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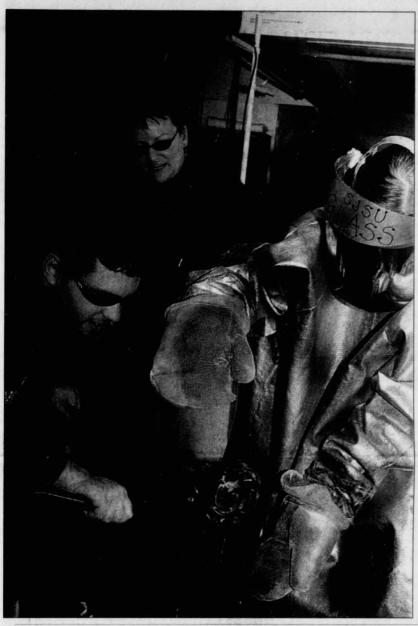
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Glass blowing an art in itself



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Jakie Greenrnyer, a senior majoring in interior design and Angel Mathieson, a senior majoring in digital media, blow a glass object in an open lab in the Industrial Studies building.

LEFT: Adam Papier, a senior majoring in photography, and Jackie Greenrnyer, a senior majoring in interior design, show Kitty Mathieson, a junior majoring in spatial arts, how to spin a piece of glass in the Industrial Studies building.

RIGHT: The Industrial Studies building provides an open lab where students can make various projects on their free time.



STATE OF THE CITY S.J. mayor addresses city's needs

By Therese Bratberg Daily Senior Staff Writer

In his fifth State of the City address, Mayor Ron Gonzales recognized the hurdles the city of San Jose currently is facing, yet he was optimistic about his plans to improve the quality of life for residents.

plans to improve the quality of life for residents. "We're a city full of hope," he said. "We have made steady progress by successfully focusing on our long-term priorities. Yet, as strong and confident as we are, we face tremendous chal-

as we are, we face tremendous chal-lenges and uncertainties this year that require a steady hand."

With the country on the edge of war and suffering from an economic reces-sion, he expected a deficit of \$120 mil-lion which is more than the budgets for the city's libraries, parks and street services combined.

Gonzales also addressed the possi-

services combined.
Gonzales also addressed the possibility of layoffs, which have caused 40,000 people to lose their jobs in the last two years.
Although the mayor said he was worried about the troubled times, he reminded the people that San Jose has recovered from economic recessions before and said he believed it can do it again with help from the community.

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"Yet, despite the threat of war, the pain of recession and the uncertainties pain of recession and the uncertainties of deficits, the state of the city remains strong. Strong because of our city's optimism, but mostly strong because of our people," he said.

Gonzales said he believed focusing on creating jobs was one way to bring

economic recovery.

He also encouraged voters to

approve measure A, the airport securi-ty and traffic relief act, which he

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Program aims at informing students about opportunities

By Veronica Mendoza Daily Staff Writer

When Vanessa Nisperos began to wonder what she would do once she graduated, a friend told her about the Beyond the Baccalaureate Planning

program, a new component of the Aspire program at San Jose State University

Aspire has provided services to underrepresented students at SJSU since 1977, said Jennifer Blackman,

associate director for the program. The program is federally funded and defines underrepresented students as those who come from low-income

households, are first generation college students or are disabled.

The upper-division component of the program was put together to help students decide what to do after they receive their undergraduate degrees,

Lois Mardis, an Aspire adviser assigned to help upper-division stu-

dents, said the new component was announced in the fall and this semes-

"The students are more aware of our program this semester," Mardis said.

Blackman said the program is being refined this semester to help upperdivision students plan ahead.

"We went the students to feel like

"We want the students to feel like they can get a complete range of services here," Blackman said. "It helps students to be pro-active in planning for their future."

has met with an upper-division adviser for the program to help her decide what she wants to do once she graduates this May.

"Even though I'm not certain that

I'll head immediately to a grad program, I feel secure knowing what my options are," Nisperos said.

Noe Nieblas, an adviser for the program, said it helps students who are close to graduating by offering them information on how to apply to grad-

uate school.

Nieblas said the program also helps students who want to explore what kinds of options they have in terms of career choices.

One of the students Nieblas advises

is James Choi, a first generation college student majoring in Management Information Systems. Nieblas is help-

opportunities so that when he gradu-ates he will have the necessary qualifi-

cations for the jobs he applies to.
"The job market is hard right now so I want to have experience before I go

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Speaker discusses product designs for all ages

By Bob Meredith

Daily Staff Writer

A well-known industrial designer A well-known industrial designer and gerontologist stressed the importance of developing products and interior designs that could assist the elderly and disabled in leading fuller lives, Tuesday evening in the San Jose State University Art build-

"We must create magic," said Patricia A. Moore. "We all want to live, be valued and make a differ-

ence."

Moore is the founder of Moore
Design LLC, a company that is dedicated to meeting the needs of the

entire consuming public through the concept of product usability through Universal Design, she said.

Usability through Universal Design is a methodology whereby products, communication and the environment are designed without the need for are designed without the need for specialized adaptation or design for the consuming public, Moore said. "Universally the removal of barriers from architecture is the goal. There

is no one who can achieve perfection and form, so designers must work with our uniqueness," she said. "In essence we are all the same."

In order to support her belief in usability, Moore participated in a three-year experiment, from 1979 to 1982, traveling the United States

costumed as an 80-year-old woman. Moore, who was 26 at the time, was wrbally abused, mugged and spat upon while learning firsthand about the indignation and humiliation suf-fered by a less independent elder seg-ment of society, she said.

Moore said that assuming the eld-

erly character took four hours of preparation each day, and she played the part for 20 hours. Because of a reaction by her skin to the adhesive needed to apply the latex to her face to appear aged, she had to remain out of costume for two days at a time

then repeat the process. Being in costume also consisted wearing a back brace and wrapping one of her legs to give the impression of being

physically impaired.

Moore's experiment was an attempt to discover a barrier-free design for the lifespan. Barrier-free design for the lifespan means products designed for people of all ages, she

"We are all the perfect thing to be born," Moore said. "There must be a choice for celebration and daily living. It is all about choice that defines who we are."

An audience of 50, consisting of faculty members and students from a variety of academic departments enthusiastically listened and took notes during Moore's presentation.

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On-campus labyrinth offers relaxation for students

By Rebecca Villaneda Daily Staff Writer

Walk through a labyrinth and enjoy a spiritual journey — at least that's what sispirit.org is hoping for.

The labyrinth was located Wednesday in the Student Union Ballroom and will continue on today

until 4 p.m.

A labyrinth is an ancient spiritual and mystical tool, according to the organization. Sispirit.org consists of college students and young adults that offer spiritual education and

guidance.

Archaeologists have found remains

Archaeologists have found remains of labyrinths in all parts of the globe, some believed to be as old as 4,000 years, according to sispirit.org.
Roger Whatron, a San Jose State University chaplain, who is sponsoring the event, says one should enter the labyrinth with a set intention or reflection in wind. reflection in mind.

"As you walk through it, you should percolate that intention and tap into any inspirations," he said.

He described the labyrinth as a

mirror to life. He said that all humans are on a path and the labyrinth, unlike a maze, has no dead ends, just twists, turns and circles like life.

"It allows an individual to make progress like they would in any life situation," he said

The labyrinth slows down the left side of the brain as one concentrates on coordination and the path itself,

"It frees the right side of the brain allowing for creativity, inspiration, and intuition to flow," he said.

Kevin Israel, a junior majoring in psychology, said he would have preferred to be alone as he walked the labyrinth. "It was a good experience," he said. "I just wish there were less people so I could have concentrated more and been able to reflect better. Otherwise it was a

mind opening experience."

Linda Rainbow Levine, a professor in the recreation and hospitality management department, brought her class to participate and walk the labyrinth.

"The idea is to quiet yourself and See LABYRINTH, page 4

How does that go again?



San Jose State University student Darryl Duffy, a communications major, and Shira Howerton, also a communications major, practice their dance moves during a beginning dance class.

Thoughts on food, war and space shuttle tragedy

MIKE CORPOS

After two and a half years living in university housing and with no real complaints thus far, I have a bone to pick with University Housing Services.

As I moved in to the Upper Division Apartments in August of last year, I decided to sign up for the sole meal plan option the school offered for people in my situation. It offered five meals a week at campus eateries including the Student Union, the Dining Commons and the Market

I signed up for this plan for the convenience of not having to go out and buy two meals a day.

It also meant that even when I was broke I could still be guaranteed at least one meal a day.

Convenience and security: two very good reasons for entering into an agreement such as this

Several days ago I went to the Student Union to buy lunch as I have done nearly every day this year. To my great dismay, I was told by the guy at the check-

out line (the same guy I go to nearly every day) that my meal plan was no longer good at the Union. Then he briefly showed me a pamphlet, which stated that my meals must be used solely at the Dining Commons.

