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A walk in her shoes

Men marched in female footwear to denounce rape

By Therese Bratberg Daily Senior Staff Writer

Men sporting in high-heeled women's shoes, hoped to spike up a level of support to end sexual assault and violence in the Men's March Against Rape in Cesar Chavez Park on Saturday.

The walk, which was organized by the Santa Clara Valley YWCA and the Valley Trauma Center, attracted about 150 participants, including 70 men who were willing to complete the walk wearing women's shoes.

Dressed casually in jeans, Mayor Ron Gonzales and other representatives from the supporting organizations thanked everyone for coming to the event.

"Today, we are saying loud and clear that we need to put a stop to sexual vio-lence," Gonzales said, after applauding

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Staff members and volunteers from the sponsoring organizations handed out sandals and high-heeled shoes to the male participants before the walk from stores such as GoodWill, Nordstrom Rack, Payless Shoe Source and Wal-Mart.

"This is a light-hearted way to have

"This is a light-hearted way to have the men show their solidarity with the women's rape crisis center," said Sandy Shore Davis, director of the center.

The one-mile march, which started at 10:30 a.m., brought the participants to Third Street, where the YWCA building is located.

The peaceful demonstrators held signs that stated, "Would you walk a mile in her shoes?" and "Put yourself in her shoes?"

her shoes."
Once the march had reached its desti-

nation, the participants gathered inside the rape crisis center for lunch. Dave Eriksen, a San Jose State University alumnus, who had taken a break from work to participate, said he felt it was an important issue to address.

"I try to show my support as much as possible," he said, "Sexual assault in general is something that affects every-body in the community."

Eriksen said he was surprised by how

many men were there to participate.
"I definitely give women a lot of credit for wearing high heels," said Grayson Kochi, a junior from De Anza College,

who participated in the walk. "It's defi-nitely harder than it looks."

Nancy Pyle, a member of the board at the YWCA, said the walk is an annual event that has been held eight or nine



Shih Fa Kao / Special to the Daily About 70 men participated in the "Walk a Mile in Her Shoes" march to

end sexual violence against women by walking in women's shoes

"The goal is to increase awareness," she said. "Every two minutes someone in the world gets raped. That is an alarming statistic."

Jim Beall, an SJSU alumnus on the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors, said he was involved in getting the rape crisis center started in

getting the rape crisis center started in the 1980s and that he now helps to fund the 1980s and that he now helps to rund it. During that time, there were a lot of attacks on women in San Jose and the city had one of the highest crime rates in California, he said. The crime has decreased because people have been making an effort to create safety awareness, Beall said.

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The rape crisis center connects with 900 women every year and 400 to 500 family members of victims, Davis said.

The center helps to present options to those who need it and provides people with a 24-hour hotline.

"It's always helpful to talk to someone," she said.

one," she said.
The center offers emergency

tance, information referral, confidential counseling, a safe ride and emergency

counseing, a safe ride and emergency hotel accommodations. Those who prefer to stay anonymous can, and it is not required to file a report, she said.

Angie Fernandez, a senior majoring in public relations at SJSU, who has been working at the center since February, said there are several SJSU students

said there are several SJSU students employed at the center. In addition to responding to hospital calls, organizing prevention programs and speaking at schools in the area, she is on call for the crisis line. "It's very intense, but it has a greater social value to it," she said. "Our services to sexually assaulted victims are needed." The services she said are also very.

The services, she said, are also very important for the campus community, in which more than 50 percent are women. Numerous reports of sexual assault have been reported on campus, but still there is a lack of effort to create



Verna Kirkendall / Daily Staf A male participant at the Walk a Mile in Her Shoes event sauntered around in one of the highheeled shoes he would wear for the march.

awareness, she said. Fernandez said it was important to be aware of people who are overly willing to take care of someone when he or she has been drinking.

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She also recommended taking self-defense classes and carrying date rape coasters supplied by the center.

The coasters are cards that can test whether a date rape drug has been mixed into a drink, merely by applying a sample of the alcohol on the card. If the spot on the card changes color, the drink may contain a drug.

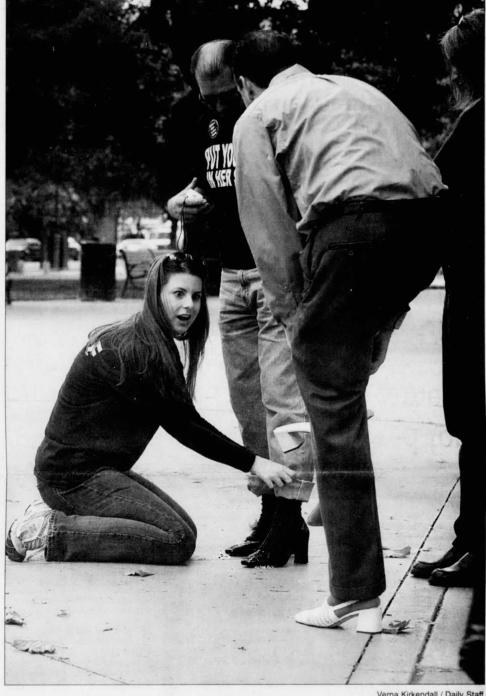
Although statistics on reported rape in San Jose have decreased, sexual assault is the fastest growing violent crime in the nation.

One out of three women will be raped in her lifetime, according to the rape crisis center.

The data also shows that 75 to 85 per cent of rapists are known to the person they attack and 50 percent of rapes occur in the victim's home or car during the daytime.
"But sexual assault doesn't just happen

to women," Fernandez said. According to the center's statistical

data, one in six men will experience sex-



A volunteer at the Walk a Mile in Her Shoes march helped two male participants with their footwear at Cesar Chavez Park on Saturday morning. Marchers walked from the park to the YWCA on Third Street. The

Discussion of Mexico's indigenous people

Daily Staff Writer

In the first event of a weeklong Cinco de Mayo celebration, San Jose State University anthropology professor Roberto Gonzalez discussed indige-nous Mexican culture Monday.

Gonzalez, an associate professor, said the Mexican media and the government are prejudiced and falsely portray the indigenous groups.

The event, sponsored by Gamma Zeta Alpha and the Mosaic Cross

than 30 students, residents and faculty members to the Costanoan room in

'The Mexican government still thinks the indigenous groups are behind, backward and primitive people," Gonzalez said.
Gonzalez said he wanted to show

that the indigenous people of Mexico are no more backward than any other cultural group. Gonzalez, who selected Talea, one of

many Zapotec villages in the state of Oaxaca in southern Mexico, said the

Repeating visits since 1994, Gonzalez said he has spent a total of two years in the village as research for his disserta-

He wrote a book, titled "Zapotec Science: Farming and Food in the Nortern Sierra of Oaxaca," published in 2001, describing some of his observations.

Because the media, including televi-sion programs, radio networks and even textbooks, do not successfully present the truth, he said, people are

"People think (Zapotec's culture) died out more than 500 years ago. That's not

out more than 500 years ago. I hat's not true," he said.

About 500 people reside in the village of Talea. Three quarters of them survive by cultivating corn, beans, squash and coffee, he said.

