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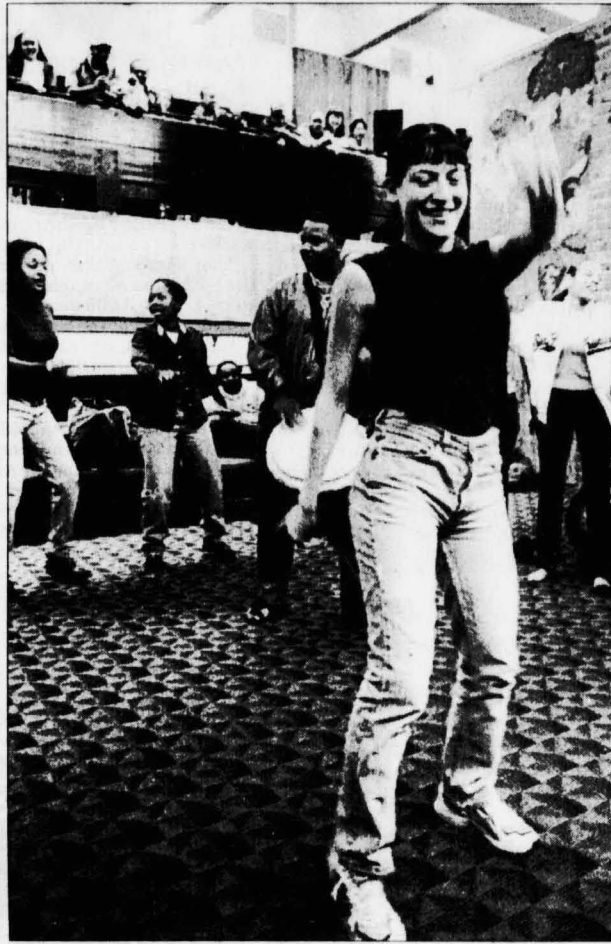
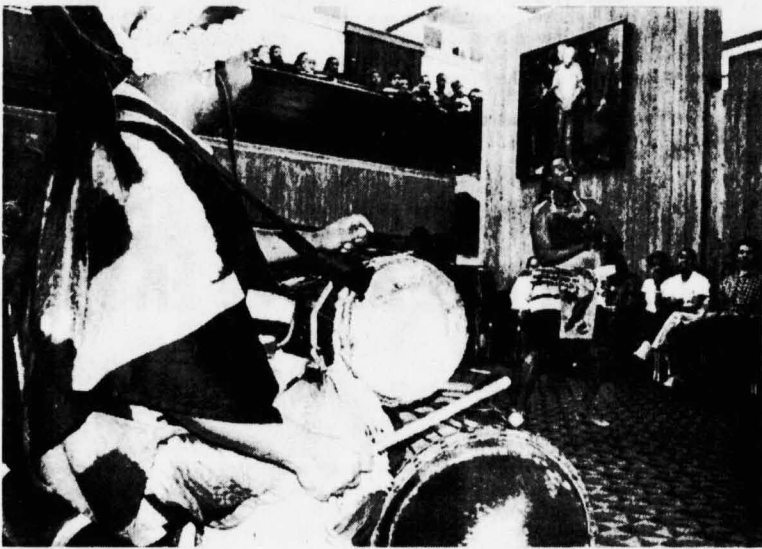
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## 'Drummin ... on a Monday Afternoon'



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Top Left, two dancers, Jahmai Israel (left) and Masi Kisi, perform Monday in the Student Union. The dancers were accompanied by Bantaba (right to left, Tacuma King, Chukudi Hodge and Mosheh Milon Jr.), who play traditional drums from West Africa. Top Right, the group asked spectators to join

the dancers. Janette Najera, a freshman at SJSU, accepts the invitation. The performance was a part of Black History Month. Top Right, the drum skin Milon Jr. was playing is made of goat skin, which is capable of deep and high sounds, depending on where the player beats the drum.

## Alcohol disputed

### Details surface in battery case

Andi Anderson  
DAILY STAFF WRITER



More light has been shed on a Saturday morning altercation between a San Jose State University football player and the president of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity.

Monday, Michael Bugliarello — president of ATO — shared his side of the story.

Bugliarello said he was approached outside of the fraternity house by four men, including Coats, after a party the fraternity was hosting was shut down.

