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Football revenues come from varied sources

By Jenny Shearer
Daily Staff Writer

The Spartan football program generates the majority of revenue for San Jose State University's athletic department, said an Athletic Department official.

This money is used to fund all of SJSU's 16 NCAA sports teams, said John Twining, senior associate athletic director.

"The football program generates approximately \$3.3 million in revenue for the Athletic Department," Twining said.

Those monies come from a variety of sources, including ticket sales, corporate sponsors, funding from the Western Athletic Conference and guarantees, which are the payments that non-conference opponents make to the university, Twining said.

These payments account for a third of the football program's revenue and enable schools to schedule games against non-conference opponents without having to schedule return games, Twining said.

"Football guarantees will vary anywhere from

AN INSIGHT INTO SPARTAN FOOTBALL



Editor's Note: Starting today and running through Thursday, the Spartan Daily will run a four-part series that will focus on San Jose State University's football program.

Monday - An organization's quest to rid SJSU of football.

Today - A look into the budget of the football program.

Wednesday - Strategies adopted by SJSU to market football.

Thursday - What would life be without Spartan football?

\$1.1 million to \$1.4 million. (This season), it's going to be close to \$1.1 million," Twining said.

The Athletic Department earned \$525,000 in guarantee money for playing a non-conference game against the University of Florida on Aug. 30 and \$250,000 for playing Stanford University on Sept. 6, Twining said.

The department also earned another \$350,000 for not playing the University of Nebraska on September 27, Twining said.

"That had to do with a television commitment that ESPN desired, which did not include SJSU. They wanted a date in which

Nebraska would be able to play Southern Mississippi. In order to do that, they (Nebraska) had to buy us out. It was agreed that that number was \$350,000, which basically was the net income that we would have derived had we played that game."

Twining said an advantage of breaking the contract with Nebraska is that it gives the football team a week off prior to playing its first conference road game against Rice on Oct. 4.

Playing a non-conference opponent creates an advantageous situation for football teams, said Greg McGarity, associate director for athletics at the University of Florida.

"What you try to do is find an opponent where you do not have to have a return game to your campus," McGarity said.

"Football is the main source for revenue that makes our athletic department run. It allows for us to fully fund and fully scholarship every sport that we compete in, which (is) 17 sports," McGarity said.

McGarity said the six home games Florida plays each season generate between \$1.2 and \$1.5 million per game for the university.

Similarly, at SJSU, football receives the largest percentage of dollars in the budget based upon scholarships, personnel and the required higher operating expenses, such as travel and game management expenses, Twining said.

Guarantee payments are negotiated between schools until a figure that satisfies both parties is reached, McGarity said.

Schools sign guarantee contracts several years in advance, Twining said, and it's difficult to break the contract once it's been signed.

For example, if SJSU needed to break a contract it had negotiated with a non-conference opponent, "we would have to agree not to play

and, in doing that, we would have to find a replacement school," Twining said.

The non-conference opponent could refuse to play the replacement school for a number of reasons, Twining said.

"And if we could not find an opponent and we still wanted to break the contract, in all contracts, there's a fee that you pay for breach of contract that in many cases is equal to the guarantee. That's why it's very difficult to break a contract — it's cost prohibitive. If you couldn't find a (replacement) opponent, you almost couldn't do it," Twining said.

He said the Spartans likely non-conference opponents during the 2004-2005 season include the University of Washington, New Mexico State University and San Diego State University.

These games will earn SJSU \$525,000, \$50,000 and \$50,000, respectively, in guarantee payments, Twining said.

However, playing Stanford at Spartan Stadium next season will cost the university

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Minimal rush to register for recall election

Campus remained quiet as deadline expired Monday

By Ken Lotich
Daily Staff Writer

The hype and rush to register to vote was not felt Monday at San Jose State University.

Monday was the last day to register to vote for the possible Oct. 7 recall election.

Associated Students and the MOSAIC Cross Cultural Center were two on-campus resources where students could register to vote.

A.S. chose to have in-class presentations and tables setup outside the Student Union during the past month.

