



# opposing views:

## Should the United States adopt English

## as its official language?

**YES** | *A national language can unify a diverse nation*

**NO** | *Our multicultural society needs more than one language*

Unification in a diverse country such as the United States needs more than just a red, white and blue flag.

We need to declare English as our official language since it is widely used in the United States — however, this does not mean that other languages or bilingual programs should be eliminated.

Currently, 27 states, including California, Florida and Hawaii, have English as their official language, according to U.S. English, Inc, an organization created to make English the official language of the country.

The diversity of languages in America is a phenomenon. Last year, we had at least 56 different languages that were spoken in the California public school system, including Spanish, Vietnamese, Chinese, Tagalog, Russian, Arabic and many others, according to a press release from Governor Gray Davis.

*"How can we learn from each other if we don't have a common language to communicate with?"*



HUONG PHAM

Yet with all these languages, this can cause a communication barrier between different ethnicities. It's great to have all these different cultures and languages, but how can we learn from each other if we don't have a common language to communicate with each other?

There are many advantages to having English as an official language such as unification by having a common language to communicate between different cultures, to emphasize the learning of the English language in the public school system which can better students in their education, and to allow everyone, specifically immigrants, to enjoy the economic and social opportunities available in this country.

According to Davis's press release, the state's English Language and Intensive Literacy Program provided school districts funding for an estimated 600,000 students who were having difficulty learning English.

As a result of this program and a focus on higher standards and reading proficiency, about 12 percent of English learners were reading at their grade level, based on scores of the statewide SAT-9 English Language Arts achievement test. The test is an assessment of students from elementary school through high school, the numbers are gradually increasing according to Davis.

Although government documents are translated into different languages, the exams for the public school system are not, such as the SAT I and the English Placement Test.

It is understandable that learning a new language is difficult, especially if an English learner is an adult.

The disadvantages of not having English as the official language are miscommunication, segregation, and difficulties in acquiring jobs.

For instance, my father didn't have the desire to learn English, but through a friend, he was lucky enough to have had work in a high tech company for 22 years. Unfortunately, he was recently laid off and now has difficulties acquiring a job because he lacks the English language to express himself and communicate his ideas and skills to potential employers.

Although my father is an intelligent and a skillful technician, he doesn't know enough English. He lacks the communication skills to show prospective employers that he is a professional in his field.

So as one can see, if English became an official language in this country, there would be a common ground where everyone can start to make a difference not just in their life but as a stronger and unified nation.

As a diverse nation, we should learn about our differences, but let's start with a common bond.

*Huong Pham is a Spartan Daily Staff Writer.*

# I WANT YOU



# TO SPEAK ENGLISH

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I am proud to be from a country that has taken traditions, beliefs and cultures and created a hodgepodge society.

And we have done it without having English as our official language.

In the United States we are given the liberty to practice our own ideologies as well as take from other cultures, broadening our perceptions of each other.

To make English the official language of the United States will create more of a racist tone throughout the country. For instance, a good percentage of Californians speak Spanish. It makes sense because Mexico is our neighboring country. Why not educate people and bridge any gaps that may exist instead of continuing the cycle of any stereotypes that will reiterate themselves?

Keeping bilingual teachers active in the education system will help children learn English yet allow them to maintain their heritage.

Our nation is built from people of different ethnic backgrounds. Limiting ourselves to one idiom denies our growth as individuals and shuns those who come to our country for better opportunities.

Louis Holsher, chair of the Mexican-American studies department, said making English the official language will not take into account cultural diversity.

"I think it is divisive to make English the official language," he said. "It is already in the educational society and that's enough. I don't think making it official is needed."

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, 26.2 percent of the population of California is foreign-born. And 11.1 percent of the population in the United States was born in another country.

The statistics prove that we are a conglomeration of people, so why bother making united, multicultural people speak in a monolingual tongue?

I do not feel it is appropriate for the government to take something so broad as language and make it so limited. How will they ever regulate what people speak?

Furthermore, there are 39.5 percent of people in California speaking languages other than English. According to the U.S. Census Bureau, 17.9 percent of people in the United States speak other languages at home.

Creating a resolution to make English the official language can discriminate against those who do not speak English, restricting them from economic resources and political institutions.

By passing this we will only make it harder for those coming to our country to assimilate.

