

'The game is over,' Bush says, welcomes another resolution

WASHINGTON (AP) — Edging closer to war, President Bush declared Thursday "the game is over" for Saddam Hussein and urged skep-tical allies to join in disarming Iraq. Bush said he would welcome a new U.N. resolution on Iraq if it made clear the world body was ready to use force if Saddam will not reveal and give up any weapons of mass give up any weapons of mass destruction as demanded by an earli-

er resolution. Britain is likely to introduce such a resolution authorizing force after top

weapons inspectors return from Baghdad and report to the Security Council on Feb. 14, British and U.S. diplomats said Thursday. Unlike Britain, France has balked at the idea of war, and Jean-Marc de La Sabliere, French ambassador to the United Nations, said Thursday, "the time has not come" for a second resolution.

"The U.N. must not back down," "The U.N. must not back down," Bush said. "All the world can rise to

"Saddam Hussein will be stopped,"

Bush pledged, warning anew that the United States will act along with allies if needed. He spoke before cameras in the White House's Roosevelt Room with Secretary of State Colin Powell at his side. Behind the president was a painting Behind the president was a painting of Theodore Roosevelt, who led the United States into war with Spain in 1999 the best best best for the states of the states in the states of the st 1898, on horseback. At the United Nations in New

York, the Iraqi representative, Mohammed al-Douri, said of Bush, "It sounds like he wants a resolution

for war." In Baghdad, an Iraqi arms expert submitted to a private interview with U.N. weapons inspectors, the first sign of cooperation in that area. Bush ticked off a series of accusa-tions that Powell had lodged on Wednesday in the U.N. Security Council, including authorization by Council, including authorization by Saddam to his lieutenants to use

chemical weapons. "Saddam Hussein was given a final chance," Bush said, referring to the resolution approved unanimously in

November by the Security Council that launched new U.N. inspections. "He is throwing that chance away," the president said. Pointedly, Bush did not renew past appeals to Saddam to reveal the chemical and biological weapons and the nuclear and missile programs the

the nuclear and missile programs the United States contends Iraq has. In Paris, French President Jacques Chirac said that France's position had not been changed by Powell's presentation at the United Nations. "We refuse to think that war is

inevitable," Chirac said through a spokesman. The evidence furnished by Powell "justifies continued work by the United Nations weapons inspectors. Iraq must answer their questions and cooperate more active-ly," the French president said. In London, British Prime Minister

In London, British Prime Minister Tony Blair acknowledged he could have trouble persuading many Britons to support a war against Iraq unless the idea first won U.N. approval.

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ABOVE: Workers sift through the huge pile of debris at Bud Winter Field on the corner of Seventh and Alma streets. The debris came from the demolition of Moulder, Markham and Allen halls.

RIGHT: Ricky McCoy, a sophomore sociology major, ran beside the huge pile of debris on Bud Winter Field at Seventh and Alma streets Thursday. McCoy said the strong smell coming from the refuse keeps his visits short.

Brick Cit

Bud Winter Field being used to house rubble

By Tony Burchyns

Daily Staff Writer Three San Jose State University residence halls have moved off cam-

pus. The rocky remains of recently demolished Moulder, Markham and Allen halls now sit in jagged piles on the edge of Bud Winter Field at 10th and Alma streets. The rubble has been moved from the main earners demolition site to

the main campus demolition site to facilitate

lengthy sorting and recycling project, according to one construction worker at the athletic field. The three residence halls were down torn in early January to make way for a

new housing and retail structure known as the Campus Village.

For more than two weeks, workers from Soil Enterprises Inc. have been busy excavating and crushing old res-idence hall concrete.

"Right now we have a crew of six to eight workers," said Ryan Manning,

project engineer. Much of the crushed debris will be transformed into 3/4-inch founda-tion-laying rock, Manning said. Toting a hard hat while bulldozers

and excavators roared behind him, Manning said his company also spe-cializes in tub grinding and land clearing, among other things. The Soil Enterprises crew will toil for a few more weeks before new sub-contractors arrive to grind up the heavier materials.

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"Our equipment doesn't work with metal," Manning said. One student athlete complained about the obtrusive work next to the

track. Ricky McCoy, a sophomore

majoring in soci-ology, said he uses the track everyday to train for footto train for foot-ball tryouts, but lately he's been cutting his work-outs short. "It's loud and it smells," McCoy said, citing what he perceives as

he perceives as possible breathing hazards. A large puddle of stagnant water sits between the piles of twisted metal and rock.

There's no saying how long the clean-up process at the track will take, Manning said. Soil Engineers Inc. is a subcon-tractor hired by Clark Construction,

the East Coast-based company overseeing the residence hall demo-lition and construction project, lition and construction project, Manning said.

Student health center offers peer education, specialty services

By Maria Villalobos Daily Staff Writer

ing with primary care, which includes illnesses and injuries such as headaches and strains, according to the health center. The department also offers a variety of specialty services, which carry fees, and these services include allergy, dermatology, podiatry, psychiatry, physi-cal therapy and travel medicine, said Melanie Alejandro-Gutierrez, assistant to the director of the health cen-

can get here on campus." classes, according to Alejandro-The health center has a plenty of services to provide to students, start-Students can also purchase a \$20 delle Fraser, peer health education delta fraser delta fra Spartan health card. The card offers students one free physical per year, a free dermatology or podiatry visit, one free allergy consultation and free allergy shots. according to the health cen-

coordinator. "Students feel more comfortable talking to students about relationships or sexually transmitted dis-eases or other needs."

aori Yoneda/ Daily Staff

Year after year, San Jose State University students pay for the health fee associated with their tuition. Some students pay the \$64.10 without knowing where this fee goes. The cost goes to the student health center. The student health center is an on-

campus medical clinic staffed by licensed physicians, nurse practition-ers, registered nurses and a medical support staff, said Dr. Oscar Battle, health education coordinator.

"Any student enrolled can come in and be seen," said Battle. "What you can get from an out-patient clinic, you

There are additional services, which include, laboratory, pharmacy, radiolo-gy, immunizations, elective physicals and cardiopulmonary resuscitation

The card also gives students one free travel medicine consultation totaling a savings of \$72. It's a voluntary dis-count plan available every semester and good for the whole semester.

The peer health education program and the prevention education pro-grams are located on the second floor of the student health center. These programs are student based.

The types of workshops offered include, information on safer sex, CPR, first aid, time management, stress management, ethnic issues, tobacco cessation workshops and health -related issues.

"Students can drop in any time for any type of counseling or for any peer education program," Fraser said. "There's one-on-one counseling and from what I've seen these programs are really helpful. It's a wonderful

student run program and it's good for students to interact with one another and share their ideas, Fraser said

The peer education program has eight paid positions and about 40 SJSU students who volunteer their time. The students are trained by professionals to address and help other students with issues.

"I think it's benefical in so many ways," said Eva Naredo, a graduate who still drops in to volunteer her time. "Because, you have a support group and you can learn a lot of skills like public speaking skills, leadership public speaking skills, leadership

First-day student Veronica Zacharie, a freshman political science major, said she saw a flyer about volunteering for the peer education program.

"I was immediately and literally sucked in," Zacharie said. "My major is global and I wanted to bring it down a notch and it has to start with my community and I wanted to help stu-

Brenda Pearson an administrative assistant who works in the peer educa-tion program said she praises the stu-dents that work at the center.

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Book return deadline for full refund is Monday

By Huong C. Pham Daily Staff Writer

Anxious students are rushing to the basement of the Student Union in hopes of returning their textbooks for a full refund before the Feb. 10 deadline. On Wednesday, a 25-foot line of

students extended from the customer service counter to the opposite wall. Some students attempting to return books found they were not alone.

Sangeeta Ravindran, a general engineering graduate student said, "There's too many people in line and I had to wait about half an hour," when she tried to return her books.