I had received no warning that this was going to happen.

It might be doable for the folks living in the dorms to eat in the DC, but I don't have time to leave the Spartan Daily oom, walk across campus and have a sit-down meal. I got the meal plan because it suited me and now they've taken that away from me with no warning whatsoever. I'm still pissed off about it.

War is still upon us

Wednesday morning, Secretary of State Colin Powell addressed the United Nations on the Iraq threat. And while I am still not thoroughly convinced that there is an imminent threat, and thus an immediate need for war, at least the Bush administration is beginning to come around and show world at large some of the proof that Iraq is not fully complying with U.N.

resolutions and with current weapons inspectors. An unnamed Bush administration official is quoted in the Feb. 10 issue of Newsweek saying, "We can't do an Adlai Stevenson." This unnamed official was referring to the 1962 presentation that Stevenson gave to the U.N. Security Council in which he presented photographs of Soviet Missiles in Cuba.

And while I'm not looking for this level of proof from Bush and Co., I would very much like to see more of the mobile laboratories and the movement of suspect materi-

As the proof slowly mounts, I think Bush will slowly gain more support from long-time U.S. allies

Don't think for a minute that I'm reversing my position from last week. I still don't like the way Bush is going about his war, but he is at least beginning to provide the proof that the American public and the world have been clamoring for.
The Bush administration still needs to allow

diplomacy to run its course.

There are only about 100 inspectors on the ground in Iraq and when facing the kind of resistance they are, things take time.

It takes time to inspect an area (largely desert) the size of Texas.

In the mean time, Tony Blair is trying to make Bush see reason by calling for a second U.N. Security Council resolution authorizing force before he commits British troops

Bush should not be so eager to put our men and boys in harm's way, especially if they do face the threat of chemical and biological battlefield encounters.

On Saturday morning I woke to the phone ringing. It was our photo editor Ryan, and it was one of those phone calls that always means bad news.

"Turn on your TV," he said. And I did, and I saw one of my worst childhood memo-

ries played back in real time. I was in the third grade when the space shuttle Challenger exploded shortly after liftoff that January morning in 1988.

I cried that day.

The entire nation cried that day. I was taken back and reminded of the childhood dreams that so many people have of leaving this planet to explore the heavens.

We were all reminded of the dangers and risks inherent in such an endeavor.

All we can hope is that the seven lives that were lost on Saturday so far above Earth were not in vain.

Mike Corpos is the Spartan Daily Executive Editor. 'Digital Boy' appears Thursdays.

Letters | **Doubts linger about war**

Dear Editor.

When I first heard of an imminent threat from Iraq, I was doubtful. For more of the past year, I have opposed going to war. With today's U.N. address from Colin Powell, I am closer to supporting a military effort, but there are still issues.

The evidence presented by Mr. Powell came after the weapons inspectors entered Iraq. As for the Al-Qaida suspect, what other embassies has he visited?

There are two issues: 1) Iraq is clearly hiding weapons, and 2) Bush just wants war. Before the inspectors entered Iraq,

Bush only had suspicions when he began arguing this nation,

Fundamentally, our foreign policy ought to reflect the U.S. Constitution. Preemption is a foreign idea; innocence before guilt. However, with today's U.N. speech, we have found evidence only after the fact, but evidence that has yet to show an imminent threat to the United States.

and the world, toward war.

Statements by reader 'racially charged'

Most of the discourse from readers on the opinion page is simply the squaring off of left vs. right, and I have reduced the frequency with which I used to chime in to respond every time a view from the right was expressed. But a point in Jim Knoll's letter in the Feb. 4 Daily demands comment. He urges that drugs should not be given to African nations to help the AIDS crisis there, because "These are primitive people with little medical infrastructure. When they fail to get enough drugs or stop the regimen when they feel better, they will go back to spreading it around."

I urge Mr. Knoll to please look carefully at the assumptions that underlie such a comment. Does one have to line up on the left to see the inherent racism in it? If we are to dismiss an entire continent as being too ignorant to be helped (or worth helping), are we to take the next logical step and demand the immediate extermination of all those infected,

The reason no help will be forthcoming is that there is no profit in helping. The research that produces new drugs is expensive and risky, and our society isn't willing as a whole to assume that expense and risk. The benefits that it may produce in terms of health apparently aren't significant enough. Only the possible benefit of making a few major shareholders richer warrants such risk, hence no free drugs. This fact sickens those of us on the left, but not those on the right, and we will all continue to debate what investments we should be willing to make as a society. But to hear such a racially charged dismissal of an entire continent should sicken all of

Brian Peterson

NOT RANTING, JUST VENTING

Latinos in entertainment should go past stereotypes

so badly and under represented in the entertainment industry? As of July 2001, there were over 37 million Latinos in the United States, and the population continues to grow. This still doesn't say much because not many Latinos grace the Hollywood scene.

As a Mexican-American, it disturbs me that I can't relate to the people I see on television or on a movie screen. When I go to the movies or sit down to watch TV, I don't see anyone who looks like me - no bronze skin and no dark hair

Don't get me wrong. I love movies and TV shows. In fact,

I hope to write one day for a magazine in the entertainment industry. My only grievance is that the industry is not true or fair to the Latino culture or population. Two weeks ago, I sat down to watch

"Friends" with my little sister. During one of the commercial breaks, an announcement for a new series appeared. When we saw a gorgeous Latino man on the TV screen we were both overjoyed. That is, until we saw the premise of the show.

The show is called "Kingpin." It's about a successful Mexican drug-trafficking family in the United States. My little sister and I were actually offended.

We were even more upset by a scene featuring Jacob Vargas. He was dressed like a vaquero (Mexican cowboy), speaking with a Scarface accent, whipping a whip in the air. For those of you who don't know who Vargas is, he's the guy who played Joker, the beanie-wearing cholo, in "Next Friday." You know, the "Aztec warrior" whose dog handled

its business on his leg. I'm not going to lie — watching the "Kingpin" announcement got me mad. I just thought to myself, "Is that what they really think we're all about?"

Latinos are usually represented in a negative light in the entertainment industry. They usually play gangsters, drug lords, drunks or hired help.

Sometimes I want to blame the actors for accepting such

degrading roles, but the truth of the matter is that it's the industry's fault. These Latino actors want to work, so they're going to accept whatever is offered to them even if it means playing into stereotypes. Even so, they are not offered very

According to the Screen Actors Guild, only 4.4 percent of Latinos were cast in movie roles in 1999. It was a slight jump from 3.5 percent in 1998. It's not much higher these days. Another thing that disturbs me is that very few Latinos have ever won an Oscar, Golden Globe award or Daytime Emmy. Could it be because Latinos are rarely ever nominatIt was exciting to see Benicio del Toro win an Oscar for best supporting actor in the film "Traffic" at the 73rd Annual Academy Awards, but where is he now? I haven't seen him in anything since Traffic. You would think with an Oscar under his belt the offers would be rolling in.

Only eight Latinos - men and women - have been nominated for an Academy Award in 74 years. Three Latinos and one Latina have actually received the award.

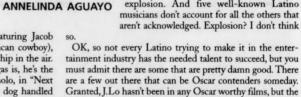
The only Latina to win an Oscar was Rita Moreno for her role in West Side Story. Of course, it was a movie about gangs. That was back in 1961. How sad is that?

Rosie Perez is the only other Latina to be nominated for an

Oscar for her role in 1993's "Fearless."

I know this probably doesn't bother a lot of people but it tends to bother me. There are a lot of talented Latino actors who can deliver great performances if given the opportunity. Many of them act really well. They can play more than "homies" and rulers of a drug

The media has called the few Latinos in the Hollywood and music scene a "Latin explo-"This is a big joke. A handful of top box-office Latino actors doesn't make it an explosion. And five well-known Latino



girl does have potential - well, kind of. People in the entertainment industry need to stop overlooking Latinos. Haven't they ever heard of nontraditional casting? I mean if a Caucasian can play a Mexican, then why can't a Latino play a Jewish or Filipino person? A little imag-

ination never hurt anyone. Latinos are more than just gangsters who roll around in lowriders wearing bandannas, Nike Cortez shoes, Dickies and hairnets. Not all of us are drug lords who run cartels.

Not all of us are blue-collar workers. Latinos are a beautiful people with wonderful cultures and customs. I want to see more of that when I sit down to watch TV or go see a movie. I want to see things that are familiar to me and to 37 million other Latinos in this country. Hey, if our food is good enough to eat, then why aren't we good

Annelinda Aguayo is a Spartan Daily Staff Writer. 'Not Ranting, Just Venting' appears every other Wednesday.

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SPARTA GUIDE

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Associated Students

Do you want to improve, change and represent at SJSU? Run for Associated Students Government! Pick up an application in the Student Life Center (Old Cafeteria Bldg.) or the A.S. House today! All interested candidates must attend one of the orientation sessions: Feb 12 from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. or Feb. 14 from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. in Council Chambers, Student Union Deadline to apply is Monday, Feb. 17 by 5 p.m. in the Student Life Center. Call 924-5955 for more information.