Gonzalez said these indigenous people do not have to use harmful resti-

ple do not have to use harmful pesti-cides, make genetically modified vegetables and manufacture tractors to uti lize the tremendous amount of land.

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Students honored for academic achievements

By Janine Stanhone Daily Staff Writer

About 4,000 family members and friends attended the 41st special Honor's Convocation at the Event Center Friday as 1,800 President and Dean's scholars received awards for making excellent grades.

In addition, Professor Robert Pellegrini, chair of the psychology department, was honored for excellence in teaching with the outstanding professor

ing professor award for 2002-2003 and gave the convocation address.

President Robert L. Caret expressed appreciation to Pellegrini for being representa-tive of a link of excellence between the stu-dents and faculty and thanked him and the deans for being there when needed.

needed.
"Over his 35 years of service to SJSU, Professor Pellegrini has taught introductory psychology to more students than any other instructor in the control of the institution." Caret the history of the institution," Caret said. "He has mentored a countless number of students in individual studies, honors classes and masters

Pellegrini responded with enthusi-asm in his speech about students

who achieve and recognize failure, learn from it and keep going against

"Success is going from failure to failure without losing enthusiasm," Pellegrini said.

He spoke about the many different characteristics of people who are well-known achievers as well as some of his favorite anecdotes about

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Robert Pellegrini, psychology professor

Pellegrini sug-gested that achievers develop a measure of success with personal plans that identify the pay-"Develop a direction in life and a plan and a way to evaluate it," he said, "but be able to evaluate and change.

ate and change

along the way."
Provost
Marshall Goodman also gave a special introduction speech to the stu-dents for their enthusiasm and spirit

"I hope you fulfill your journey,"
Goodman said. "Be faithful and you
will achieve your objectives."
Academic Senate Chair James
Brent agreed with Goodman that
the students of today would be the

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displays student works of art Pottery sale

By Kimberly Lapham Daily Staff Writer

A rainbow of glass art and pottery is scattered in the airy white tent that houses the student pottery sale in front of the Art building.

San Jose State University community members wandered through the tent Monday afternoon, smoothing fingers over shiny pots and inspect-

ing transparent vases.
"These prices are out of control," said one browser to another. "They're

amazing."
"Look at this, you guys," a woman said to her friends as she pointed at some candleholders. "Aren't those

gorgeous?"
There are about 500 items available at the sale at any given time with prices ranging from \$1 to \$700 for a large art piece that was made by a graduate student, said Stan Welsh, professor of art and design. New pieces are always coming in which means the selection expands often.
"Many are coming hot out of the kiln," Welsh said.
Those that aren't kiln-fresh were

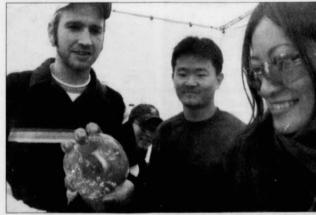
created by undergraduate and gradu-ate students earlier or were donated. Other pieces roll over from sale to sale until they find a buyer.

Some student artists offered up the works they made in bulk in their classes while others have a more emotional attachment to their pieces, Welsh said.

"It's an opportunity to buy work from students that shows all different levels of work," Welsh said. "There are some beautiful, high quality The student artists have a say in the

price that is asked for their works, but pricing is also based on the prospective consumers of the SJSU community, Welsh said. There are many great deals and unique pieces that would sell in stores for many

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Keith McMaster, a junior administration of justice major, Allen Chen, a senior ceramics major, and Joann Woo, a senior pictorial arts major, check out a paper weight at the student pottery sale Monday in front

SARS less of an epidemic than we're led to believe

MELINDA LATHAM

SARS. Just what the United States needs — one more thing to freak out about.

"It seems like we can never be comfortable. For 40 years, the

threat of nuclear holocaust, courtesy of the Soviet Union, hovered over the American conscience. Then we became aware of the AIDS epidemic.

School shootings.

Terrorism. Anthrax.

It's an unnerving list of things to worry about. And now, to add to the fun, we have severe acute respiratory syndrome, a mysterious and sometimes fatal illness that has slowly drifted across countries and continents. Yay!

However, like many of the dark specters of our day, the reality of the threat is far less unnerving than the media would

Now before I go on, I should say that this is not intended to diminish the importance of those who have contracted and/or died from this disease. It's a tragic and devastating thing.

My complaint and frustration is that people, including the media, make such a big deal out of a relatively minor danger.

Let's put this SARS thing into perspective.

An article in the Sunday edition of the San Jose Mercury

News stated 4,836 cases of SARS have been reported worldwide since the first known case was discovered in November 2002. Of those, 293 people have died of the disease. Most of those cases have been in China (4,280 cases, 243 deaths, if you include Hong Kong in the total). In the United States, 41

people have been diagnosed, and no one has died from the

Now let's do a simple breakdown of the math. For the United States, it's easy — a zero percent mortality rate. And if you take the entire world into consideration, keeping in

mind that health care access and quality is not always optimal, SARS currently has a 16.5 percent mortality rate. Five out of every six SARS victims will live.

Considering only 41 people out of our nation of roughly 290 million have caught the virus, that's not a whopping amount.

Maybe it's the way that someone contracts SARS that makes it seem so insidious. Just a sneeze can transfer it. But you can get any number of viruses that way, including the common cold and the flu, which happens to kill about 36,000 Americans a year (usually the elderly and infirm), according to another

article in the Sunday edition of the San Jose Mercury News. The real damage occurs when a media frenzy circulates around some kind of death threat and skims over, or altogether ignores, the very real and authentic things that endan-

Case in point: Remember the whole anthrax thing? Everyone was nervous around mail and baby powder. The total count? Twenty-three cases in the United States, according to the Center for Disease Control (CDC). That's 23 out of around 290 million. Measly.

In America, we have an estimated 800,000 to 900,000 people living with HIV, according to the CDC. In 1999, 16,765 people died from AIDS-related illnesses.

But even that staggering total is relatively small

Cancer claims more than half a million Americans every year, an average of 1,500 a day, according to the American Cancer Society. Mortality rates differ depending on the type of cancer and how early it was caught, but roughly 40 percent of those who are diagnosed with cancer die. Of those who die in a given year, one of four of them will die by cancer.

Still, cancer kills only around one-sixth of 1 percent of the total American population each year.

Heart disease, the nation's leading killer of

both men and women, affects more than 61 million Americans, according to the CDC. Around a million Americans die each year from heart disease — about 2,600 every day. That's an average of one death every 33 seconds. But still, that's a third of 1 percent of the population dying

And these are just figures from the United States, where, I'll

remind you, no one has died from SARS at this time. But we seem to latch on to everything new, mysterious and deadly, and we get all worked up about this dangerous threat

to American well-being, meanwhile ignoring the daily, more pervasive and preventable killers.

After all, the American Cancer Society claims 180,000 cancer deaths every year can be connected to tobacco use, and many cases of heart disease can be prevented or alleviated through proper eating and exercise habits. Non health-related causes of death, like car accidents or homicide, are connected many times with alcohol use.

If you really want to worry about something, worry about something that poses a real and partially avoidable danger.