MOSAIC had a table in their center on the third floor of the Student Union with voter registration forms and refreshments. The forms were available in English, Spanish, Chinese and Vietnamese.

Donny Arelis, a student assistant and graphic design coordinator for MOSAIC, said MOSAIC has had voter registration for the past few weeks.

MOSAIC also had "Rock the Vote" present at the Diversity Resource Fair held last Tuesday, Arelis said.

Still, Arelis said, no one showed up to register on Monday.

A.S. didn't have any tables or presentations for voter registration on Monday.

Time constraints was the reason no tables were setup for voter registration on Monday, said A.S. director of legislative affairs, Jennifer Lam.

In the past month, members of A.S. and other volunteers have been going to different classes on campus, encouraging students to register. Presentations were held at the beginning of class and ran about 15 minutes, Lam said.

Lam said A.S. has had approximately 300 students register to vote.

"Originally [A.S.] was going to have plans [Monday]," Lam said. "But when the process and planning of voter registration came about, it was a short time frame, and we didn't have as much time as we had hoped to plan something big."

A.S. was not expecting the unplanned election this year. "Last year there was more time to plan things out because there wasn't a recall election," said Rachel Greathouse, controller for A.S.

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Class meets needs of disabled students

By Michelle Meier
Daily Staff Writer

San Jose State University has a requirement that every student complete two units in the human performance department in order to graduate. Some students may breeze through these courses without giving it a second thought.

For other students, however, this requirement presents a difficult obstacle. Common physical education courses such as aerobics, swimming or volleyball are virtually impossible for a student in a wheelchair.

Fortunately, SJSU provides students with any disability a way to meet this requirement.

A number of years ago, Nancy Meggison, an adapted physical activity specialist, developed a human performance course at SJSU for students with disabilities.

This class, entitled human performance 001 Physical Activity for Individuals with Disabilities, has been held in SPX 90A for the past four years, said Janet Clair, instructor of the course.

"This course is offered for students who have a temporary or permanent physical disability," Clair said.

The class is held on Mondays and Wednesdays from 2:30 p.m. to 3:20 p.m. During this time students have access to treadmills, cycles, an assortment of weights and other wheelchair accessible machines.

Clair said the course is not physical therapy, but rather a physical education course where students work on cardio-respiratory endurance, muscle strength and endurance and flexibility.

The course is made to adapt to each student's needs, she said.

"Each person has an individualized program in which they have short and long-term goals," Clair said.

Pia Burgos, a senior majoring in liberal studies, said she first heard about the course through the Disabled Resource Center.

