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# **Cardinal blank** Spartans, 3-0

Daily Executive Editor

On an unusually cold May night, the San Jose State University base-ball team dropped a 3-0 decision to No. 7 Stanford University on Tuesday at Municipal Stadium.

Stanford jumped out to a 1-0 lead in the top of the first inning on a single by right fielder Carlos Quentin that drove in center fielder Sam Fuld.

Spartan starting pitcher Jose Amaya gave up the run and was replaced in the third inning by left-

hander Kevin Shull.
Stanford starting pitcher Tim
Cunningham lasted two innings in
what he called his best outing since returning from an injury that cut his 2002 season short by a month-and-

a-half.
Shull carried the Spartans (22-26 overall, 7-13 Western Athletic Conference) through the third and fourth innings and limited the Cardinal to two hits. He was replaced in the fifth by right-handed pitcher Carlos Torres. Torres then took the Cardinal (32-14 overall)

down in order in the top of the fifth. The Spartans' only offensive threat

came in the fourth inning when Cardinal pitcher Mark Jecman came on in relief of Cunningham.

Jecman got Spartan second baseman David Pierson to fly out to left field to lead off the inning. Third baseman Kevin Frandsen then reached base on the second error of the game by Cardinal shortstop Tobin Swope.
Frandsen advanced to second on a

wild pitch by Jecman, who subsequently walked Spartan first base-



pitcher Mark Jecmen, as he and his fraternity brothers from Sigma Pi watch Tuesday's base ball game against the Cardinal.

King grounded to Quick and was thrown out at first to end the threat.

Quentin.

Danny Putnam singled to right field to move Quentin to third base.

Designated hitter Chris Carter then singled to bring home Quentin

and advance Putnam to third.

That brought up Cardinal second baseman Jed Lowrie, who grounded to second base where Carter was forced out for the first out of the

by Frandsen but, once again, the Spartans were unable to score.



Isaiah Gordon III boos at Stanford

man Jordan Bergstrom. Spartan catcher Nick Guerra was then hit by a pitch to load the bases. Stanford head coach Mark Marquess then pulled Jecman in favor of right-hander Kodiak Quick. Spartan des-ignated hitter Aaron Bates came up and popped out, which brought up right fielder Markum King with the bases still loaded and two down.

In the top of the seventh, Torres hit the first batter, the Cardinal's

inning. Carter's threat brought home Putnam to give Stanford a 3-0 lead. For SJSU, Pierson reached third base in the eighth inning on a single



JaShong King / Daily Staff

Members of the San Jose State University baseball team sit on the sidelines as they watch a Stanford University hitter take a swing during Tuesday's game against the Cardinal. The Spartans lost to the Cardinal 3-0.

The Spartans again went quietly in the bottom on the ninth to break their streak of 144 games without

pleased with his team's performance.
"It was a well-played game, the pitching did a good job on both sides," he said.

being shut out. Stanford head coach Marquess was

Marquess also complimented solid pitching on both sides of the field, "On the whole, it was a well-pitched game by both teams.

Thurman was happy with the effort from his pitchers and said his team could be happy it limited Stanford to

three runs.
"We had an outstanding day pitch-

ing. Stanford just came off a series where they scored a lot of runs," he said. "Any time you keep Stanford to three runs it's a good day."

Thurman said his pitchers were solid just as he hoped.

"Our guys came out aggressive in the zone. That's what you have to do against Stanford."

Spartan starting pitcher Jose Amaya took the loss, which dropped his record to 3-4

The winning pitcher was Stanford's Tim Cunningham who finished the game with a 2-2 record.

The Spartans had lost an earlier

decision to Stanford, 4-2, on April

## Some say stress may have its place

**By Carrie Mattingly** Daily Staff Writer

Sponsored by the Prevention Sponsored by the Prevention Education Program, San Jose State University Counseling Services presented "Alcohol and Stress: The Connection," a hands-on activities event, Tuesday in the Guadalupe room in the Student Union.

The discussion, led by SJSU counselors Kell Fujimoto and Ellen Lin

Followed the presentation of "How to Help a Friend with an Alcohol Problem?" held one week ago.

"This is the time of year people have this misconception that with stress, alcohol will solve it or make it better,"

At the request of Fujimoto, a small group of students gathered in a circle for a demonstration on stress. Taking a small stress ball resembling Earth, Fujimoto instructed each person to call out the name of the person stand-ing across from him or her while they tossed the ball.

Near the end of each rotation, Fujimoto added another object to the circle, progressively having the objects hurled faster than the last.

Swift movements came from the participants' arms while their smiles participants arms while their smiles turned to laughs. The exercise halted as the last object propelled, hit the ground, fumbled by Fujimoto. After the attendees' took their seats,

Fujimoto asked people to share their reactions and feelings felt during the demonstration. Some people said they experienced feelings of confusion and an accelerated heart rate because of the stress provided in the exercise.

Fuilmoto said there is a biological and psychological process that takes place during stressful situations.

"Part of the reason why we had you do this activity was to show you how

stress can really affect your thinking, Fujimoto said.

Leading the discussion in identify-ing stress, Fujimoto addressed the questions, "Why do we need stress?" "Can stress be good for you?" and

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## SJSU professor discussed Russian intelligence, philosophies

By Rebecca Villaneda Daily Staff Writer

Studying the history of Russia and its language since the age of 16, a San Jose State University professor brought his knowledge to the Pacifica room in the Student Union

on Tuesday.

The lecture, given by Professor Richard Staar, focused on the Russian Intelligence Service, formerly known as the Committee for State Security and now the Federal Security Bureau, or FSB. The bureau is equal to the United States' CIA and FBI. The difference, Staar said, is that Russia combines its foreign and that Russia combines its foreign and

domestic services.

When an audience member asked what the biggest change has been since the name change, Staar said the intelligence service has much more

"They never have had it so good," he said. "They have a friend

That friend, Staar said, is Vladimir

That friend, Staar said, is Vladimir Putin, who was named president of Russia after Boris Yeltsin resigned in 1999. Putin was in charge of the intelligence service when he was appointed in July 1998. Soon after, Putin became the prime minister of Russia in August 1999.

Staar said the bureau has several jobs; to expose and investigate politicals.

jobs: to expose and investigate politi-cal crime such as embezzlement, protect state secrets, supervise mass mur-ders, keep tabs on Russians that are abroad and to recruit new members.

"Recruiting is probably the hardest job the FSB has," Staar said. "Young people are just not interested in this as a career.