Holsher said he thinks this proposal is a gut level reaction to recent immigrants.

"People imply that immigrants do not want to learn English, but if they go to a local junior college they will see the ESL classes are impacted and people are trying to learn," he said.

Marco Pizarro, a professor in the Mexican-American studies department, said people do have a hard time learning English as they come to the United States and disagrees with the proposal of having a monolingual country.

"What's the point? We would only alienate those who come from other countries who do take the time to learn English," he said.

Students who can speak more than one language have an advantage in the work place.

It should be up to individuals to decide what they want to "claim" as their official language, not the government.

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REBECCA VILLANEDA

*Rebecca Villaneda is a Spartan Daily Staff Writer.*

## campusvoices



*"English as a national language is important in unifying. There still need to be accommodations made for people who use English as a second language."*

**Jacquie Heffner**  
junior, public relations



*"No. We're a diverse enough culture. We shouldn't fail to accommodate for the very diversity that makes us American."*

**Dan Johnston**  
graduate student, biology



*"Yes. I am a Latina, but there should be a standard language. If not, there is too much chaos."*

**Lucy Rodriguez**  
sophomore, music



*"Yes. Business and education run on the English language."*

**Regina Caasi**  
junior, business management



*"No. I think it should be a combination because of the variety of languages (we speak)."*

**Laina Rassmussen**  
graduate student, occupational therapy



*"Yes. When people came here they spoke English. This country has been brought up on the English language."*

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NOT RANTING, JUST VENTING

# Looking back upon the antics of an '80s childhood

The other day while cleaning out my closet I ran into a little piece of nostalgia — a pair of old British Knights. They were black and red leather with fancy black lace. They were my pride and joy in the fourth grade. For those of you who don't know what British Knights are, you're about to find out. British Knights were the coolest shoes to have in the late '80s. Everyone who was anyone wore them. They were available in different color combinations, and the most popular ones were made with snake skin — or so we thought. Seeing this old pair of shoes got me reminiscing about the days of my youth. They took me back to a time when being stupid and dressing badly was accepted. The summer of 1984 was the beginning of a new passion for my cousins, siblings and me. After watching "Breakin' 2 Electric Boogaloo" on HBO, we were inspired to start our own break dancing "crew."

Every afternoon we would move all of our grandparents' living room furniture, throw down our piece of oversized cardboard on the floor and bring out the jumbo sized boombox, blaring "Egypt, Egypt."

All our grandparents heard was "Egyptian lover, Egyptian lover baby..." and every other breakin' "jam" in existence.

That whole summer was spent learning and perfecting break dancing moves like the worm, the Russian kick, the

headspin and the flare. We even attempted the pop and lock. We ended every break dance battle the same way every respected breaker would — with a "buffalo stance."

The best memory of our break dancing phase was watching our grandpa — better known as "Brother" — get on the floor and do the worm. He was so plump all he could do was rock back and forth on his bilowy stomach. It didn't matter how many times he performed his rendition of the worm. We laughed every time as if it was the first.

We loved break dancing, but there were days we did other things, very stupid things.

One of our favorite past times was recording ourselves on the tape recorder. We would perform our own made up skits and our rendition of "The Price is Right." It was always a bitter battle to see who would get to play Rod Roddy or Bob Barker. Everyone always wanted to say, "Come on down. You're the next contestant on 'The Price is Right.'"

On hot days we enjoyed running through the sprinklers on my grandparents' front lawn and playing with our "ghetto slip 'n' slide."

We wanted the Wham-o Slip 'n' Slide we saw on TV, but our parents and grandparents refused to buy one for us. They said it was dangerous. Nothing could be more dangerous than the ghetto slip 'n' slide.



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We got a gigantic garbage bag and split it open. When it was laid out on the lawn we poured Palmolive dish soap all over it and hosed it down. We put a big brick at each end so it wouldn't come off the lawn. Every person who slid on the slip 'n' slide slammed right into the brick at the other end. It was really painful and our shoulders would be banged up, but it didn't stop us from using it.

After watching the movie "Poltergeist," we spent many mindless hours sitting in front of the table fan reciting the famous line from the movie, "Where are you, mommy? I can't see you." It was always a contest to see who could do the best imitation.

It wasn't just summer days we spent doing crazy things. Every family get together seemed to be a reason to be stupid and get into some trouble.