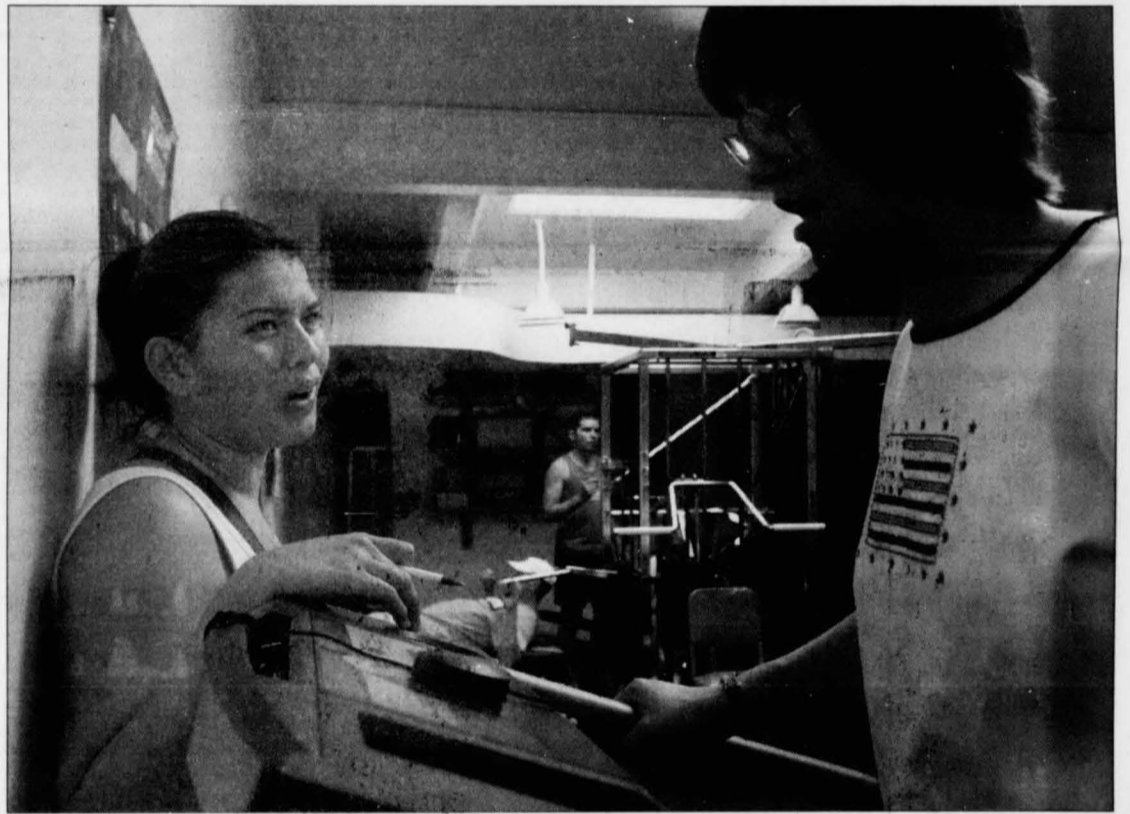
She said that because of an acquired brain injury, she suffers from late reflexes.

If she were to play baseball, she said, she would always have a black eye because she wouldn't be able to react to the ball in time.

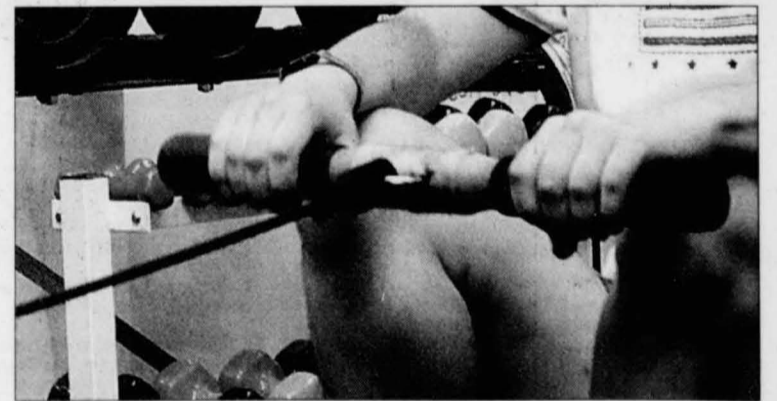
"I can't be physically active in sports," Burgos said.

She said she chose this class to fulfill

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Above: Carrie Nash, right, a junior majoring in education, assists Dawn Wood, a junior history major, with lifting weights in her human performance class. Wood is a student in the HuP 001 physical activity for individuals with disabilities class.



Right: Dawn Wood, uses a rower in her human performance physical activity for individuals with disabilities class in the Spartan Complex Monday. The class is open to all students regardless of any physical disability.

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A breath of fresh air ...



Wilfredo Marroquin, 5, of San Jose, takes a gulp of air after putting his head in the fountain on Tower Lawn Monday.

Autumn Cruz / Daily Staff

Thieves struck campus twice Friday

Lab, teacher's office, target of theft

By Ken Lotich
Daily Staff Writer

Two separate thefts occurred Friday within hours of each other at the Central Classroom building and Dwight Bentel Hall.

The first occurred between 10:55 a.m. and 11 a.m. at the Central Classroom building, said University Police Department public information officer Capt. Bruce Lowe.

Two unknown suspects broke into

two lockers on the first floor of a lab equipment locker room.

Two broken locks and a bottle of water were left behind. UPD does not know if any items were stolen.

UPD reported one of the suspects as an 18 to 20 year old Caucasian male, 5 feet 10 inches tall, about 150 pounds and blond hair. The suspect was wearing a black T-shirt and black or blue jeans.