A fight ensued and Bugliarello was punched by Coats several times before the struggle spilled onto the sidewalk.

Bugliarello bit Coats' finger while the brawl continued on the sidewalk.

After biting Coats' finger, Bugliarello ran into the fraternity house, according to police reports.

"It was in front of the house, the rest of the guys jumped in," Bugliarello said.

"I managed to get away and go into the house ... and they followed."

Police said Bugliarello then ran into a bathroom and when he exited he was again confronted by Coats.

The scuffle continued, spilling again unto the sidewalk outside the Eighth Street fraternity house, according to police reports.

Coats was not available for comment as of Monday night.

"There were three other people detained, but we were unable to determine their involvement," University Police Sgt. John Laws said.

Three of the four men involved in the attack were identified in the police report as Coats, Kevin Michaelis and Patrick Battle according to UPD.

Michaelis and Battle are both on the Spartan football team. The fourth person involved in the fight was not identified.

According to Bugliarello, it took five to six people to pull Coats and the others off him.

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## Red Cross offers class

Michelle Jew  
DAILY STAFF WRITER

**"The class gives a broad overview and introduction to what the Red Cross does in disaster situations."**

— Karen Borgstrom  
disaster specialist, Red Cross

When natural disasters strike, the American Red Cross is always there with volunteers handing out food, supplies, setting up shelters and giving help.

These volunteers give up their free time to go somewhere and help other people in need. Whether

the people are victims of a single home fire or a flash flood, the Red Cross sends volunteers to help.

"The Red Cross also provides assistance in forms such as mobile or fixed feeding stations, clothing and mass or individual shelters," said Karen Borgstrom, disaster specialist for the American Red Cross.

On Feb. 28, the Santa Clara Valley Chapter of the Red Cross will hold an introduction disaster services class at 2731 N. First St., between Montague Expressway and Trimble Road in San Jose.

The class will be offered six more times, from February until July, in both San Jose and Palo Alto Red Cross locations.

The class is a prerequisite to all other disaster courses, according to the disaster volunteer training pamphlet.

"The class gives a broad overview and introduction to what the Red Cross does in disaster situations and how volunteers fit into our program," Borgstrom said.

The class will also show an excerpt of a video on basic information about the organization, according to the disaster pamphlet.

All volunteer classes are free, and depending on the class, are held twelve times over a six-month period or on a rotating basis, Borgstrom said.

## Outrigger pulls trigger for new career

Michelle Jew  
DAILY STAFF WRITER

At dusk, light spills onto the sidewalk through the double doors of an ordinary looking barn on Washington Street.

The light draws the eye to the bright yellow outrigger canoe stretching the barn's entire length. The canoe is about 15 feet long and rests on supports just inside the

doorway. Stenciled in a bright blue and standing out against the yellow background is the outrigger's name, "Moloka'i Express."

The barn is now home to Chongas Outrigger Canoes, owned and operated by Cullen Chong, who designs and builds the canoes himself.

"Chongas was my nickname in college," Chong said.

After graduating high school in 1988 and earning his degree in

architecture in Indiana, Chong returned to Hawaii, where he worked at a boat manufacturing store building canoes.

Two and a half years ago, Chong decided he didn't want to be an architect and came to San Jose State University to major in mechanical engineering.

Though he tries to take the minimum full-time student load, Chong also works 25 hours a week as a

design engineer at a local company.

When he came to San Jose, Chong realized how much he missed working on boats and canoes.



Chong

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See *Red Cross*, back page



# Opinion

## LETTERS

### Ad opinions

As a former editor of the Spartan Daily, as a person who believes very strongly in the First Amendment and as a Jew, I would like to voice my support of the Daily's decision to run the Bradley Smith ad.

While I was more than a little disappointed with the editorial, which took a very noncommittal stance on the ad, I do think the paper made the right decision to run the ad, as repugnant and disgusting as it was.

It is a sad state that we live in that there are still people who have convinced themselves the Holocaust did not occur, but it is a reality of life. Bradley Smith has a right to voice his opinion, and while the Daily does not have to run his ad or even report his point of view, I believe it has a moral obligation as one of the last true defenders of free speech to run the ad.

How can we, as gatekeepers of information, print all kinds of radical viewpoints — from the legalization of drugs to anti-police sentiments — and deny Bradley Smith his soap box? I am led to believe that nothing he said in his ad is actually false, but rather misleading.