Associated Students Campus Recreation

ASCR is offering fitness classes at the Event Center. Classes running trie Event Center. Classes running today: Body Sculpting, Weight Training, Yoga, Aerobics, Advanced Step, Butts & Guts, Body Sculpting, Beginning Step. For more information and class times, contact Matt McNamara at 924-

International Programs and Services The Study Abroad general infor-mational meeting will take place in the Council Chambers Room of the Student Union today at 2 p.m. For

more information contact Ali at 924-5931.

Student Life Center Leadership U – Leadership begins with you! Effective Communication for Today's Leaders is a six-part

program that includes five work-shops plus a ropes course (compli-mentary dinner included). Registration is for the entire series, not individual workshops. First workshop today from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Career Center. Registration is limited to 25 students. Stop by the Student Life Center to fill out a registration form or call 924-5950.

SJSU Catholic Campus Ministry Join the Alpha Omega group for food and fun from 8:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. every Thursday in the Omega Lounge at the CCM. For more information contact Orshi Fejer at 938-1610.

SJSU Catholic Campus Ministry Scripture reflection every Thursday from 7 p.m. to 8:15 p.m. in the CCM Chapel. For more information contact Sister Marcia at 938-

Nurses Christian Fellowship Community building at 2:30 p.m. in the Pacheco Room of the Student Union. For more information contact Diane Stegmeir at 248-

School of Art and Design Student galleries art exhibitions from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Art and Industrial Studies Buildings. For more information contact Bill or Nicole at 924-4330.

Voices Rising: Critical Dialogue in Times of War MSA, MeChA, Akbayan, BSU

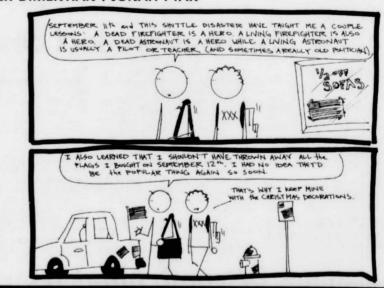
and Students for Justice present Richard Becker of the International Action center, Dr. Roberto Gonzalez of the SJSU anthropology department, Cynthia Kaufman of De Anza College and Jay Mendoza of FOCUS, who will be discussing U.S. policy internationally. Will feature hip-hop groups 11:59 and Kiwi. The event will take place from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the Umunhum Room of the Student Union. For more information contact Annie Savo at 910-2737.

College of Engineering Symposium on Leading Technologies: Dr. Sherri Biondi, scientist from Caliper Technologies, will be speaking on "Lab-On-a-Chip Technology" from noon to 1 p.m. in the Engineering Auditorium (ENG 189). For more information contact Professor Hambaba at 924-3959.

The Listening Hour Concert Series Flute and piano recital: Elena Yarritu, flute, performing Mozart's "Sonata in C Major, Tak Takishuili's Sonata for flute and piano and Demersseman's Italian Concerto in F in the Music Building Concert Hall. For more information cotact Joan Stubbe at 924-4631.

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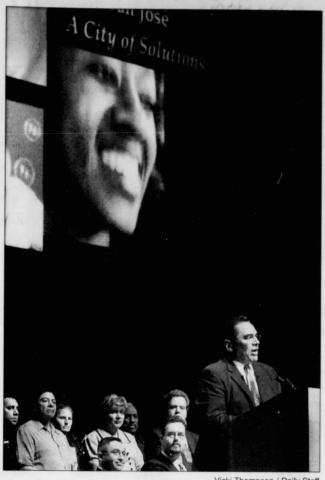
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SPEECH | Employment a top priority Coalition of campus groups to host



Vicki Thompson / Daily Staff

Moore likes to refer to her products and interior design work as "dif-

ferently abled," instead of disabled. There are a variety of lives," said

Alison Mierzykowski, a graduate student in fine arts. "There are many

challenges, people with multiple sclerosis and AIDS to take into

account with product design."

Mierzykowski said she works at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Palo Alto and has seen

patients and friends requiring differ-ent needs. She said she wanted to meet Moore because of the design-

San Jose Mayor Ron Gonzales gave the San Jose State of the City address Wednesday night at the San Jose Center for Performing Arts.

continued from page 1 expected to come into effect this sum-mer and provide 1,700 new jobs with-

out raising taxes.

To maintain increasing job opportu nities, he said it was important to help businesses achieve success and thrive by cutting red tape and streamlining by cutting red tape and streamining regulations. Because more jobs would add to traffic congestion, Gonzales said it was necessary to immediately build BART and the Coleman/880

interchange near the airport.

The mayor encouraged the community to participate in making the necessary changes needed to make San Jose a safer place.

"One of the greatest resources in San Jose is the talent and energy of our residents," Gonzales said. "The thousands of volunteers who make our city better, our neighborhoods stronger and life

Alfonso De Alba, executive director of Associated Students at San Jose State University, said he liked the

"He said there was no time for embelling new projects or plans," De Alba said. "He focused on the strength of the city, which is the people, and that was appropriate." Peimon Khajavi, who works in construction, said he was

"Hopefully we will get to our goals, especially with transportation," he said. "It will be much easier and faster with

the technology."

The mayor also gave hope to Ryan

The mayor also gave hope to Kyan Hubris, who works in real estate development. Hubris said he thought Gonzales gave an honest speech. "I don't think the city enjoys the state of the economy in recession," he said. "Layoffs are looming and those issues need to be addressed in that way. Like the city was able to overcome the 1992. the city was able to overcome the 1992 and 1993 economic recession, I think

design is an inspirational concept.

Moore was originally a biomechanical engineering student when she realized that she needed a

social aspect to her work. This lead to her interest in gerontology; the study of aging and the problems of aged people.

Moore encouraged the audience to

Products for all people

as independent as possible and meeting the designer was an important step in that process.

Joy Medders, a 55-year-old nursing and art education major, said she want-ed to meet Moore because universal

impeded their investigation.

Embassy, but a source close to the embassy said Maha Hafeez Marri was allowed to leave after numerous

politically themed forum today

Daily Staff Writer

A talk called "Voices Rising — Critical Dialogue in Times of War" will be held from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. today in the Umunhum Room of the Student

"Voices Rising" is a coalition of vari-ous student groups and the Mosaic Multicultural Center at San Jose State

University.
"Our goal is to inform, educate and bring together the SJSU campus to talk about political issues through cultural entertainment," said Dawn Lee, activi-

ties coordinator at Mosaic. The event is scheduled to have a mix of both performers and speakers. Some of the artists that are performing at the event tomorrow are Kiwi, a west coast hip-hop spoken word artist and Small Axe, a Chicana hip-hop spoken word

group.
"We are getting only one-sided views on why we should go to war," said

Annie Sayo, one of the organizers of the event and member of Akbayan, a Filipino student organization. "If there are no weapons in Iraq, why are we going to war?"

"Voices Rising" organized a similar event on Sept. 12 of last year. The goal of that event was to create awareness of

of that event was to create awareness of issues concerning human rights viola-tions and the war on terrorism, accord-

ing to Sayo.
Melissa Lozano, founding member of Small Axe described her group as a poetry project and a Spanglish (a mix of Spanish and English) and English hip-hop spoken word band.

hip-hop spoken word band.

We want to get the message across that there is solidarity here and people that there is solidarity here. show on TV and newspapers," Lozano

One of the speakers for the event is Roberto Gonzalez, an anthropology

professor at SJSU.

"The event will speak about the disproportionate effects of military action

in Iraq on people of color and the working class in the U.S.," Gonzalez

Gonzalez said he thought that the coincided with Defense Secretary
Colin Powell's address to the United
Nations on the situation in Iraq.

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The other speakers for the event are Richard Becker, co-director of the International Action Center; Akubundu, an SJSU graduate and organizer for the All African People Revolutionary Party; Cynthia Kaufmen, DeAnza College professor and adviser for Students for Justice and Jay Mendoza, Director of Focus and founder of the Filipino Cultural Center in Los Angeles.

"Voices Rising" is composed of six campus groups. They are Mosaic Multicultural Center; Students for Justice; the Black Student Union; the Muslim Student Association; Mecha,

Muslim Student Association; Mecha, the Chicano student organization and

Saudis allow wife of terrorism suspect to leave U.S.

WASHINGTON (AP) Ignoring a State Department appeal, the Saudi Embassy issued a passport to the wife of a terrorism suspect that enabled her to leave the United States even though she was subpoenaed to testify about her husband's possible ties to al-Qaida, U.S. offi-

cials said Wednesday.

The department had rejected an ambassy request in September for assistance in allowing Maha Hafeez Marri and her five young children to depart the country, the officials said. The Saudis informed the department in November that the woman and her children had been issued.

and her children had been issued new passports and had departed, said the officials, speaking on condition of anonymity.