The other is described as a 18 to 20 year old Hispanic male, 5 feet 3 inches tall, about 140 pounds, brown hair, wearing a red shirt and black or blue jeans, possibly wearing a baseball cap backward.

UPD was dispatched for a theft that occurred at a teacher's office at Dwight Bentel Hall at 12:30 p.m.

The teacher, who wished to remain anonymous, left the office door open

while teaching a class.

It was reported a backpack containing the teacher's wallet was stolen.

The teacher reported a trail of items found from the office door.

"My bicycle pump was found in the stairwell between the first and second floor," said the teacher. "My lunch bag was found in a trash bin on the first floor."

Lowe said witnesses reported seeing three young men running down the stairs earlier, but were carrying no bags.

The first suspect is described as a Caucasian male, 17 to 20 years old, 6 feet 1 inch tall, about 150 pounds, black hair and wearing baggy blue jeans and a blue shirt.

The second suspect is described as a Hispanic male, 17 to 20 years old, 5 feet 5 inches tall, about 160 pounds,

wearing baggy black jeans and a torn red knit cap.

The third suspect is described as another Hispanic male, 17 to 20 years old, 5 feet 8 inches tall, about 160 pounds and wearing baggy clothes.

Lowe said there is no way of knowing if the incidents are related.

"Both cases have similar descriptions of the suspects," Lowe said. "It could have been a group of five men acting together, but I don't know that."

UPD asks if anyone has information regarding this or any other crime please contact UPD at (408) 924-2222. If a student would like to report information confidentially, they can call Crime Stoppers at (408) 947-STOP or visit the report page at <http://www2.sjsu.edu/police>.

SERVE ONE UP WITH A LIME

The life lessons learned from a brown paper bag

Who can forget their lunch pail as a kid? Was it the Spider-Man, G.I. Joe, Barbie or the Care Bears?

I never had one.

I never really needed one.

I was one of those kids who got the school lunch.

About the only time I ever carried my own lunch to school was when we went on a field trip.

On those rare occasions, a brown paper bag was good enough to carry a lunch.

It was almost a tradition that had been passed down from my older brother and sister to me, that we would carry lunch to school in a paper bag.

We weren't the only kids who carried a lunch in a bag, but what was inside it was what set us apart from the other kids.

In our lunch there was almost never a bologna sandwich.

We had tacos or burritos of rice and beans or potato and egg.

To make the occasion even more special, they would sometimes be wrapped in my mom's hand made tortillas.

She would get up extra early in the morning and roll out the tortillas with a glass Pepsi bottle — the kind you still see in Mexico. She still has that bottle, and she has never really told me why she uses it instead of a rolling pin.

It didn't matter how she did it though — all that mattered was that they were my mom's tortillas.

When one came hot off the stove she spooned on the rice and beans or the eggs and potato, wrapped the tortilla and then wrapped the burrito in foil.

The foil would lock in the steam and the flavor. When it was lunchtime the warmth had been sealed in for so long that the tortilla was so soft and fluffy that it just melted in your mouth.

When I think back to that special lunch that my mom would take so much time and care to make for me, I'm sad and disappointed in myself.

Maybe it was because I was just a kid and didn't know any better, or maybe it's because I thought I had to fit in with the other kids.

Having to take my lunch to school was something that used to embarrass me.

Now I know how stupid that might sound but it's true. I used to think my family wasn't good enough because I didn't have a lunch pail or I didn't have a bologna sandwich.

Now, I realize how much baloney that really is.

I can't believe I was embarrassed over taking burritos to school in a paper bag.

I can imagine how I would have felt if my mom would have sent me to school with one of those big colorfully striped bags used for el mandado (errands) in Mexico.

Man, my social life would have been ruined then.

I used to think taking a Kmart bag to school was bad as a kid.

You would take one of those to school and you would never hear the end of it.

Or worse, a few people might remember a store called TG&Y.

I'm not sure which might have been worse, but you were done as a kid if you had to carry one of those bags.

If any of this brings back memories, here is another one for you.

