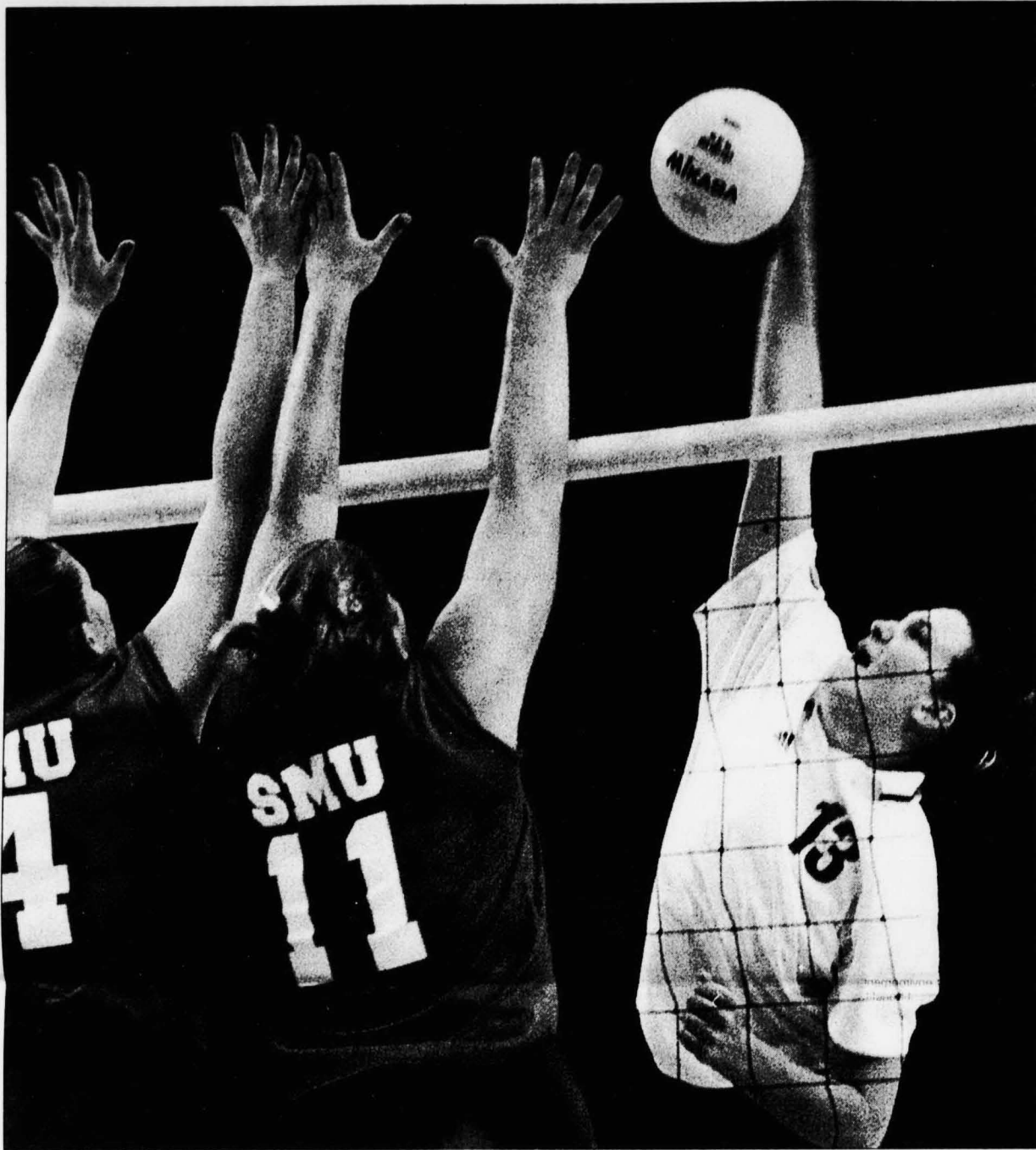
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## SMUooth victory



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Joslynn Gallop (13), San Jose State University middle blocker, spikes the ball against Tara Hatfield (11), Southern Methodist University setter, and Melissa Godwin (4) for one of her 27 kills on

Friday. Gallop was the Western Athletic Conference player of the week. SJSU won 8-15, 15-7, 15-4, 15-12 against SMU.