One New Year's Eve at age 8, I decided to hang out with my older cousins. For the longest time I was the youngster who always tagged along with the older,

"mature" and "wise" ones. This turned out to be the most eventful New Year's ever. We all decided to smoke in my cousin "Moni's" backyard. When our little brothers "Big Happy" and "Fangis" came out to see what we were doing, we told them the cigarettes we sparklers. Somehow our plan failed and we got caught. The next morning we were all at my dining room table being lectured by our parents about the dangers of smoking. We all figured it was a good thing they didn't know about the beers we had smuggled from the ice cooler. Seeing my old British Knights brought back a lot of good childhood memories. I loved growing up in the days of Atari and "Thundercats." My days of wearing jelly bracelets, British Knights, leg warmers and New Kids on the Block clothes are gone. OK, so I wasn't the best dressed, but it was cool back then. It made me sad to throw out my beloved and treasured British Knights, but it felt good to know that the memories didn't live in the shoes, but in me.

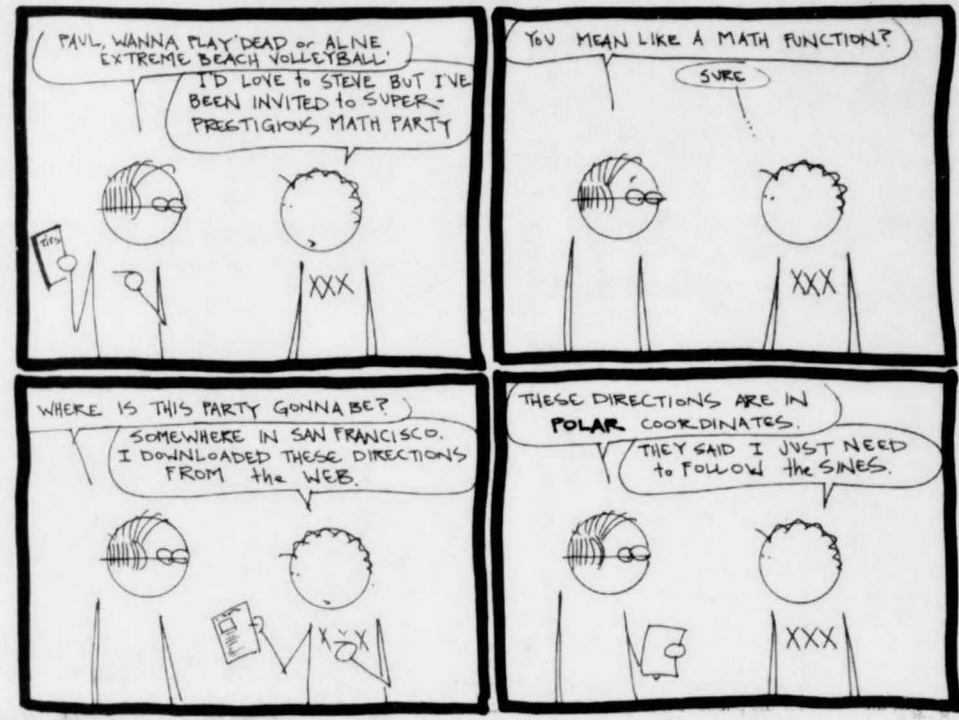
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## SPARTA GUIDE

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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 through Friday and at 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. on Sunday. For more information contact Sister Marcia at 938-1610.
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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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Meetings every Wednesday in the Almaden Room of the Student Union from 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
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Free nutrition counseling by nutrition and dietetics students today from 3:15 p.m. to 5:15 p.m. at the Sport Club. For more information contact Jen Styles, campus nutritionist, at 924-6118.
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Tickets are on sale now for the Mar. 6 performance of "The Vagina Monologues" by and for SJSU students and staff. Tickets are available in front of the Student Union from 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. or at the Women's Resource Center in ADM 249. Proceeds will benefit YWCA Rape Crisis Center and Support Network for Battered Women. Students (w/ID) \$5, general \$7. For more information contact Erika or Lindsey at 924-6500.
  - Asian American Christian Fellowship**  
AACF is welcoming all to our weekly fellowships. To seek Him, to
  - grow with Him and to have fellowship in His name, come join us every Wednesday night. We meet in the Almaden Room of the Student Union at 7:30 p.m. For more information contact Anh Truong at 605-9684 or visit our website at www.aacsjsu.com.**
  - 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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  - Students for Justice**  
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Director of Communications			
Tiffany Chan		Spartan Party	

### Measure W

**Campus Smoking Policy**

Currently, the University's Academic Senate is considering whether to revise the campus smoking policy. Associated Students and the Academic Senate believe that students should be included in this important decision-making process. **Note: This is an advisory vote only.**

In regards to smoking on campus, which of the options would you most prefer (please select one)?