At the beginning of every semester, students fill the Spartan Bookstore to purchase their textbooks. A week later, they find themselves making a return because they dropped a class, the book isn't needed or they pur-chased the wrong book. As students reluctantly fork out

their money to buy their textbooks, "About 15 percent of sales are

returns," said Anthony Sanjume, associate director of textbooks

According to the bookstore policy, tudents have until the deadline for a full refund, and any textbooks purchased after the deadline can make a return within three-business days with an additional 10 percent

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be used like debit cards Tower Cards designed to

By Kimberly Lapham Daily Staff Writer

San Jose State University students can open accounts that will allow them to purchase goods and services on campus without need for cash, a credit card or a checkbook. The Tower Card is required to check out SJSU library books, access

the sports club and aquatic center and buy a parking permit. It is also required to take advantage of Valley Transportation Authority privileges and access rooms in the Art department.

Upgraded with a free offline or online account, the Tower Card is transformed into a card that can act as cash or a debit card with no PIN required.

These Tower accounts are similar to These Tower accounts are similar to a system being used in France called Moneo. According to a Feb. 4 article in the Mercury News, the Moneo system uses credit card-sized cards called Smart Cards that have small computer chips embedded in them that can both hold and process infor-mation mation. Moneo cards hold 20 to 100 euros,

the equivalent of \$107, and are sim-

ilar to the Tower Card offline accounts. While such cards are being ed in parking meters and bakerie

in France, they have not completely taken off in other countries. Although the National Institute of Standards and Technology reports that 80 million Germans use Smart Cards to pay for doctor visits and the

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Melodious lips



ma Kirkendall / Daily :

Elena Yarritu played "Sonata" in the Music building Concert Hall on Thursday. She is the founder and artistic director of the Monokrome Flute Quartet.

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THE THRILLA FROM MANILA Traveling around searching for all of the hotness

Hello again, it is that time of the week again to hear from "The Thrilla From Manila." I know if you are reading this, you must be bored in that Friday class that you have to take for your major or general education requirement. Anyway, last time I left you with dropping classes, enjoying the scenery and having a good time.

For those of you that didn't read the column last time, the drop period ends on Monday. That is your last chance to get out of that class you do not like before you regret it. Also, rush for a fraternity or sorority ended yesterday at noon. If you hesitated and wanted to know more about it, you will have to wait till the fall.

About enjoying the scenery, if you haven't noticed, the foot traffic around campus has slowed down a bit. And so has the abundance of hot looking people walking around campus.

Speaking of hot people around campus, my trips for the Spartan Daily have taken me outside the San Francisco Bay Area to cover some exciting sporting assignments, mostly in Reno, Nev. and Fresno, Calif.

Aside from doing the normal routine of taking photos at my assignment during the day, the reporter and I have a night on the town. Hey, when you have a long day of driv-

ing to the location and working, you need some rest and relaxation.

It winds up that we go to some bar that is populated by college-aged people.

For the record, the area around San Jose State University does not offer the quality places for

college students to go for the nightlife. If you know of any, pass that information this way. Anyway, the guy-to-girl ratio at the

places that I have gone to was good. The thing that gets me is that the people are just hot. You just have to ask yourself, "Why don't we have people like that going to

our school?" It just had me really thinking about why it was that way.

One can make the argument that our school is just a commuter school and that no one really sticks around to make it have a nice campus atmosphere.

I mean, our campus does not really have the feel of a campus like UCLA or Ohio State. When I visited some of my friends at other campuses around California, there was just an abundance of school spirit and hot looking people. That could be another reason that spirit and hot people go together like spaghetti and meatballs. I was talking about this topic to one of the reporters in

the newsroom; he said that they just went away for college. I can see how this is so,

being that I grew up here in San Jose for a good portion of my life. Back at my old high school, it was the same deal there as here on our campus. When I would travel for an away game for a sporting event, I would notice that there were more

hot people there than on my campus. I think that I am only being exposed to a

small portion of the population when I trav-RYAN BALBUENA el and that group just happens to be really good looking.

That is it. I am only being exposed to the best of what that place has to offer.

One can think of it this way. Imagine that you are a traveler and you just discovered a new place that has never been graced by your presence. You see everything and you like what you see. Since you like it, you keep on coming back. The more you go back to that place, you get accustomed to what you are seeing. So, that feeling of excitement that you had that first couple of times that you visited is now diminished because you have spoiled yourself. I think I just found my answer to the question. I have been spoiled with my travels.

Now going back to our campus, I have to admit there are also some hot people on our campus. If you thought that I was just going to ramble on about how there are none on our campus, you are wrong.

If I thought that there weren't any, then why would I tell you to take in the wonderful scenery?

Anyway, for those of you that have tried to get some digits from these hot looking people around campus, I bet you a dollar that you have been met with some resistance. I know, it has happened to me.

Remember this, if you aren't getting any luck here on campus, you can always try your luck elsewhere.

> Ryan Balbuena is the Spartan Daily Photo Editor. 'The Thrilla from Manila' appears every other Friday.

Would you pierce an intimate body part to make your

It cannot be one of those whatever, whenever relation-

That awful word is coming, yes — commitment. I have to be in a committed relationship to take a special request

Viewpoint | United States can't go to war alone

Dear Editor,

When President Bush gave his State of the Union address, it became evident that this country is on the path to war. Since this government is not at all concerned with the problems of the common people, it was obvious then that Mr. Bush could not have spent more time talking about how he would expect the economy to grow. Instead, he focused on the threat of Iraq. War is all he cares about. From the moment that he manifested publicly his intentions about disarming Saddam Hussein, he closed the doors to any other options. He certainly could not rectify himself. How would he? The president of the most power-ful country, no way! So now he found himself trapped. Therefore, he ought to continue charging in the same direction.

The President believes that whether we get the help of other countries or not, we must carry this war alone. It is tough talk. We should not underestimate the support of our allies. The sympathy that the United States received for 9/11 is being dissipated by this prelude to war; this sense of arrogance that the government is showing is what prevents other countries from trusting us. They now get suspicious and want to know the true intentions behind the attack. Imperialism is the word that comes to mind again and again; this term that was very common during the Cold

War era is resurfacing. The United States is charging again and wants to show its might against the small and poor countries. With the excuse of attacking terrorists, any country that does not share the ideas or principles of America must suffer the consequences. Is it fair? Can a country have its own identity? Is it right that the United States should impose its own ideology? This is going to cost us. We are creating more enemies than friends.

Saddam Hussein is a menace, but more to his own people than to America. I do believe that we should help them, but we should not do it alone; it is an international community responsibility. If our concern is terrorism and weapons of mass destruction, it is still a matter of international concern. Our government should seek all the help they can get and act as a team. There were some concerns that the U.N. was not functioning as stipulated in its char-ter, but let me ask: As the U.N. Charter stipulates, or the United States stipulates? If other countries are expected to wage war against another only because one of its members says so, it is wrong. The case must be studied for a proper action and any action should be based on evidence and good reasons.

Juan Carlos Gonzalez freshman political science

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SPARTA GUIDE

Associated Students Campus Recreation The ASCR is offering a Spin class at the Event Center from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. For more information contact Matt McNamara at 924-6217

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Computer Science Department Stephan Wolfram lecture: "A New Kind of Science." Feb. 11 at 7:30 p.m. in the Morris Dailey Auditorium. General admission is \$10, students \$5. Tickets can be Science office in MacQuarrie Hall, Room 208. For more information contact David Hayes at 924-5060 or www.cs.sjsu.edu.

WOULD YOU ... A perfect gift that keeps on giving: body piercings

The Valentine's Day Gift

So Valentine's Day is coming up. I have always looked at Valentine's Day as Christmas between lovers. OK, maybe not lovers...possibly a love interest? A crush? Maybe I just need an excuse to buy

something for that special person. I don't know why but getting a gift for someone is an awesome high for me. I like buying gifts. Period. Sometimes I just buy presents for people if I see something, and it reminds me of them.

I especially enjoy buying a present if it is something that my special someone really wants. The

on their face is always thanks look enough.

Oh, the gift of giving. As it is, I have been out of the game for some time, but I am guessing that some-thing like cologne would be all right. Granted, it is a little boring. Feb. 14 is still seven days away, you know. I am smart. I am a resourceful girl.