Yes, I wish we could silence the likes of Smith, but that is not a possibility. We must learn to live with him and those who are far worse.

In some ways, I actually think running ads such as this have a positive effect. People may want to do their own research and find out the atrocities committed by the Nazis, as well as those committed by the Japanese, Italians and yes, even the Americans. Information is a wonderful thing. We should seek to promote the seeking of it, not dissuade it.

Jeremiah Oshan  
class of '99

Although I found Bradley Smith's advertisement for Holocaust revisionism to be ridiculous and offensive, it had equal right to be printed in the Daily. The Daily had the right to deny the ad but chose to run it.

The Holocaust is undeniable and any doubt that it didn't happen is abhorrent. But we live in a democracy where free speech has guaranteed us our rights, that "Congress shall make no law ... abridging the freedom of speech and the press."

To quote John Stuart Mill's "Of the Liberty of Thought and Discussion," "If all mankind minus one were of one opinion, and only one person were of the contrary opinion, mankind would be no more justified in silencing that one person than he, if he had the power, would be in silencing mankind." It is not right for the many to censor one person, just as it is not right for the one to censor the many.

It is frightening when someone blatantly speaks lies about an issue that is so familiar, but more frightening than that is the chance that an individual wouldn't be given full rights to publish controversial literature.

Kemberly Gong  
public relations

## Death penalty not appropriate punishment

A friend of mine, James Marien, was shot to death during a robbery that took place at his work in April 1996.

I knew James to be one of the most caring and interesting individuals I had ever met.

He was a poet and a descriptive songwriter.

This past fall, James' killer, Daniel Sanchez, was put on trial and found guilty of murder. Sanchez's sentencing trial took place almost immediately after the guilty verdict.

The district attorney wanted the death penalty.

I thought this was fair. Sanchez had shot James in cold blood.

He deserved to die.

Then I found out, through the testimony of James' parents, James didn't believe in the death penalty.

His parents testified on behalf of Sanchez and asked the jury not to kill Sanchez in James' name.

Sanchez was allowed to live because of the young man he killed.

Going through this trial, I



Andi Anderson  
STAFF WRITER

realized I would not want someone killed in my name, even if I was murdered.

I found how much I oppose the death penalty because I think it is needless and inhumane killing.

I see no reason for the death penalty because there are other ways to make people pay for their crimes.

Many people who argue in favor of the death penalty quote the Bible.

The term "eye for an eye and tooth for a tooth" is the predomi-

nant argument.

In the Old Testament, Genesis 9:6, it says, "Whoever sheds the blood of man, by man shall his blood be shed, for in the image of God has God made man."

But that's the Old Testament, not the New.

The New Testament states in Matthew 5:38-39, "You have heard that it was said, eye for eye and tooth for tooth, but I tell you do not resist an evil person."

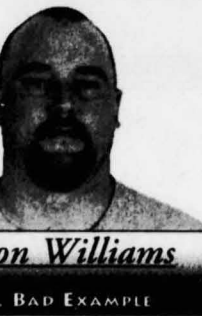
If someone strikes you on the right cheek, turn to him the other also."

Other than an ethical argument, there is the issue of money.

It costs just as much money to put someone on death row and keep them there, if not more.

Appeals to the courts and the appointment of defense lawyers are some of the reasons why the cost of the death penalty is so high, according to a study conducted by New York lawyers in 1992.

There have been 647 people sentenced to death in California since the reinstatement of the death penalty in 1978.



Aaron Williams  
MR. BAD EXAMPLE

able to sit back, smile and watch the world crumble knowing we — men — won.

The bimbos who participated in the show have single-handedly set women back 2,000 years.

The Battle of the Sexes is over, and I am proclaiming victory for all my male brethren worldwide.

Burning bras — a cheap token of intolerance.

The Equal Rights Amendment — a failed coup against male superiority.

I guess the TV show proves women really do need a man — or at least a rich man — to make them whole.

These female-Judas' sold out their

1991. According to court records, Debbie Goyne — who describes herself as an ex-fiance — accused Rockwell of shoving and slapping her, twice entering her home without permission and vandalizing her car.

Fox sure picked a winner.