New passports were required because previous travel documents had been confiscated by the FBI soon after the husband, Ali S. Marri, was arrested in Peoria, Ill., in late

The Justice Department offered no immediate comment Wednesday. The Washington Post, which first reported the story, said federal law enforcement officials were outraged by the Saudi action, saying it had

By late Wednesday, there was no official response from the Saudi

requests seeking permission for her to depart elicited no response from U.S. officials.

The Post quoted a Saudi Embassy spokesman as saying that the Saudis brought the woman and her children to the Washington area from Illinois after her husband's arrest. The spokesman said the Saudis issued her

and her children passports after they had waited almost a year for the legal proceeding to move ahead.

Malea Kiblan, an attorney for the Saudi Embassy, told the newspaper she believes the grand jury subpoena was no longer valid — a view the Post said was not shared by law enforcement authorities.

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Moore said transgenerational design means designing products with a focus on the belief that all not shy away from a new idea. "We must feel needed," Moore er's work in product design for the Another student who knew of said. "The good thing about design failure is that good comes from it." people are consumers, regardless of Moore and her work has plans to be

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design and ergonomics, said his

ergonomics students design prod-

ucts for a large range of ages as a

"We look at people as consumers

with transgenerational design," Coates said. "My students have worked on a designing an iron for

left and right handed people. They also had to take into account that

someone might have arthritis.

Del Coates, professor of industrial

out looking for a job," Choi said. Mardis agreed that the current status of the economy is also bringing in more students to her office. "Students are especially coming into my office now because of the econoshe said. "Students are con-

Evita Anaya, an Aspire student majoring in sociology, said many stu-dents aren't aware of the opportunities

ASPIRE | Economy worries some available after graduation. She said the program has taught her how to get funding for graduate school and has

helped her pick what schools she wants to apply to. Mardis said the program helps stu-dents because some of them are first-generation college students.

"They really never had the back-ground in terms of college," Mardis said. "These students need to know that they can further their education

Nieblas said he is excited about the upper-division component of Aspire.
"We want our students to be prepared after they graduate," Nieblas said. "Many students graduate and don't know what to do."

Aspire has a goal of helping up to 250 students from SJSU who meet the

program's criteria for acceptance. Students can go directly into the Beyond the Baccalaureate Planning program if they are near their gradua-

FDA investigates sale of pigs used in university experiment

WASHINGTON (AP) — Pigs that were supposed to be destroyed after a genetic engineering study may have entered the nation's food supply federal health officials said Wednesday — although they insisted the incident posed no risk to people's

The Food and Drug Administration said it was investigating whether sci-entists at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign violated regulations requiring them to destroy all pigs involved in the research. Instead, the university may have sent 386 of the animals to a livestock dealer who

in turn may have sent them to slaughter, the FDA said.

"We do not believe that there is a public health risk," said FDA Deputy Commissioner Lester Crawford.

The research involved increasing sign, approach levels of some growth.

pigs' natural levels of some growth pigs natural levels of some growth proteins present in meat anyway, Crawford explained. Also, none of the pigs originally genetically manip-ulated were sold; it was their offspring, which purportedly passed multiple tests verifying the piglets hadn't inherited changed genes, something FDA is trying to verify.

While playing down concern about food safety, the FDA characterized the problem as a serious one of scientists possibly breaking rules necessary to ensure that bioengineering research is done properly. If the agency determines those rules were indeed broken, it could impose fines

or suspend other university research.
The University of Illinois called the FDA's investigation a surprise to researchers who thought they were researchers who thought they were following federal rules — indeed, had openly discussed how they tested and sold the pigs — and characterized it as a misunderstanding quickly recti-

"Whatever requirements the FDA says are now in place, we'll take it from here and we'll meet them. We've done our best to exceed them," university spokesman Bill

Murphy.
The investigation was the third scare in recently years about potential food contamination from unapproved biotechnology products. Two years ago, the StarLink brand of genetically engineered corn, approved solely for animal feed, turned up in taco shells, prompting a massive recall.

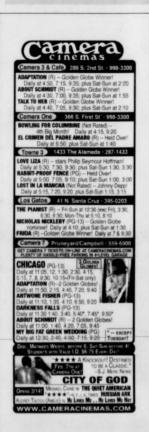
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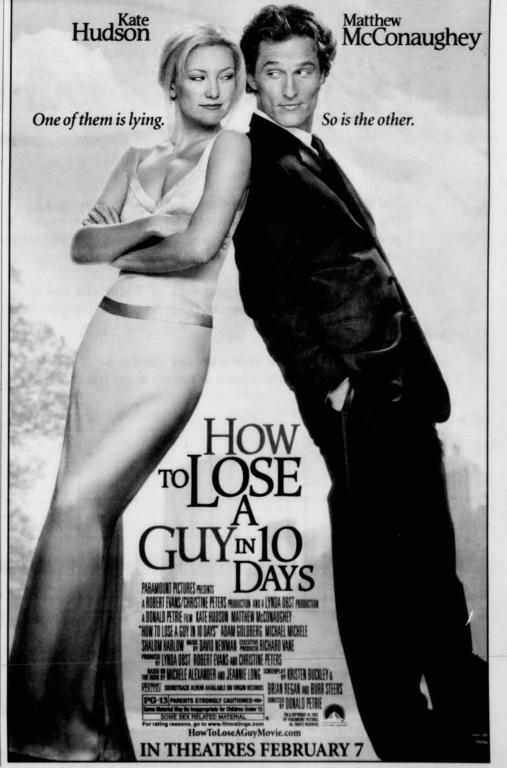
CORRECTION

In Tuesday's edition of the Spartan Daily, an article titled "On the Verge" reported that 95 percent of KSJS's audience was high school students. It should have stated that KSJS has a diverse audience that includes SJSU students and community members.

The Daily regrets the error.









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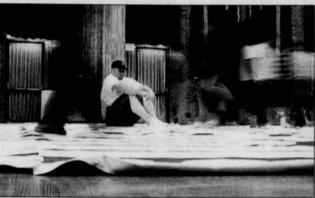
realize your values and philosophy," she said. "It leads people toward meeting their goals in the form of a walking meditation. I wanted students to be centered enough to ask themselves important questions." Scott Crittenden, a senior majoring

in sociology, said people should take the journey seriously.

"The idea of walking through a labyrinth to meditate may sound silly labyrinth to meditate may sound silly because it is not the traditional approach to deep thinking or spirituality," he said. "But it is a good way to reflect on life's little questions."

Walking through a labyrinth can be a snug experience as individuals walk closely to one another. Wharton said the experience deals with relationships.

ships.
"As you walk the maze, you will come in contact with others, and you may feel pressure to speed up or slow down," he said. "It tests you on how you deal with eye contact, or what it means to you when you come in contact with someone on your jour-



Karin Higgins / Daily Staff

Leisure, Culture and Identity students navigate their way through a labyrinth in the ballroom of the Student Union on Wednesday

Melissa Rodriguez, a senior major-ing in sociology said she has been through a labyrinth before and said

she recommends it to others.
"I used the labyrinth as an analogy

on how I handle life situations, like when I am put into a group," she

"It cleared my head of any cloudi-ness, and I feel really relaxed," she

Santa Monica resident charged with spying for North Korea

Shop owner who has lived in the United States for over 20 years was a spy paid by the North Korean government to recruit other agents, federal authorities said.

A criminal complaint unsealed Wednesday in U.S. District Court in Los Angeles accused John Joungwoong Yai, 59, who is a naturalized U.S. citi-

Yau, 59, who is a naturalized U.S. citizen, of failing to register as a North Korean agent as required by U.S. law and making false statements to U.S. Customs officials.

He faces a maximum 20-year sentence in federal prison, if convicted.

Yai was being detained pending a bail hearing scheduled for Friday. He appeared in federal court Wednesday dressed in a sweat suit and sandals, and appeared in federal court Wednesday dressed in a sweat suit and sandals, and told a federal court magistrate through an interpreter that he planned to hire a lawyer. The interpreter earlier had spent several hours translating the criminal complaint from English to Korean to Yai.

In the 76-page affidavit, FBI agent James G. Chang wrote that between December 1997 and April 2000, Yai was a North Korean agent living in the United States. The North Korean government paid him to identify and

recruit other agents to meet with North Korean officials abroad, authorities

alleged.
Federal investigators had no evidence that Yai obtained classified government documents, said Thom Mrozek, a spokesman for the U.S. Attorney's Office in Los Angeles.
Chang wrote that Yai was the subject of survillance, under the Economy.

