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'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 skeptical 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 destruction as demanded by an earlier 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," Bush said. "All the world can rise to this moment." "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 of Theodore Roosevelt, who led the United States into war with Spain in 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 accusations that Powell had lodged on Wednesday in the U.N. Security 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 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 actively," the French president said. 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. See **WAR**, page 6



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 City

Bud Winter Field being used to house rubble

By Tony Burchyns
 Daily Staff Writer

Three San Jose State University residence halls have moved off campus. 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 campus demolition site to facilitate a lengthy sorting and recycling project, according to one construction worker at the athletic field. The three residence halls were torn down 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 residence 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 foundation-laying rock, Manning said. Toting a hard hat while bulldozers

and excavators roared behind him, Manning said his company also specializes in tub grinding and land clearing, among other things. The Soil Enterprises crew will toil for a few more weeks before new subcontractors arrive to grind up the heavier materials. "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 sociology, said he uses the track everyday to train for football tryouts, but lately he's been cutting his workouts short. "It's loud and it smells," McCoy said, citing what 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 subcontractor hired by Clark Construction, the East Coast-based company overseeing the residence hall demolition and construction project, Manning said.



Student health center offers peer education, specialty services

By Maria Villalobos
 Daily Staff Writer

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 practitioners, 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

can get here on campus." The health center has a plenty of services to provide to students, starting 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, physical therapy and travel medicine, said Melanie Alejandro-Gutierrez, assistant to the director of the health center. There are additional services, which include, laboratory, pharmacy, radiology, immunizations, elective physicals and cardiopulmonary resuscitation

classes, according to Alejandro-Gutierrez. Students can also purchase a \$20 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 center. The card also gives students one free travel medicine consultation totaling a savings of \$72. It's a voluntary discount plan available every semester and good for the whole semester. The peer health education program and the prevention education programs are located on the second floor of the student health center. These programs are student based.

"It's based on the principal that students know best what they need," said Idelle Fraser, peer health education coordinator. "Students feel more comfortable talking to students about relationships or sexually transmitted diseases or other needs." 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

place to go to ask questions and it's educational." The program works well because it's a 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 beneficial 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

and organization skills and after this experience you become a better leader." 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 students." Brenda Pearson an administrative assistant who works in the peer education program said she praises the students that work at the center. See **HEALTH**, page 4

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 purchased 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, students 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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Tower Cards designed to be used like debit cards

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 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 information. 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 used in parking meters and bakeries 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



Verna Kirkendall / Daily staff

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

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 travel 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 dig-its 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.

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RYAN BALBUENA

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 powerful 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 charter, 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.

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SPARTA GUIDE

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TODAY

SJSU Catholic Campus Ministry
Daily Mass will be held at the SJSU CCM Chapel located at 10th and San Carlos streets next to Robert's Bookstore. Mass times are 12:10 p.m. Monday-Friday and at 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. on Sunday. For more information contact Sister Marcia at 938-1610.

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.

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.

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.

Career Center
Work force recruitment internship program for students with disabilities from 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.

SJSU Health Education

Department

A Healthier Way weight management class will be held for six Mondays from Feb. 10 to Mar. 17 in the Health building, Room 208 from 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. For more information contact Jen Styles, Campus Nutritionist at 924-6118.

SUNDAY

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ASCR is offering fitness classes at the Event Center. Classes running today: Spin, Abs Only, Turbo Kickboxing, Night Spin, Hi-Lo/Hip Hop, Body Pump, Cardio Kickboxing, Contact Kickboxing, Stretch/Flex/Relax. For more information and class times, contact Matt McNamara at 924-6217.

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International Programs and Services
Study Abroad general information meeting on Feb. 11 at 3 p.m. in the Pacific Room of the Student Union, and on Feb. 12 at 10 a.m. and Feb. 13 at 4 p.m. in the Council Chambers Room of the Student Union. For more information contact Ali at 924-5931.

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 purchased from the Computer Science office in MacQuarrie Hall, Room 208. For more information contact David Hayes at 924-5060 or www.cs.sjsu.edu.

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National Society of Scabbard and Blade, G-13
Memorial vigil for the space shuttle Columbia crew will be held at 7 p.m. in the MacQuarrie Hall Quad near the flagpole. For more information, contact Ron at 298-8129.

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 look on their face is always thanks enough.

Oh, the gift of giving. As it is, I have been out of the game for some time, but I am guessing that something 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. Making that person happy is basically the No. 1 priority on Valentine's Day. Forget the gift buying for a moment. It is our job to make sure that they feel extraordinary.

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. Get that special place pierced.

Would you pierce an intimate body part to make your lover happy?