Also, the bureau does not accept women as members because it thinks they are too fragile for work of this kind, Staar said, quoting Russian members of the intelligence service.
Staar said the bureau's main enemy is the United States

dollars worth of weapons to Iraq and did not support the war, Staar said.

"That is a big reason they are unhappy," he said. "Iraq was a big source of their oil." Michael Conniff, director of Global Studies Institute, said he was sur-prised that the United States was Russia's No. 1 enemy.

"I thought it might be an internal enemy that may have been more important," Conniff said. "I was also surprised with the harshness and dis-

cipline of the FSB. said he liked how Conniff portrayed the organization and com-pared it to the United States' services branch. The United States' intelligence service separates into several agencies, not leaving much room for corruption and abuse like Russia's.

Staar admitted he might be over-simplifying that the bureau takes

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## Victim identified in fatal downtown shooting; investigation continues

Daily Staff Writer

The San Jose Police Department is currently investigating the fatal shoot-ing of a 23-year- old Livermore man in downtown San Jose on Sunday.

According to information provided by San Jose Police, Homero Campos was the man killed by Metro Officer Joseph Fleming. Campos had a felony warrant for his arrest and was trying to flee after being pulled over by SJPD horse-mounted officer Minh Phan. "(Campos) was pulled over for

officer Sgt. Steve Dixon.

According to information provided by the department, the suspect was being handcuffed by Officer Courtney. Adamo while Phan was writing a tick

et. Campos then broke free of Adamo's grasp and jumped into a Lincoln Town Car. Adamo, who tried to detain Campos, was dragged back toward the

Fleming, who had come from another traffic stop, then attempted to stop Campos from fleeing. "(Campos) then ran over Fleming's left foot," Dixon said. "(Fleming) was

the officer who came over to assist with Campos.

Fleming, according to the informa-tion provided, was nearly pinned against a white Volkswagen when he which struck Campos in the chest. Police said Sunday the officer was pinned but now say he was "nearly"



San Jose Police Department investigators examine evidence on the ground near the scene of an officer-involved shooting Sunday afternoon on East Santa Clara Street between Second and Third streets. The incident occurred after officers shot a suspect that attempted to escape in a vehicle after a traffic stop.

apparently shouted at Campos to stop. When Fleming's request was denied, two shots were fired, one or both of

According to SJPD detective Sgt. Ed Bettencourt, the investigation regarding the shooting is being conducted by Sgt. Rob Millard of the SJPD homicide unit.

# Blood drive targets previous donors

By Daniel Hartman Daily Staff Writer

San Jose State University students made a fist and took on the needle today for a good cause.

With nurses on hand to draw blood,

with nurses on hand to draw blood, the Stanford Blood Center van was stationed between the ATMs and the Student Union on Tuesday.

"We come (to SJSU) two times a year," said head nurse Rita Keefe. "We always need blood, and usually we get always 140 donors per vieit."

about 40 donors per visit."

Keefe said the blood that her organization receives is distributed between five different hospitals.

According to licensed vocational nurse Terry Cui, blood is supplied to the Lucile Salter Packard Children's the Lucile Satter Fackard Childrens Center, Stanford Hospital, O'Connor Hospital, El Camino Hospital and Palo Alto Veteran's Association. Cui said her organization is always

looking for more donors willing to give a portion of their blood to save the life of someone else. "I don't mind (giving blood) because

it is helping other people that need it more than me," said Jon Bonk, a junior meteorology major.

Keefe said the blood is used every

day for transplants, surgeries and is useful when priming machines designed to supply victims of various accidents who need a transfusion.

"We target mainly people who have donated before by giving them calls over the phone or by e-mail," Keefe Some students thought Keefe's

approach was lacking.
"(The Stanford Blood Center) needs to publicize further ahead of time in order to let more people know about the blood drive," said Rebecca Waddington, a junior meteorology

major.
Other students said they were happy

to contribute. to contribute.
"It is important for me to give blood because there are many people in heart or organ surgery who lose lots of blood and need that of other people to keep them alive," said junior nursing student Krisztina Toth.

Toth said her son recently had sur-

gery and needed to receive a certain type of blood. Stanford Blood Center media and press relations spokeswoman Michelle Gassaway said the average adult could

donate blood up to six times a year. She said the body begins replenishing the blood supply as soon as it donates. According to Keefe, blood is made up of red and white blood cells as well as platelets, which make up 45 percent of the blood. The other 55 percent is made up of plasma, which is 92 per-

We do different tests on the blood to make sure it is free of pathogenic diseases such as HIV, hepatitis and syphilis," Keefe said. "We test every unit of blood."

Keefe said the Stanford Blood Center would return to SJSU in November and again the following

Gassaway said the Stanford Blood Center was created to meet the increasingly large and complex transfusion needs of Stanford Hospital and Lucile Salter Packard Children's Hospital at Stanford.

# opposingviews:

Should students have access to SJSU

YES | Having access to their records will keep students safer

Megan's Law is known as the 1996 law that further allowed the public to gain access to the information on the whereabouts of dangerous sex

What may not be known is the story behind why it is called Megan's

Megan Kanka, according to the office of the attorney general for the state of California, was a 7-year-old girl who lived in New Jersey. Kanka was raped and killed by a convicted child molester who

moved across the street from Megan's family.

The Kanka family was unaware that the street was a child molester.

Perhaps if they had known, Megan Kanka would be alive today.

According to a recent Spartan Daily article, sex offenders enrolled at San Jose State University are required to register their names and information to the university, but the public

reported victims of rape or attempted rape can be frighten-

Knowing if there are people who could be a threat to the

students on this campus is something students should be aware of in order to protect themselves and be safe.

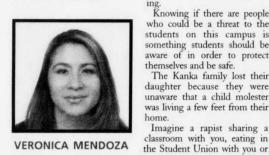
The Kanka family lost their daughter because they were unaware that a child molester

was living a few feet from their

Imagine a rapist sharing a

even living in the same dorm

to the university, but the public may not have access to this sex offender information. who is on a This means that someone could be sitting next to a sex college campus would do offender in a class and not even know it. The fact that the YWCA in Santa Clara Valley reported that 38 percent of college women are more good than harm."



VERONICA MENDOZA

room with you

Sex offenders may claim they have the right to keep that infor-mation private. But when having committed a crime puts others in danger, the public has the right to protect themselves from these

Another defense a sex offender may use is that giving out personal information will lead to a lifetime of public imprisonment even after they served their time in jail. However, if a sex offender rapes someone, it could lead to a lifetime imprisonment of unhap-

piness for the person who was raped.