Chang wrote that Yai was the subject of surveillance under the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act from December 1996 until June 2000. During this period, investigators bugged Yai's downtown office and intercepted faxes, e-mail and telephone calls between Yai and his North Korean handlers. The communications were often filled with code words, the FBI early

In one intercepted fax sent on May 28, 1998, from Yai's office to a number believed to be inside the North Korean believed to be inside the North Korean Embassy in Beijing, China, Yai presented information about a potential recruit who had connections in Washington D.C. "He is an ideal candidate for recruit-

ment who comes with good computer skills that is vital for today's living and has credentials of a reporter — a big plus," he wrote.

The next day, the FBI intercepted a phone call between Yai and a travel agent, in which he made arrangements for the recruit to travel from Los Angeles to Beijing.

The FBI also overheard telephone conversations between Yai and an

unidentified woman who was trying to get a government job.
"I found out there is a position avail-

able for a Korean speaker to work at the Library of Congress," the woman said. "They need someone to research for the Korean gang and crime problem and stuff. That is about the only position I can think of with the federal government that I can get hired soon.

Yai made repeated trips to Beijing, where the FBI believed he then traveled to North Korea

In April 2000, Yai and his wife, Susan In April 2000, Yai and his wife, Susan Youngja Yai, traveled to the Czech Republic and Vienna to meet with a North Korean representative, the FBI said. Upon arrival at Los Angeles International Airport from Zurich, Switzerland on April 20, 2000, the couple declared to U.S. Customs officials they were not carrying more than \$10,000 in U.S. currency.

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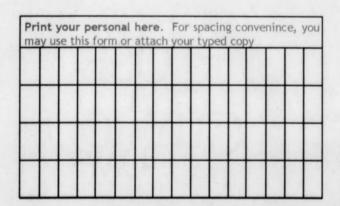
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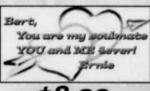
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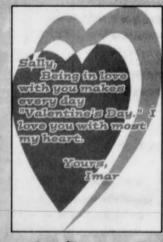
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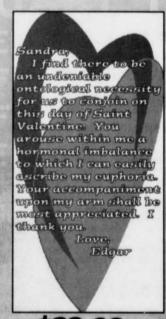
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DJ 'Strawberry' learns to balance school, work and play

Daily Staff Writer

In fifth grade he wanted to be a rap-per, but it was in the eighth grade that Eric Fielden, a San Jose State University senior majoring in televi-sion, radio, film and theater decided that he wanted to work in radio. that he wanted to work in radio.

"I totally remember sitting in front of my mom's big radio ... and I would record songs and make mix tapes," said Fielden while sitting in a produc-

tion room.

Today, he is living out his childhood dream and is known in the Bay Area as "Strawberry," the evening disc jockey for KYLD Wild 94.9 FM.

His show is called the "Bumrush," and it is the No. 1-rated night show in Northern California and the Bay Area. Strawberry's fans at SJSU and on the streets frequently, approach him. He streets frequently approach him. He said that people hear him speak, recognize his voice and ask if he is Strawberry.

"That's weird because I never thought I had a distinct voice,"

On the streets and radio, Fielden might be known as Strawberry, but to his roommates he is known as the "Tim the Toolman Taylor" of the

"He always wears this T-shirt that says I can fix anything," Yi said. "He's a fix-it man. He fixes every little appliance in the house."
Yi and Fielden met through a mutu-

Yi and Fielden met through a mutu-al friend about three years ago.
"We drove up to Tahoe and went on a snowboarding trip," Yi said. "He always thought up stuff to do." Fielden, a self-admitted procrastina-tor, says that he is not the best person

at balancing school and career.

"I used to say I was really good at balancing my life," he said. "I realized that I'm not that great at it." hat I'm not that great at it."

For four months he interned for KYLD as a "street crew" member,

said, and his schoolwork and family life suffer.
"Tve had rifts in my family for staying away because of work," he said.
"With school, there's a penalty to pay if you don't do your work."

Even though life gets chaotic at times, Fielden manages to make school a priority. Although he said he is overdue to graduate because of complications with his paperwork, he still continues to attend classes and expand his education. his education.

"Even though he has a good steady

"Even though he has a good steady job, he still strives to learn new things," Yi said. "He feeds off of learning. He's using his education for his future."

SJSU has not only been a place to learn for Fielden but also a place where he has many fun memories.

Ray Wong, an SJSU alumnus with a bachelor's in art and business, worked and met Fielden at KYLD. Wong said the two became good friends and would hang out at Moulder Hall, where Fielden lived with his roommates.

"One of his roommates would go into all the dorm rooms to steal toilet paper when they would run out," Wong said.

The road to success

Such success was not just thrown on Fielden's lap, and he was not always so well-known. His radio career started in 1993 when he was in high school. He began interning for Hot 97.7 FM

It was there that he learned how to work the controls of the operating board and was given the opportunity to be on the air.

When the station closed down in 1995, he was picked up by KYLD only a few months later. Regardless of his previous experience, Fielden had to start from scratch.



Fielden's radio show runs from 6 p.m. to 11 p.m. on weekdays handing out Wild 94.9 paraphernalia

to people on the streets.

Fielden said that as street crew members, he and Wong would go cruising on Highway 280 in the Wild 94.9 van. Fans of the station would follow behind.

"We would be doing 30 on 280 with 70 cars following us," Wong said. Fielden said they would drive the fan slow so they would not lose any of the

In early 1996, Fielden had simultaneous promotions. He was promoted to a van driver and he was a part-time on air radio DJ, as well as the "board-op" person, which meant he would play music late at night without

Fielden was promoted again in late

responsible for making the schedules of all the station van drivers.

Early 1999 marked the beginning of a new promotion as a full-time on air radio DJ.

On the air

Fielden works the airwaves Monday through Friday from 6 p.m. to 11 p.m. From the minute he hits the microphone, the telephones go crazy. Fans call in to request songs and ask for prizes. Some just call in to talk to him. Roberto "The Phone Monkey" Cano is Fielden's phone person and



Eric "Strawberry" Fielden, and Roberto "The Phone Monkey" Cano cleaned up the studio of KYLD Wild 94.9 FM after they finished the recording of the Bumrush show Monday night.

his right-hand man. He said that he really enjoys working with Fielden. "He's real," Cano said. "He doesn't BS about stuff."

When Fielden is on the air, his enthusiasm for his show and work becomes evident. He is full of energy and he does what he can to cater to his

On one occasion a 15-year-old girl called him while on the air. She revealed that she was pregnant and that she and her 16-year-old boyfriend were kicked out of their

homes and living in a hotel.
Fielden used the airwaves to start a "baby drive." People started calling in and donating baby clothes and other items the baby would need. When all the donations were brought into the station. Fielden delivered them to the station, Fielden delivered them to the couple himself.

"They made me the baby's godfa-ther," Fielden said.

Fielden said he likes to use his show to help people in need. This past holi-day season he delivered Christmas Area. "He's really generous and giving," Yi

The success of his show does not change him, Fielden said. He said he does not consider himself a celebrity, and he does not think he is above others. Fielden said that in the eyes of his family and friends, he is still "the same

family and friends, he is still the sailing guy they grew up with."
"I try keeping a low profile," Fielden said. "Losing my anonymity is something I don't want to do. I'm just a registration of the sail is he was a registration of the sail is a registration."

The Stones still rock fans like they used to

By Maria Villalobos Daily Staff Writer

The legendary Rolling Stones celebrated their 40th anniversary by playing at San Jose's HP Pavilion on Tuesday to a wild crowd of fans.
The arena lights dimmed and cobalt

blue lights radiated the stage and

The Stones bolted out and started the concert with "Fight," a song from the "Dirty Work" album. The crowd of over-aged teenagers cheered, whistled and yelled to wel-come the band. The arena sold the

Stones icon of the big, red lips and tongue pin. The cute souvenir flashed blue, red and white lights that filled the crowd. The arena was lit up like the Fourth of July.

Mick Jagger paraded around the stage while a large white screen hung in the background that showed Jagger up close for those who weren't fortunate enough to afford the \$300 seats

on the floor.

The screen was in black and white, which made the band members look slightly distorted and gave the impres-sion that they were moving in slow

Jagger was nothing but slow. He moved with finesse and intensity that left the crowd breathless.

The screen was a complement to the band and also gave an interesting perspective of the shows.

Yellow lights glistened down upon the stage then "Start Me Up" began. Jagger shook his sweat filled hair, belted into the microphone and strutted across the stage, flirting and taunting the swarms of women with a flash

ing the swarms of women with a flash of his flat tummy.

"Gimme Shelter" got the crowd riled up as Jagger had them sing along to "It's just a shot away ... whoa baby, it's just a shot away ... shot away."

shot away. The stage turned an intense shade of green as the horns blew and the harmonica's melody wafted in the air. Keith Richards jarred his guitar to jam with Jagger.

They jumped into "Brown Sugar." Richards gyrated his hips them low-ered himself to the stage and got the fans as high as the marijuana scent that permeated the air.

The band had a long catwalk that went through the middle of the seats on the floor, and at the end was a cir-cular stage. The whole band then moved onto their new stage for the remainder of the show.