You do more to fend off the grim reaper when you stop lighting up or when you skip a fat, juicy hamburger than when you wear a surgical mask, which, by the way, really doesn't do any good (SARS is a virus — the microscopic ventilation holes in a surgical mask are far too large to prevent viruses from invading, and the only wearable barrier that prevents virus transmission is a condom. I doubt anyone will want to wear one on his or her face).

So relax, America. Don't worry. At this point, watching "The Anna Nicole Smith Show" is probably more hazardous to your health than SARS. Your chance of getting it is about

as slim as getting bitten by sharks in Florida. Oh, wait, we already had a big media scare about that.

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SPARTA GUIDE

Sparta Guide is provided free of charge to students, faculty and staff members. The deadline for entries is noon three working days before the desired publication date. Entry forms are available in the Spartan Daily office in Dwight Bentel Hall, room 209. Space restrictions may require editing of submissions. Entries are printed in the order in which they are received.

TUESDAY

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 ASCR is offering fitness classes at the Event Center. Classes running today: Body Sculpting, Weight Training, Yoga, Aerobics, Advanced Step, Butts & Guts, Body Sculpting, Beginning Step. For more information and class times, contact Matt McNamara at 924-6217

SJSU Catholic Campus Ministry Potluck Theology every Tuesday from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Call John Wilhelmsen at 835-8783 for loca-

Nurses Christian Fellowship The Nurses Christian Fellowship will have "The Gift of Identity" at 4:30 p.m. in the Pacheco Room. For more information contact Diane Stegmeir at 248-2997.

Career Center Drop-in from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Career Center. For more information call the Career Resource Center at 924-6031.

Career Center
Work IV drop-in from 2 p.m. to
4 p.m. at the Career Center. For more information call the Career Resource Center at 924-6031.

African American Studies Department

Zen meditation group will meet from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the Africana Center, Module A. For more information contact Elisa Harvie at 924-5871.

School of Art and Design Tuesday night lecture series: "Herb Parker: Sculpture." In conjunction with projects that he is doing with the Montalvo Center for the Arts, sculptor Herb Parker will discuss his site-specific and installation work from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Art building, room 133. For more information contact

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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School of Art and Design Student galleries art receptions from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the Art and Industrial Studies buildings. For more information contact Bill or Nicole at 924-4330.

Movimiento Estudiantil de Aztlan

Weekly meeting today at 6 p.m. in room 1 of Uchida hall. For more information contact Adriana Cabrera-Garcia at 250-9245 or sanjosemecha@yahoo.com.

National Association of Working

Women, 9 to 5 The National Association of Working Women is inviting all college working women to dial the 9 to 5 job survival hotline at 1 (800) 522-0925 for help with workplace problems.

Prevention Education Program and Counseling Services Free seminar: "How to help a

friend with an alcohol problem." Kell Fujimoto and Ellen Lin will be presenting from noon to 1 p.m. on April 29 in the Guadalupe room of the Student Union. For more information contact Margaret Tam at margetam@email.sjsu.edu.

Holocaust remembrance day will feature a flag memorial of seven color representing those who per-ished during the Holocaust, and from noon to 1 p.m. a selected reading of the names of those killed. For more information contact Bob Meredity at 761-3274 or Bret Shone at 286-6669, ext. 13.

Anthropology and behavioral sciences club

"B-girl feminism? Surveying the field." Dr. Charla Ogaz will speak on female break dancers at 4:30 p.m. in Washington Square Hall, room 4. For more information contact Melynda at 885-7529.

KSJS Ground Zero Radio Tuneful Tuesday and CD sale from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Ampitheater. For more information contact Gaby at 924-4578.

Career Center

The Nova group will be hosting an employer table from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Ninth Street plaza. Nova group offers teaching positions in Japan. For more informaontact Espie Santiago at 924-2692.

Golden Key International Society and Mosaic

"Throwing fish!" to create a more active student organization. Learn how to fish at SJSU from 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the Mosiac Cross-cultural center in the Student Union. For more information contact Somya Kapoor, Dawn Lee or Patty Watkins at 924-6153

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Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Alliance Meetings every Wednesday in the Almaden Room of the

Student Union from 5 p.m. to

Nutrition Education Action Team 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.

Asian American Christian

Fellowship AACF is welcoming all to our weekly fellowships. To seek Him, to grow with Him and to have fel-lowship 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.aacfsjsu.com.

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SJSU Catholic Campus Ministry YFC – Youth For Christ meets from 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the Almaden room of the Student Union. For more information contact Kay Politan at 938-1610.

Students for Justice Weekly meeting from 10:30 a.m.

to 11:30 a.m. in the Multicultural Library (modular building A). For more information contact Christine Madore at (650) 533-1735 or 971-1070.

Career Center Drop-in from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Career Center. For more information call the Career Resource Center at 924-6031.

College of Engineering Symposium on Leading Technologies: Dr. Glenn Fox, director of the Forensic Science Center at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratories, will discuss "Catching the Bad Guys: Forensic science and its application to national security" from noon to 1 p.m. on May 1 in the Engineering Auditorium (ENG 189). For more information contact Professor Hambaba at 924-3959.

ROSE COLORED GLASSES

Sentimental attachment is a whole bunch of junk

Where does it come from? Why do we love it so much? It's just "stuff," vet I'm a victim.

I'm a victim of collecting and needing too much stuff - a regular ol' pack rat.

Throwing things away, no matter how useless they may be, just comes so hard for me.

Those binders from English class (no, not from last semester, from senior year of high school) - still got 'em. Those used up Barbie coloring books — still collecting dust in the hallway closet. Those T-shirts I bought 10 years ago that don't fit anymore - still stuffed in the bottom of my dresser drawers. Sad, but true.

I become too emotionally attached to everything that seems to come into my possession at some point or another.

Broken things and worthless things are fair game to be stashed under desks, in closets and wherever I can find room for

It's literally gotten to the point where my mom has put tons of my old magazines from middle school to last year in paper bags and "threatened" to throw them away, while I try to explain the importance of having them around just a little bit longer.

It's sick. I know There are a number of reasons for keeping all this stuff

around. Sentimentality is one.

Every little thing in my possession seems to bring back memories and remind me of a particular time or experience. There's my baton I used to twirl as a little girl. There's the rainbow tin full of marbles that I never really did much with at all. And there's the plastic bag of old stuffed animals (all with names, of course), now stuffed above my closet.

It would just hurt to get rid of any of it. Another reason is my strange desire to keep things to share

with my children someday. I realize that I can't keep everything, nor should I want to, but it could be fun to torture my kids into checking out all my

Yes, I realize that could be torturous to some, but I find it kind of exciting when I get to look at the few items saved from my parents' childhoods.

I remember the day I opened a drawer in the spare bedroom at my grandparents' house, only to find a small stash of toys and comic books my dad had as a child. I enjoyed going through it, trying to picture my dad as a little boy, running around, reading comics and playing with toys.

My mom doesn't have a lot of toys or objects from her childhood, but she kept some clothes — always a treasure at Halloween time.

When fashions from the '70s were coming back in style about five or six years ago, I remember wishing my mom had kept more of her clothes from those times so I could wear them and be "authentic."