I admit I didn't watch the whole show. I was one of the 22.8 million who tuned into the last 30 minutes to witness the five-minute courtship, the rapid-fire nuptials and the final breath of feminism.

After hiding behind a screen — like the Great and Almighty Oz himself — for the better part of two hours, Rockwell emerged and stood in front of five wedding dress-clad finalists.

As he plucked Conger — the future Mrs. Multimillionaire — from the pack, he leaned over, gave her a kiss which would have made Hoover vacuum cleaners proud and mouthed what looked like an "I love you."

Nice.

What he should have said is what all men who watched were thinking. He should have asked her, "Who's your Daddy?"

We are baby.

Aaron Williams is the Spartan Daily Co-Executive Editor. "Mr. Bad Example" appears Tuesdays.

## Uncircumcised men: a cut above the rest

I'm glad to not have been born in a highly advanced American hospital.

Instead, I was brought to the Earth in a developing country with the help of a midwife.

I consider myself lucky even though my chances of survival at birth were, for obvious reasons, slimmer than a child born in an American hospital because, unlike the 90 percent of American-born males in the mid-70s, I was not circumcised.

Circumcision is the most common surgical procedure done to males in the United States, although the number is less than it was in the mid-70s. About 59 percent of newborn males are still subjected to this form of mutilation, according to the Journal of Men's Studies.

One would think people in the most advanced nation in the world would have more sense than to chop off 50 percent of a newborn male's penis skin.

In fact, it wasn't until last year that the American Academy of Pediatrics declared there were no significant advantages to circumcision. In the past, doctors have cited many health reasons as a justification for circumcision.

People who favor circumcision cite risks such as penile cancer, which is more prevalent among uncircumcised men, as the reason to cut off an area of skin the size of a three-by-five card.

The truth is only one in 100,000 males a year are affected by penile cancer — hardly a significant number.

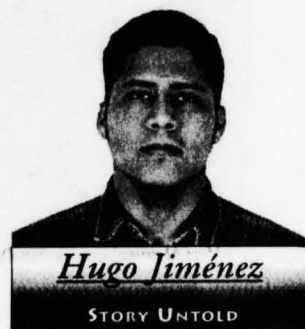
Another reason doctors have given for circumcising is hygiene.

They have said infections are more common in uncircumcised men. I believe having good hygiene is a better way to prevent infections than circumcision.

People shouldn't really have health concern about circumcision.

Perhaps the only valid reason for circumcising might be religious beliefs.

But before deciding to have their baby boys circumcised, par-



Hugo Jiménez  
STORY UNTOLD

ents should consider the benefits of the foreskin.

The foreskin contains a rich concentration of blood vessels and nerve endings which make it as sensitive as the fingertips.

Having this sensitive tissue cut off will limit the amount of pleasure and intimacy during intercourse, according to Dr. Paul M. Fleiss, assistant clinical professor of pediatrics at the University of Southern California.

The foreskin not only helps create sexual pleasure for men but also for women. One of the foreskin's functions is to facilitate smooth, gentle movement between the mucosal surfaces of the two partners.

The foreskin enables the penis to slip in and out of the vagina nonabruptly inside its own sheath of movable skin. According to Dr. Fleiss, without a foreskin, a woman might suffer abrasions from the friction caused by the bare, dry penis.

If parents, especially circumcised fathers, still want to perform this unnecessary surgical procedure on male babies, they should consider the procedure is done to males at the most vulnerable point in their lives.

At best, men should have the choice to have themselves circumcised when they have the ability to understand their bodies.

Hugo Jiménez is a Spartan Daily Senior Staff Writer. "Story Untold" will appear from time to time.

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# Lifestyles

## SLAM 9 AM



### San Jose gets a taste of tart-tongued Slam Poetry

Erin Mayes  
DAILY STAFF WRITER

If you're going to show up for open mic night at Channel One on Fridays, you'd better dress for the occasion.

The color of choice is black, but if your darks are in the washer, wear something funky.

And if you show up in the suit you wore to work that day, at least be prepared to loosen your tie and recite some kick-ass poetry.

Some show up with dyed-black hair and pale makeup.

Others choose a '70s motif and wear brightly colored bell bottoms and long flowing hair.

Still others go out on a limb and invent styles of their own with colors and styles that were probably never meant to co-exist.

And then there's the good ol' T-shirt and jeans clad folk.