- Ban smoking within 5 feet of the entrance of campus buildings (which is the minimum required by state law)
- Ban smoking within 15 feet of the entrance of campus buildings (which is the current policy as SJSU)
- Ban smoking within 25 feet of the entrance of campus buildings (expanding from current SJSU policy)
- Ban smoking on campus altogether

Presently, the campus smoking policy has not been actively enforced. Should the Campus Smoking Policy be actively enforced?

- Yes, the University should more actively enforce the campus smoking policy.
- No, current enforcement of the campus smoking policy is sufficient.



### Measure X

**University Hour**

The University hour is a period of time in the middle of the day when there will be no classes taught. During this time, the campus community will focus on enhancing the university spirit, i.e. clubs and organizations can schedule their meetings, programming will be done (via the A.S. Program Board and/or student organizations), academic departments would bring in guest speakers and lecturers, and students and faculty could interact, as they should at a University. The purpose of this hour would be to benefit our campus community and help in creating a campus life. Other campuses that are also commuter campuses have a University Hour (sometimes called Common Hour), which has created an hour that has allowed for students to find involvement with their campus. **Note: This is an advisory vote only.**

Do you, the student, wish to have University Hour, a daily hour from 12p-1p when there are no classes in session?

- Yes (yes means you wish to have University Hour)
- No (no means you do not wish to have University Hour)

### Measure Y

**University Hour**

Several departments on campus are student fee dependent and have not adjusted their fees in several years. With the current budget crisis these departments have the difficult choice of either closing their doors, discontinuing services or asking you, the students, for a fee adjustment. While each of these departments have presented to the University leadership higher fee needs the following recommendation is being proposed by the Academic Affairs Department, Intercollegiate Athletics, Associated Students, the Student Health Center, and the Student Union as a collaborative compromise. The Academic and Athletic portion of the fee will be added to the IRA (Instructionally Related Activity) fee pool of funds and used 100% as designated. Said compromise fee referendum, if approved, would adjust student fees by approximately 3%.

Shall your student fees per semester be adjusted as follow (see below) to support the services and operations of the departments listed, beginning the Fall Semester of 2003?

See services descriptions in the voter pamphlet.

Academics Affairs	\$10
Intercollegiate Athletics	\$ 6
A.S. General	\$ 5
Campus Recreation	\$ 2
Child Care	\$ 3
Student Health Center	\$ 5
Student Union	\$ 8
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$39</b>

**YES** - I would like my fees to increase to support the services and operations of the departments listed.

**NO** - I would not like my fees to increase to support the services and operations of the departments listed.

**Associated Students General Elections**

**Remember to Vote March 18 & 19.**

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# Spartans snap losing streak; prepare for weekend tournament

By Paulo Hernandez  
Daily Staff Writer

With a win over Sacramento State University on Saturday, the Spartan softball team made its six-game losing streak a thing of the past.

San Jose State University won the first game of the doubleheader 3-2 and lost the second game 6-2. The split put the Spartans at 6-11 on the season.

SJSU head coach Dee Dee Enabenter said she felt the team put forth a much better effort in Saturday's games than what she had previously seen.

"We were much better overall. That's all that matters," Enabenter said.

Junior pitcher Kelli McCollister said she was glad the losing streak was over and felt the team was showing improvement.

Junior catcher Megan Delgado said it is frustrating to lose knowing they have the ability to win.

"We expect to win," Delgado said.

The Spartans were able to produce some hits against Sacramento State, which the team had been unable to do in its last few games. SJSU collected eight hits in the first game and six in the second.

In an attempt to jump start the offense, Enabenter has been moving various players in and out of the starting lineup.

"It's still early enough in the season where we can make changes. When we can get some consistency, we'll stay with what works," she said.