Don't worry about me. I will think of something in time.

I have always given resourceful gifts. I feel this need to give something that will be put to good use. I want to see that I have chosen something for my guy that

will improve what I already like about him. If he looks sexy, he might as well smell sexy too.

I always, though, take into consideration what my guy likes. What are his interests? What does he like to do? The most important thing about gift giving is to make sure that the recipient likes it. Whatever the chosen gift is, remember being unique is

the key.

I never forget to be unique.

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What if you knew that they loved body piercing? Not just the conventional ear piercing either. You know, that one that no one will see except him. Those hidden ones, which require great care.

Say, he has wanted you to get it. He told you. Maybe he was joking, but you know him. You know what he likes.

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like that or even for me to think that one up all on my

GUEST COLUMNIST: CARRIE MATTINGLY

bigger holes. Yikes, those can be unattractive in a matter of months. Gravity is not your friend in this department. Petite gauges around 16 or 18 should do the trick. The only problem is that it might be hard finding a piercer

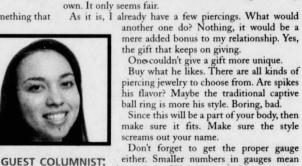
that will pierce you with that small of a gauge right off the bat. You may need to heal then downsize the gauge. Not to worry. I have been told that those places heal quickly. You really do want a larger gauge. Believe me. If you chose to be hardheaded as I was, you will pay the price. A few of my piercings have taken two or three times longer to heal. No fun. It disrupts. You don't want that on Feb. 14, do you?

Shoot, if it turns out to be your cup of tea you may want to add a second or third piercing. I have known girls and

guys to do this. Double the pleasure. Double the fun. Valentine's can be eventful. Go together. It will be a shared moment. This experience will bring new meaning to the saying, "I feel your pain."

Make no mistake about it. It will be painful. Suck it up. That's the price you pay for love.

Carrie Mattingly is a Spartan Daily Staff Writer. Guest columnists appear Fridays.



lover happy?

Yes, sure, why the hell not?

ships though. Sorry.

In all seriousness, I would do it.

Making that person happy is basically the No. 1 priori-ty on Valentine's Day. Forget the gift buying for a moment. It is our job to make sure that they feel extraor-

Get that special place pierced.

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.

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Work force recruitment internship program for students with disabilifrom 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Feb. 14. Sign up for appointment time at Career Center prior to Feb. 14. For more information call the Career Resource Center at 924-6031.

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Memorial vigil for the space shutthe Columbia crew will be held at 7 p.m. in the MacQuarrie Hall Quad near the flagpole. For more infor-mation, contact Ron at 298-8129. RSZZ9 MUNCH 57

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Guard play, scoring droughts hurt SJSU in 61-58 loss to SMU

By Chris Giovannetti Daily Senior Staff Writer

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A perplexed Janice Richard leaned

A perplexed Janice Richard leaned against a tunnel wall in the Event Center on Thursday night with all of the answers as to why her team blew a 20-4 lead, but none of the solutions. Shaky guard play and disheartening scoring droughts allowed Southern Methodist University to erase an immense lead and down the San Jose State University women's basketball team on Thursday night, 61-58. SJSU shot a paltry 34.8 percent from the floor and grabbed just 13 offensive rebounds but it was the guard play of Jessica Kellogg and Kellogg was 1-60-10 from the floor on the night while Sheehy faired lit-tle better with a 1-for-3 outing. Kellogg played 33 minutes and Sheehy, 29. "We need those people to hit shots;

"We need those people to hit shots; they have got to be able to contribute. Anyone getting that amount of min-utes has got to add something to the game," Richard said. "Our post players did a great job but it was our guards that hurt us. If you look at the stats, it

that nurt us. If you look at the stats, it was the SMU guards getting all of the rebounds, not their post players." The SMU guard trio of Tiara Cruse (8), Kendall Shead (7) and Andrea Cossey grabbed 21 of the Mustangs 49 total rebounds and 10 of their 20 efforcime boards. Only forward Search offensive boards. Only forward Sarah Davis (9) out rebounded them.

To add to the misery, SJSU led 58-49 with six minutes, 36 seconds to play but failed to score a basket for the remainder of the game.

"We just need to learn how to box out and grab an offensive rebound. The guards gave up too many rebounds tonight," said a distraught Williams. "We get a lead, give it back to them and then we stop playing. We need to put them away early." The Spartans looked invincible in the games first seven minutes, leap-ing out to a 20-4 lead on the strength of nine Cricket Williams points and

or nine Cricket williams points and tenacious rebounding. In a harrowing trend, SJSU scored just one point in the next five min-utes while SMU posted 11 to climb back into the game.

the while SMU posted 11 to climb back into the game. The Mustangs clawed to a 32-29 deficit at halftime and tied the game at 32-32 on a three-pointer from guard Andrea Cossey on the first bas-ket of the second half.

Twice in the second half, SJSU spurted out to nine-point leads before allowing SMU to go on unop-posed runs to force itself back into the game. "If we

the game. "If we just put them away, then they'll start thinking they can't play with us," Williams said. "If we let them back in the ball game, then they get confidence and start thinking they can play with us." SMU took the lead for good at 59-58 on a jumper from murd Sharta

58 on a jumper from guard Shanta Ramdhanny with 1:19 to play. Two free throws with 18 seconds to play increased the Mustangs lead to 61-58.

On the final possession of the game, Spartan guard Jessica Kellogg's three-point attempt was blocked with seven seconds to play. SJSU forward Tatiana Taylor came up with the loose ball and fired it to Williams at the top of the are the top of the arc. Williams, who scored a game high

25 points, clanked a potential game-tying three pointer off the rim as time

Taylor scored 12 points and grabbed 2 rebounds while sister Teoma Taylor scored 12 and accumulated 10 boards.

Cossey led three Mustangs players in double figures with 15 points. The (4-6 Conference 8-11 Overall) Spartans continue play on Saturday

night as they host No. 9 Louisiana Tech University. Tip-off at the Event Center is slated for 7 p.m. "If we play the first 10 minutes that

we played tonight against Louisiana Tech, we'll be alright," Williams said. "If we box out like we did against

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got 14 points from Patrick Simpson and Eric Castro. The Mustangs trailed 40-30 at halftime on 48 percent shooting, but

managed 65 percent shooting in the second half.

by Brandon Lawrence, who had a double-double with 24 points and 13 rebounds. Keith West added 13

San Jose State shot 39 percent for

By Chris Giovannetti

Daily Senior Staff Writer

After referring to his first recruiting class as a, "scramble to get players," San Jose State University's head football coach, Fitz Hill, is confident that

ball coach, Fitz Fill, is confident that his second signing day will yield more success for the program. The SJSU program received 32 let-ters of intent on Wednesday from high school and college transfer play-ers, many of whom chose to wear the Spartan blue and gold over other col-ce

"Everyone that was on our list, we had to beat out at least two-to-three other schools to get them," said Hill on Wednesday. "We were in a battle. I'm pleased with what we have. We didn't just sign people to sign people. We got what we wanted."

Headlining the list of signees is tail-back Tyson Thompson, a junior trans-fer from Garden City Community College in Kansas. Thompson, who was also courted by the University of Alabama the University of Alabama, the University of Nebraska and Texas A&M University, rushed for 1,063 yards on 159 carries and scored 12 rushing touchdowns in

Hill played college football along-side Thompson's high school coach — Joey Evans — at Northeast Louisiana University and admitted the school of the school University and admitted that the rela-tionship was the deciding factor in

Arkansas. "His mother's been over to my house back in Arkansas." Complimenting Thompson in the SJSU backfield is tailback Derrell Hutsona, a freshman from Helix High

"With Tyson and Derrell, we have two legitimate track guys who run 4.4 (second 40-yarders)," Hill said. To help fill the hole left by departed

2002 leading receiver Charles Pauley, Hill swooped up the 5-foot-9-inch freshman, Michael Hooper, from Culver City High School.

"We called him 'little C.P.' during his recruiting visit," said Hill of Hooper, who is similar to Pauley's diminutive stature.