How about carrying a Kmart bag and having to wear Pro Wings?

I did both.

My folks just didn't have the money to buy me designer footwear. They were too busy giving my brother and sister and me the things that really matter in life, such as a value for hard work.

My parents came to this country literally with only the clothes on their back, and it wasn't Polo Sport.

Everything my family has now, we have earned with old-fashioned hard work.

The first car my dad bought was an old Cadillac in 1973 that he got for \$200. That was before I was born, but my mom still tells me the story about how the caps around the wheel weld would fall off every time they drove over the railroad tracks.

That used to embarrass her.



DANIEL LOPEZ

That changed when my dad bought his next car, an old Jeep Wagoneer. The embarrassment didn't end there.

The old jeep was a light green, the same color as the Border Patrols' vans.

Now that was embarrassing.

My mom tells me that when she and my dad would drive into work in the fields, everyone would yell, "La Migra" and run and hide.

Now I think back and realize that a little embarrassment is good.

Who cares if you don't have a designer's name slapped across your ass cheeks?

It doesn't make you any better than the next guy. I can't believe that even in a university people have the mentality that what you wear, where you shop, what you eat and what you drink make you better than someone else. So a simple cup of coffee isn't good enough for you, it has to be Starbucks.

If carrying lunch to school in a brown paper bag and a little embarrassment has given me an appreciation for life that I otherwise wouldn't have, then I'm glad.

I'm glad I never had a lunch pail.

Daniel Lopez is the Spartan Daily Sports Editor. 'Serve One Up With A Lime' appears Tuesdays.

Viewpoint | Save Spartan football

This letter is in response to comments made by Mr. James Brent regarding Spartan Football and athletics.

I am highly appalled by Mr. Brent's comments regarding San Jose State University athletics and his notion that we "should get rid of Spartan Football."

Where did this guy come from? Is he an SJSU graduate? Is he a student at our university right now? I am both and I LOVE Spartan Football. I LOVE knowing that I can go and get a release from my studies and concentrate my efforts on something other than work and school! I LOVE knowing that on Mondays after games, I can get a discount at the Spartan bookstore depending on the amount of points the Spartans scored.

When choosing colleges, my parents gave me three options: California State University Hayward, San Francisco State University or SJSU. Hayward was much closer to my Fremont home, San Francisco would have been much more exciting. So why did I choose SJSU? I chose it because they had a football team and I thought they would be more school spirited, and I don't even really like football!

My question is; has Mr. Brent ever been to an SJSU football game? Does he know who Crazy George is? Does he know how cool tailgates are and how awesome it is to meet alumni who still bring their families back to SJSU? Was he in tears when Neil Parry got onto the football field for the first time after his leg was amputated? I was.

Spartan Football is not just a program that we "throw money at." It is tradition and history, and it is good for our university! I don't want to go to a school that is only a place for me to better my trade. I want to learn to communicate, to expand my mind, to know that the faculty care that I have a life (that includes going to football

games) outside of the classroom. Most of all, I want to have a memorable college experience that includes tailgates, seeing my professors at the games and knowing that the faculty supports all aspects of our university whether they agree with them or not.

Maybe instead of bashing the football program, Mr. Brent should try to find a way to help the system. Obviously, if we had more attendance at our football games (maybe you should go), we would not have to spend so much money marketing the games!

Sure, we are going through a slump in the economy right now and our academic budgets are being cut, but come on. Other than paying \$150 more in tuition, I'm not really noticing any cut backs in my education. Maybe we should have spent a couple of million dollars less on the library that is only open until 10 p.m., so you can have whatever it is that you're upset about not having!

Yes, it is true that most of our students work and go to school, and some even have families. But that does not mean that they do not like extracurricular activities. Studies have shown that increasing student life activities during economic hardships is actually a positive thing for universities and students, the main reason you are here, of course.

One last word: thank goodness you are not eligible to be the school's president, because we would have one boring university!

Kary Crumm
Graduate Student
Higher Education Administration

ROSE COLORED GLASSES

Coming to terms with a lifelong dislike for football

After years of fighting it, I have finally learned to like football.