According to the YWCA in Santa Clara Valley, rape, along with childhood sexual abuse and domestic violence, is one of the most common causes of post-traumatic stress disorder in women.

If the students on this campus are aware of people who may be a threat to them, they can perhaps protect themselves from the emo-tional pain that can come from being attacked by a sex offender.

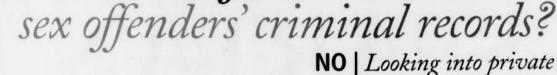
There are also children on campus, such as in the SJSU labora-tory preschools located in Sweeney Hall and in the Central Classroom building.

Their parents may feel better about leaving their children there if they had access to the information on any sex offenders who might be on cam-

pus.

Naming a sex offender who is on a college campus would do more good than harm. It could save someone from being raped, and it may even save

Veronica Mendoza is a Spartan Daily Staff Writer.



A fine line does exist between the public's right to know and the right to

records violates right to privacy

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We have the right to privacy as adults while exercising our rights to civil privileges such as attending col-

Any law allowing the publication or Any law allowing the publication of distribution of private records on campus would be a harmful intent and an egregious violation of the Fourth Amendment, the Federal Privacy Act and the Bill of Rights.

Academic learning does not include being able to identify the characteristics of how my fellow student might fit the profile of a registered sex

The SJSU academic mission is clearly stated on the school Web site:
"To enrich the lives of its students, to transmit knowledge to its students, along with the necessary skills for applying it in the service of our society and to expand the base of knowl-edge through research and scholar-

Megan's Law provides three ways to seek public access for registered sex offender information: (1) via CD-ROM at the local police department and designated areas, (2) during a continuous traffic ston when the regisroutine traffic stop when the registrant is found to be in the vehicle with a person who could be at risk and (3) from notification or fliers with a profile of the suspect if a similar assault

has taken place on campus.

About 3,960 sex offenders live in Santa Clara County and 98,910 live in California, according to the San Jose Police Department. Do I need to know more?

JANINE STANHOPE

Yes, the SJPD provides the following information that is also available to the public on the Internet.

Megan's Law categorizes three types of sex offenders.

First, high-risk sex offenders are serious sex offenders who have been convicted of at least one sex offense and a combination of other offense

Information regarding high-risk offenders is subject to disclosure, and it can be released to people at risk or to everybody in a community. Second, serious sex offenders have been convicted of such felonies as rape, assault to commit rape, oral copulation, sodomy with a minor, foreign object penetration, child molestation and/or felony sexual battery,

kidnapping with intent to commit specified sex offenses, felony enticement or abduction of a child for purposes of prostitution.

This information is subject to public disclosure. It can be released to

people who are at risk only. Third, other sex offenders are listed as being convicted of pornogra-

phy, incest, indecent exposure, misdemeanor sexual battery, spousal rape or juveniles adjudicated in juvenile court.

This information may not be distributed to the general public.

If an offender moves, the change of address is to be registered with the

local police department.

Is this what I need to know?

Yes, I need to know the law and how it affects my environment when a vio-

However, I don't want to know the personal or biased attributes and profiled characteristics of people sitting next to me in class without their agreement as seen in the school newspaper or on a list nailed to the wall of every building on campus.

Janine Stanhope is a Spartan Daily Staff Writer.

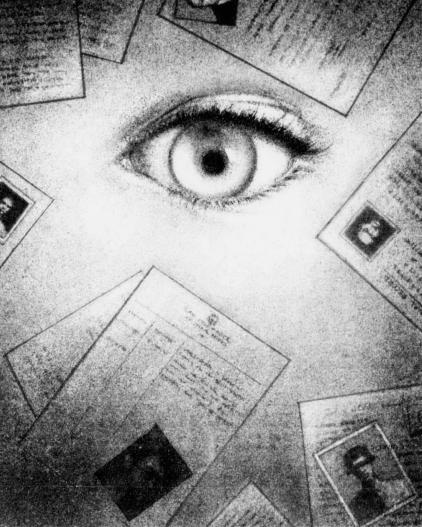


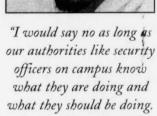
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## campus voices



"Yes. It's better to be able to know who they are. What if you meet someone who was a sex offender and who pretended to be your friend?" **Tiffany Martinez** 

freshman, biology



It would be rational." Glenn Lovely senior, advertising



"Yes, it's important for especially female students to feel safe on campus. If they have more knowledge about (sex offenders), they would feel safer."

**Andrew Santana** junior, business



"No. it would be more fearful if we know who (sex offenders) are."

Hanna Bronnenberg junior, occupational therapist



"Yeah, maybe we should. It's important for students to know, but at the same time some of (the ex-sex offenders) are trying to be better people."

**Denise Nguyen** senior, accounting



"Yeah, I guess. Especially for students living in dorms, it is necessary to have access."

**Aris Gregorian** freshman, engineering

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**OUT OF THE SHELL** 

## Celebrating all of the influential women in my life

day.

My mom is my best friend. Though we live five hours away from each other, we talk nearly every day, and she means the world to me. Words can't express how special our relationship is — she knows my heart like nobody else.

Today, however, I would like to talk about my other mothers.

I once read an article about the importance of other mothers and how they shape our lives. I would like to pay tribute to a few of mine who, generally, do not get the credit they deserve.

The most obvious is my stepmom, Debbie.

Debbie married my dad when I was 8 years old, though they had been together for years before that.

I remember how excited my sister, Marina, and I were when they sat us down and told us about the wedding. Debbie worked a normal 8-to-5 job, and my dad runs his own maintenance business. When we went to visit them in Los Angeles, we spent most of our time with him. Los Angeles, we spent most of our time with him. It wasn't until I was out of high school and Debbie

stopped working that I got to know her as I do now. She is very practical and brings my dad a certain stabili-

ty. She is loving and giving.

When my grandma got sick, she went to stay with my grandpa as long as he needed her. Now that he is on his own, she talks to him on the phone every day and, when she visits, she helps him with paperwork and bills. She has always wanted the best for my sis-

ter and me. Having no children of her own, she loves us just as if we are hers. She always has time to listen and give advice and encouragement.

She has a way of making me feel good about myself and tells me how proud she is of me. She is always genuinely interested in whatever I am doing.

Debbie is an asset to our family, and I love her dearly.

Another mother that comes to mind is Theresa, a woman who lived next door to me while growing up.

Her daughter was grown and married. My mom worked and Theresa stayed at home, so we often

went to her house after school. Every Halloween she would have us over to make caramel apples or decorate sugar cookies to give out to trick-or-treaters. Sometimes she made our costumes.

years, she lived next door to us and made us feel as though her house was ours.