One of the major obstacles Hill and his staff had to get around are the proposed requirements the NCAA is mandating out of its Division I-A members members.

By the conclusion of the 2004 season, all Division I-A teams must aver-age 15,000 fans per home game and play at least five home games against Division I-A teams, among other

Division 1-A teams, among other reforms. "That issue was brought up by peo-ple recruiting against us," said Hill, who signed a new four-year contract running through 2006 on Jan. 28. "Some programs talked bad about us but that's only because they wanted the kid."

In recruiting against larger and more prestigious programs, Hill said he and prestigious programs, Hill said he and his staff were patient. "If you sit back and don't overreact, you get better talent off the backend (of other schools)," Hill said. "You have to be careful who you offer scholarships to because a guy you really like may slip through the hands of a Pac-10 school but you've already offered a

scholarship to a lesser player." In keeping with the mold of current Spartan starting quarterback Scott Rislov, Hill signed two mobile quarterbacks in junior transfer Danny Armstrong (San Diego State University) and freshman Chris Bodishbaugh (Freedom High School, Oakley, Calif.).

"Armstrong is an athletic kid and he throws the ball well. Nebraska offered him a scholarship because he runs so well," Hill said. "Bodishbaugh is a natural passer who runs well. The ball comes off of his arm like a rocket. Being a mobile quarterback is a pre-requisite to play for SJSU." Hill said that Rislov would be the starter next season but that Armstrong

and Bodishbaugh will have a chance

to compete for playing time. "If you quit going to work, they won't write you a check will they?" Hill said.

Signed to handle the placekicking duties is freshman Jeff Ferrier from Mission Viejo High School.

A lot of people don't talk about the kicking position (in recruiting) until you start missing field goals," Hill

The only local player signed on Wednesday was freshman linebacker Ryan Abbott from Valley Christian High School in San Jose.

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	OL	6-3	215	FR	Mission Viejo HS
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David Giesen	OL	6-4	285	FR	San Pasqual HS
Jerrell Hardy	CB	6-2	162	JR	Laney College
Michael Hodges	DE	6-1	250	JR	Chaffey College
Michael Hooper	WR	5-9	155	FR	Culver City HS
Derrell Hustsona	TB	5-10	160	FR	Helix HS
Melvin Johnson	DT	6-0	277	FR	Helix HS
Demetrius Jones	LB	6-1	212	FR	Dorsey HS
Chad Lerette	OL	6-5	320	JR	Moorpark College
Roy Lewis	CB	5-11	170	FR	Narbonne HS
Nicholas Marchini	OL	6-4	280	FR	LeGrand HS
Chris Mungin	DT	6-7	275	FR	LaVista HS
Kevin Myers	OT	6-5	340	FR	Manual Arts HS
Amadeo Novella	OT	6-6	290	JR	Sacramento City Coll.
Andrew Paopao	DE	6-2	245	JR	Palomar College
Rafael Pineda	LB	6-2	240	FR	Cathedral HS
Leon Pinky	TE	6-3	270	JR	Coll. of the Canyons
Rvan Simone	OL	6-3	284	FR	Helix HS

San Jose State (5-14, 2-8) was led points

Selig remains mum on Rose

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) - Bud Selig danced around questions about Pete Rose on Thursday, refusing to say whether he was considering lifting the permanent ban agreed to by the career hits leader 14 years

ago. The baseball commissioner, speak-ing at the Bay area's annual Fox Sports Net baseball luncheon, reiterated how difficult this case is for him considering his longtime friendship with the late A. Bartlett Giamatti, the commissioner who forced Rose to agree to the lifetime ban.

Selig's office has hired a former fed-eral prosecutor to work on its evalua-tion of Rose's 1997 application for reinstatement.

Rose agreed to the ban following an investigation of his gambling but maintains he never bet on baseball.

"One of the conditions is that Pete after one year had the opportunity to apply for reinstatement," Selig said. "He applied for reinstatement 5, almost six years ago now. It sat on my desk for a long time, but in the last year we're begin because he has the year we've begun, because he has the right to apply for reinstatement, to take a look at that.

"Obviously, I'm in a very sensitive position, and that's all I can say now. position, and that's all 1 can say now. But somehow people seem to think there's something new. "No, this is a direct result from the agreement that Bart made with Pete

Rose in August of 1989. "We'll just have to let the process play out.

Karin Higgins / Daily Staff Spartan guard Jessica Kellogg, of the San Jose State University women's basketball defends against SMU the Mustangs' Thursday night at the Event Center. SJSU lost 61-58 to SMU. SMU (11-9, 6-4 Western Athletic)

SMU, (Louisiana Tech) will kill us." Southern Methodist 82, SJSU men 69: At the Moody Coliseum in Dallas, Bryan Hopkins and Quinton Ross scored 20 points apiece to lead SMU to a victory over the Spartans on Thursday night. Football recruits put pen to paper and sign with SJSU program

"(Evans) introduced Tyson to me two years ago," said Hill, who recruit-ed Thompson out of Irving (Texas) High School when he was the wide receivers coach at the University of

High School in San Jose. "He's a very fine football player," Hill said of Abbott. "We were glad to get a quality guy from San Jose to come to SJSU. We hope he'll be a hometown hero type.

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49ers candidate Mora keeps it all in the family

SANTA CLARA, Calif. (AP) - IfJim Mora becomes the San Francisco 49ers' next coach, he'll have his famous father to thank — and to blame. Mora, the 49ers' defensive coordina-tor and one of three current finalists to

replace Steve Mariucci, got an in-depth interview with owner John York on Thursday at the 49ers' training complex as the team continued to move slowly but steadily toward filling its vacancy.

The son of former New Orleans and Indianapolis coach Jim Mora has been with San Francisco for six years — the last four as Mariucci's defensive coordinator. Before that, he spent five sea-sons as his father's defensive secondary coach with the Saints — despite the elder Mora's half-serious warnings

against a coaching career. "This isn't new to me," Mora said Thursday night. "While it might be my first chance to be a head football coach, I lived with a head football coach, I lived with a head football coach for 15 years. I've seen what the life is like, and I understand the scruti-ny and I understand the ups and downs. "So he's given me a lot of tips. His

"So he's given me a lot of tips. His first tip was about 20 years ago, when he said, What? Are you crazy? You're going to coach?" The elder Mora coached New Orleans from 1986-96, then led Indianapolis from 1998-2001. He went 125-106 over 15 seasons, but he lost all six of his playoff games.

York met with Jets defensive coordi-nator Ted Cottrell on Wednesday and will meet with Chicago defensive coordinator Greg Blache on Friday as he looks to fill the job that has been vacant since he fired Mariucci on Jan.

The younger Mora has obvious Advantages in the race to replace Mariucci, including his familiarity with the 49ers' roster and team atmos-phere. Mora has spoken to most of San Francisco's players about his candidacy. "Obviously, I know the players (and)

"Obviously, I know the players (and) I understand how our organization operates," Mora said. "I know where we've been, I know the pitfalls we've had and I know that we've been able to come back from 4-12 (in 1999) and win our division (in 2002)." But the Niners' apparent interest in hiring a defensive coach to replace Manucci might indicate York and gen-eral manager Terry Donahue aren't

Marucci might indicate fork and gen-eral manager Terry Donahue aren't happy with his work with the young defense, though Mora's unit helped San Francisco go 10-6 and reach the second round of the playoffs before falling to eventual Super Bowl champion Tampa Bay

"It appears they've focused on defen-sive coaches, and I think that's great," Mora said. "I like to see defensive coaches get a chance. They have done on evenlent ioh here with the process. an excellent job here with the process. It's been lengthy, it's been time-con-suming, but it's been methodical. "If you've been with Terry Donahue

in the draft room, you would under-stand the process. He's a guy that does-n't blink. He sets a course and stays

Like Cottrell, Mora said he is com-fortable with the 49ers' decision to keep three offensive assistant coaches under contract to run the West Coast offense. Offensive coordinator Greg Knapp, offensive line coach Pat Morris and quarterbacks coach Ted Tollner all are expected to be back next season.