Much to my chagrin, my mother is not nearly as much of a pack rat as I am, so she only kept a few pieces here and there. Back to reasons for my obsession with "stuff."

I'm afraid I'll assume Í don't need some old textbook or old assignment anymore, and then shortly after I get rid of it, I'll have to do a report on something related or try to remember something, and the information will be gone.

That's why I've still got all those schoolbooks and binders from years ago that continue to collect dust while I don't bother to crack them open.

Another problem is collecting things. It's fun to have your very own collection of something that other people can check out and admire when they come over.

I've been a collector of two things: pins and

The lesser-known collection is pins and buttons that read any number of things or have any kinds of pictures. This collection seems to be dwindling down and is generally

LEA BLEVINS kept in a closet anyway.

The more recent and better-recognized collection of mine is Pez dispensers. I started picking these up a few years ago from any drugstore, specialty store or holiday display I could find. I'm not a hard-core Pez collector — I don't spend mega-bucks to order rare ones off eBay, but I do enjoy showing off my collection of more than 100 dispensers with a colorful array of superhero, cartoon and Star Wars

> At some point or another, many of us feel the need to start up our own collections, and I think part of my desire to do

this came from the influence of my dad.

He's a collector of cars. They never stay for long, but he's owned more than 100 during his lifetime. Nothing is discriminated against - sports cars, vans, trucks, sedans, convertibles, — you name it, he's probably owned it or at least considered it.

While I've watched many cars come and go through our family garage over the years, it just might have helped me see

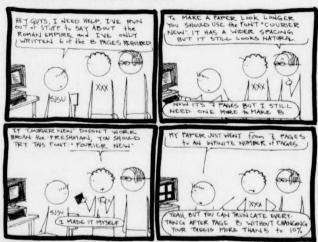
how much fun it can be to collect something.

So it might seem like just "stuff" or junk, and don't get me wrong — some of it is — but these things hold value that sometimes only I can and would appreciate.

I may be a pack rat, but I'm a happy pack rat.

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Spartans prepare for busy week

By Tammy Krikorian Daily Staff Writer

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From sugarcane to computer chips, the Spartan baseball team returned home to Silicon Valley from the University of Hawai'i Monday morn-ing with its first Western Athletic

SPARTAN BASEBALL ON DECK

Conference road win of the season. San Jose State University must now concentrate its efforts back to Blethen Field where it will face Saint Mary's College Wednesday in a game slated to start at 3 p.m. The Spartans defeated the Gaels 8-3 in a game played earlier this season in Morrey.

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Friday Sacramento State University heads to San Jose to kick off a threegame series beginning at 2:30 p.m. The series will continue at Hornet Field Saturday and Sunday in Sacramento.

Last season, SJSU defeated the Hornets in games played in both at home and on the road. This year, the Spartans – with a record of 21-23 over-

Spartans – with a record of 21-23 over-all and 17-7 on the road - confront a team that is 28-18 overall and 19-6 at

The Hornets will also have a busy week. After winning four of five games played against the University of Hawaii-Hilo during the weekend, Sac. State lost to the University of Arizona 21-13 Monday. They will also play Wednesday against the University of Hawaii

The Spartans' associate head coach Doug Thurman said the team will have to readjust from the artificial turf at Les Murakami Stadium to the real grass at

"Defensively it's a big adjustment because in Hawaii it's a much quicker surface," he said. "We'll have to work hard to get the ball in the glove." Thurman, who played at Sac. State on the 1990 and 1991 teams and began his coaching carreer with the Hoceans in

the 1990 and 1991 teams and began his coaching career with the Hornets in 1992, said Hornet Field will also pose challenges for the Spartans, as the wind changes from inning to inning.

"Sac. State has a field that the players can really get to know," he said. "(Home players) shift their swing geared to what the wind is doing. It's an offensive park—we'll have to bring our bats."

The Hornets' head coach John Smith said he is more concerned about how the hectic week will affect his pitching staff. On Monday, he said, he only had two pitchers ready for the game against Arizona and had to put in a third pitcher who had thrown on Saturday.

"I don't know that our pitching staff."

"I don't know that our pitching staff will be ready for the weekend," he said. "We'll probably have to go through at least two or three guys a game."

Smith said when preparing for a game he doesn't look at how the other team is doing.

doing.

"We have to play them as they come," he said. "The game is so dictated by the pitcher on the mound. If San Jose has their No. 1 pitching on Friday, they're at

an advantage because we won't."

Smith credited SJSU, saying that it has a good team with solid pitching and

nas a good team with solid pitching and good defense.
"We'll come to play, but I know we're up against a tough deal," he said.
Smith, who has been a coach and col-

Smith, who has been a coach and colleague of Thurman's, said he is looking forward to seeing him again.

"It should be fun," he said. "The good thing about this business is you get to see your friends and acquaintances, and once we've teed off and the game is over, we get to be friends again." over, we get to be friends again

Thurman is also anticipating the



Spartan pitcher Andy Cook earned his fifth save of the season against the University of Hawai'i Sunday in Honolulu. SJSU will host Saint Mary's College Wednesday for a scheduled 3 p.m. game at Blethen Field.

times, so it's old hat now," he said, adding, "But it's always good to see coach Smith. He's a mentor and a friend of mine. He's a competitor, and I'm sure the series will be good."
The Spartans have just returned from

"We've (faced each other) many a trip to Honolulu where they lost a

series against the University of Hawai'i 2-1, but brought home their first conference road win of the season. The teams WAC record now stands at 7-13. Thurman said, "We're not celebrating over one win, but it's nice to get the monkey off our back."

Mighty Ducks left seeing stars; still hold series advantage

ANAHEIM, (AP) — Somebody finally slowed down the Mighty Ducks.

Jere Lehtinen scored both Dallas goals, and Marty Turco stopped 31 shots Monday night as the Stars defeated Anaheim 2-1 Monday night in their Western Conference semifinal

The Ducks, who swept the Stanley Cup champion Detroit Red Wings in the first round, still hold a 2-1 edge

over Dallas in the best-of-seven series. Game 4 is Wednesday night in Anaheim. The series shifts to Dallas for Game 5 on Saturday.

for Game 5 on Saturday.

Lehtinen, who beat Jean-Sebastien
Giguere on a rebound in the opening
minutes of the game, snapped a 1-1 tie
when he deflected a shot by Derian
Hatcher past the Mighty Ducks goaltender on a power play at 3:41 of the
second period.

Hatcher fired a slap shot from the

right point, and Lehtinen, stationed just outside the crease, got his stick on the shot — and the puck slid between the goalie's legs.

The goal was the third of the playoffs and 20th of his career for Lehtinen, when the present the Salla Tookh or

who twice received the Selke Trophy as the NHL's top defensive forward. He scored a career-high 31 goals for the Stars during the regular season.

Giguere had 30 saves, and had no real chance to stop the two shots that got

The first two games of the series went into overtime. Anaheim won the opener 4-3 early in the fifth overtime, the fourth longest game in NHL history. The Ducks won Game 2 early in the first overtime, taking a 3-2 victory. In the first round, Anaheim won

twice in overtime.

After Lehtinen scored 2:24 in to give Dallas a quick lead, Steve Rucchin tied it on a power play at 16:09.