Weeks before I graduated from high school, she moved to Humboldt County. I haven't seen her since, but she was an invaluable part of my

life growing up.

My great aunt Ruth once told my sister and me that she felt we were her own. The feeling is mutual.

Aunt Ruth has meant so much to us, not only as an aunt, but also as a role model.

In her 80s, she still travels all over, from her home in Long Beach, Calif. to New York, Sacramento, the Grand Canyon, New Mexico or the Greek Isles.

She is full of life and spunk. She always TAMMY KRIKORIAN has an open door for my sister and me, and

she always has fun stuff for us to do, such as going to the beach or shopping at the Ports o' Call.

She tells us stories of our grandparents when they were younger and about the family that still lives in Illinois.

If it weren't for her, we may have lost a connection to my mom's family - as both of my maternal grandparents have

passed away.

Although I don't see her as much as I'd like to, she means a great deal to me.

Mary Ann was my boss for two years in high school at the Plumas Unified School District, and I still see her

every time I go home.

As a boss, she always made sure I had time off for school events - she didn't want me to miss out on anything. She

grew to be a friend and a confidante. She's made me feel like a part of her family, and I've spent many holidays with them.

She is encouraging, supportive and always interested in what's going on with me.

Of course, many other women in my life, past and pres-

ent, have helped to shape me into the woman I have become. I wish I had room to name them all, but they know who they are

Happy Mother's Day.

Tammy Krikorian is a Spartan Daily Staff Writer. This is the last appearance of Out of the Shell

## Viewpoint | Greek Life; an open letter to President Caret

Dear President Caret,

I was disappointed to read in the Spartan Daily on May 5 that "the future of Greek life at SJSU could be at stake" due to the fatal incident involving two Asian fraternities earlier this year. I first attended San Jose State University in the 1980s and was very involved in Greek life, including serving as president of the Inter-Fraternity Council in 1987. I returned to SJSU in 2001 to finish my degree and found a

very different Greek system operating.

I am deeply concerned about the future of the Greek system at our university because I feel it can play in integral part in the vision you have laid out for our campus community. No group is more loyal to their alma mater, provides campus housing, supports Spartan athletics, donates to the university and is active in campus life like Greeks. My fraternity alone has nearly 1,000 SJSU alumni who want to be a part of advancing your vision. In my opinion, it is com-pletely unfair to include the rest of the traditional Greek system in any investigation resulting from the incident earlier this year.

We were all stunned by the tragic death of Alam Kim, especially those of us in the Greek community. Yet this tragedy was symptomatic of greater problems at San Jose State. This university has a double standard when it comes to ethnically based fraternities. Had the organizations involved in the melee been held to the same high standards and monitored at the same high level as national, integrated fraternities, this unfortunate event might have been avoided.

National fraternities have more than 200 years of history and have evolved into the progressive organizations they are today. These organizations have strong national organizations, which set policy, monitor each component chapter, and strictly enforce their rules. Their work is done in conjunction with, and in support of, universities across the country. Even at the campus level, these organizations regulate themselves through collective bodies such as the Inter-Fraternity Council (IFC), which has been at SJSU for 50 years. The university strictly monitors these groups and their national organizations.

Compare this to the ethnically based organizations, which have sprung up in the last decade. Most have no semblance of a national organization providing leadership and supervision, they are not required to belong to the self-regulating IFC, and they are not held to the same standards. While national fraternities have had no-keg policies for more than a decade, I saw one ethnic fraternity with a keg on their front porch — right across the street from the university. But the university looked the other way with these groups and was not even aware of the problems between the two groups that fought that night, even thoughs the University Police Department had two years of reports.

the exception of African American organizations founded during segregation — are now integrated and highly diverse. However, on a campus so proud of its diversity and racial plurality, ethnically based Greek letter organizations are the majority. This amounts to nothing more than "voluntary segregation." When I confronted the Greek Life adviser about this segregation, she said, "They like to be with their own people." Segregation — in any form — was, is, and always will be wrong. How does sanctioning groups that pick their members on the basis of race help the university to bring its diverse student body together? How do we come together but collising anaest?

together by splitting apart?
Recently, a group of students and I sought to bring our national fraternity back on campus. Our fraternity was the first national founded on the concept of universal brotherhood — in 1899. We had formed a very diverse group, but were refused recognition by the university. The ironic fact is, if this group had been an ethnic minority and had been founded as an "ethnic interest" fraternity, we would have

been welcomed with open arms.

Fraternities are not cultural clubs, which students should support to learn about and share their cultures. The very premise ethnically based fraternities are founded on is flawed. Should fraternities support the betterment of all men or just (fill in the ethnicity) men? Should fraternities be ethnically based fraternities are founded on is dedicated to the entire university community or just the (fill in the ethnicity) university community? Should fraternities work to bring diverse men together or to split them apart? I am proud to have shared the fraternity experience with a diverse group of men who I never thought of as Asian,

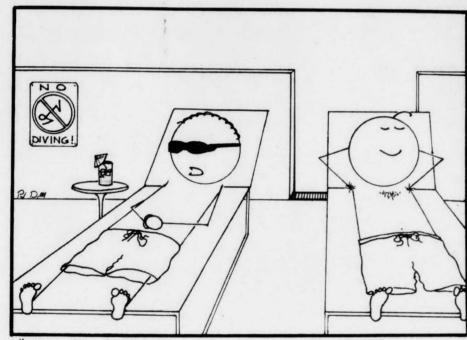
African American, Hispanic, or white — just brothers.

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I, and thousands of alumni like me, wish to continue to support our Greek organizations and our alma mater. I hope will see the value in our traditional Greek system and the role it can play in achieving your vision for SJSU

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# GETTING A GRIP ON LIFE

Silent leader Albright led SJSU sgymnastics team to NCAA regionals

By Karin Higgins

Daily Staff Photographer

Sometimes people with influence enjoy the fact that they are in the spotlight. Dani Albright would rather be

Dani Albright would rather be somewhere else.

To Albright, being in a leadership role makes her feel uncomfortable.

"I don't like people to look up to me," Albright said.

Despite her relunctancy to be a role model, Albright's talents unavoidably cast her into a leadership role.

This year she served as co-captain. This year she served as co-captain with fellow gymnast Melisa Scheele.

with fellow gymnast Melisa Scheele.
"From Day One she has always pushed me," said teammate Shirla Choy. "I want to be up to her standards. She knows everything."