Donahue is expected to approach at least one college coach to gauge inter-est in the job this week, but no candi-

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dates have been identified yet. USC coach Pete Carroll says he's not interested

If Mora doesn't get the job, he isn't likely to be unemployed for long. He interviewed with Carolina last month for its vacant defensive coordinator job, and Mariucci probably would try to recruit him to reunite in Detroit, where Mariucci was hired earlier this week But Mora has grown comfortable with his family in the San Francisco Bay area, and he won't rule out returning to the 49ers as another coach's assistant.

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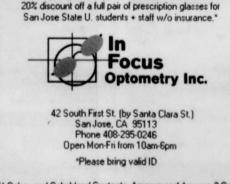
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Erin Thomas, a sophomore on the San Jose State University gymnastics team, practices a routine on the uneven bars in Uchida Hall Thursday afternoon as assistant coach Tim Rivera watches. The Spartans will host UC Davis at 7 p.m. today in the Spartan gym.

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"This program is so good students never leave," Pearson said. "The stu-dents are wonderful. That's why I came here. I wanted to be around the fountain of youth."

In addition, prevention education program is a resource center for stu-dents looking for education, resource materials, information and referral assistance concerning alcohol and other drug abuse, date or acquaintance rape and sexual assault prevention.

rape and sexual assault prevention. "We help students make responsible decisions when it comes to alcohol and drugs," said Margaret Tam, coor-dinator of prevention education pro-gram. "The program lets students take part in everything." The program also offers nutritional advice.

advice "We council students on nutrition

related issues from weight gain to weight loss, high cholesterol to learning how to have a healthy diet," said Jennifer Styles, a nutritionist. "We also have a weight management class offered as a six week course.

The class discusses healthy eating habits, and exercise techniques and ideas to help one another. Students can also get free nutrition counseling at the Sport Club by a nutrition stu-dent. The 30-minute appointments are confidential and are offered Monday from 3:15 p.m. to 6:15 p.m. and Wednesday from 3:15 p.m. to 6:15 p.m. 6:15 p.m.

Some students said they find the health center useful and easy, "One of my friends told me about

the health center," said Ali Hoffma, an undeclared freshman. "It's very helpful and it's much cheaper and eas-ily accessible." "I've been here a dozen times," said

Louis Vas, a sociology graduate stu-dent. "It's generally easy and helpful

ful." "It's good for consulting and the health card is very useful," said Dorothy Tsang, a junior double majoring in human resource and busi-ness management. "I didn't have insurance for a while and I needed a prescription for allergies and it was cheap."

TOWER CARD \$20 minimum to open account

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cards are used to vote in Sweden, the Cards are used to vote in Sweden, the Mercury News article reported that a New York launch in 1998 was unsuc-cessful because of technological problems and lack of consumer inter-

The SJSU version of the Moneo card is available in the form of two With an offline express account,

students can use their Tower Card like cash to pay for small goods and services. The money is stored on the thin magnetic strip on the back of the card instead of a computer chip. Students can swipe their card in

Students can swipe their card in various vending machines, photo-copiers, printers and laundry machines on campus. The express account is the only accepted form of payment for computer lab printers and residence hall laundry facilities. Copies in the library cost 15 cents for those who pay with cash and 12 cents for those who pay with the express account. ount

account. This account is considered offline because it does not communicate with a host computer, only with the

machine the card is swiped in, which means there isn't any way to track transactions, said Brian Mitchler, systems manager for Spartan Dining Services. The amount is coded on the magnetic strip. Therefore, if a card is lost, the money is lost. For this reason, the Tower Card office suggests putting a maximum of \$20 into an express account. Students can also transfer money from an online account into an express account.

account. The online account, also called Gold Points, can be used at dining facilities on campus, including resi-dence hall dining commons, and in all Spartan shops. It cannot be used to purchase books from the online bookstore, however. Mitchler said that will be an issue for future plan-ning hut there are currently no plans ning but there are currently no plans to make online purchasing part of the Gold Points system.

Gold Points system. To open an account, a minimum of \$20 is deposited into the account and is immediately accessible to the stu-dent when the account is activated. When swiped, the thick magnetic strip on the Tower Card deducts funds from the account. The account

is protected because the cash value is

Is protected because the cash value is not on the strip. Deposits into a Gold Points account can be made by cash, credit card or check. Value can be added over the phone with a credit card. Neither the express nor Gold Points accounts expire accounts expire.

Some parents open Gold Points accounts for students to buy books and other school supplies while guar-anteeing the money is used on cam-pus, said Cortney Smyth, student assistant to the dining director.

"Parents know the money they're spending is staying on campus," Mitchler said. "It's not going to the clubs and clothes stores" clubs and clothes stores.

Smyth said she enjoys the ease of being able to 'dash over' to the book-

being able to 'dash over' to the book-store with a Gold Points account. "I know how much money I'm spending instead of just pulling money out of my wallet and wonder-ing 'Where did it go?" Smyth said. She also said she often uses it to get a cup of coffee and a crack

"It's a convenience," Smyth said. "It's really practical." Retail restaurants on campus such as Burger King, Sbarro and Jamba

Juice do not accept credit card or ATM payments but do accept Gold Points. Other dining facilities that accept Gold Points are the Market Cafe, University Room and the Student Union food court.

"It's more convenient and easier to manage," Mitchler said.

Despite its attempt to make pur-chasing items at SJSU easier for stu-dents, the Gold Points program, which because 1992 into a start of the start dents, the Gold Points program, which began in 1992, isn't as success-ful as it could be, said Mitchler. He said there are about 2,000 active users

but that marketing was passive. Stacy Perez, an undeclared fresh-man who works at the bookstore, said students use the account to buy food more often than books.

"I wouldn't say it's too successful," Perez said. "Students usually use a credit card for books." While the offline express account is

ccepted at the copiers in the Clark library, express accounts are not expected to be used in the new library, Mitchler said. Instead, copiers and printers would be paid for with cash or Gold Points. The new cafe in the library structure will also accept Gold Points.

State controller: up to \$8 million could be borrowed, credit downgrade possible

SACRAMENTO (AP) — State Controller Steve Wesley said Thursday that California will proba-bly have to borrow \$2 billion to \$8 billion before the end of June to deal with cash flow problems brought on

by its budget woes. Meanwhile, state Treasurer Phil Angelides said he "wouldn't be sur-prised" if one of the major New York credit rating firms downgraded California's creditworthiness next week, a step that could force the state to pay more in interest when it borrow

"It's going to be a tough year," Angelides said after meetings in New York with representatives of two of the firms — Standard & Poor's and Moody's Investors Service. "Our job is going to be to maintain our ratings." going to be to maintain our ratings. I think that's going to be particularly tough to do in Moody's case."

Westly said the amount the state will need to borrow will depend on the size of budget cuts made by Legislature before the end of the current fiscal year on June 30.

"If lawmakers move quickly we can limit the cost of borrowing," he said. "We have had some signs of progress, but compromise will be the key to our

The state has had to engage in endof-the-fiscal-year borrowing six times in the last 15 years by issuing so-called revenue anticipation warrants, including 2002 when it faced a \$23.6 billion deficit and had to borrow \$7.5 billion.

This year the Legislature and Gov. Gray Davis are grappling with a budg-et deficit that the Department of Finance projects to be \$34.6 billion and the legislative analyst says is \$26.1 billion over the next 17 months. Lawmakers have approved an initial

Lawmakers have approved an initial package of about \$8.6 billion in budget cuts and funding shifts, but that legislation is tied to enactment of a bill designed to trigger a vehicle license fee increase. Davis said Tuesday he would veto that measure. Davis met for nearly three hours Thursday with Assembly Democrats,

Thursday with Assembly Democrats, who were angered by the veto announcement. He said afterward that they agreed "we are in this together and we have to find a way to work it out together." Angelides said he and Finance Director Steve Prese told the credit

Director Steve Peace told the credit rating firms that despite Davis' veto announcement the Legislature and governor were making progress in dealing with the state's budget prob-

"We were able to convey to them that there are disagreements on tactics and policy (but) there is forward progress being made," Angelides said. "That's reflected in the fact that in the Legislature and the administration are working toward midyear reductions. Other than last year this is one of the

earliest starts on the budget." Despite those assurances, he said he "wouldn't be surprised" if Moody's downgraded its California credit ratings before the state sells \$900 million bonds next Thursday.