Poetry slams started in the late '80s and have since become a regular occurrence in San Jose. Note the word "slam."

These aren't your traditional Walt Whitman-type poems.

The "slam" gives it a wicked little twist, making no topic untouchable.

"Usually for slams, what works best is sensuality, sexuality and some social justice," said James Brown, a slam poet and English major at San Jose State University.

He said slam poetry balances out academic poetry, which "a lot of times only the author understands."

Sex, relationships, drugs and self-acceptance are all popular slam poem topics.

Geoff Trenchard publicized his secular opinions when he started off last Friday's readings with a sarcastic "I said-uh can I get a Hallelujah!"

"Hallelujah!" the crowd replied.

"I said-uh can I get an amen?"

"Amen!"

Trenchard hosts poetry sessions at 8 p.m. on Fridays and starts the evenings off with words designed to rile up the audience.

One man played the guitar while another sang songs with a child-like voice. During the innocent sounding song, the word "vagina" came as a comedic shock.

Another poet lamented the passing of a lonely Valentine's Day.

"I feel broken as if there was a great female conspiracy to break me, and yet we finally succeeded."

Yet another performer described his childhood conception of masturbation.

"My friend said, 'Dude, I did it last night. I busted a nut!'"

People can get on stage and do just about anything they want to on open mic night, from singing a song to donning a mask adorned with feathers and swinging their arms in the air.

Technically, the readings that take place weekly in various clubs around the Bay Area are not slams. San Jose's "real" slams take place



Mari Matsumoto / Spartan Daily

Geoff Trenchard, the host of a open mic at Channel One, introduced different poets and musicians that performed their original pieces of work. The mic is opened to artists willing to perform their

own works, every Friday night starting at 8 to 11p.m. The artists are not limited on performance time, but Trenchard said artists have a courtesy time of 12 minutes.

### "My friend said, 'Dude, I did it last night. I busted a nut!'"

— A Slam Poet describing his childhood conception of masturbation

on the last Tuesday of every month at Waves Smokehouse and Saloon, located at 65 Post St.

They are competitions with rules that need to be followed.

Whoever can get the most reaction out of the audience in about three minutes, with no props, wins.

The audience is extremely responsive and will do anything, from howling with laughter to booing in contempt.

Five judges are picked randomly from the audience and they hold up signs with scores from one to 10 at the end of each poem.

The best poets don't always win, Brown said. Sometimes children will get on stage and win what he calls "cutesy points."

He said he once got beaten by a 7-year-old.

The winner receives \$30.

That's right, \$30.

Brown said it's not about the money.

"I get a big thrill from being on stage," said Marc Pinate, a prize-winning slam poet and SJSU student obtaining his master's degree in theater arts. He is writing his thesis on slams as well. "I think it's an amazing thing and it sort of transcends neutral boundaries and touches on human qualities. It's low-brow art, if you will."

Pinate and three other slam poets made it to the national slam competition last August and tied for first place with San Francisco's slam team.

It was the first time poets from San Jose competed in the nationals. The grand prize was \$2,000, coming to a total of \$250 per person. Again, it's not about the money.

Among topics Pinate likes to recite on are his experiences as a Chicano and his dislike for Taco Bell's mascot, the Chihuahua, which he feels portrays an unfair stereotype of Mexican-Americans.

This year, San Jose's Slam Master and former SJSU student Vadim Litvak will be taking the slam team to the national competition in Rhode Island. He said slams give participants an opportunity to get up and have fun.

His responsibilities include organizing and promoting slams, making sure they're open to the public, and coaching the finalists.

### Slam Poetry Night

The last Tuesday of every month at Waves Smokehouse, 65 Post St. in San Jose.

### Open Mic Night

Fridays from 8 p.m. to 11 p.m. at Channel One, 763 The Alameda in San Jose.

## SPARTA GUIDE

### Today

#### A.S. Campus Recreation

Kundalin yoga class at 6 p.m. in the Student Union, Almaden room. For more information, call Matt McNamara at 924-6217.

#### SJSU Karate Club

Cordially invites new members to attend an informal meeting at 7:30 p.m. in Spartan Complex 89. Experience in martial arts is not required. SJSU women are strongly encouraged to attend. For more information, call Ruddy Nui at 452-1030.