This stage allowed the fans to get a better glimpse of the band while Jagger pranced around the extended stage and got the crowd wilder and

"Satisfaction," "Honky Tonk Women," It's Only Rock-n-Roll (But I Like It)" and "Start Me Up" were staples for this concert, but the highlight of the show was a cover song by Bob Dylan.

"Like A Rolling Stone" was appro-priate for the band and the crowd sang

The concert started at 9 p.m. and ended at 10:30 p.m. with the Stones

leaving the fans wanting more.
The vociferous fans brought the Stones back out at 9:45 p.m. to play their encore. Red confetti poured down and crimson red lights fell upon the stage as "Jumpin Jack Flash" start-

The band and the concert had just started with all the old and favorite songs when the concert ended.

The Stones performed like they did

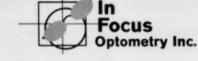
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ABC suffers in ratings during shuttle news

NEW YORK (AP) — At the very least, ABC's Peter Jennings might want to quietly file away Saturday's television ratings for the next time he

negotiates a contract.
Preliminary Nielsen Media
Research estimates for broadcast network coverage of the space shuttle disaster showed NBC News with a surprisingly wide advantage over its rivals, particularly ABC. Between 9:30 a.m. and noon on Saturday, NBC was watched by 8.7 million viewers, CBS by 5.2 million.

ABC by 3.5 million and Fox by 2.2 million, Nielsen said.

million, Nielsen said.
Jennings, who was two hours away
from New York City when the news
broke, appeared in the ABC News
studio shortly after noon. The viewership gap immediately narrowed;
NBC had 7.6 million between noon
and 2 p.m., and ABC was up to 4.6
million. CBS had 6 million.
The difference actier was notable

The difference earlier was notable, given that viewers generally turn to special news coverage on the net-works at about the same proportions as the evening news. In that measure, NBC is usually on top, with ABC a

NBC is usually on top, with ABC a close second.

ABC's audience before Jennings arrived was smaller than CNN's, according to Nielsen.

ABC News' Bill Blakemore anchored the early coverage. While NBC and CBS have regularly scheduled Saturday morning newscasts, ABC doesn't. Due to satellite problems, ABC also was slower than its rivals in showing video of the shuttle accident. Meanwhile, CNN's Aaron Brown on Wednesday was again among the missing during a big news event, but

missing during a big news event, but it was because he was on a plane, not

the golf course.

Brown, described by CNN as its lead anchor during breaking news and special events, became the subject of news stories this week after he played at a golf tournament in California on Saturday instead of



DVDs change movie viewing

LOS ANGELES (AP) - Director Ridley Scott says moviegoers are becoming savvy enough to second-guess filmmakers and that's why deleted scenes, documentaries and unused endings are such popular

unused endings are such popular DVD features.

"Audiences have now gotten into the editing room with filmmakers and stars," said the director, who offers an extended ending to "Thelma & Louise" on a DVD of the film released Tuesday. "Now everybody's interested in the process and so we have to say, This is how we made it."

This is how we made it."
The British-born Scott said such curiosity is healthy but comes at a cost of dispelling some of the mystery of moviemaking.

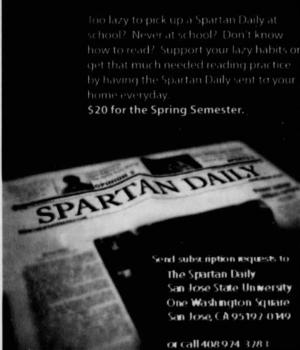
"That makes it harder to scare peo-ple, harder to make people laugh because they're familiar with all the tricks," he said.

The DVD of "Thelma & Louise," includes 30 minutes of deleted material and a documentary with shots of an unreleased erotic romp between Geena Davis and co-star Brad Pitt.

Brad Pitt.

Before it reached theaters in 1991, the ending was shortened to avoid dwelling on the grim details of the tragic climax. While that version remains intact on the DVD, the disc includes the separate footage of the original cut, which Scott characterized as "satisfying" but "really depressing"







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of the Student Union







Baseball team slides into action

By Daniel Hartman Daily Staff Writer

With a great amount of youth on the 2003 San Jose State University baseball team, fans might look forward to an up-and-coming squad.
In a Western Athletic Conference

preseason poll, the Spartans were picked to finish second along with

Fresno State University.

"This is going to be a rebuilding year," said Spartan head coach Sam Piraro.

"We lost a tremendous amount of players."

players.

players."

Some of the players gone from last season's team are catcher Adam Shorsher and second baseman Gabe Lopez, who left for the New York Yankees minor league organization.

Aside from the loss of players, Piraro has faced other challenges this season

Piraro has faced other challenges this season.

Piraro, who was diagnosed with cancer, has been forced to pass some of the coaching responsibilities to his assistant coaches Dean Madsen and Doug Thurman.

Of his role with the team Piraro said, "I'm the head coach."

He added, "It will be two-and-a-half months until the second phase of my (chemotherapy). I plan to stay out of the dugout at the games to protect my immune system."

Madsen said about Piraro passing down his duties, "He does not want

down his duties, "He does not want to be on the game field. He'll be

to be on the game field. He'll be doing everything except coaching during the games."

Piraro said he would assume a role more like a general manager.

"I'll still be doing game prep and running practice, but Coach Thurman will be the active game roach." he said

Thurman, who was the team's pitching coach last year said, "Coach P's out there every day."

Though it is a season of rebuilding, the Spartans' defense is well-stacked.

Matt Durkin, pitcher from Willow Glen High School, led the team in 2002 with a 2.75 ERA during a sea-

son in which he had a record of 11-

3.
"Durkin is one of our players to look out for because he was picked by the WAC's all-conference team," said junior pitcher Mickey Manzo.
Durkin, along with junior Carlos Torres, senior Frank Esposito, senior Mike Dorsa and freshman Matt Winck are the leading candidates to start on the hill this season.
"Id like to too last year's record and

"I'd like to top last year's record and give the team a chance to win," Durkin said.

Torres, who recently transferred to SJSU from Grossmont College in El Cajon managed a 2-2 record last year while compiling a 2.17 ERA and four saves.

The Spartans however, face another challenge with junior Mike Malott out of the pitching rotation while he has surgery on his pitching

However, the Spartans hopes are

However, the Spartans hopes are not lost for the season.
"We try to put together a game plan each week in order to win as many ballgames as we can," Madsen said. "Most of the team is freshman and sophomores. Our talent is very good, but they need experience at this level."

Pirror said that most of what the

Piraro said that most of what the team is looking to achieve this sea-son is to manufacture runs in order to capitalize upon mistakes made by

the opposition.

"[This season's] going to be a fun one," said junior third baseman Kevin Frandsen. "We have some solid players. Coach P's the inspira-

solid players. Coach I's the inspira-tion,"
Although he has lessened his role as head coach, Piraro has been instrumental in designing and mas-terminding the Spartans' offensive attack and defensive stability.
"The players are in it for them-selves," Piraro said.
"Lest year there were a high num-

"Last year there were a high num-ber of seniors that that had experi-ence at this level," said Madsen, who added that the team is anxious to

start competing.

The most popular pick to start at first base is senior Jordan Bergstrom.

Backing him up will be freshman Jeff Kettman.

At shortstop Piraro has decided to go with Ruben Martinez, a transfer student from Los Angeles Harbor

student from Los Angeles Harbor College.
Second base has been filled by freshman David Pierson out of Bishop Amot High School.
The hot corner at third base is taken up by Kevin Frandsen, though he is still in rehab for an ankle injury. Piraro said, "Our objective is for him to be ready for Cal Poly," the Spartans first opponent of the sea-Spartans first opponent of the sea-

son.
The starting outfielders will be sophomore Travis Becktel, sophomore Nate Corrick, and senior

more Nate Corrick, and senior Markum King.
Though the Spartans area relatively young team Piraro said, "The strength of the program is our pitching and the middle infield."
With so much youth on the team, Thurman has made it clear that the more time the fielders have to take ground hells the hetter off they will.

ground balls, the better off they will be.

"It's been a great month of practice," he said. "When there is good weather, these guys have a better chance because they need every opportunity to get better."

Piraro said, "Becktel will probably start the season in the designated

start the season in the designated hitter's position, because he still has-n't done any throwing due to an arm

injury. Piraro said freshman Mitch Ponza from Bellarmine Prep could fill in for Becktel.

for Becktel.

Behind the plate Piraro said he has had a tough time deciding who the starter will be, though junior Mark Bautista is his leading candidate.

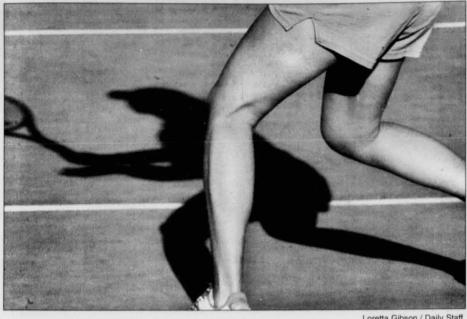
For power, junior Nick Guerra will be utilized.