He said he wouldn't speculate what Standard & Poor's and the third company, Fitch Ratings, would do. Angelides and Peace were scheduled meet with Fitch representatives Friday morning.

"I just think we are in an environ-The push think we are in an environ-ment where we have to fight to main-tain ground," Angelides said. "We are going to show continued progress on the budget throughout the year." Standard & Poor's and Fitch Ratings downgraded their California ratings in Desember when David

ratings downgraded their Camornia ratings in December when Davis announced new deficit projections, but Moody's held off. A Moody's rep-resentative said the company hadn't made a decision on a ratings change. "We are still discussing and review-

Bush's initiative brought widespread

replacing fossil fuels such as coal

applause from automakers and execu-tives of companies trying to make hydrogen the fuel of the future, even-

and oil to run power stations and auto-

Campbell, president of Ballard Power Systems, which has been in the fore-

front of developing hydrogen fuel cells for automobiles. It's fuel cells were in

four of the six prototype cars examined by Bush at the industry exhibit

Thursday. "We've been gathering momentum quietly, doing the things we need to do to develop the technology," Campbell

'It's such a boost," said Dennis

ing what we learned today," said Ray Murphy, senior credit officer for

David Hitchcock, director of the state and local government group at Standard & Poor's, said his company's rating committee would meet next week before the state issues the bonds

But he indicated the chances that Standard & Poor's would drop its rat-ings again were unlikely barring "significant new information. 'I can't speak for the rating commit-

tee, but I can say I have not see signifinformation since icant new info December." he said.

Angelides typically meets with the

Angendes typically meets with the firms twice a year, before and after the state adopts a new budget. Hitchcock described Thursday's ses-sion as "informative" and "helpful," but he added: "A meeting itself doesn't necessarily address concerns we still have concerns reflected in the current have, concerns reflected in the current ratings

Angelides dismissed Republican claims that the firms just want to see budget cuts, not tax increases, to deal with California's fiscal problem

No one in their right mind believes it can really be done without a bal-anced approach," he said.

Hydrogen cars: The future, or handy diversion from oil woes?

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WASHINGTON (AP) -Hydrogen cars are decades away for the average family, but they are fueling a political debate now over energy.

President Bush is calling for stepped-up research into hydrogen develop-ment, but some Democrats say he is just trying to divert attention from criticism of his short-term oil policies. After drawing wide attention to the potentials of hydrogen as a fuel in his State of the Union Address, Bush on Thursday urged Congress to approve his \$1.5 billion hydrogen development proposals as "a legacy" for future gen-erations. "I don't know if you or I are going to be driving one of these cars, but our grandkids will. And we can say we did our duty (and) proposed some initiacriticism of his short-term oil policies

our duty (and) proposed some initia-tives," Bush told hydrogen industry leaders who had come to Washington to show off their latest technology. Bush wants to double federal Bush wants to double hydro-research money for developing hydro-gen as fuel and to help automakers gen as fuel and to help automakers resolve some of the remaining barriers to building affordable cars powered by hydrogen fuel cells.

more fuel efficient automobiles today. "It's just the latest installment of the "It's just the latest instalment of the president's drill today, drill tomorrow" agenda, said Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass., who has strongly opposed Bush's attempt to open an Alaska Bush's attempt to open an Alaska wildlife refuge to oil drilling and called for tougher auto fuel economy standards on current vehicles. Sen. Joe Lieberman, D-Conn., who

like Kerry is seeking the Democratic presidential nomination, called Bush's hydrogen proposal a "pipe dream" if its goal is to reduce America's dependence on foreign oil anytime soon. He said more emphasis should be place on short-term efforts to curb oil use, especially by cars. Sen. Byron Dorgan, D-N.D., com-

mended the president for elevating the issue of hydrogen fuels, but said his programs falls short. "We need to be bold, and there needs

Industry executives - from automo bile manufacturers and fuel cell devel-opers to hydrogen fuel distribution companies and oil companies — agree on the immense potential for hydrogen outlined by Bush.

as the fuel of the future. It can come from a variety of source including natural gas.

This isn't a theory. It's not a petri dish," said James Press, executive vice president of Toyota Motor Sales USA Inc. "It's a technology which is not here yet, but we can see it.

Toyota has two hydrogen-powered cars being tested in routine daily traf-fic in California and will add four nc in California and will add four more vehicles to that program this year, said Press. Last year, DaimlerChrysler reached a milestone when its latest hydrogen fuel cell car traveled across the United States. General Motors, Ford, Nissan and Honda are also testing fuel cell cars on the react the roads.

These auto executives hope to have affordable cars, powered by hydrogen fuel cells, in showrooms in a decade, a

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico (AP) - Treating the detainees, many of Suicide attempts among terror suspects held at Guantanamo Bay in Cuba are lenge for U.S. staff dependent on trans-

Guantanamo Bay detainees

Suicide attempts up among

on the rise, the Pentagon said Thursday. A human rights group has called for an investigation. At least five detainees at the naval

base have tried to hang themselves in the past three weeks, Pentagon spokesan Lt. Cmdr. Barbara Burfeind said Thursday in Washington.

The most serious attempt was made Jan. 16 by a man in his 20s who is now in stable but serious condition, Burfeind said. Authorities have notified his home country, but it is unknown whether his family has been contacted. Human rights group Amnesty International urged U.S. authorities to investigate the suicide attempts to determine whether the manner in which interrogations are conducted may have contributed.

"I think when multiple prisoners attempt to take their own lives, clearly there is an indication of the uncertainthere is an indication of the uncertain-ty that surrounds their incarceration," said Alistair Hodgett, a spokesman for the group in Washington. Amnesty International says it has

received reports the detainees are interrogated at all hours and sometimes forced to kneel. Military officials have refused to talk about the interrogations except to say that valuable information

is still being gleaned. The United States is holding about 625 detainees from 41 countries who it suspects are linked to the fallen Taliban regime in Afghanistan or the al-Qaida terror network.

The detainees, treated by the U.S. government as enemy combatants, are held indefinitely without being formal-ly charged or tried, and they are inter-

rogated without access to lawyers. There have been 15 suicide attern including one detainee who has tried to kill himself twice, since the detention mission began about a year ago.

lators and unfamiliar with some cultures

"Medical and psychiatric teams are working to try to prevent further injury or attempts," Burfeind said. She declined to give details.

Navy Capt. Al Shimkus, who heads the camp hospital at the base on Cuba's eastern tip, has been building a team of mental health nurses and medics, joined recently by a psychiatrist. Several detainees suffer from mental illnesses including post-traumatic stress disorders, depression and schizophre-nia. In May, one schizophrenic was sent home to Afghanistan.

"We must make hydrogen more plentiful and produce it in the most efficient, cost-effective way," said Bush.

But on Capitol Hill, some Democrats, including several who are running for president, called Bush's hydrogen agenda "a smoke screen" to divert attention away from the contro-versies of drilling in environmentally sensitive areas in Alaska or requiring

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Mirlohi also recommends students return their purchases during the early morning or evening and avoid lunchtime.