Baker comes back

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Dusty Baker tried his best not to be distracted with thoughts of returning to Pacific Bell Park and doing his job from the

other dugout.

He couldn't help it.

He struggled to fall asleep some nights last week — sometimes, when he finally did, he woke up in the middle of the night thinking about the

upcoming trip.

There's no question the Chicago
Cubs' manager will be emotional during his team's three-game series against
the San Francisco Giants that begins tonight. And so will the Giants.

Baker's family will be in the stands as

Baker's family will be in the stands as he faces his former team, the team he led to the World Series just last year. His old supporters, many heartbroken by his departure, will face mixed emotions seeing Baker and his trademark toothpick and friendly demeanor wearing blue and leading a new team. His former players might even be a little torn.

"It woke me up one night and I was upset with myself for letting it wake me up, because we have work to do," said Baker, who has the Cubs in first place in the NL Central and is generating hope for a franchise that has made the playoffs only three times since 1945.

Baker, a three-time NL Manager of the Year, isn't sure what kind of reception he'll receive.

tion he'll receive.

"I don't know. I don't think about it really," he said. "Either way I've got a job to do and I'm there on a business trip, even though I live there.

"I'll get to go to my house. I'll get to take the same route to the ballpask\$that I used to take. I'll probably go by the bank, grocery store, the laundry, see people I used to know. That's going to be strange to go in that back way instead of driving around to the players' lot like I used to."

Baker is still hurt by how things ended.

Not even a World Series trip was enough to patch up the problems between Baker and Giants owner Peter

Magowan.

He became the first manager in near ly three decades to leave a team right after reaching the World Series. Dick Williams led Oakland to the 1973

Williams led Oakland to the 1973 championship and then retired — he was hired by the California Angels during the 1974 season.

Baker's differences with Magowan simmered all season, mainly over who deserved the most credit for the franchise's success. It even came up during the Giants' seven-game loss to the Anaheim Angels in the Series.

Baker was credited by many observers.

Baker was credited by many observers for his ability to handle a difficult club-house that included feuding stars Barry Bonds and Jeff Kent, who's now in Houston.

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SJSU singer wins competition

CORRECTION

A Spartan Daily article that appeared Monday under the headline "SJSU stu-dent wins Bay Area vocal competition," the winner of the competition was misrep-resented. The interview with singer Rena Wilson that appeared in Monday's edition of the Daily was actually conducted with another contestant and mistakenly attributed to Wilson. The corrected story includ-ing an interview with Wilson appears below. The Daily regrets the error.

By Wendy Lopez Daily Staff Writer

San Jose State University student Rena Wilson is this year's Vocal Awards Competition grand-prize winner, taking away \$400 from the vocal contest held on Friday in the

Music building.
"I am not sure how I am going to spend the money," Wilson said. "I may put it into my savings for a summer

music program."
Wilson said winning the competition surprised her because she had a bad start to her day early Friday

morning.
"I felt pretty confident going into the competition even though I had a bad morning that day," Wilson said. "I wanted to walk into the competition with a good start."

The Vocal Awards Competition is one of three events where Wilson, a sophomore majoring in youal per-

sophomore majoring in vocal per-formance, said she has won first place.

"(Before the competition), I was debating on whether or not I should change my major and winning this performance encouraged me to continue singing," Wilson said.

Going onstage and pretending to sing for her best friends is how Wilson said she approaches performing.
"When I go in front of an audience, I assume everyone is my best friend," Wilson said. "I feel comfortable and confident walking onto a stage when I

know my friends are in the audience.

Argo Gherardi, president of the San Jose Opera Guild, said he would like to see a larger audience in upcoming

"It would be nice to see more stu-

dents and San Jose Guild members attend more events," he said. Roughly 15 people attended the

Wilson said performing at Max's Opera Café in Palo Alto has helped

Opera Café in Palo Alto has helped her gain performing experience. Singing at the café is a chance to sing in an intimate environment, she said. "My parents encouraged music and dance at the age of 5 because they thought the arts were extremely important," Wilson said. "They are very supportive and encouraging."

By the age of 8, Wilson said she was earning money performing on a

earning money performing on a Wednesday through Sunday nightly

"In a way, I am a singing veteran," Wilson said.

The competition was open to full-time students in the Bay Area who are pursuing opera careers, said professor Erie Mills from the school of music

and dance. The majority of the students came from SJSU and two students from De Anza College, she said.

Gherardi said that in the past, there have been problems with part-time students not part of a musical program who wanted to compete. This year there was a stronger focus to encour there was a stronger focus to encourage Bay Area full-time students who were enrolled in musical programs to participate, he said.

"Out of the three mandatory pieces the performers were to have prepared, one musical piece was to be written by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart," Mills said. "The musical selections must have also been in two different lan-

guages,"
Wilson said she chose to sing selections in Italian, English and German.
The German piece, "Bester Jungling"
was composed by Mozart and was the most difficult piece to perform, she

"The song in German was hard

the song more intense and technically challenging," Wilson said. "I love singing in German, even if it is hard to sing the language."

Gherardi said the artistic Mozart

Gherardi said the artistic Mozart requirement is a musical standard highly valued by musicians.

"Many opera singers have to sing in a variety of languages," Gherardi said.
"Singers performing in different languages have to train their voices to reach a variety of vocal ranges."

The vocal range and the ability to articulate a language affects the

articulate a language affects the singer's ability to perform well, he said.

Wilson said songs written in

Wilson said songs written in English are her favorite to perform.
"Tlike singing in English to an audience who understands the language,"
Wilson said. "They respond to a song."

Judges evaluated how well a per-former could pronounce a language and also looked for clarity, according to the school of music and dance Singers were also rated in categories such as posture, manner, breathing pattern and evenness of musical tone. Wilson said her body movements

whison said her body movements while performing flow naturally with the rhythm of a song.

Gherardi said Erie Mills selected professional judges rather than non-professional judges to evaluate the performers. Audience listeners not trained to bear musicianship quality.

performers. Audience listeners not trained to hear musicianship quality tend to favor pleasing voices, he said.
"Professional judges can fully understand a singer's weaknesses and strengths whereas a nonprofessional judge can be very subjective," Gherardi said.

Wilson said she would like to become part of a program for young opera singers where she hopes an opera company will find her.
"If trained for classical opera, a per-

son can use their voice properly, focus-ing on technique," Wilson said. "Being able to sing in opera is having the ability to sing any kind of music."

according to cemetery staff.

The Marine known as "Ahn" by family and friends, from Waterbury, Conn., was the 16th servicemember from the Iraqi war to be buried there. And his family is sure that is what he would have wanted.

"If he knew that he would pass away, and if he had a choice — (this) is his choice, I know that," his mother, Tan Patchem, said after the serv-

ART | Pieces range from \$1 to \$700 continued from page 1

times the amount they cost at the sale, he said.

Caitlin Kniazewycz, a sophomore majoring in interior design, said she works in a store that sells house

wares similar to the pieces at the sale.