Almost.

Let's just say I don't hate it like I used to, but you won't catch me spending my Sunday afternoons in front of the television gawking at men in uniforms.

Hearing football games on television has always given me that cringing feeling of fingernails down a chalkboard.

If my dad or boyfriend was watching a game, I stayed as far away as possible. It made no sense to me to begin with. A bunch of big guys running around jumping on each other just didn't seem like a very good sport.

In fact, it sort of seemed like it was for sissies. Yes, that's right — sissies.

These big tough guys get to wear this heavy padding so they don't fall down and — ow — get hurt.

They take breaks every 15 seconds it seemed like, just to set up and start the same thing all over again.

Sometimes the team kicks the football toward the goalposts, and they bring in one specific player whose sole job is to do that. And sometimes he misses.

If someone's only job is to kick a ball through two poles with an enormous space between them, you'd think he could do it pretty much every time.

If people in another field couldn't do their only task, they'd be fired. But football players aren't.

They get paid lots of money to fail.

OK, so you could say I'm still a little finicky about football.

I might have my qualms, and it's still going to take some easing into, but I really do have a better feel for it now.

I used to go to the occasional football game in high school, but like any self-respecting teenage girl, I did everything but watch the action. The game was merely there to supplement my social life.

Having an understanding of what

was going on was out of the question.

About two weeks ago I was asking my boyfriend if he had any interest in attending one of San Jose State University's games. This is our last semester here, and we usually don't have anything else to do anyway.



LEA BLEVINS

He said he would only go with me if I learned about the rules first so he didn't have to explain the entire game to me.

So with some persuading, he told me the basic rules and how football is played. It was a moment of understanding.

Equipped with my new knowledge and some SJSU pride, we headed to Thursday's game at Spartan Stadium when the Spartans went up against the University of Nevada-Reno.

Thursday was notable for us because it was our first SJSU football game, and it was notable for me as the first football game I watched where I actually understood a large portion of what was going on.

For the rest of the fans attending and for people watching the game on television, the game was much more.

It was the first game back after 35 months of waiting on the sidelines for Neil Parry, who made national news returning to football with a prosthetic leg.

We really got into the game. One of

my roommates came with us, and she was yelling with the best of 'em.

I kept hoping to see Parry get in on the action because that would have only made the game better. Finally, in the fourth quarter, he got a chance to play.

Unfortunately it was his only chance of the game.

As soon as I realized he was running onto the field, it seemed like he was gone.

The moment was both triumphant and disappointing.

We cheered the Spartans on until the end, after many had already filed out of the stadium.

The hope we all had for a triumphant win over the Wolf Pack turned into a 12-point loss and more disappointment.

This football is emotional stuff.

I can say we truly had a fun time that evening, though, and I won't forget it.

I have begun to understand why some people feel so dejected when a football team they root for loses.

Being SJSU students, we felt like it was "our" team.

I also felt like I learned something about football players that night.

Hearing about and then seeing Parry's determination made it obvious to me that football players are far from being sissies.

They may wear padding and helmets, but it doesn't hide their toughness or determination.

I still don't make any promises about becoming a regular watcher of Monday Night Football. In fact, I plan not to. But at least I now know how to enjoy it when the chance arises.

Lea Blevins is a Spartan Daily Copy Editor. 'Rose Colored Glasses' appears every other Tuesday.

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. Entries can also be e-mailed to spartandaily@casajsu.edu titled "Sparta Guide." Space restrictions may require editing of submissions. Entries are printed in the order in which they are received.

TODAY

PRIDE OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS

Everyone is welcome to a free barbecue picnic for fun, games and meeting new people from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. today in the Seventh Street barbecue pit. For more information, call 924-2221.

ASIAN BAPTIST STUDENT KOINONIA

A Bible study and fellowship will take place at 6 p.m. on Sept. 24 on the fifth floor in the multicultural room in Martin Luther King Jr. Joint Library. For more information, call Bryan Ly at 234-0763 or e-mail him at bry_ly@yahoo.com.