#### Career Center

OCR/Co-op Workshop from 3:30 p.m. to 4:15 p.m. in Building F. For more information, call the Career Resource Center at 924-6031.

#### Institute of Management Accountants

David McPherson from the city of San Jose speaks on careers in city government accounting from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. in the Student Union, Guadalupe room. For more information, call Gina Bateman at 244-6487.

#### Muslim Student Association

Black history month, Black origins in Islam from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the Student Union, Costanoan Room. For more information, call Emal Numan at 971-8347.

#### Student Life Center and the Re-Entry Advisory Program

Free afternoon coffee and munchies from 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. in the University Room. For more information, call Jane Boyd at 924-5950.

#### Association of Students in Material Engineering

Club meeting at noon in the Engineering building, Room 221. For more information, call Aisha Boldon at 924-4049.

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# Sports

## Water polo dunked by Cardinal Spartan Roundup

### SJSU players still upbeat despite 6-3 loss to Stanford

Monica L. Ewing  
DAILY STAFF WRITER

The women's water polo team lost to the Stanford Cardinal 6-3 on Saturday at the Aquatic Center, but the smiles on the Spartans' faces and the sense of victory in the air made it feel like a win.

That's because the Spartans — ranked No. 5 in the nation — had played their best game yet against Stanford, according to Patty Goldman, a member of the team.

Stanford is ranked No. 4 in the nation, but Spartan head coach Lou Tully said Stanford could just as easily be No. 1, because the top four teams in the nation are so closely ranked.

He said that although the Spartans are fifth in the nation, there is a big gap between them and the top four teams.

"Stanford is a tremendous team," Tully said. "This game has helped convince the players that they are good enough to compete with the top four teams — mentally. Physically, they are on the same level."

The last time the team played Stanford they lost by 11-1, but this game was an entirely different story.

The Cardinal made the first three goals of the game during the first period, but the Spartans didn't back down.

San Jose State University came back with a goal by Liz Garcia in the first quarter and another by Neva West in the second quarter.

Christy Taylor made the final SJSU goal of the game, bringing

Saturday's Score	
Stanford	3
Spartans	6

Saturday: SJSU at UC Santa Barbara tournament

the score to 6-3.

West said the only real disappointment of the day was the fact that this was a "Code Blue" game, meaning that all the other Spartan teams are supposed to come and support the team, but only 10 people from the other teams showed.

She said the water polo team goes to Spartan basketball games and other SJSU sporting events, and they expected the same from the other teams on campus.

"Lack of respect is not cool," said West, who was celebrating a birthday on Saturday as well.

Despite the absence of support from Spartan teams, a lively crowd filled the bleachers and stood around the pool, clapping, yelling and singing the Spartan fight song.

Goalie Melanie Nichols, who played the entire game, got the crowd excited when she made a great save in the second quarter.

"We have never played them so well and we had great defense," Nichols said. "We really worked together as a team."

Matt Anderson, assistant SJSU coach, said the game was played well by both teams, and it was a clean game, with not a lot of kicking and punching going on.

West played much of the game



Lexey Swall / Spartan Daily

Liz Garcia, a driver on the women's water polo team, searches for a teammate to pass the ball to while Stanford's Kelly Shouey tries to block her. So

far the fifth-ranked Spartans have lost twice this season to the fourth-ranked Cardinal. SJSU lost to Stanford Saturday, 6-3.

right in front of Stanford's gate and seemed to take the brunt of the aggressive Cardinal defense.

"The game is tough," she said. "There is always stuff that isn't going to be called. You just have to play through it."

Both the SJSU players and the coaches acknowledged their team has improved a lot since the start of the season.

"The score was so much closer," West said. "We knew what we were coming into, so we practiced real hard this week."

"We have a very young team, which is exciting," Nichols said about the team, which is made up

of mostly sophomores and juniors. She also said there was a big difference in the team's performance over last year, when they were ranked No. 9 in the nation. Most of the players were freshmen.

"The team is really starting to believe in themselves," Nichols said.

Tully said what is exciting about the players is that they play like a team. He said he played 12 players and all of them made great contributions.

Christy Taylor, a team captain, was also upbeat about the game.

"Even though we lost, we

played at their level and that is what we meant to do," Taylor said. "We'll get them next time."

The team will travel to Santa Barbara next weekend to play in a tournament against the top teams of the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation, which consists of teams from the Pac-10 and the Western Athletic Conference.