"Some of the stuff here is more attractive than what we sell. I'd rather have this (than items from the store)," she said as she picked up a glass plate marked at \$15. "I'm so tempted"

"See that vase?" she said, pointing at a blue glass piece. "We would probably sell that for about \$150." The vase was priced at \$25

The prices are very reasonable, said Dorothy Poole, quality director for administration and finance at SJSU. She bought a planter for her "greenthumbed" husband, and a vase for "I can't tell you why I like it," Poole

said of the earth-toned ceramic vase. "I just do. The texture and colors are unique. I don't think I'll be finding

something like that again."
Other pieces range from teapots, mugs and paperweights to glass strawberries and a blue piglet.
Many people stopped to admire the colorful glass flowers strewn on the tables

Margarita Miller, a visitor from Texas, bought a blue one.

"It will perfectly fit my other decoy vase in my living room," she said.

Kniazewycz also liked the flowers and their \$15 price tag, musing she could get one for her mother.

"As an art student, I really appreciate the effort," Kniazewycz said of the works. "I think it's really cool that they do this. There are just some really gorgeous things." really gorgeous things.

The pottery sale is put on by the SJSU ceramics guild in the fall and spring semesters each year and its proceeds benefit the guild.

The white tent that protected the

sale from the elements on Monday was recently bought by guild stu-dents with money earned from past sales, Welsh said.

However, the threatening cloud cover didn't dampen the first day of the sale.

"We have a window," Welsh said of the break in the rain. "We'll be here rain or shine.'

The sale runs today and Wednesday 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Monday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Cash and checks are accepted.

Photo By Vicki Thompson / Daily Staff Caitlin Kniazewycz, a sophomore interior design major, picked out pieces of student art to buy at the student pottery sale.









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Connecticut Marine buried in rare Buddhist funeral

ARLINGTON, Va. (AP) — Surrounded by Marines in crisp blue uniforms, Buddhist monks in flowing orange robes prayed over the casket of Cpl. Kemaphoom Chanawongse Monday at Arlington National Cemetery.

Chanawongse, 22, was honored in a rare Buddhist prayer service at the cemetery, a ceremony that celebrated his life and the sacrifice he made in dying last month in a firefight in Iraq. "Brothers and sisters take

Kemaphoom Chanawongse as our teacher today," said Dr. Chuen Phangcham, president emeritus of the Buddhist Council of the Midwest, shortly after the echoes of the three rifle volleys and Taps faded away. "He is teaching us about life and the law of impermanence to remind us to be mindful in our daily life practice from moment to moment.

The mingling of military and Buddhist honors has been done before at Arlington, although this

was the first in recent memory,

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achievers who would power the Silicon Valley of tomorrow as he introduced each of the deans from the different undergraduate colleges.

The deans of the colleges presented the award winners to President Caret to be honored.

to be honored. Lavonne Simpson, the special

coordinator with the provost's office, who has served on the honors planning committee for 20 years and was committee chair for four years, said the planning committee is very ded-icated to acknowledging hardwork-

ing students.

"We are thrilled by the students' accomplishments. We have approximately 30 members on the planning committee," Simpson said. "All of the deans offices are very active. We have averal student organizations have several student organizations

participating as ushers such as Alpha Phi Omega." She said students from the SJSU

Pep Squad and service organizations serve by running the enrollment services and as ushers.

Kevin Johnson, a president's scholar for the last two years, is a creative arts major who works full time at the printing graphics department as a graduating senior.

"It's a great honor and nice to be recognized," Johnson said. His talents are interdisciplinary that span across writing and film-

"Do something you have a passion for and good grades just follow," Johnson said.

Aveline and Felipe Subringsubring and Jun Reyes, along with a group of friends, attended to see Maria Avefil Reyes, a nursing student, receive

honors for maintaining a 4.0 GPA for the last several semesters. "I love nursing, I believe in being a good nurse," Reyes said. "I just passed the boards, and I work at the Santa Clara Kaiser Permanente in medical surgery."

Donna Phan, a nursing student, carried a bouquet of white roses as a special reward for earning a 3.79

"I believe special support and in the support that I have from my mom and brothers who are here," Pham said. "I wouldn't have been able to

make it so far." Sheila Bienenfeld, a professor of psychology, said it is important to take the time to recognize what it takes to succeed.

"Support is important to have to chieve," Bienenfeld said.

Pamela Stacks, professor and chair

of the chemistry department, said it also takes more than the support of

family or friends as well.
"It takes hard work on the part of

the student, and internal drive," Stacks said. "It is quite a feat to bal-

ance all of the things they do."
The President's Scholars list

includes undergraduate students who have a GPA of 4.0 for at least two

contiguous semesters of the three semesters prior to the convocation. The Dean's Scholars are undergrad-

uate students who have earned a 3.65 or higher GPA at SJSU in at least

two contiguous semesters of the three

semesters prior to the convocation.
Three honor societies, Phi Kappa
Phi, Sigma Xi and Phi Beta Kappa
Paculty Club introduced the first
Honors Convocation in 1962 to rec-

ognize and encourage superior academic achievement at SJSU.

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They are self-sufficient," he said. Pointing out a man who maneuvered a cow to dig the land in a slide, Gonzalez said, "You might think, 'Oh, poor guy. He is stuck in the 17th cen-

However, they are not backward or primitive, rather this is their way of life, said.

He acknowledged the Zapotec culture does not maintain so-called industrialized technology like America does. He said their thousand-year old agricultural technology is natural and

makes better tasting crops.

He said, "That corn was the best I have ever tasted." Gonzalez said there is also a solid

political structure performed by the Zapotec people.

He said they run a well-functioning

governmental system and do not rely on the Mexican federal government. Young adults are drafted to be poli-cia to detect crimes and thefts in their surrounding communities, Gonzalez

Every resident of Talea, male or female, participates in politics, either directly or indirectly. There are about 85 million people in

Mexico, Gonzalez said. 10 percent to 15 percent of them are bilingual, which means 12 million to 16 million people have capabilities to speak different languages, he said.

Out of the 57 languages spoken in Mexico, four are Zapotec dialects. Gonzalez said the culture has demo-

cratic aspects such as voting in the

process of decision-making.

The social function of "Gozona," a reciprocal exchange, is prominent, he

Their relationships heavily rely on a sense of sharing, Gonzalez said.

sense of sharing, Gonzalez said.
For help in harvesting crops, he said "Gozona," is beneficial.
Gonzalez said fiesta, or the communal festivity, also allows different groups to trade goods and gives them a chance to socialize.

Jonathan Karpf, a biological anthro-pologist and lecturer at SJSU, said he

pologist and lecturer at 3350, said he enjoyed Gonzalez's seminar.

Karpf agreed that most indigenous people of Mexico are mistreated by the ethnocentrically-biased media.

The media "devalues their existences" he said

he said.

By learning about these ethnic groups, students and professors can learn how to solve common human problems such as what foods sume and how to rear their children.

They don't have problems we are facing such as obesity and breast can-cer," he said.

Guadalupe Ramirez, a senior major-ing in mechanical engineering, said he hopes this event will make SJSU students aware of what Cinco de Mayo

really means in the community.
"It helps explore Mexican culture," said Ramirez, a member of the Gamma Zeta Alpha fraternity.

Edgar Avila, a junior majoring in business management, said Gonzalez's presentation inspired him. This sort of event is a "great opportunity for SJSU students to come and learn," he said.