FIRST TIME HOME BUYER EDUCATION SEMINAR

Local professionals will share information on buying a home in the Silicon Valley from noon to 1 p.m. on Sept. 24 in the off-campus housing Assistance Center. They will focus on readiness and first-time home buyer assistance programs. For more information, call Mary at 924-7368 or e-mail och@housing.sjsu.edu.

GAY LESBIAN BISEXUAL TRANSGENDER ALLIES

A general group meeting will take place from 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. on Sept. 24 in the Almaden room in the Student Union. For more information, e-mail glbta_sjsu@yahoo.com.

SCHOOL OF ART AND DESIGN

Student galleries art exhibitions will take place from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. today in the Art and Industrial Studies buildings. For more information, call Bill or Nicole at 924-4330.

SCHOOL OF ART AND DESIGN

Student galleries art receptions will take place from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. today in the Art and Industrial Studies buildings. For more information, call Bill or Nicole at 924-4330.

GALLERY SHOW

A gallery show titled Celtzen, which will include

works of steel vessels and drawings, will take place from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. today in room 131 in the Art building. The reception will take place from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. today. For more information, call James Soboleski at 554-0674.

AMERICAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION STUDENT CHAPTER

A luminary lecture with Anne Turner of Santa Cruz Public Library will be speaking on the Patriot Act at 7 p.m. on Sept. 25 in Martin Luther King Jr. Joint Library on second floor in the lecture room. For more information, call Eli Edwards at (650) 814-4491.

NUTRITION PROGRAM

Five-a-day for better health week will take place from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Sept. 23 in front of the Student Union. For more information, call Jen Styles at 924-6118.

NUTRITION PROGRAM

A presentation about the benefits of exercise for women will be led by Daisqu Daiku for women's health and fitness day at 5 p.m. on Sept. 24 in the sport club lobby. For more information, call Jen Styles at 924-6118.

THE DIVISION OF STUDENT AFFAIRS

An informal conversation with President Crowley and free pizza will take place from noon to 1 p.m. today in the Barret Ballroom. For more information, call Georgette Gale at 924-5900.

DISABLED STUDENTS ASSOCIATION

Finds out what the adaptive Technical Center in Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Joint Library has to offer to students from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Sept. 24 in the Pacifica room in the Student Union. For more information, call Karla at 924-6006.

CAREER CENTER

A resume clinic by the College of Science will take place from 1:20 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. today in building F. For more information, call the Career Center at 924-6031.

ANOTHER DIMENTION | JONAH PTAK



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Spartan men eye conference opener

By Ian Ross
Daily Staff Writer

Despite having 15 days off, injuries are mounting for the Spartans men's soccer team as they prepare for three home games this week, including their conference opener.

SPARTAN SOCCER THE 91ST MINUTE NOTEBOOK

San Jose State University (2-1-1) ends their layoff tonight at 7 p.m. against No. 5 Santa Clara University. Mountain Pacific Sports Federation play opens Friday night at 7 p.m. when the Spartans host Sacramento State.

The Spartans close out a busy week on Sunday at 1 p.m. against Cal Poly San Luis Obispo.

With goalkeeper Daniel Benton out of the line-up with a ruptured small intestine, Spartan head coach Gary St. Clair said Eddie Dominguez is expected to see a lot of action between the goal posts this week.

Last season, Dominguez was in goal for SJSU against all three of this week's opponents and posted a 2-1 record.

The Spartans lost at Santa Clara 2-0 on Sept. 19, 2002, but then defeated Cal Poly 2-1 on the road a week later. SJSU also defeated Sacramento State on the road last season, 2-1 in overtime, when Tony Chang scored the game-winning goal in the 98th minute.

St. Clair is still unsure whether Benton will play again this season. "Dan is healing," St. Clair said. "We are looking into appealing to the NCAA for a sixth year."

The Spartans also lost attacking midfielder Francisco Martinez to a stress fracture late last week. Martinez, a starting senior, was an all-conference player last season.

St. Clair said Martinez could miss up to six weeks. "It's really too early for me to tell," he said.

St. Clair said freshman Daniel Perez is scheduled to start in Martinez's place against the Broncos tonight.