The Spartans will now turn their attention to the 17th Annual National Invitational Softball Tournament. The

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tournament will take place Friday through Sunday at the Twin Creeks Sports Complex in Sunnyvale. Eleven teams from seven states will be participating. Among the teams is last year's defending tournament champion and nationally ranked No. 9 Arizona State University (14-3) and defending national champion No. 6 UC Berkeley (14-6). The field is rounded out by No. 17 Oregon State University (16-7), No. 22 University of Oregon (12-5), the University of Minnesota (10-4-1), Sacramento State (14-4), Santa Clara University (10-9), Virginia Tech University (3-5), University of Missouri-Kansas City (1-3) and Georgia Tech University (12-7).

The teams will begin pool play on Friday, followed by bracket play Saturday and Sunday.

The Spartans are poised to play well in

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**Dee Dee Enabenter,  
SJSU head coach**

the tournament.

"We want to maintain our focus offensively and defensively," Enabenter said.

McCollister said the team needs to produce runs. "We have to start scoring, we can't continue to leave base runners," she said.

Enabenter said the team is trying to focus on each individual game at the tournament, rather than bunching up the games.

"We don't want to see it as a tournament," she said.

The Spartans' coach and players said they aren't thinking about the opponents they will face at the tournament; instead they are focusing on what they have to get done.

"If you think too much you do yourself a disservice. I don't want the team to focus on things they can't control," Enabenter said.

"We have to go and take care of business. What the other teams do doesn't matter."

Delgado said, "We never worry about the other team."

McCullister agreed with her teammate and said, "We don't even watch the other team

in warm ups. Warm ups are designed to intimidate."

Heading into the tournament, the Spartans are nursing two significant injuries.

Freshman designated player Jessica Guillen has been in and out of the line-



Saori Yoneda / Daily Staff  
Stephanie Miran, utility player of the San Jose State university soft ball team, attempted to tag catcher AJ Hall as she ran from second to third base during practice game on Tuesday.

up with a back injury. Enabenter said Guillen's back has not responded well to treatment. As a result, the team is looking at different options.

"She's a big bat out of the lineup and we need to go in a different direction," Enabenter said.

Sophomore pitcher Carol Forbes is hobbled by a toe injury, but Enabenter said the team expects her to return for the first day of the tournament.

## Arenas scores 22 in Warrior victory

OAKLAND (AP) — Gilbert Arenas had 22 points and nine assists as the Golden State Warriors defeated the Indiana Pacers 107-100 Tuesday night for their sixth straight win — the team's longest winning streak in nearly nine years.

The Warriors improved to 30-30, the franchise's first time at .500 since April 24, 1994. That's the same year the organization last reached the playoffs.

Ron Artest had 32 points, seven rebounds and five assists, and Jermaine O'Neal added 21 points and six boards for Indiana, which has lost six straight road games. The Central Division-leading Pacers had won the past three meetings with the Warriors.

Golden State's winning streak is the team's longest since winning eight straight in April 1994, when the Warriors finished 50-32. Tuesday's victory gives them their highest win total since going 30-52 in 1996-97.

Arenas was only 12 the last time the Warriors were this good.

Jason Richardson and Erick Dampier each had 20 points for the surging Warriors, who have won nine of 12. They are 16-6 against the Eastern Conference, including 12-2 at home. Dampier also had four blocked shots.

O'Neal scored back-to-back baskets, then Reggie Miller scored off a turnover to pull the Pacers within three, 86-83, with 8:16 left. But the Warriors, looking much like a playoff team, answered with a 10-0 run, six points by sparkplug Earl Boykins and two straight dunks by Antawn Jamison.

The Warriors beat the Pacers to loose balls and controlled the boards down the stretch. Boykins had all 10 of his points in the final period.

Dampier was fired up from the beginning against his former team. Three of his dunks were in the first

quarter, when he scored 10 points and the Warriors shot 55.6 percent.

Last month, the 6-foot-11 Dampier called first-year coach Eric Musselman "Musselhead" out of frustration for his playing time, but they seem to have patched things up.

Musselman joked about it before the game.

"I got called Musselhead. It's natural to think you'd like to bench that guy and not give him any touches," Musselman said. "I think we have a good relationship."

The Warriors held the Pacers without a field goal for more than four minutes late in the third quarter.