WHO says SARS contained in Vietnam, has peaked in other countries, but spreading in China

BANGKOK, Thailand (AP) — The World Health Organization said some in China. World Health Organization said Monday the worst of the SARS outbreak appears to be over in Singapore, Hong Kong and Canada, while Vietnam has become the first country to contain the highly infectious respi-

to contain the highly infectious respiratory disease.

SARS is spreading in China even as the government takes increasingly aggressive steps to halt the disease, said David Heymann, the chief of communicable diseases for WHO.

Heymann, who is in Bangkok to attend an emergency summit on SARS of Southeast Asian leaders

"In China, as you know, we are receiving more and more reports of cases and it doesn't appear it has peaked as far as spread" of the disease concerned, Heymann told

reporters.

Hong Kong, Singapore, and
Toronto are having fewer cases every day and Vietnam has reported no new SARS victims, the WHO said.

"It appears that the outbreak has peaked in those countries," Heymann

Heymann also said wearing a mask

in public for protection against SARS is not necessary, and the risk of get-ting the illness was not as great as people believed.
"SARS is not transmitted when you

are walking down the street," Heymann said. "We have concerns about the perceived risks of people living in Asia. The perception that these

people have in many places appears to be greater than the actual risk." There were eight new fatalities in China, five in Hong Kong and one in Singapore reported Monday, raising the worldwide death toll for severe acute respiratory syndrome to at least

333, mostly in China and Hong Kong. It has sickened around 5,000

India reported two new SARS cases Monday, raising the number of cases in the country of 1 billion to nine so far. One of the cases was a taxi driver apparently infected by members of a family with SAPS nily with SARS.

Asian governments kept up the fight with quarantines and travel restrictions. Taiwan began enforcing a 10-day quarantine for visitors arriving from areas hit hard by SARS. prompting airlines to cancel some flights there.

U.S. military presence to be reduced in Persian Gulf region

DOHA, Qatar (AP) — The United States plans to reduce its military pres-ence in the Persian Gulf region now that Saddam Hussein is gone, Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld said

Also, Gen. Tommy Franks, commander of U.S. forces in the region, has decided to move an American air operations center from Saudi Arabia to neighboring Qatar, officials said. Saudi officials have been edgy about

having U.S. troops on their soil since the 1991 Persian Gulf War, to the point of seeking to avoid news reports that the United States commanded the air war over Iraq from the center at the Saudis' Prince Sultan air base.

Rumsfeld is touring the region this week to talk over prospects with American allies before making final decisions. He met Monday with Qatar's leader, Sheik Hamad bin Khalifa Al Thani, who allowed the U.S. headquarters for the war to be built near here. "Iraq was a threat in the region, and because that threat will be gone, we also will be able to rearrange our forces, Rumsfeld said after meeting with Thani and Australian Defense Minister Robert Hill.

The presence of thousands of American soldiers in Saudi Arabia, the land of Islam's two holiest shrines, has enraged some militant Muslims. It is among the reasons given by Osama bin Laden, a Saudi-born fugitive who heads the al-Qaida terror network, for his hatred of the United States.

American officials said Franks has decided to move the air operations center to the al-Udeid air base in Qatar, which after recent upgrades has the necessary facilities and equipment. The number of U.S. military personnel at the air center would also be reduced, though by how many is unclear, officials

Final U.S. soldier missing in Iraq confimed dead

LOS FRESNOS, Texas (AP) -Army Spc. Edward John Anguiano, the last U.S. soldier missing in Iraq, was found dead, family members and the Pentagon said Monday.

Anguiano, 24, disappeared after his convoy was attacked March 23 near Nasiriyah in southern Iraq. Anguiano's grandfather and an aunt said military officials notified the family late

"What we heard is that he was ambushed," said Vicente Anguiano Sr., 72. "They found his truck, the one he drove, and it had been stripped — tires and everything. They found a body near the truck

Officials used DNA tests to confirm the remains were Anguiano, the grand-

father said. He did not know when the body was found but believed Edward Anguiano was killed during the initial ambush.

Anguiano's family members gathered in this south Texas town over the Easter weekend and held out hope he would return soon. The soldier's mother "is very sad. She was not expecting him to be found dead," said the soldier's aunt, Maria Anguiano.
Anguiano was in the 3rd Infantry

Combat Support Battalion out of Fort Stewart, Ga. He was traveling with the 507th Maintenance Company, a unit from Fort Bliss in El Paso, when it was attacked. Nine soldiers were killed and six, all with the 507th, were taken pris-

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Chicano graduation celebration

By Veronica Mendoza Daily Staff Writer

It was a night of singing, laughing and celebrating at Club Miami in downtown San Jose, as the Chicano Commencement graduates raised money for their organization

The show was the last of three big The show was the last of three big events that the San Jose State University graduates organized to raise money for their commencement.

Adrian Espinosa said the first big event was a comedy show and the second was a club party.

"The appeal to this one is that it's a variety," Espinosa said.

Espinosa said the group's total goal is to raise about \$25,000 for their commencement ceremony that will take

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The night kicked off with a dance performance by Grupo Folklorico Luna y Sol de San Jose State.

It was the group's first performance, and Judy Carlos, the group's co-chair, expressed that some of the members were a little nervous before their big

were a little nervous before their big debut.

"We were feeling so many different things at one time before the performance," Carlos said. "We were a little scared, a little nervous, a little happy and excited — a little of everything."

The group's first dance was "Las Olas" which was performed by four of the six female members of the dance group.

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The males later stepped in to dance the last three dances, "Machetes," "La Negra" and "Jarabe Tapatio."

As the men stomped on the ground to the beat and the women waved their colorful skirts back and forth as they danced, a male audience member could be heard in the background yelling, "Que viva Mexico."

SJSU student, Sonia Vargas, a senior majoring in sociology, said she thought

majoring in sociology, said she thought the dancers did well, especially considering the fact that it was their very first performance.

"It was good," Vargas said. "I think they did a really good job."

During an intermission period the other co-chair for Chicano Commencement, Natalia Galvan, gave away Chicano Commencement Toshirts to people who had a \$2 bill, a Bank of America Visa card and to someone whose cell phone played a musical beat.

Jolisa Espinoza, co-chair for recruit-ment and publicity, then introduced comedian Manny Maldonado.



Photos by Loretta Gibson / Daily Staff

Grupo Folklorico Luna y Sol de San Jose State performed Thursday evening at Club Miami/Emma's Bar & Patio for the Fiesta Estilo Chicano Commencement.

Maldonado, a comedian who has performed on BET and the comedy show "Que Locos," got a few laughs from the audience as he joked about Mexican families.

He commented on how his mother was a tough woman who beat him with her sandal or a tortilla, or whatever she saw in sight if he ever got in

He also talked about his experiences as a child growing up in a Mexican household.

"As a kid we didn't have a pool, we just had a damn sprinkler," Maldonado

Some audience members clapped as he reminisced about the sprinklers and said he was glad to hear that his family wasn't the only one that did this.