Yes, sure, why the hell not? In all seriousness, I would do it. It cannot be one of those whatever, whenever relationships though. Sorry.

That awful word is coming, yes — commitment. I have to be in a committed relationship to take a special request like that or even for me to think that one up all on my own. It only seems fair.

As it is, I already have a few piercings. What would another one do? Nothing, it would be a mere added bonus to my relationship. Yes, the gift that keeps on giving.

One couldn't give a gift more unique. Buy what he likes. There are all kinds of piercing jewelry to choose from. Are spikes his flavor? Maybe the traditional captive ball ring is more his style. Boring, bad.

Since this will be a part of your body, then make sure it fits. Make sure the style screams out your name.

Don't forget to get the proper gauge either. Smaller numbers in gauges mean 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."

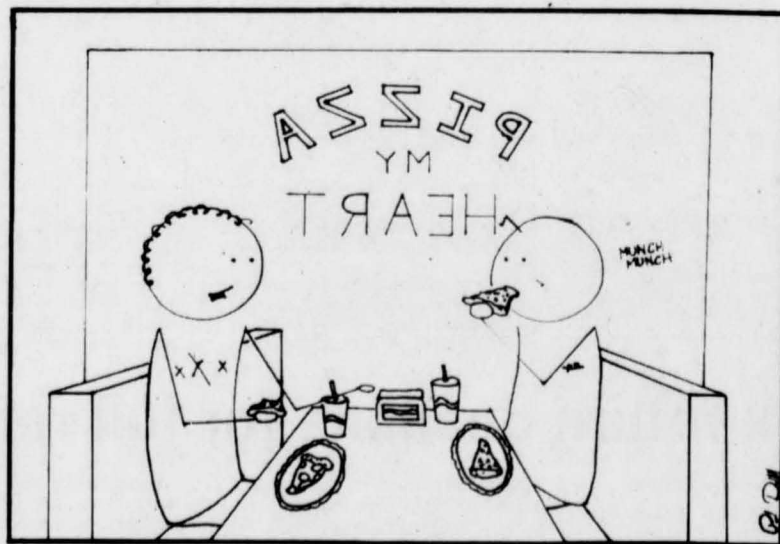
Make no mistake about it. It will be painful. Suck it up. That's the price you pay for love.

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

By Chris Giovannetti
Daily Senior Staff Writer

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 Kim Sheehy that disheartened Spartan head coach Richard.

Kellogg was 1-for-10 from the floor on the night while Sheehy fared little better with a 1-for-3 outing. Kellogg played 33 minutes and Sheehy, 29.

"We need those people to hit shots; they have got to be able to contribute. Anyone getting that amount of minutes 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 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 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 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, leaping out to a 20-4 lead on the strength of nine Cricket Williams points and tenacious rebounding.

In a harrowing trend, SJSU scored just one point in the next five minutes 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 basket of the second half.

Twice in the second half, SJSU spurred out to nine-point leads before allowing SMU to go on unopposed runs to force itself back into 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 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 arc.

Williams, who scored a game high 25 points, clanked a potential game-tying three pointer off the rim as time expired.

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



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.

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

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.

SMU (11-9, 6-4 Western Athletic) 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.

San Jose State (5-14, 2-8) was led by Brandon Lawrence, who had a double-double with 24 points and 13 rebounds. Keith West added 13 points.

San Jose State shot 39 percent for the game.

Football recruits put pen to paper and sign with SJSU program

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 his second signing day will yield more success for the program.

The SJSU program received 32 letters of intent on Wednesday from high school and college transfer players, many of whom chose to wear the Spartan blue and gold over other colors.

"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 tailback Tyson Thompson, a junior transfer from Garden City Community College in Kansas. Thompson, who was also courted by 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 2002.

Hill played college football alongside Thompson's high school coach — Joey Evans — at Northeast Louisiana University and admitted that the relationship was the deciding factor in Thompson's acceptance.

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

Arkansas. "His mother's been over to my house back in Arkansas."

Complimenting Thompson in the SJSU backfield is tailback Derrell Hutson, a freshman from Helix High School in San Diego.

"With Tyson and Derrell, we have two legitimate track guys who run 4.4 (second 40-yards)," 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 of the NCAA in mandating out of its Division I-A members.

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

"That issue was brought up by people 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 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 schol-

arships 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 prerequisite 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 said.

The only local player signed on Wednesday was freshman linebacker Ryan Abbott from Valley Christian 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."