Peacekeepers must stay 2 to 3 years in Afghanistan, commander says

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) -International peacekeepers must stay in Afghanistan's capital two or three more years to ensure security and stability, the commander of the multinational force said Thursday. The Afghan national army and

police must be fully established in Kabul and the rest of the country before the peacekeepers leave, said Turkish Maj. Gen. Hilmi Akin Zorlu, commander of the International Security Assistance

"It's very clear from my position that ISAF forces must remain in and around Kabul at least two or three more years," Zorlu told reporters. If the force pulls out early, it could create chaos in the capital and trou-ble for the government, Zorlu said. Turkey hands over control of the

Turkey hands over control of the international force to a joint German and Dutch leadership Feb. 10. The new commander, German Lt. Gen. Norbert van Heyst, arrived

Lt. Gen. Norbert van Heyst, arrived in Kabul on Wednesday. Despite sporadic bombings and rocket attacks, particularly late last year, Zorlu said Kabul had become a safer place. The 19-nation force was established to protect the fragile new Afghan government after U.S.-backed forces toppled the Taliban rezime. regime. "I will leave Afghanistan in a few

Difference said that even though the possibility appeared remote, investi-gators must remain open to every option as they put together a so-called fault tree into what caused Columbia's fiery breakup just min-utes from its landing Saturday. "The foam that shed off the tank and invested the lafe mine is into and impacted the left wing is just one branch, and we are pursuing that," he said. "Even though we scratch our heads, we're going to pursue it and we're going to pound it flat."

days satisfied that ISAF ... has made days satisfied that ISAF ... has made a significant impact on Kabul," Zorlu said. "The city has become a safer place both to live and work, and life is returning to normal." But Zorlu repeated a warning he made last month that terrorists were likely to step up attacks ariging for

likely to step up attacks against for-eigners in Afghanistan if the United States invades Iraq. About 4,000 armed peacekeepers

are deployed in the capital. They are frequently seen on the city's ruined streets, patrolling in armored per-sonnel carriers, jeeps and small In December, Germany doubled to

2,500 its contingent in the peace-keeping force and extended its participation by a year. The Turkish contingent, now about 1,400, will likely be reduced to 160 men, Zorlu said

Fourteen peacekeepers have died on duty in Afghanistan since the United Nations created the interna-tional force in 2001. The force's worst tragedy was a Dec. 21 helicop-ter crash that killed seven German soldiers.

Zorlu said the force was helping to provide a stable foundation for reconstruction in Afghanistan, which was been devastated by more than two decades of constant warfare.

SPACE SHUTTLE COLUMBIA DISASTER NASA: Foam may still be cause

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) — A day after all but ruling it out as a leading cause, NASA said Thursday that investigators are still Dittemore said the camera views of the flyaway foam during liftoff Jan. 16 could have been better. "It's a disappointment that the camera with the very best view turned out to be out of focus," he said. "We're just considering whether a piece of insu-lating foam that struck Columbia's going to have to live with what we have." wing during liftoff was enough to bring down the shuttle. Shuttle program manager Ron Dittemore said that even though the

have." NASA also has not yet written off the possibility that other debris dur-ing launch might have damaged Columbia. Nothing else unusual was photographed, however. Engineers taking part in NASA's so-called reverse analysis struggled Thursday to make sense of the eight minutes recorded between the time

minutes recorded between the time the first sign of trouble appeared aboard Columbia over California surge in temperature in the left landing gear compartment — and the shuttle's final, dying moment over Texas.

Most of the debris field has been in East Texas and Louisiana, but Dittemore said none of the shuttle parts considered crucial to the investigation had yet been found. He said reports of debris west of Texas, including in California, had not been confirmed as shuttle parts.

NASA has been swamped with reports of sightings, some of them caught on camera, of pieces coming off Columbia as it streaked across California. Dittemore said the reports have yet to be verified, and he stressed that all indications in Mission Control suggested no such breakup so far west.

Gehman, appointed by NASA to head the investigation board shortly following Saturday's accident, helped probe the 2000 terrorist attack on the USS Cole. Meanwhile, in the nation's capital,

Vice President Dick Cheney addressed a memorial service for the seven astronauts Thursday at the National Cathedral, where a stained glass window holds a piece of moon rock.

"They were soldiers and scientists and doctors and pilots, but above all they were explorers," Cheney said. "They advanced human understanding by showing human courage."

search of debris, none found in west Texas NACOGDOCHES, Texas (AP) — Rain-drenched searchers trudging through the muddy forests and fields of East Texas gathered everything from tiny slivers to huge chunks of debris Thursday as they tried to find clues to what caused the space shuttle Columbia's destruction. Investigators also checked reports of debris in California and Arizona, but shuttle program manager Ron

Crews trudge through heavy rain in

shuttle program manager Ron Dittemore said late Thursday that as far as he knew, no shuttle parts had been confirmed west of Fort Worth,

Texas. "We're still looking for that elusive missing link," he said. So far, none of the more than 12,000 individual pieces found in a field stretching across East Texas and Louisiana has provided the critical answers NASA is looking for. The shurtle was composed of about

answers NASA is looking for. The shuttle was composed of about 2 million parts, many of which shat-tered into pieces as small as a nickel. The key pieces for NASA's investiga-tion will be the data recorders, certain tiles and parts from the left wing where sensors showed a temperature rise before the shuttle broke up over Tweas on Saturday.

where sensors showed a temperature rise before the shuttle broke up over Texas on Saturday. With the heavy rain falling through-out the day across the debris field Thursday, experts worried that sensi-tive pieces could end up buried in mud or degrade if left exposed to the rain. "Obviously the weather is a signifi-cant factor for us, but we are continu-ing on," Nacogdoches County Judge Sue Kennedy said. Clad in long yellow raincoats and cowboy hats with protective covering, volunteers and NASA-trained searchers scoured the ground in East Texas for even the tiniest pieces. Sabine County Sheriff Tommy Maddox said people were bringing in everything from tiny items to pieces 15 to 20 feet long. At the Toledo Bend Reservoir along

the Louisiana border, meanwhile, searchers in Army helicopters said they had spotted at least one large object in the water. Environmental P rotection Agency senior response manager Jim Mullins said it could be the car-size piece of debris reported by fishermen Saturday. A dive team was unable to begin hunting through the reservoir Thursday, but the team was standing by with an underwater gemote-operat-ed vehicle equipped with cameras and sonar.

sonar. David Bary, an EPA spokesman, said searchers had stopped counting the individual pieces found at about 12,000. The parts include the shuttle's nose cone and at least two possible wing sec-tions, though it wasn't clear which side of the shuttle they came from. "We're simply consolidating the

of the shuttle they came from. "We're simply consolidating the material and preparing it for shipment to Barksdale Air Force Base," said Bary, whose agency oversees collection of the material. The debris, including about 1,000 pieces already on the way to Barksdale, will be "laid out for viewing and inspection" by officials, then taken

and inspection" by officials, then taken to Kennedy Space Center to be recon-structed, Dittemore said.

structed, Dittemore said. A final resting place for the Columbia hasn't been decided, he said. The Challenger debris is buried in a pair of abandoned missile silos at the Cape Canaveral Air Force Station, adjacent to Kennedy Space Center. Also Thursday, authorities said sev-eral people had turned in items since federal prosecutors announced an amnesty nerical for anyone who ille-

federal prosecutors announced an amnesty period for anyone who ille-gally picked up Columbia debris. They did not provide numbers or details.

On Wednesday, two people had been charged with stealing govern-ment property — a circuit board and thermal insulating fabric from the

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Eighty-one seconds into launch, a 2-pound, 20-inch chunk of foam from Columbia's external fuel tank broke off and slammed into the

broke off and slammed into the underside of the shuttle's left wing. The accident investigation board, led by retired Navy Adm. Harold Gehman Jr., arrived at Johnson Space Center on Thursday and met with Dittemore and other shuttle officials. NASA Administrator Sean O'Keefe pledged from Washington that "every single piece of evidence."

that "every single piece of evidence, every fact, every issue" will be checked, and the board's conclusions

Before ruling the foam out as a cul-prit, NASA will be testing its impact on the thousands of fragile thermal tiles that cover each space shuttle. In addition, the entire analysis that was

conducted during Columbia's flight is being redone "to see if there was

anything that we missed," he said. On Monday, NASA officials had

said the foam may well be "the lead-ing candidate" for the cause of the

accident. Two days later, Dittemore all but discounted the theory that it

was the main cause, saying NASA computer simulations had shown the

debris hit was not severe and could not have been the sole cause of the

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But Blair also said that if Iraq refuses to cooperate with the weapons inspectors, and one of the five Security Council members with veto powers tries to block a vote authorizing a military response, his government may have no choice but to participate in a U.S.-led attack. White House aides said the next few days would be dedicated to turn-

ing up pressure on reluctant allies such as France and Germany as well as other U.N. members. Bush was silent on a timetable.