It has been a rare sight to see fans on their feet in the first half, if at all, in recent years here. The crowd of 16,409 was raucous not just because of all the dazzling dunks, but also in an effort to help their team get defensive stops, often hollering "DEE-FENSE!"

## Smyth returns, helps Oilers defeat Sharks

EDMONTON, Alberta (AP) — It didn't take Ryan Smyth long to make an impact for the Edmonton Oilers.

Smyth scored his 20th goal of the season and then set up Todd Marchant's tiebreaker with 5:46 remaining as the Oilers ended their nine-game winless streak with a 2-1 victory Tuesday night over the San Jose Sharks.

"We needed this win," said Smyth, who injured his shoulder in a 5-4 win over Toronto on Feb. 11. "There's some teams behind us in the standings and (these were) some points that we needed."

The win came as a huge relief for the Oilers, whose 0-5-2-2 drought began when Smyth was forced out of the lineup.

Edmonton is clinging to the eighth playoff spot in the Western Conference and allowed Nashville, Los Angeles, Phoenix and Chicago

back into contention during their winless run.

"Right now, I think it's something that we needed," said Marchant, who redirected Smyth's pass behind a help-

less Miikka Kiprusoff.

"Maybe this will get us going in the right direction."

The return of Smyth, along with

goalie Tommy Salo (groin) and Mike York (broken wrist) should help the Oilers get back on track, too.

Smyth made it 1-0 at 5:43 of the first by playing his typical game. He screened Kiprusoff and tipped in a point shot from Eric Brewer.

He finished with a plus-2 rating and five shots on goal.