2003 Spartan Football Recruits						
NAME	POS	HT	WT	YR	PREVIOUS SCHOOL	
Ryan Abbott	LB	6-3	225	FR	Valley Christian HS	
Stanley Apted	OL	6-4	300	SO	E. Los Angeles College	
Danny Armstrong	QB	6-0	210	JR	San Diego State U.	
Chris Bodishbaugh	QB	6-3	190	FR	Freedom HS	
David Bowen	CB	5-11	190	FR	McDonough 35 HS/La.	
John Broussard	WR	6-1	160	SO	Kingwood HS	
Eddie Brown	DT	6-3	295	JR	Blinn College	
Ray Carmel	CB	5-11	185	SR	U. of California	
Katrell Collier	OLB	6-1	205	JR	West Hills Coll./ Fla.	
Yonus Davis	TB	5-9	170	FR	Skyline HS	
Jeff Ferrier	PK	6-3	215	FR	Mission Viejo HS	
Ryan Gray	OL	6-6	305	FR	Highland Park HS	
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 Hutson	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	
Ryan Simone	OL	6-3	284	FR	Helix HS	
Tyson Thompson	TB	6-1	207	JR	Garden City College	
Edwin Tidwell	DT	6-2	265	FR	McClymonds HS	
Cornell Williams	DT	6-4	250	FR	O. Perry Walker HS La.	

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, speaking 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 federal prosecutor to work on its evaluation 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. I sat on my desk for a long time, but in the last 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. 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."

49ers candidate Mora keeps it all in the family

SANTA CLARA, Calif. (AP) — If Jim Mora becomes the San Francisco 49ers' next coach, he'll have his famous father to thank — and to blame.

Mora, the 49ers' defensive coordinator 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 seasons 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 for 15 years. I've seen what the life is like, and I understand the scrutiny and I understand the ups and downs."

"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 coordinator 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. 15.

The younger Mora has obvious advantages in the race to replace Mariucci, including his familiarity with the 49ers' roster and team atmosphere. Mora has spoken to most of San Francisco's players about his candidacy. "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 Mariucci might indicate York and general 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 defensive coaches, and I think that's great," Mora said. "I like to see defensive coaches get a chance. They have done an excellent job here with the process. It's been lengthy, it's been time-consuming, but it's been methodical."

"If you've been with Terry Donahue

in the draft room, you would understand the process. He's a guy that doesn't blink. He sets a course and stays with the course."

Like Cottrell, Mora said he is comfortable 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 interest in the job this week, but no candi-

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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There are a few things that customers can do to help Spartan Bookstore's customer service speed up the process. Didar Mirlohi, a Spartan Bookstore customer service employee said, "They can be prepared by having their ID ready and start filling out the return forms that's to the counter."

To avoid the traffic of long lines, 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 Force.

"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 trouble for the government, Zorlu said.

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 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 regime.

"I will leave Afghanistan in a few

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 against foreigners 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 personnel carriers, jeeps and small tanks.

In December, Germany doubled to 2,500 its contingent in the peacekeeping 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 international force in 2001. The force's worst tragedy was a Dec. 21 helicopter crash that killed seven German soldiers.

Zorlu said the force was helping to provide a stable foundation for reconstruction in Afghanistan, which was 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 considering whether a piece of insulating foam that struck Columbia's wing during liftoff was enough to bring down the shuttle.

Shuttle program manager Ron Dittemore said that even though the possibility appeared remote, investigators must remain open to every option as they put together a so-called fault tree into what caused Columbia's fiery breakup just minutes from its landing Saturday.

"The foam that shed off the tank 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."

Eighty-one seconds into launch, a 2-pound, 20-inch chunk of foam from Columbia's external tank 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, every fact, every issue" will be checked, and the board's conclusions will be final and absolute.

Before ruling the foam out as a culprit, 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 leading 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 disaster.

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 going to have to live with what we have."

NASA also has not yet written off the possibility that other debris during 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 the first sign of trouble appeared aboard Columbia over California — a 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."

Crews trudge through heavy rain in 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 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 shuttle was composed of about 2 million parts, many of which shattered into pieces as small as a nickel. The key pieces for NASA's investigation 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 Texas on Saturday.

With the heavy rain falling throughout the day across the debris field Thursday, experts worried that sensitive pieces could end up buried in mud or degrade if left exposed to the rain.

"Obviously the weather is a significant factor for us, but we are continuing 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 Protection 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 remote-operated vehicle equipped with cameras and 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 sections, though it wasn't clear which side 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 to Kennedy Space Center to be reconstructed, 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 several people had turned in items since federal prosecutors announced an amnesty period for anyone who illegally picked up Columbia debris. They did not provide numbers or details.

On Wednesday, two people had been charged with stealing government property — a circuit board and thermal insulating fabric from the shuttle.

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