During practice, Albright constantly moves around the gym floor. Whether she is practicing a routine, adjusting the mats, spotting another girl, joking around or shouting words of encouragement. Albright is a team of encouragement, Albright is a team

Kelli McCoy said Albright leads by

"People looked up to her. She is one of the best gymnasts," McCoy said. This year, Albright broke the school record on the floor exercise three times while simultaneously

becoming the first Spartan to score a 9.975 in the event. She also set a new career high of 9.900 on the uneven bars and tied her career all-around Pacific Sports Federation Championships where she placed second overall. Albright was also the floor champion and vault co-cham-

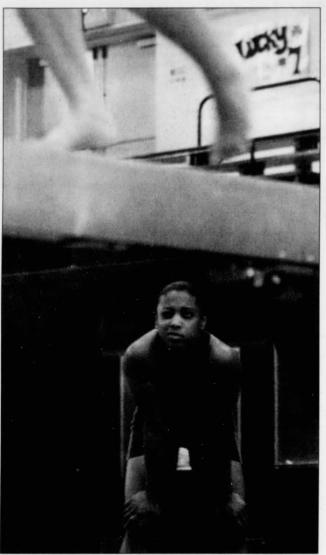
Albright's talent and leadership abilities are things she developed

ashines are things sale developed early in life.

"She was never a follower," said Jamie Albright, her mother. "She has always had a mind of her own."

According to her mother, Albright started walking when she was 8 and a half months old. During the 1982 Olympics, she started to mimic the gymnasts she saw on television. To her mother's surprise, Albright figher mother's surprise, Albright fig-ured out how to use the arm of the couch to teach herself how to do back walkovers at 18 months of age.

"I was always jumping on my mom's couches," Albright said.
Her parents decided to find an outlet for her newfound passion. Mother and daughter were soon enrolled in a "mommy and me" gympastics class but at about three years. nastics class, but at about three years



Albright carefully watches a fellow teammate during practice. "I focus on the little things," she said. "It's the little things that matter, especially in competition.

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old, Albright told her mother she could do it by herself.

Recognizing her daughter's talent, Jamie Albright took to the sidelines and became Dani's biggest supporter. She has rarely missed a meet in her daughter's 20-year gymnastics career.

"She was a natural," Jamie said.

Albright first met Spartan gymnastics head coach Wayne Wright at the age of nine when he taught her how

age of nine when he taught her how to do a double back flip. He said that he immediately noticed her poten-tial.

Two years into her gymnastics career at SJSU, Albright and Wright met again when he was hired as the head coach. Wright's coaching philosophy rocked Albright's outlook. Albright focused on individual performance in her first two years at

Albright focused on individual performance in her first two years at SJSU.

Wright changed things.
"I wanted to get rid of the I-syndrome and focus on the us," Wright said.
He relied on Albright to help build the new team mentality. "I called on her a lot," Wright said, "She took it, man, and she did it."

Albright accepted the challenges.

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"There were a lot of hard changes,
fast. You adapt or fail, which is not
an option for me," she said.
Albright has broken more than 30

Albright has broken more than 30 school records during her gymnastics career at SJSU, earning a spot in the NCAA regional tournament three out of four years.

During her sophomore year, she became the first Spartan to qualify for the NCAA national champings.

Despite the tremendous success

that she had in her career at SJSU, Albright set a new goal for her senior year: to be part of the first team in Spartan history to qualify for an NCAA regional meet. Albright said that she and Scheele

were often times the ones to push their teammates harder by telling them what they did not want to hear.
"I'm kind of a hard-ass. I pushed people a lot, but I didn't care because I wanted to go to regionals,"

Albright said. "I was constantly

pushing people to do better, and I wanted them to do the same for me."

"When Dani does something, she does it completely," Jamie said.

It wasn't easy, and at times, Albright pushed herself and her team to the limit. In the end, Albright said that it was all worthwhile. The team made school history when it qualified for school history when it qualified for the NCAA regional meet in Seattle and placed fifth.

Wright said that going to regionals is the best graduation gift that Albright could have in her athletic

"We had to make it to regionals as a team before I graduate," Albright

This has been my life. It has never been a choice. I just did it. It used to be that gymnastics was my life. Completely."

Albright said her gymnastics

career is over, and she's unsure of what her future holds. "It's weird. I don't know what to do with my time," she said. "This year, I have realized that it was a chapter in my life. I am ready to move on."



Spartan gymnasts Jennifer Greene, Dani Albright and Erin Thomas joke around during practice as they chalk their hands while waiting for their turn on the uneven bars. As a co-captain, Albright tried to maintain balance on the team. "She liked to push people hard," said Greene. "But she also tried to keep things on a lighter side."

Envy goes both ways.



Dani Abright waves to the crowd as she was introduced at a home gymnastics meet against Stanford University.

## Mulder throws 5-hitter; A's shut out White Sox

Mulder pitched a five-hitter for his third straight complete game, lead-ing the Oakland Athletics over the Chicago White Sox 6-0 on Tuesday

night.
Mulder made quick work of the struggling White Sox for his seventh career shutout, and second this sea-son. He struck out four and walked two in a game that took just 1 hour,

49 minutes — the fastest Oakland Mark Ellis, Eric Byrnes and hasn't won since game since Aug. 12, 1979, at Minnesota.

Mulder (5-1), who improved to 4-0 lifetime against Chicago, shut out the White Sox on April 30 in Chicago and Detroit at home on April 24. The A's faced a left-handed starter

for only the sixth time this season, fewest in the American League.

Terrence Long all had two hits off Mark Buehrle (2-5), who lost his Cleveland on April 10.
Erubiel Durazo added a two-run career-high fourth straight game. He homer in the eighth for the A's



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By Paulo Hernandez Daily Staff Writer

PALO ALTO — A loser of 12 of its last 13 games, the San Jose State University softball team dropped another pair.

another pair.

The Spartans were defeated by the Stanford University Cardinal, 1-0 and 4-2 in a doubleheader played at Boyd and Jill Smith Family Stadium on the Stanford campus Tuesday night in make-up games for those that were originally scheduled for April 16, which were rescheduled because of rainy weather. rainy weather.

In Game One, Stanford scored the only run it would need in the bottom

of the first inning.
After SJSU went down in order to start the game, Cardinal catcher Jessica Allister singled home right fielder Catherine Hoffman for the

lone run of the contest.
The Spartans' only scoring threat came in the top of the seventh.

With two outs, Cardinal reliever Laura Severson walked Spartan third baseman Veronica Ramos. With right fielder Courtney Lewis pinch running for Ramos, left fielder Elisa Barros singled to move Lewis to second base.