Brianna Blair (1) and Andrea Fernandez (23) celebrate after their victory against Southern Methodist University Friday at the Event Center. Fernandez was one of three seniors honored before the match. On Saturday night SJSU won 15-3, 15-4, 15-9 against Texas Christian University. These helped SJSU clinch second place with an 11-2 record in the WAC and 25-5 overall. The team's one remaining conference match will be played Tuesday at Hawai'i.

## Three and out

### Football team loses to Fresno 63-12

Daily staff report

What started off as one of the more promising football seasons in recent years for the Spartans unofficially ended Saturday with a 63-12 loss to Fresno State University.

The loss left the San Jose State University team with three wins, and seven losses, the same amount it had after the fifth game of the season in which the Spartans beat Stanford University 44-39.

The win — over the eventual Pacific-10 champions — had many players and head coach Dave Baldwin thinking a Western Athletic Conference title was a realistic goal.

But five straight losses quickly eroded such thoughts.

The chance of an 11th game being played was kept alive when Southern Methodist University beat the University of Tulsa Saturday.

If SMU wins its next game against Texas Christian University, it would keep its hopes of sharing the WAC title alive and force the makeup game with San Jose State University to be played Dec. 4 or 5.

The game was originally postponed when a transformer exploded at Spartan Stadium Oct. 23. An SMU win over SJSU could create a three-way tie for the WAC championship, with FSU and the University of Hawai'i already owning 5-2 conference records.

The Spartans were given an early break Saturday when Travis Seaton recovered a Derrick Ward fumble on the Spartans' 29-yard line.

But the Spartans were only able to move the ball to the 20-yard line, where a fake field goal

attempt failed.

From there, it was all Bulldogs. Quarterback Billy Volek guided his team 79 yards in two minutes, the last 25 yards coming on a connection with wide receiver Charles Smith.

Volek — the WAC's leading passer — and the Bulldogs went on to score 35 straight points before surrendering a touchdown to Spartan Waking Bailey on a 15-yard reception from Chris Kasteler, with just over a minute remaining in the first half.

Things remained pretty much the same in the second half, as Volek hooked up with Rodney Wright on the Bulldogs' first possession to cap a two-play, 43-yard and 49-second drive.

It was Volek's fifth touchdown pass of the afternoon which gave him 30 for the season while throwing three interceptions.

Before being removed from the game near the beginning of the fourth quarter, Volek had amassed 311 yards of passing, pacing a 685-yard offensive performance by the Bulldogs, nearly doubling their season average.

The Spartans did not find the endzone again until 13 seconds were left on the clock at Bulldog Stadium.

Reserve quarterback Brennan Crooks found walk-on wide receiver An Truong.

The lone bright spot for the Spartans may have been punter Tim Morgan, who increased his already league-leading punting average of 41.6 yards by punting four times for 186.

Bulldog returners netted just 3 yards in three attempts.

FSU's 63 points marked the third time a Spartan opponent had passed the 60-point mark.

The Spartans had been giving up 37.7 points and 455.7 yards per game — both worst in the WAC — prior to the game with FSU.

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## SPORTS

San Jose State University

# 'D' plays big role

## Men

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half would be 28-21, with the Spartans clinging to a 7-point lead over their Division II opponents.

Blowing a 15-point lead at the end of the half didn't sit well with head coach Steve Barnes, who stressed defense during the preseason.

"I just talked to them, and I guess, challenged them a little bit. We were playing against a team that was out-hustling us and out-toughing us."

R.J. Powell took it a step further, and said the close score reflected lapses in his team's play rather than anything the Gators could put together.

"We knew they shouldn't have been in the game," Powell said. "We let them get their confidence. It was more about how we were playing."

The Spartans responded, allowing the Gators just a 12-point second half while forcing them to shoot 13 percent from the field.