Earlier Thursday, Powell told sena-tors at a hearing that a key to win-ning Security Council support

would be a two-day visit to Baghdad

would be a two-day visit to Baghdad this weekend by chief weapon inspectors Mohamed ElBaradei and Hans Blix. Diplomatic prospects, Powell said, hinge on whether Iraq displays "a serious change of attitude and the commitment to comply that one can believe in." His plays call for going to South

His plans call for going to South His plans call for going to South Korea to attend the swearing-in of new President Roh Moo-hyun on Feb. 25 and he is also likely to go to China. The visits would give Powell an opportunity for further consulta-tions with South Korean leaders on Nexth Korea's nuclear pregram and North Korea's nuclear program and with Chinese leaders on North Korea and on Iraq.

At the White House, Bush said, "Saddam Hussein has the motive and the means and the recklessness and the hatred to threaten the American people." "The dictator of Iraq is making his

choice," Bush said.

choice," Bush said. He suggested anew that there is a link between Saddam and the terror-ist group al-Qaida. "The same terrorist network oper-ating out of Iraq is responsible for the murder — the recent murder — of an American diplomat, Laurence Foley," Bush said. Foley, a U.S. Agency for International Development official, was killed last November outside his home in Amman, Jordan. Amman, Jordan.

He asserted that Gregg wanted a negotiated settlement with Adair and called the dead man "a straight talker and a man of his word."

Adair, now behind bars in Northern

Ireland's main prison, petitioned the province's senior judge Thursday for his freedom. Chief Justice Robert Carswell reserved judgment on whether Britain's decision last month

to imprison Adair again, on grounds he was fueling the feud, was legal.

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Mourners suggested that Adair, long

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ABOVE: Martin Horne, majoring in mechanical engineering, plays a game of racquetball with Ramiro Hernandez at the Event Center. Hernandez moves in to strike the ball as Horne watches on.

RIGHT: Ramiro Hernandez looks to strike the racquetball in a game at the Event Center.



Some Fortune 500 firms say college affirmative action yields better recruits

WASHINGTON (AP) - Dozens of big companies are backing the University of Michigan and its affirmative action policy before the Supreme Court, saying such programs help pro-duce better workers of all races and eth-

duce better workers of all races and eth-nic backgrounds. The University of Michigan case is the most significant affirmative action case to reach the court in decades. At issue is whether racial preference pro-grams unconstitutionally discrimina-tion against white students.

Microsoft, Intel, American Airlines, Proctor & Gamble, Eastman Kodak

Proctor & Gamble, Eastman Kodak and PepsiCo are among more than 40 Fortune 500 companies siding with the University of Michigan. "If you're going to be a global compa-ny and you're going to attract and retain the best people, then the mirror you have to present is that you're a very diverse company," said James Hackett,

CEO of Steelcase Corp., the top-selling office furniture company in the world. Other corporations say racially and ethnically mixed workers help sell prod-ucts at home and abroad, and that whites entering a diverse working world benefit from time spent in the class-room with students of other races and backgrounds.

"It makes all the business sense in the world. We sell vehicles in every corner of the globe," and want employees who look like and understand other cultures, said Edd Snyder, spokesman for General Motors. "Where do you get that employee base? From universities and colleges."

The companies' position is at odds with President Bush and many Republican and conservative lawyers and activists. "His leadership is outstanding, but I disagree with him," Hackett said. "The

notion of linking the issue of affirma-tive action to colleges having the right to admissions discretion — I don't think that's a link that needs to be rada." made

The companies' Supreme Court brief

The companies Supreme Court brief supporting the university is due later this month. Numerous labor, civil rights and liberal legal groups also are expect-ed to file briefs supporting the school. The Supreme Court is using plans devised by Michigan's premier public university to revisit an opaque 1978 rul-ing that eliminated racial quotas in uni-versity admissions but left room for race to be considered aloneside other facto be considered alongside other factors.

This time, the court may make any use of race off-limits when govern-ment-supported colleges pick their stu-dents, or it could rewrite the rules from when race may play a limited role in the admissions process



BELFAST, Northern Ireland (AP) - With a bagpiper's wail and revenge in the air, more than 5,000 Protestant extremists walked Thursday behind the coffin of a senior Belfast terrorist gunned down in an internal feud that threatens to claim more lives. An "honor guard" of masked men in

leather jackets fired a volley of shots over the casket of John Gregg, 45, a commander in the outlawed Ulster Defense Association, the major anti-Catholic paramilitary group responsi-ble for hundreds of sectarian killings over the past three decades.

Two truckloads of floral tributes preceded the hearse carrying Gregg, a man of unusual brawn and bigotry who won fame in extreme Protestant circles by shooting Gerry Adams, leader of the Irish Republican Army-linked Sinn Fein party, in 1984. The UDA's four surviving com-manders, who marched behind Gregg's flag-draped coffin near lead-ers of other outlawed Protestant gangs

Gregg's flag-draped coffin near lead-ers of other outlawed Protestant gangs in a rare scene of unity, emphasized that their No. 1 target now is a fellow extremist: deposed UDA warlord Johnny "Mad Dog" Adair. Adair was blamed for ordering Gregg's assassination Saturday at a Belfast stop light in a spiraling feud over egos and drug-dealing turf. A junior UDA member also died in the ambush. ambush.

"Our communities have suffered enough, enough of internal and exter-

California couple pleads innocent to charges of torturing their baby son

GARDENA (AP) — A couple fac-ing torture charges for allegedly assaulting their 2-month-old son, who suffered such severe injuries that prosecutors said he must have been handled "like a football," pleaded

handled "like a football," pleaded innocent Thursday. Ron Bahnsen, and his girlfriend, Desiree Soto, both 22, are being held on bail of \$1 million. The Gardena residents are charged with torture and child abuse, with the allegation of causing great bodily injury to their son, Christopher. A bail review hear-ing is scheduled for Feb. 13. If convicted, Bahnsen and Soto could face life in pricen

Ing is scheduled for Feb. 15. If convicted, Bahnsen and Soto could face life in prison. "Basically, you would have to han-dle a baby like a football for it to look

like this," said Jane Robison, a

spokeswoman for the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office. The infant remained hospitalized Thursday in critical and unstable condition with brain injuries and broken bones — including a broken clavicle, two broken legs and two broken ankles, authorities said.

Doctors are unable to operate on the infant and stem his internal bleeding because of his unstable con-dition, Robison added.

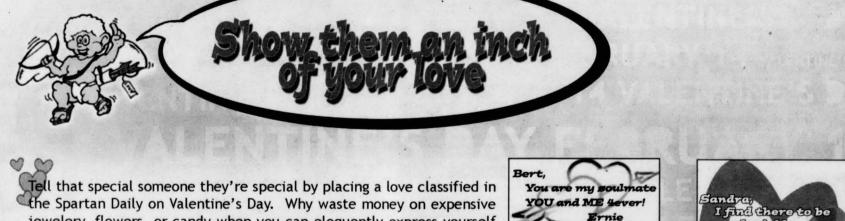
The severity of the injuries, and the fact that doctors found evidence of prior physical abuse, led prosecutors to charge the couple with torture, said Sgt. Dave Mathieson of the Cardene Bolics docustinger Gardena Police department. "It's more than just child abuse,"

Mathieson said.

"I wouldn't understand why any-body would do this to their child," police Lt. Rodney Tanaka said. "It's really sickening to think how you can take a child that has no defenses and no mechanism to protect himself and no way to cry out for help, and do

Officials at Gardena Memorial Hospital called police Friday after the couple brought the baby to the hospital. The baby has been transferred to Childrens Hospital Los

Angeles. The boy's grandfather, Ray Bahnsen, said one of the mother's friends made an allegation against the child's father, accusing him of hurting the child before.



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