The next batter, designated player Heather Lopez, ground out to Cardinal third baseman Elizabeth Bendig to end the game. SJSU (22-35) garnered four hits in

Spartan starter Carol Forbes (16-15) went the distance for SJSU, allowing one run on three hits in taking the

Spartan head coach Dee Dee Enabenter praised Forbes for her per-

formance in Game One.
Stanford (38-23) starting pitcher
Dana Sorenson worked six innings to
improve her record to 18-10 on the son. Severson picked up her second save of the season.

In Game Two, the Spartans took a 2-0 lead in the second inning before

Stumbling.

Barrios led off the top of the inning with a single. Stanford starter Tori Nyberg hit the next batter, Ramos, to

move Barrios to second.

The third batter of the inning, Lewis, beat out the throw to first on bunt to advance Barrios to third. On the next play, Stanford catcher Leah Nelson was drawn away from the plate, allowing Barrios to score from third and give SJSU a 1-0 lead. With one out, Spartan catcher

Shannon Anderson grounded out to second base, scoring Ramos to increase the Spartan advantage to 2-0. Stanford got on the board in the bottom of the third inning as second baseman Kira Ching singled home outfielder Cassi Brangham to slice the SISII lead to 2-1. SJSU lead to 2-1.

Forbes replaced SJSU starting pitcher Kelli McCollister with one out and two Stanford baserunners on in the fifth inning. Forbes was able to get one out, but then gave up a three-run homer to Allister.

The blast gave the Cardinal the winning margin.

McCollister took the loss to drop-

ping her record to 4-14.

Nyberg picked up the win to improve her record to 15-9. Severson

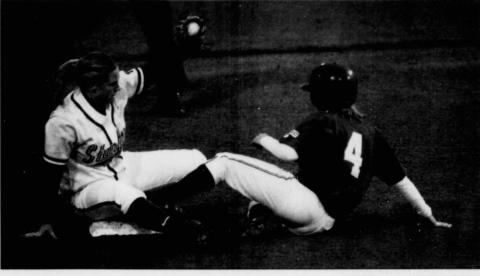
improve her record to 15-7. Severson picked up her second save of the evening for her third of the season.

SJSU head coach Dee Dee Enabenter said she thought her team was able to keep up with Stanford.

"I told them (the Spartans) they have a tough team."

played well against a tough team," Enabenter said. "This should be our

The Spartans return to action on Thursday against the University of Tulsa at the SJSU Field. The doubleheader is slated to begin at 1 p.m.



Courtney Lewis, Spartan right fielder, slid into second base and was tagged out by Cardinal shortstop Lauren Lappin during the fourth inning of the second game of a double-header Tuesday at Boyd & Jill Smith Family Stadium in Palo Alto. San Jose State University lost both games against Stanford University.

## Spartans need to sweep final games to finish third in WAC

By Paulo Hernandez Daily Staff Writer

With the Spartan softball team entering the final week of the regular season, the team is looking for ways

SPARTAN SOFTBALL

WINDUP

to stay motivated and close out the

season strong. San Jose State University's doubleheader against Fresno State University on Saturday was initially postponed until Sunday because of

rainy weather.
The University of Hawai'i's fourgame sweep of Louisiana Tech

University over the weekend gave the Rainbow Wahine (17-3 WAC) the outright Western Athletic

outright Western Athletic Conference championship. Because Fresno State (10-4) was mathematically eliminated from con-tention, the WAC cancelled its series

against the Spartans.
"It's the conference's policy not to make up games that have no bearing on the WAC title this late in the sea-

on the WAC title this late in the sea-son," Enabenter said

If SJSU (4-10 WAC, 22-35 overall)
can sweep its remaining WAC games
against the University of Tulsa on
Thursday and against Louisiana Tech
on Saturday, the Spartans can finish
as high as third in the conference, its
best fluids ever best finish ever.

The Spartans' best finish since joining the WAC has been sixth place, a feat the team has accomplished in each of the last three years.

Enabenter said the team had much

higher expectations at the beginning

of the season but also said her team is

not ready to throw in the towel.
"If we have any pride in ourselves, we can't allow a let down," Enabenter Senior first baseman Veronica

Senior first baseman Veronica Ramos said the team still has some-thing to gain from the season. "This season has been a learning experience," Ramos said. "We want to leave on a good note and allow it to carry over to next season." Spartans' assistant coach Kim

Spartans' assistant coach Kim Schuette said her team is excited to finish the season playing well.
"We can still finish as high as third in the WAC," Schuette said. "We just want to go out and finish strong for the seniors."

phomore pitcher Carol Forbes said the Spartans have to go out and prove themselves in the remaining

games.
"We have to do our best and go out with a bang," Forbes said. "We

should have done better than we did

shis season."
SJSU is slated to face Tulsa (8-8 WAC, 34-25 overall) on Thursday at 1 p.m. at the SJSU Field.
The Golden Hurricane defeated

the Spartans twice earlier this season by scores of 3-1 and 1-0 in Tulsa,

Tulsa is led offensively by freshman first baseman Katie Torres, who is batting .302 for the season. Sophomore Ami Day (15-12, 1.56) leads the Golden Hurricane pitching

The Spartans close out their season on Saturday against Louisiana Tech at SJSU Field. The doubleheader is

at SSU Field. The doubleheader is scheduled to begin at noon.
Louisiana Tech is 16-38 overall and 6-10 in the WAC but swept SJSU in a doubleheader earlier this season in Ruston, 3-2 and 7-2.

The Lady Techsters' leading hitter is sophomore outfielder Brittany

Stanley who is hitting .312 while Marla Pinkston (11-17, 2.20).

Louisiana Tech head coach Sarah
Dawson said her team has to contin-

ue to hit the ball well and clean up its defense to be successful against the Schuette emphasized that the key

to coming out on top against Tulsa and Louisiana Tech is to score early. "We had a tough time against these teams last time, but we're doing much better now," Schuette said. Enabenter said her players have to

make adjustments early in their at-bats and put the ball in play to have

Ramos said she feels her team is confident in knowing it can compete with Tulsa and Louisiana Tech.

"Everything is looking good right now," Ramos said. "We should be able to come out on top. We know we can get the job done

## Kings rout **Mavericks**

DALLAS (AP) — Just six minutes into the Western Conference semifinals, the Sacramento Kings were already in high gear.