SJSU will open the tournament by playing Pacific. Should the Spartans win, they will get another chance at the Cardinal.

The Spartans will then compete against Hawai'i and Stanford again on the road in Hawai'i on March 4.

#### Staff report

■ The women's basketball team remains winless in Western Athletic Conference play after a 66-37 loss to Tulsa Saturday.

The Spartans grabbed a 11-10 lead in the first seven minutes of the game, but Tulsa utilized a 16-0 run in the final 7:39 of the half to go ahead for good.

Crissy DiLuzio led the team in scoring with 11 points.

The Spartans have now lost 16 straight games and 27 in WAC play.

■ San Jose State University's gymnastics team defeated Alaska-Anchorage Saturday behind Kim Cianci's and Tasya Talbot's performances.

Cianci took first all-around with a mark of 38.275 and Talbot took third with a 37.800.

The Spartans finished with a total of 188.550 compared to the 183.950 score of Alaska-Anchorage.

Tracy Cheshier also took first in the vault for the Spartans.

On Sunday, the squad took fourth in the UCLA Invitational with 190,000 points.

The Spartans return to action Saturday at 7:30 in the Spartan Gym against California.

■ After dropping its first match, the tennis team went on to capture its next two matches in the Northern Arizona Invitational.

On Friday, the Spartans fell to Memphis, 6-3, before coming back to beat St. Louis 5-4 on Saturday.

On Monday, the Spartans beat the host Northern Arizona team 5-4. Marta Zivanov, Helen Van and Vanessa Pinot all won in singles play to pace the victory.

Zivanov and Caroline Stenman also won in singles play Saturday.

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- A stash of tampons** - Just in case! (As a tip, try Playtex® Tampons. -They're perfect for packing and really are so comfortable you can't even feel them.)
- The basics:** travel-size soap, shampoo, lotion, toothpaste and razor - Pack in plastic to avoid gross surprises at the other end when you unpack. (Throw a couple of Wet Ones® Singles moist towelettes in for you and your friends. You'll find a million uses for them - at the beach, after lunch and to wipe that suntan lotion off of your hands.)
- On to the good stuff... a Camera** to record the memories and something to play your favorite tunes on the beach. - Remember to buy extra film and batteries BEFORE you leave...
- Of course it won't rain, but bring a **deck of cards** - just in case.
- One credit card** (and only one) for emergencies. (What if the cash machine doesn't work?)

### Don't torture yourself - leave it at home:

- Your heavy-duty hair dryer** - Check with friends and vote for one person (whoever has the smallest) to lug it.
- Laptop**, or any other expensive electronic equipment. Sand, sun and sea air will wreak havoc, and tempt thieves. Why risk it?
- Your entire CD collection.** Grab a few of your favorites and hope you like your friends' choice in music too.
- Too much make-up.** It will melt in all that sun - and anyway, the natural look is in.
- Text books!** Intentions are always good, but a good paperback is much more practical to pack and won't scare anybody on the beach.
- Last but not least.** Leave your boyfriend, your ex, or your current love interest behind. There's plenty of fun to find on the beach. Keep your options open!

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# Back page



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Cullen Chong, a junior mechanical engineering major, stands behind his own creation, the Molokai express. Chongas canoes are

made by hand and are sold for more than \$2,000 each. Other companies' prices start at \$2,300 and go up to \$5,000.

## Chong

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He introduced and built his own one-man outrigger canoe about six months ago, while the idea for his design has been around for about two-and-a-half years.

The design is a one-man canoe with an "ama," or outrigger attached to it, which makes the canoe more stable and less likely to flip over.

Chong modified the ama on the canoes with one of his own design.

"It is built to have a higher volume so it will work better in the ocean, especially with the choppy waves around the Bay Area," Chong said.

"Cullen applied the knowledge he had from making surfboards and wind surfers and incorporated it into the design," said Mitchell Chong, Cullen's brother. "The design has really clean lines. It's very appealing to people."

Each boat takes about 30 hours of work to complete, less

time if more than one boat is being worked on at a time, Chong said.

"The canoes are actually built from the outside in," Chong said.

"The first thing I'm actually doing is putting the coloring on, and I just spray that on the inside of the mold. Then I put in the foam and either the carbon or fiberglass. But the thing is actually hollow inside," Chong said.