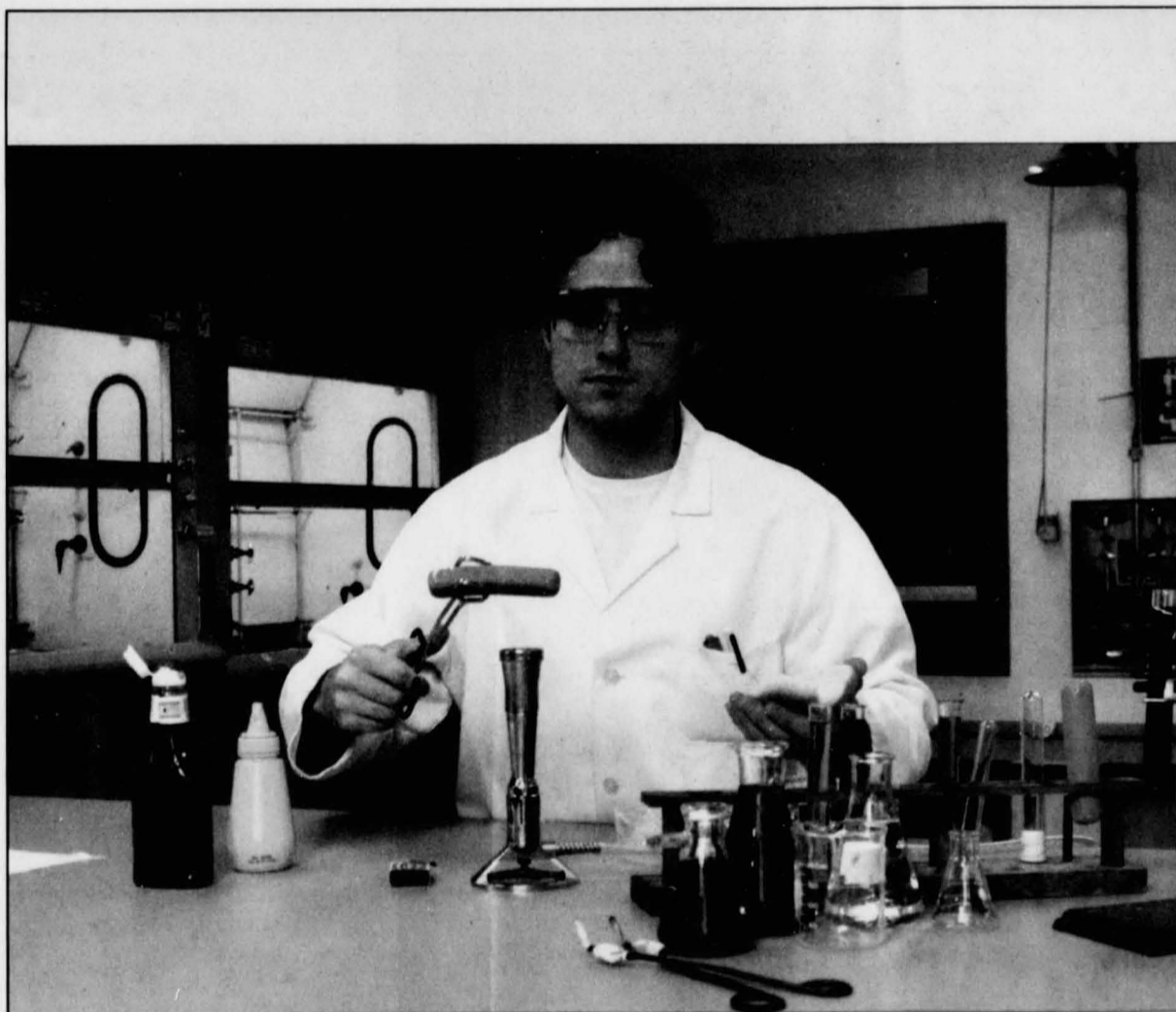


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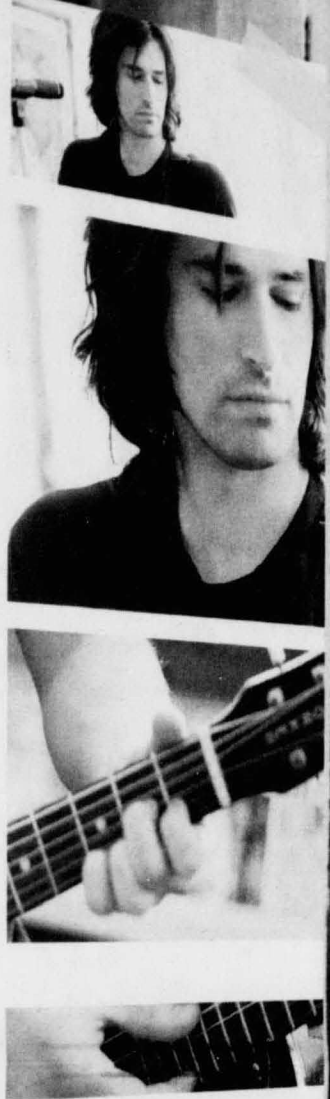
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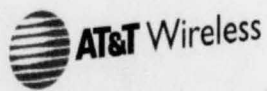


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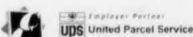
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# Students

Associated Press

Thousands of students at the country walked out Wednesday to protest a war joining rallies that ranged from quiet demonstrators to erupted into shouting matches.

Manon Terrell, a 19-year-old, missed three classes part in a rally at Stanford attended by about 300 people, carrying signs bearing slogans such as "The Middle East, not the World."

"This is a personal thing because my friends are going to war," said Terrell, a civil engineering major. "It's not going to and his cronies in business at the front lines. They're going to people of color and poor people."

It could not be determined Wednesday night how many participated across the nation. National Youth and Student Coalition had no immediate figures. The group said earlier that thousands of students at n

# Some at

By Carrie Mattingly Daily Staff Writer

Students and citizens protesting war gathered in the Art Qu Jose State University on Wednesday to participate in a student strike. One of 230 schools involved in an organized walkout protesting the war.

Anti-war fliers were passed out, picket signs opposing the war were held up. Students pounded drums while chanting slogans. At the chanting grew louder, the nearly 150 people grew bigger.

Miniature, white-colored coffins were placed along the perimeter of the gathering place. Coffins, no bigger than two feet high, had black and white paper graphics attached to the front. Children smiled in the photos, while others were pictured crying. Most of the children were used for these coffin displays, malnourished, exposing their bandaged skeletal bodies.

Muslim Student Association member Muhammad Abu-Halima led the start of the talks, loudly breaking out in chanting the more popular chants were "No war, no peace," "The people will never be divided" and "No bombs."

Some spectators became participants when the megaphone opened up to the crowd. Many their opinion on the war. In a new chant, Ahmed Al-Sayid, a sophomore English major, said "Bush, not bombs."

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By Falguni Bhutani Daily Staff Writer

More than 3,500 students gathered at the Event Center on Wednesday for "Expo 2003: Job and Internship Fair" with the hopes of finding a job, organizers said.

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