Maldonado even made a few comments about freestyle singer Angelina, who also performed at the event, by saying he attended all of her performances at the car shows in San Jose. Patricia Rodriguez, a sophomor

majoring in biochemistry, said she liked Maldonado's performance. "He was funny," Rodriguez said. "He

After the comedic performance local Bay Area artists Christina Marie and

Sharyn Maceren performed.

Christina Marie got claps and yells from the audience as she started off singing "Turning Away" a cappella.

Christina Marie is part Mexican and said she was happy, a perform for the said she was happy to perform for the

"I want to help out as much as I can,"
Christina Marie said.
Sharyn Maceren sang, "Hard to Get"
and congratulated the class of 2003.
The class of 2003 Chicano
Commencement headed to the front

of the stage when singer Angelina of Upstairs Records sang some of her hit songs like, "The Tide is High," "Mambo" and "Release Me."

Angelina, who is originally from San ose and attended Santa Clara University, thanked the co-chairs of the organization, Espinosa and Galvan, and said she was happy to help

"I'm jealous, I want to be in college again," Angelina said. "This is defi-nitely a good cause — this is your Chicano Commencement."



Grupo Folklorico Luna y Sol de San Jose State made their debut last Thursday at Emma's Bar and Patio for the Fiesto Estilo

Winning over music industry, Apple launches online service

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Apple Computer Inc. launched a commercial music service Monday that will offer more than 200,000 songs at 99 cents a download, winning over music industry leaders who have long shupped online file share. have long shunned online file shar-

The iTunes Music Store announced by Apple CEO Steve Jobs draws from all five major labels and includes some big-name artists who previously denounced online distribution.

Unlike its competitors, the service has virtually no copy-protection — a major concession to consumer demand.

Apple lets customers keep songs indefinitely, share them on as many as three Macintosh computers and transfer them to any number of iPod portable music players. No subscrip-tions are necessary and buyers can burn unlimited copies of the songs

onto CDs.

Doug Morris, the chairman and CEO of Universal Music Group who attended Monday's launch, called it "a defining moment in the music busi-

ness.

By allowing people to do pretty much as they please with their digital copies, Apple and the music industry are acknowledging that, due to digital technology, online file-swapping can't

"You can't stop piracy, so you have to work with technology, and you have to get into the rhythm of it. That's what Apple has done here," said the musician Seal, who was at the announcement.

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Even Hillary Rosen, who as CEO of the Recording Industry Association of America (RIAA) has led the fight against Napster and its free online music-swapping successors, called Apple's new service "cool, cutting edge" in a statement.

"It's not stealing anymore. It's good karma," said Jobs, asserting that other industry-backed services subscription-based models treat music fans as "criminals" with extra fees and restrictions.

restrictions.

Music Store already includes music by Bob Dylan, U2, Eminem, Sheryl Crow, Sting and other artists previously wary about music downloads. Initially, Music Store only works on Maciente Company and the state of the company of the state of the

Macintosh computers, but by year's end, Apple plans to make it compatible with devices using the nearly ubiquitous Microsoft Windows platform — as it did for the iPod.

The venture comes two years after Apple angered the recording industry with its "Rip. Mix. Burn" ad campaign, which opponents said promoted music piracy.

Longtime Big Bird performer steps outside the feathery suit

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The man behind Big Bird is unmasking to tell fans — like the show's theme song says — how he got, how he got to "Sesame Street."

Caroll Spinney, 69, who has por-trayed the lofty lemon-feathered pup-pet for 34 years on the children's pub-lic television show, chronicles his rise to bird-dom Tuesday in a new autobi-ography, "The Wisdom of Big Bird."
He said he was reluctant to step out-side the costume, but after 34 years he

figured older fans would be interested in hearing about the behind-thescenes history of the show.
"For years I've kind of hidden from

the public because I've seen disap-pointed kids," Spinney said in a phone interview from his Connecticut home. Some friends once introduced him to a 9-year-old neighbor who was a

big fan. "He comes running in, ... and said 'Wow, where's Big Bird?" he recalled. "And they said, 'Well, this is the fellow who's in it.' He looked at me and you've never seen such a crest-

fallen face."
As far as Spinney is concerned, kids can keep imagining Big Bird is

The book describes how Spinney and the show's producers, which included the late "Muppets" creator Jim Henson, eventually changed the feathered character from a bumbling doofus into a wide-eyed innocent. Spinney, who also performs the

Show's green garbage-can dweller, Oscar the Grouch, and said that character's scratchy voice was inspired by a foul-mouthed cab driver from the Bronx.

Portraying such opposite characters on "Sesame Street," Spinney said, lets him showcase the happy and cantankerous elements of his

and cantankerous elements of his own personality.
"Some people have asked which am I most like, Big Bird or Oscar?"
Spinney said. "And my wife says mostly I'm like Big Bird. But if anything can get me sounding like Oscar, it's frustrating drivers."

CD REVIEW: Material girl can't shed past



Madonna American Life Warner Bros. Records

She's cutting edge, self-evolving and charismatic — she's Madonna.

She revolutionized the music industry with her unique, affluent musical soul by pushing the envelope and testing the censorship of the music business.

Her last album, "Music," was her first U.S. No. 1 album since 1989's "Like A Prayer," but critics remain bleak of the results of her recent

bleak of the results of her recent album, "American Life."

"American Life" stirred great con-troversy, resulting in Madonna's delayed and revised music video

The original video had a fashion The original video had a fashion runway with models parading around half-dressed in military attire with exploding missiles and war themes flashing in the backdrop. Toward the end, a couple of children in Middle Eastern wardrobe walked the runway as Madonna made a grand entrance on top of a military camouflaged Mini top of a military camouflaged Mini Cooper, and then tossed a fake grenade at a President George Bush look-alike. Amidst the nation's crisis during

Operation Iraqi Freedom, this video accompanied by the political lyrics is indeed controversial.

In contrast to the upbeat trance-like composition "Music," the theme of "American Life" revolves around alfadisoryery. self-discovery, love, religion and American values from a superficial and materialistic point of view. Ironically, Madonna who was nicknamed the "Material Girl"

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makes a self-realization of living a superficial life and admits in her song "American Life" that she has "a lawyer and a manager/ An agent and a chef/ Three nannies, an assistant/ And a driver and a jet.../ Do you think I'm satisfied?.../ I'm just living out the American dream/ And I just realized that nothing/ Is what it seems."

Other songs on the album such as "Mother and Father," "Hollywood" and "Tm So Stupid" go into the depths of her self-realization and her emotions as a motherless child and a rock star, and how she was tempted and consumed by superfi-cial ideas.

Most of the songs are upbeat with gloomy lyrics, complemented with acoustic instruments. The rest of the album has an electronica and trancelike style with her voice modified in a robotic staccato rhythm in songs such as "Nothing Fails" and "Die Another Day" from the MGM motion picture "Die Another Day," the latest James Bond flick.

The album is creative, political and open to different interpretation. However, listeners might not buy this new image of Madonna's selfrealization because of her multi-mil lion dollar assets, her constant chameleon image and behavior and her extensive years living in her self-

Although the rhythm and beats are danceable and soothing, the contra-dictory lyrics are hard to believe, especially from someone with a high

profile like Madonna, who is living and consuming the American life. She still isn't satisfied.

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