The boat is made of high density foam sandwiched between either carbon fiber or fiberglass.

"The foam by itself is actually pretty fragile in this state," Chong said. "But sandwich it between two layers of glass or carbon fiber and it's super strong."

His current customers are mostly racers who compete in the six-man outrigger canoes that do not have enough time to practice with the five other members of their team.

"My canoes give them a chance to practice away from their team, but to keep in shape for racing," Chong said.

Kaai Fernandez bought one of Chong's canoes after seeing it on

display after a race in Monterey last March.

"I liked the design and the way it handled," Fernandez said. "Especially in the open ocean — I could feel it catching the waves."

Fernandez took a brochure Chong had at the competition and called him later to order his outrigger canoe.

"He's local, he has experience in building boats. It's more convenient than buying from the Islands. And on top of that, if it gets damaged, he can fix it," Fernandez said.

Chong sells his outrigger canoes for around \$2,000 to \$2,400 each — while other companies start selling their canoes at \$2,300 and up to \$5,000 apiece.

He sells the boats internationally and locally, from Australia to South Africa and New Zealand.

Most of his business comes from his Web site, <http://home.pacbell.net/chongas>.

"That's where I get most of my contacts," Chong said.

To ship the canoes to his buyers, Chong packs them in crates the same length and width of the canoes, and they're padded real

well. Then they get shipped by boat.

Chong does almost all of the work himself, relying on Mitchell to lend a helping hand only when bringing the 34-pound canoes out of the mold.

"Cullen's really patient with the tasks at hand — he doesn't rush things," his brother said. "He won't release something until the quality is good enough for him to be proud to release to the public."

## Red Cross

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"Or there's a mini-institute workshop in April for those who like the shotgun approach," Borgstrom said.

Daryl Beancur, a senior grad student in public administration works in disaster recovery for Santa Cruz County.

"I think everyone should at least learn CPR and First Aid," she said.

Rex Painter, director of disaster services, said, "There are levels to what volunteers can do. There's basic, which is helping a single family who for instance, lost their house in a fire."

The Red Cross would assist with finding the family a hotel to stay in, buying groceries and finding clothes to wear.

"The other level deals with mass suffering, in disasters such as tornadoes or hurricanes where we actually send volunteers to the sites to help with nursing, radio

communications and running shelters for victims," Painter said. Volunteers can help locally or sign up to travel cross-country or worldwide to help disaster victims in other countries.

Besides the introduction to disaster services class, the Red Cross also offers classes for other possible disaster situations. The "Going on Disaster Assignment" class teaches volunteers — who want to travel to other cities or countries to help with disasters — what to do in preparation for their trip.

Another possible class for volunteers to take teaches how to talk to the media covering a disaster and another covers how to open, maintain and close shelters.

"There's definitely a good feel of the Red Cross and how it benefits disaster victims. Our volunteers learn how to be an asset to communities that are going through disasters," Borgstrom said.

For more information on the disaster services class on Feb. 28, contact the Santa Clara Valley Chapter of the American Red Cross at (408) 577-1000.

## Coats

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Coats was taken to Valley Medical Center for treatment of the wounds to his finger.

Eyewitnesses reported the wound was messy and so deep that Coats' bone could be seen.

The other football players that were involved in the struggle early Saturday were not available for comment. The call for police assistance was placed at 12:49 a.m. on Saturday, about an hour after the party was shut down.

"He was walking across the street and we had to point him out," said Bugliarello of Coats.

Police reports indicate there were some objective symptoms of alcohol consumption on both sides of the confrontation. It was noted that Coats' symptoms of alcohol consumption were more severe than the others involved, but no

blood alcohol tests were conducted, according to police reports.

Objective symptoms — a term police use to describe a person they feel may be intoxicated — include red, watery eyes, the odor of alcohol and lack of coordination.

"We only conduct alcohol tests for investigations in which alcohol is an element of the crime," Laws said.

Bugliarello claimed he was not under the influence of alcohol during the time of the incident.

"I cannot be intoxicated at any ATO events," Bugliarello said.

It was not clear whether any disciplinary action would be taken toward the football players involved in the incident.

"Just like any other students, they are expected to maintain good citizenship," said Lawrence Fan, sports information director for SJSU. "If problems or situations arise where action needs to be taken, then it will be taken."

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