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As to his condition Piraro said, "The team is playing for themselves. They shall perform up to their abilities for the school. We are looking at a bright future despite all the trials and tribulations."

SJSU opens the 2003 season on Feb. 7 at Cal Poly San Luis Obispo.

Casting a shadow over the court



Loretta Gibson / Daily Staff

Kathy Van of the San Jose State University women's tennis team rallies during a doubles practice on Wednesday. The Spartans meet with UC Santa Barbara on Saturday and Cal Poly San Luis Obispo on Sunday in Santa Barbara.

A's new coach has no intention of changing his approach

OAKLAND (AP) — Now that he's finally been promoted from bench coach to manager, Ken Macha is being flooded with advice books from all kinds of well-wishers.

Baseball books, and one by basketball coaching great John Wooden, even a volume with investment suggestions. He's received about 100.

Macha appreciates the gestures, he Macha appreciates the gestures, he just can't promise to get around to reading any of them any time soon — the Oakland Athletics begin spring training in just more than a week, and there's still plenty to do.

"It's a severe life change here, yeah," Macha said Wednesday, chuckling as he problem of reging from tonescient to

spoke of going from top assistant to

spoke of going from top assistant to man in charge.

"It's funny that you read books, and when you're reading them you say, That's what I did anyhow.' When I was in the minor leagues managing, it's what I wanted the guys to do. I wanted them to come out, be prepared, try to make themselves better players every. make themselves better players every day. John Wooden talks about the

Getting to this point has been quite the process for the 52-year-old Macha,

too. He had interviewed many times for managerial jobs before landing one. In October, he met with the Milwaukee Brewers and Chicago Cubs about their openings. The framework of a contract was in place with the Brewers.

Macha was Pittsburgh's second choice

after Lloyd McClendon two years ago, and also has interviewed with Cincinnati, Toronto and twice with

Macha agreed to a three-year contract with the AL West champion As to replace Art Howe, who was hired to manage the New York Mets after the 2002 season.

Macha was asked whether he considers himself patient, and he does. He picked that up playing four years of baseball in Japan.

"I think I have a lot of patience," he

said. "I have understanding of how dif-ficult the game is, and how difficult it is to perform. I really think if we focus in

on getting a routine, preparing our-selves, treating the game as profession-als, going out and playing hard, that we've got the talent to go ahead and do

One of Macha's top spring training priorities will be developing the bullpen and determining his final two starters after aces Barry Zito, Mark Mulder and Tim Hudson. Left-handers Ted Lilly and John Halama are two strong candidates.
Also, Macha said keeping AL MVP

Miguel Tejada's contract situation from being a distraction is important. The star shortstop is signed through 2003, but has expressed his desire to remain

with the A's if he gets a long-term deal. Tejada hit .308 with 34 home runs and 131 RBIs last season to help the A's

and 131 KBIs last season to help the As win 103 games.

He has said he plans to begin negotiating a new contract with the As during spring training, but declined to mention how much money he will ask for. He made \$3.62 million last season.

"They're interest to be a season."

"That's going to be a tough job," Macha said of keeping the contract talk from becoming an issue. "He knows what's at stake for himself. I know what's at stake for the organization, the ballclub. Some things are out of your control. Signing him is one of them

Basketball women swerve off road in search of home win

By Chris Giovannetti Daily Senior Staff Writer

There are road difficulties and then there's what the San Jose State University women's basketball team is

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With just one win on the road this season - none in conference play home for tonight's game against Southern Methodist University.

"I wish I knew the answer because

then we would have corrected it already," said head coach Janice

Richard, about her team's road woes. Tip-off against the Mustangs (5-4 Western Athletic Conference, 11-8 overall) at the Event Center is scheduled for 7 p.m.

The Spartans' lone road win came on

Dec. 21 at Southern Utah University. Since then, SJSU (4-5 WAC, 8-10 overall) has lost all five conference road

games.
"I think you have to look at who we've lost to," Richard said. "Louisiana Tech is nationally ranked and Tulsa is a good team as well. Those are legitimate losses. I'm not surprised because those are good teams."

The latest setback — a 61-58 loss at

Rice University - may have been the most disheartening SJSU trailed the Owls 59-58 entering the final minute of play when Rice's Johnetta Hayes scored on a lay-

Rice's Johnetta Hayes scored on a lay-up with 54 seconds to play.

The Spartans Cricket Williams missed a three-point attempt with 13 seconds to play.

SJSU grabbed the rebound and kicked the ball out to guard Jessica Kellogg. Her three-point attempt wedged between the rim and back-board, forcing a jump ball. board, forcing a jump ball.
"It happens sometimes," Richard

Rice won the possession and SJSU stole the Owls inbound pass — only to see Kellogg's shot fall short again. "Against Rice we didn't play that bad, we lest messed us the story of the story we just messed up at the end," said jun-ior guard Cricket Williams, who leads the team in scoring at 19.4 points per game. "Sometimes we make it hard on

game. Sometimes we make it hard on ourselves. When we miss a lot of layups, it doesn't help."

The remedy for the Spartans' road woes may be as hard to find as the

problems "Fans could be a problem or the places we play at could be a problem," Williams said. "But you'd think that people who played at these places last year would be used to the conditions."

Forward Lamisha Augustine said the team held a meeting during its most recent road trip to discuss its road play. "Everyone agreed it was all mental," Augustine said. "The same teams we beat at our place we're losing to on the

Having already played each WAC team once, Richard is confident her team can turn things around.
"We have five more road games.

We're going to try to get something going and get some wins before the WAC tournament," Richard said.

SJSU continues its homestand on Saturday against No. 12 Louisiana Tech University (9-0 WAC, 17-2

Men's Basketball goes south

The Spartan men's basketball team is growing up and it couldn't come at a better time. "Now is the time when we're starting

to gel as a team and play our best bas-ketball," guard Scott Sonnenberg said on Saturday following a 71-66 over-time loss to Rice.

In a seniority aspect, the Spartans are a young team. Of the 13 players on the active roster, just two players, guards Brandon Hawkins and Moises Alvarez, saw significant playing time last season (guard Scott Sonnenberg played in three games before tearing a meniscus and appealing for a medical

red shirt). Two true freshmen - forwards Keith Everage and Antonio Lawrence
— have been pressed into starting
roles. Junior transfer Keith West fills out the starting rotation alongside

Hawkins and Sonnenberg. "We have a lot of young guys from a lot of different places," said Walton, who is averaging seven points per game this season. "We've all been trying to feel the way everybody plays. We've feel the way everybody plays. We've been around each other so much now we got the feel for the way people ball,

their style of play."
The Spartans (2-7 WAC, 5-12 overall) resume action tonight at SMU (5-4 WAC, 10-9 overall). Tip-off at the Moody Coliseum in Dallas is slated for 5 p.m. The road trip continues on Saturday at Louisiana Tech (4-5 WAC, 7-9 overall).

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Group pledges national fight to preserve sports equality law

WASHINGTON Politicians, actors and athletes promised a national fight to preserve Title IX, the landmark law designed to give women equal access to sports.

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The campaign, announced Wednesday, comes as Education Secretary Rod Paige prepares a decision on how the sports equity law is enforced among all schools and colleges that receive federal money.

A commission Paige appointed has suggested updating the 30-year-old law to ensure fairness to all athletes.

law to ensure fairness to all athletes. Although the panel rejected mandating a virtually equal number of ath-letic slots for men and women at each school, critics said any tinkering would erode opportunities and

"We will fight this as long and as hard as it takes, and Title IX will be a part of the American dream," Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle said

Althority Leader from Daschie said at an annual gathering honoring female athletes.

Actresses Holly Hunter and Geena Davis and former Sen. Birch Bayh, D-Ind., a sponsor of the original law, will lead a campaign to educate and the beautiful and the second said to be said to rally the public. Bayh said he hopes Paige will be persuaded to padlock the commission's report in a closet

As the law stands, colleges may show they comply by having a pro-portion of male and female athletes that is roughly equal to the number of men and women students.

Critics of the law say it forces schools to scrap opportunities for men, but that's never been required or encouraged, Bayh said. Campaign leaders hope to change the debate through lobbying by celebrities, par-

ents and dozens of organizations.

Daschle was joined by Sen. Hillary
Clinton, D-N.Y., and Sen. Ted
Stevens, R-Alaska. A bipartisan group of six senators also sent a letter to Paige, encouraging him not undermine the law.