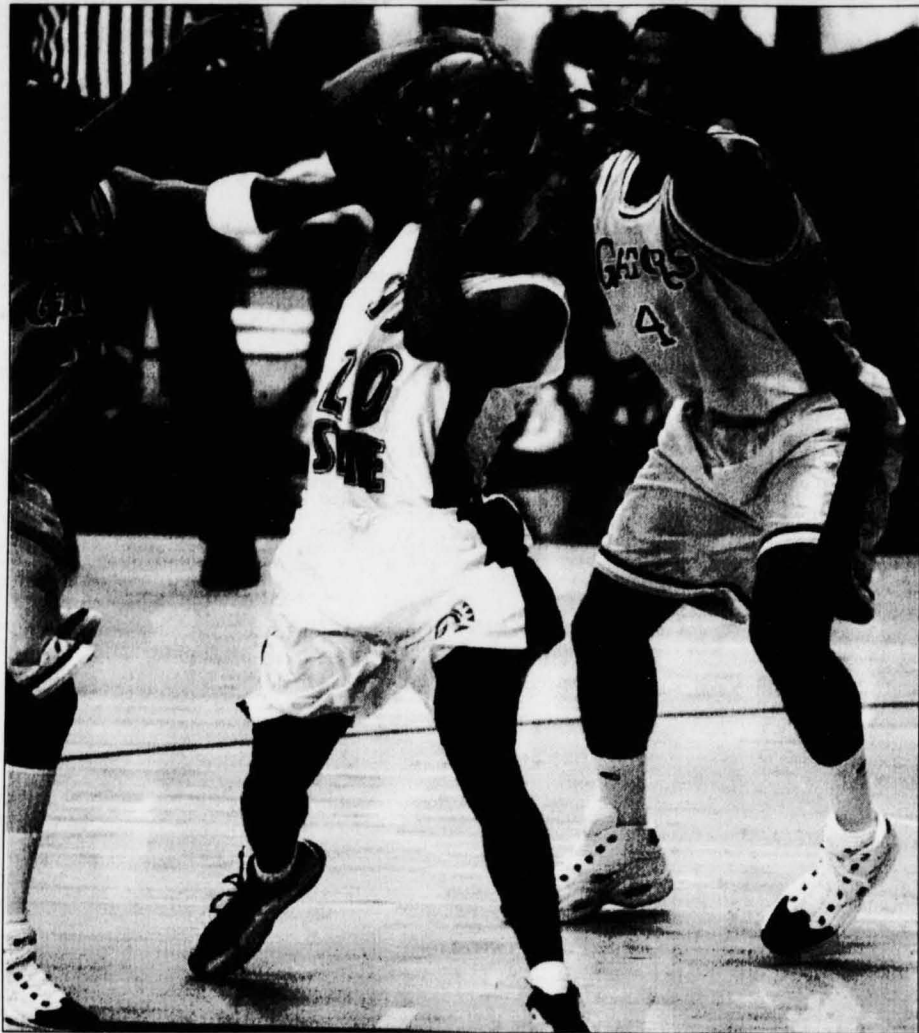
One of the bright spots for the Spartans was the all-out effort put on by Darnell Williams, who led the Spartans in both scoring and rebounding with 12 points, 16 rebounds and three blocks.

While Barnes believed Williams had too many turnovers in the first half, he did believe Williams picked it up in the second half.

When asked how he felt the team did defensively, Barnes said, "I'm getting more pleased. I wasn't in the first half even though they shot 24 percent."

"We fouled too much even though they shot a poor percentage. I thought we kept them in the game because we fouled, because of the free throws," he said.

Despite the big win over SFSU, the Spartans cannot rest their heels just yet.



Spartan guard Jacobo Poole (20) fights for a rebound against SFSU guards (left) Damian Lawrence and (right) Lukman Dotson at Saturday's game at the Event Center.

They have a big test Wednesday at home against UC Santa Barbara.