Using baskets from all five starters to start an early 15-2 run, the Kings turned Game 1 of their second-round turned Game 1 of their second-round series against the Dallas Mavericks into a rout. They led by 20 points early in the third quarter, then cruised to a 124-113 victory Tuesday night. "We knew exactly what we needed to do," said Kings center Vlade Divac, who had 14 points in 15 minutes. "It was beautiful."

was beautiful.

Playing for the first time since eliminating Utah in five games last
Wednesday, the Kings quickly proved
they weren't rusty.

"Our guys were really ready,"
Sacramento coach Rick Adelman said.

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## ALCOHOL Some say stress is helpful

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"How does your body respond to

stress?"
Fujimoto looked to the audience for responses, while he encouraged speak-

ing out on any question.

An attendee mentioned stress was needed in "fight-or-flight" situations. Fujimoto agreed and said, "We need stress to determine how are we going to live."

The audience deemed stress a neces sity and said it is helpful. Despite the negative physical results of stress such as headaches and difficulty in concen-

as headaches and difficulty in concentrating, stress keeps people on their toes, an attendee said.

Lin, a postdoctoral resident at SJSU Counseling Services, led the second part of the hour-long discussion addressing the topics of alcohol and stress. She identified the signs of an alcohol-dripking problem and an alcohol-drinking problem and how to deal with stress without alco-

"The media helps promote alcohol as a way to relax from stress," Fujimoto said. "This is not always true."

The audience spoke out on the warning signs that some people may have if they have an alcohol problem. Choosing to drink at odd hours and risky behavior while intoxicated topped the list.

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"You may want to be a role model for that person," Fujimoto said.

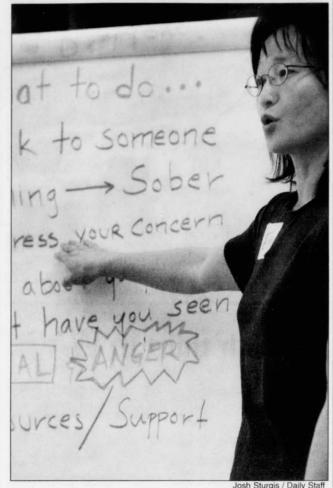
Lin offered suggestions on ways to talk to a friend who may have a drinking problem. She reminded the audience to express feelings of concern. ence to express feelings of concern, while Fujimoto mentioned to tell the friend what "irregular" behavior had been witnessed.

Try talking to a friend while they are sober but do not call them an "alcoholic," Lin said.

"If they are having an alcohol prob-lem, be prepared for them to deny it," Fujimoto said.

Lin closed the seminar with an alternate activity that could be used instead of drinking alcohol when stress occurs. She took the audience on a mental journey to a relaxation place through breathing techniques.

A stress-relieving breathing and stretching exercise packet was handed out to each attendee, lending tips on how to do such relaxing exercises as belly breathing, neck stretches and loosening techniques. The packet also



Ellen Lin, who has a doctorate in psychology, spoke to students Tuesday in the Guadalupe room about resources available on campus to relieve stress. Counseling Services are located in room 201 of the Administration building. Services are available to enrolled students 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

gave information on how to mentally and physically handle stress.

One student believed the seminar to be a helpful discussion but thought it should have also provided more infor-mation about alcohol abuse. "It should have added a focus on the

health and medical problems related to alcohol," said Patrick Hung, a public health graduate student.

Counseling is available to all enrolled students at the SJSU Counseling Services office in the Administration building room 201.

## RUSSIA In 1999, tons of explosives found

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bribes and said there are no straight arrows when the bureau is looking for

arrows when the bureau is looking for people.

Josh Sotelo, a political science senior, who is taking Staar's Russian politics and foreign policy class, asked Staar about the 100 nuclear weapons that are unaccounted for and where

"The weapons can fit in suitcases and weigh about 100 pounds each," he said. "I think they may be in the hands of the mob, and if we had the

right contacts, we could purchase them," he said

According to Staar, Russia is busy combating organized crime. In 1999, FSB confiscated nine tons of explo-sives and four tons of cocaine in

sives and four tons of cocaine in Moscow alone.

A recent poll taken by Russians citizens in a Russian government newspaper indicated an 8 percent decrease in the approval of Russian special services, Staar said.

Alex Vassar, a junior majoring in political science, said Staar does a good job of adding to what he dis-

"He breaks down Russia's intelligence service and does a good job of comparing it to the U.S.," he said. Staar said his research on Russia paid off because that is how he got his first. job. The State Department in Washington D.C. hired him and sent

washington D.C. inter that are shifted to improve his Russian.

"I thought the country was important," Staar said. "Usually people study a country because of their heritage. I, however, do not have heritage in Russia."

### Before rebuilding Baghdad, National Guard unit must work on tornado-ravaged hometown

PIERCE CITY, Mo. (AP) — National Guardsmen bound for Iraq returned instead to their tornado-flattened hometown of Pierce City to help clean up splintered homes and businesses and check on their loved ones Tuesday after twisters killed at least 40 people in three

One person was still listed as missing Tuesday in this southwestern Missouri town.

The death toll reached 18 in Missouri with the discovery of a child's body outside Pierce City, and rose to 15 in Tennessee after a man was found dead in a field near Jackson. The storms Sunday night also were blamed for at least seven also were blamed for at least seven

deaths in Kansas. Severe weather returned to both Kansas and Missouri Tuesday after-noon, as the National Weather Service issued tornado warnings for 14 counties, including Cole County — where everyone from lawmakers and students touring the Capitol were evacuated to the building's

basement. "I never thought this would be happening twice," said Molly Manes, a 14-year-old who was visiting the Capitol on Tuesday. Manes lives in Fair Play, a town east of Stockton, and Sunday's tornadoes destroyed

"It's pretty scary," she said. "It's pretty unreal."

There were several reports of touchdowns and some minor damage but no injuries from the new batch of

Members of the Missouri National Guard's 203rd Engineering Battalion had been at the Army's Fort Leonard Wood, about 75 miles from Pierce City, working on paper-work for their deployment to Iraq,

when their cell phones started ring-ing with calls about the tornado.

One of the Pierce City buildings destroyed Sunday night was the National Guard Armory, where many of the soldiers had trained and where some residents sought shelter during the storm. A large part of the building collapsed, killing one per-

On Tuesday, many of the unit's soldiers were taking personal leave to help in their hometown, said Capt. Gerald Green, a company commander. They are still expected to leave for Iraq in a few weeks to help

leave for Iraq in a few weeks to help repair war damage.
"To be honest, Baghdad looks better than Pierce City," Green said.
National Guard Sgt. Ray Wormington said his mother's house was destroyed.
"We're the land of the plenty. We take it for granted," Wormington said. "At the same time, our town is becoming a ghost town, but we're

fighting for a good cause."