"We're a culture of celebrity, whether it's athletes or actors and actresses," Hunter said. "We really pay attention to celebrity, as well as to high-profile politicians. So I want to take a bit of responsibility for my vis-ibility, and use it for something I

Dozens of female athletes including winning Olympic soccer team member Julie Foudy — took part in Wednesday's campaign kickoff and spoke of sports as an enor-mous source of strength, confidence

and pride. However, a leader of the effort to

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"What we're looking for is a more fair and reasonable way to protect women without hurting men," said Mike Moyer, executive director of the National Wrestling Coaches Association. His group sued the Education Department on grounds that its enforcement of the law forced the elimination of hundreds of men's the elimination of hundreds of men's sports teams.

Paige is to receive the report from the Commission on Opportunity in Athletics by month's end. He has set no timetable for deciding what changes, if any, to make in enforcing the law.





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THE HAGUE, Netherlands (AP) The United States must temporarily stay the execution of three Mexican citizens on death row in Texas and Oklahoma, the World Court ruled Wednesday.

In a unanimous decision, the 15-judge panel said that the delay was needed while the U.N. court investigates in full whether the men — and 48 other Mexicans on death row in U.S. prisons — were given their right to legal help from the Mexican govern-

ment.
The World Court, officially known as the International Court of Justice, is the U.N.'s court for resolving disputes between nations. It has no power to enforce its decisions, and the United States has disregarded them in the past. It is the third World Court case in five years against the United States dealing with the death penalty. In a

dealing with the death penalty. In a nearly identical high-profile case in 2001 it found that the United States had violated international law by not informing a German citizen of his right

to consular assistance.

Walter LaGrand was executed in Arizona despite an order to postpone his punishment until it had heard Germany's case.

Germany's case.
Reading the ruling Wednesday, presiding Judge Gilbert Guillaume said the court supported Mexico's argument that executing the men would cause "irreparable" damage to their rights if the court later finds in Mexico's favor.

"The United States shall take all

measures necessary to ensure that (the men) are not executed pending final judgment in these proceedings," he

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U.S. ambassador to the Netherlands Clifford Sobel said the Justice Department was "studying the deci-sion" and would comment as soon as possible.

"It's important to note that this is not

a ruling on the merits of the case," he

It would be "premature" to say whether the United States will abide by

the decision. Sobel said. the decision, Sobel said.

Sandra Babcock, a lawyer for Mexico, said she expects America to comply because "these types of orders are binding on the United States." By ignoring the decision, she said, the United States would send the impression that it "didn't care about the rule of law."

"Americans traveling abroad are more vulnerable than ever at this point in time, and if the United States disregards the order of the world's highest

gards the order of the world's highest court on an issue that directly affects Americans abroad (consular assistance), I think that sets a very dangerous precedent.'

Court spokeswoman Laurence Blairon said the court could in theory complain to the U.N. security council which can impose sanctions — if the ruling is not obeyed.

Mexico's Ambassador to the Netherlands Santiago Onate said the decision was "a confirmation of interna-tional law."

The men whose executions have The men whose executions have temporarily been barred are Cesar Fierro, Roberto Ramos and Osvaldo Torres Aguilera, all of whom had exhausted their U.S. appeals and whose execution date was soon to have been scheduled.

Fierro and Ramos are imprisoned in Texas, and Aguilera is in Oklahoma.

Of the three convicted men, Fierro's case is the best-known. He was 22 years case is the best-known. He was 22 years old when he was convicted of the Feb. 27, 1979 shooting death of an El Paso taxi driver, Nicolas Castanon. Despite a ruling in a Texas appeals court that his confession was probably coerced, he was not granted a retrial. Fierro has been on death row in Texas longer than any other inmate. any other inmate.

Ramos, 48, was sentenced to death in February 1992 for killing his wife Leticia and his two youngest children, Abigail, 8, and Jonathan, 3, with a

Aguilera was convicted for the July 12, 1993, slavings of Francisco Morales and Maria Yanez during a burglary in Oklahoma City.

Court rules U.S. must SJSU professors introduce textbook

By Norikazu Ambo Daily Staff Writer

Two San Jose State University politi-cal science professors introduced the latest edition of the textbook they wrote together and spoke about the social and political issues that California is facing during a forum Wednesday in the Spartan Bookstore.

Terry Christensen and Larry Gerston reduced a great amount of the volume of the book, "California Politics and Government: A Practical Approach," so as to appeal to a wide range of readers, as to appeal to a wide range of readers, including students from the University of California, California State University, community colleges and

even high school.
Within the 10 Chapters, the text addresses the impact that issues such as the economy, education and immigra-tion have on California politics. The pair hoped the text would be used as an introduction to California

government, said Christensen, the politically active professor who has ded-icated himself to the San Jose community for more than 30 years.

"The text is a nice slim volume," said Gerston, who occasionally writes columns for the San Jose Mercury News and is a political analyst in NBC-

Gerston said creating the book was "not different from students writing What nagged him the most was try-ing to reduce the volume, Gerston said. "Adding new things wasn't that tough part," he said. "The trick was to get rid

of things."

Because the authors had differing priorities on each issue, they had to assess what information should be included in the book.

the book.

The motive of rewriting and refining was "to stay fresh," said Gerston.

Christensen added, "We are not in Kansas. Things are changing rapidly."

On top of the economy, Christensen said that although the era of California's responsible boom has ended people outeconomic boom has ended, people out-side this state are still picturing side this state are still picturing California as the unstoppable growing economy state. This, he said, is because outdated clips are being used in the

One of the major changes in the new edition is the inclusion of the recent budget issue, said Sharyl Cross, chair of the political science department.

She considers the book a "core of local

and American politics." Cross said the professors' new text is a "prime exam-ple" of how to describe California poli-

"It is very concise and comprehen-sive," she said. Marshall Goodman, provost and vice president for academic affairs, said the

president for academic affairs, said the discussion was a "stimulating talk" that dealt with a "practical topic."

Merwyn Krun, a senior political science major, said the discussion was

of those parts that have been collected—
and what role they might have played in the disaster, NASA spokesman Rob Navias noted.
"We have to put the puzzle together before we see what the mosaic looks like." Navias said.

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million parts, many of which shattered into pieces as small as a nickel.

Bill Waldock of Embry-Riddle

or metal components from the left wing would be significant.

At least two possible wing sections



Josh Sturgis / Daily Staff

San Jose State University political science professors Terry Christensen and Larry Gerston discuss the latest edition of their book, "California Politics and Government: A practical approach.

Krun said he could understand "visual

Krun said he could understand "visual perspective of the situation" that the Golden State is facing.
Rita Castello, a senior psychology major, who recently joined the Green Party from Democratic Party, said she hopes SJSU students become more curious about American politics after attending the forum that gathered about 30 people. She said she felt "apa-

thy of voters" at the last election.
As his closing line, Bob McDermand, associate librarian at SJSU, described the book as "having it over dinner."
This forum discussion, corresponded by Library Provost Bookstore, was the first of a three-part series, scheduled to be held the first Wednesday of each

Four days into search, NASA says crucial parts still missing

NACOGDOCHES, Texas (AP) -Despite gathering more than 12,000 pieces of debris from the shuttle Columbia, a NASA official said Wednesday none of the pieces provides critical answers for why the shuttle

broke up.
"We do not have any red-tag items," said Ron Dittemore, shuttle program manager, referring to items engineers have identified as crucial to the investigation into the cause.

He said those items would include parts of the left wing, data recorders and certain pieces of insulation and tiles. The widening search now extends from Louisiana to California.

In Texas alone, officials have identi-

fied 38 counties with debris, while pieces have turned up in two dozen Louisiana parishes. And NASA investigators are checking California and Arizona for debris as well.

The scale makes it unprecedented," said Dave Bary, a spokesman for the Environmental Protection Agency, which is overseeing the collection of debris. He noted that even in other major disasters - the attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon, the explosion of space shuttle Challenger — the recovery sites were restricted to a central location.

In this case, "the debris field is so large - covering so many counties - I can't think of anything historically that would compare to this," he said. That could delay meaningful analysis

The shuttle was composed of about 2

Aeronautical University in Arizona said any of the craft's 20,000 insulating tiles

have been discovered in east Texas, although authorities did not know from which side of the shuttle they came. A robotic underwater camera was brought in Wednesday to help search a reservoir along the Texas-Louisiana border where there were reports of debris the size of a small car falling.

A patch of foam insulation that broke off from the shuttle's external fuel tank

during launch and struck tiles on the underside of the left wing had been the focus of the probe into the possible causes of Columbia's destruction. After days of analysis, NASA backed away Wednesday from the theory that the foam might have been the root cause of the accident.

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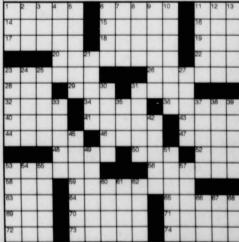
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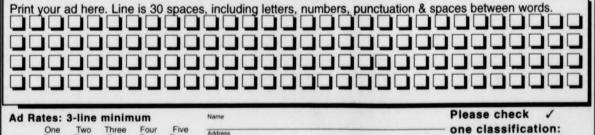
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