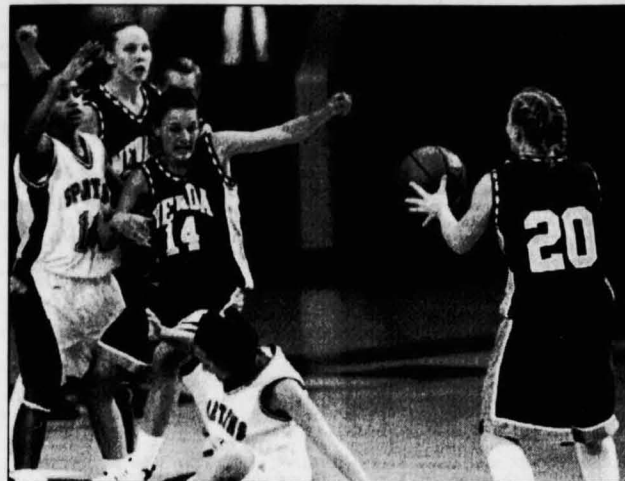
"We need to play a game like that. Our guys need to see

what it is like playing on that type of level," Barnes said, noting Santa Barbara's defense.

SJSU would need to display the same type of defense

played on Friday to run with Santa Barbara.

It's what wins games.



Glenn Fuentes / Spartan Daily

Rachel Sorensen, guard for the University of Nevada Wolfpack, attempts to pass the ball to Jessica Larsen as Juliana Smith, San Jose State University guard, tries to defend Friday at the Event Center. The Wolfpack went on to win the game 65-58.

## Women

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detrimental to their loss because the team had already gone into bonus time and the Wolfpack returned to the line with each foul.

Nevada scored its last six points off of Spartan fouls.

Even though aggressiveness was part of the downfall of the Spartans, the effort was appreciated.

Among those who played well on defense were Crissy DiLuzio and Johnson, who combined for a total of 30 points and six steals.

"DiLuzio and Johnson stepped up. Johnson led the team," Richard said.

Even though the two teams were chasing each other at times offensively, Richard said her team will continue to work on fundamentals.

"We will work on closing games now, defense and boxing out," Richard said.

It is these fundamentals that are important for a team as short as SJSU.

"Every team is bigger than us and we understand we are out-sized in height," Richard said.

■ After opening their season against Nevada, the Spartans started off their week with a 82-65 loss to Gonzaga University Sunday at the Event Center.

Johnson once again led her team with 21 points.

Twelve of those were on three pointers.

Richard said the lack of focus early in the game contributed to their loss.

"We didn't come out focused and ready," Richard said. "Gonzaga came up and pushed. We failed to shoot off."

"There were a lot of letdowns and (we) couldn't come up defensively."

During the second half of the game, the Spartans made 16 of 38 shots and outscored the Bulldogs 39-36.

"Fatigue was a factor — their bench was as strong as their (starting) five. They wore us down. We lost our legs and were left short," Richard said.

The Spartans will face Sonoma State at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Event Center.

**"We will work on closing games now, defense and boxing out."**

— Janice Richard  
head coach  
women's basketball team

## Sprewell's triumphant return to ChOaktown revisited

OAKLAND (AP) — Latrell Sprewell got what he wanted out of his bitter reunion with coach P.J. Carlesimo.

"I finally got to come back here and play," Sprewell said after leading the New York Knicks past Golden State 86-79 Saturday night in his first game against the Warriors since choking Carlesimo in a fit of rage two years ago.

"It was an uphill battle for me and a struggle for my family the whole time. To be able to come back and get this victory meant a lot to me."

Sprewell was as much the target of derisive chants and jeers as support and cheers from the divided crowd in a packed Oakland Arena.

"He handled himself real well," teammate Marcus Camby said. "He knew what kind of environment he was in. All he wanted to do was win."

Sprewell ignored Carlesimo throughout the game, spurning a chance for a conciliatory gesture during introductions. Carlesimo had expressed hopes of having a word

with Sprewell and perhaps even shaking hands in hope of bringing some semblance of closure to a festering wound. But Sprewell didn't approach Carlesimo at midcourt before the game, remaining beneath the Knicks net after the introductions and the coach finally walked back to his bench.

"There's no obligation on his part to do that," Carlesimo said afterward. "If the opportunity was there, yeah, I would have been happy to

shake his hand. But he can do whatever he wants. It's not like he didn't do the right thing."

Sprewell finished with 14 points on 6-of-17 shooting, including a thundering dunk near the end of the game that he celebrated by running

past the Warriors bench.

"That was the highlight of my night," Sprewell said. "I didn't say anything. I just wanted to show them I was here, make a little bit of eye contact with everybody on the team."



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