Mayor Mark Peters said the property and sales tax base in the town of 1,400 people "is just gone, a major

The town was awaiting an expert analysis on which of its 130-year-old downtown buildings can be saved. "There is so much that is special about this town and we want to save as much from the bulldozer as we can," Peters said.

President Bush on Tuesday issued federal disaster declarations for seven counties in Kansas and 39 in Missouri, an action that allows federal emergency assistance to flow to the affected areas.

Elsewhere in the Ozarks of south-western Missouri, crews cleared away most of the toppled trees that had blocked roads in Stockton, where

Sunday's storm killed three people and wrecked the business district.

"It's been a wonderful response from the area at large to get this cleaned up — to try to get us back to whatever normal used to be," said Ian Hafer, emergency management director in Stockton, a town of about

Power was still out Tuesday in Stockton, but a generator had one of the city's two wells working, and another had the sewer system func-

One of the hardest hit areas was Madison County, Tenn., where 11 people were killed.

In Jackson, the Madison County seat, dozens of brick buildings hadbeen smashed, including the county's oldest church, St. Luke's Episcopal, built in 1832. Officials said at least 70 homes near downtown were

70 homes near downtown were destroyed. The city postponed the municipal election set for Tuesday. Two of the buildings flattened in Jackson flanked Unity Park, where a monument honors the nine people killed by a 1999 tornado. The monument included nine 4 feet concrete. ment included nine 4-foot concrete balls, weighing about 450 pounds each, and the tornado pitched one of them across the street.

At least four of the Madison County deaths, two of them children, occurred in Denmark, a com-

dren, occurred in Denmark, a com-munity of a few dozen homes 12 miles southwest of Jackson. Seven-year-old Lee McLaughlin was killed when he was ripped from the arms of his mother, Rhonda, as the storm demolished their home,

'She said she was holding him as tight as she could. She doesn't know how he got loose," said Anita Rhodes, Rhonda McLaughlin's sis ter-in-law.

## South Korean leader and Bush to discuss North Korea, U.S. military presence

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — South Korea's president will fly to the United States this weekend to tackle two of his toughest hurdles: resolving the North Korean nuclear threat and reducing his country's decades-old reliance on the U.S. military. Roh Moo-hyun's weeklong trip, which begins Sunday, comes amid

which begins Sunday, comes amid heightened tensions over North Korea's suspected development of nuclear weapons and rising calls for the United States to cut its troops in South Korea.

Defusing the North Korean nuclear crisis will be the key topic of the May 14 White House summit between President Bush and Roh. The two plainspoken about their views on the

aide, said he expected a successful meeting, saying "the two leaders are of the same age and have the same prag-matic leadership style. The chemistry is right between the two."

At a meeting in Beijing in late April, North Korea gave U.S. negotiators a long wish list of political and econom-

giving up its nuclear ambitions. Washington is reviewing the proposal with its allies in Japan and South

Since his election last December, Roh has tirelessly called for reconcili-ation with North Korea and a peaceful solution to the North Korean nuclear

He bluntly criticized any possibility of U.S. military action against the North, saying such an attack would trigger a full-scale war on the Korean Peninsula that would devastate the

Bush says he seeks a peaceful solu-tion too, but has not ruled out military action. Bush pulls no punches when criticizing North Korean leader Kim Jong II, whom he accuses of "black-mailing" the world and starving his

mailing the world and starving his people while pursuing weapons of mass destruction.

The nuclear dispute flared in October when Washington said North Korea admitted running a secret nuclear weapons program in violation of a 1994 treaty.

During the Reijing talks U.S. offi-During the Beijing talks, U.S. offi-

cials say, North Korea claimed it already has nuclear weapons and that it had reprocessed spent nuclear fuel for more weapons materials.

On Monday, Secretary of State Colin Powell said impoverished North Korea can count on support from other countries only if it curbs nuclear weapons programs and missile exports as well as other activities such

raided a 4,480-ton Pong Su ship, which they said was owned by North Korea's communist party, and charged its 29 crew members with aiding the import of \$50 million of heroin into

On Tuesday, North Korea denied involvement in smuggling the heroin. North Korean "has consistently been

spokesman was quoted as saying by the North's KCNA news agency. Roh's trip to Washington comes at a sensitive time in the U.S.-South Korean alliance, forged during the

leaders, both 56, are known for being government in Pyongyang. Ban Ki-moon, Roh's foreign affairs

South as well.

as drug trafficking.

Last month, Australian authorities

opposed to the misuse and smuggling of drug(s) and has nothing to do with the recent case," a Foreign Ministry

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## SARS challenges China's community system, could boost new generation of leaders

BEIJING (AP) — China's handling of the SARS virus has generated public outrage and laid bare the weakness-es of its communist system. But China's new rulers could emerge even more powerful, armed with central government rule and height-ened social controls, all in the name of

fighting the disease.

The disease, whose first case was recorded in November in the southern Chinese province of Guangdong, emerged just as President Hu Jintao, emerged just as President Hu Jintao, Premier Wen Jiabao and others were taking power in a long-planned han-dover from an older generation.

The new government endured criti-cism that it tried to conceal the scale of the outbreak, but after weeks of silence, Hu and Wen asserted themselves. They launched a government response of almost unprecedented scale, mobilizing thousands of health care workers and promising to talk honestly about the disease.

SARS crisis has provided the central leadership a major opportunity



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to bolster its authority through the sacking of officials (and) the mobilization and distribution of resources," said Dali Yang, a political scientist at the University of Chicago.

By Tuesday, the worldwide death toll

from SARS rose to at least 480 after 16 new deaths were reported, including eight in China. More than 6,600 people have been infected, mostly in

Though China's leaders have talked tough, World Health Organization Director-General Gro Harlem Brundtland warned Tuesday that China still did not have a handle on the still did not have a ha

severe acute respiratory syndrome. "Certainly, we have not seen a peak in China yet," Brundtland said. "There is

obviously an increase in the outbreak going on.

Even so, the campaign has allowed Hu and Wen to emerge from the shadow of former President Jiang Zemin, who stepped down in April but retains influence as head of the commission running China's military.

They have been honest — acknowledging the crisis is "grave" — and severe. Wen ordered officials at all lev-els to work hard against the illness or face harsh punishment, the official Xinhua News Agency reported Tuesday.

"It is very important to do the job well in Beijing, which is the capital and the political and cultural center of the country," Wen was quoted as saying.

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