The Broncos will make the short trip to Spartan Stadium tonight after hosting the Santa Clara Adidas Classic over the weekend. The Broncos (6-0-2) defeated Cal State Monterey Bay 2-0 on Friday night and pummeled George Washington University 6-0 on Sunday.

Over the past three seasons, the Broncos have beaten SJSU twice, with the lone Spartan victory a 2-0 win at home on Oct. 8, 2000.

St. Clair said he is looking forward to the game quite a bit.

"This is a big regional and national game that a lot of the nation looks at," he said. "We have a great opportunity to do well if we're prepared and if our performance is there."

Broncos head coach Cameron Rast said he expects a good game.

"San Jose State has a very good team and always very tough at home," he said. "They are very comfortable and confident at home."

The Spartans have posted a 19-8-5 home record since the start of the 2000 season.

Rast said he was unsure whether the Broncos have an advantage having played two games over the weekend.

"We could have an advantage having played some games," he said. "But San Jose is rested and has time to prepare for us. Obviously it will come down to coming out on that night and playing well."

The Spartans were shut out the last time they played Santa Clara and St. Clair is concerned about the Broncos' defensive prowess.

"Santa Clara has an outstanding defense," he said. "Not only do they have Steve Cronin in goal, but they also have Ryan Cochrane, who is one of the better defenders."

Cronin was voted the West Coast Conference Player of the Week two weeks ago.

"One of the coaches at (the University of San Francisco) told me that he thinks they may not be scored against again this year," he said.

The Broncos have shut out their last four opponents, outscoring them 9-0, and have given up one goal in eight games this season.

"The Santa Clara game is important,

but to me, it takes a back seat to the Sacramento State game, which is our conference opener," St. Clair said.

Both SJSU and Sacramento State (2-4-1) have an opportunity to open up MPSF conference play at Spartan Stadium at 7 p.m. on Friday night with a win long before any of the other five MPSF teams play a conference game.

Sacramento State head coach Mike Linenberger said that both teams have had scheduling problems over the past few seasons.

"We rescheduled this game to help San Jose State," Linenberger said. "Our preference was to leave it as the last game on the schedule."

"It's not ideal to open on the road versus one of the top teams," he said. "It's always a tough game ... San Jose State is always tough at home."

St. Clair said he sees the Sacramento State game as a great opportunity to set the tone for the conference.

"I expect us to do well in the conference," St. Clair said. "Our team expects us to do well in the conference, and our opponents expect us to do well in the conference."

"We could post a good month before anyone else plays," he said. "The rest of the conference would have to play catch up."

The Spartans have posted a 3-0-1 record against the Hornets since 2000, but the last two games in the series both went to overtime.

"We feel we've gotten a lot better over the past few years and we've played San Jose State tough," Linenberger said. "We've made improvements. We can compete with (SJSU) now but we haven't proven we can beat the Spartans yet."

St. Clair agrees that Sacramento State is a team on the rise.

"Sacramento State has gotten better but we continue to find ways to beat them and after the game

last year, I felt like we were the better team," St. Clair said. "Their strength is up top. They play with three people committed to attacking ... Defense is where they struggle a bit."

Cal Poly (2-2-1) will face the Spartans on Sunday at 1 p.m. at the Spartan Soccer Field.

The Spartans have defeated the Mustangs each of the last three seasons, but Coach St. Clair said they are difficult to play against.

"Cal Poly is arguably the biggest team I've seen," he said. "They are very athletic and they fight very hard."

"They are big and fast up top and play a very direct game," he said. "Brian Reed is very dangerous and may be their best athlete."

Reed plays all over the field, as a forward and a defender. He has assisted on two of leading scorer Danny Calderon's three goals.

St. Clair said he won't know until the Santa Clara game today whether all this downtime was good or bad for his team.

"All this time off is a double-edged sword," he said. "We had a chance to rest but how sharp are we? It depends on how the boys respond."

The mounting injuries have also become a concern.

"You start with 11 players but when you take one out, it impacts chemistry and a lot of other things," he said. "We have three games in six days and they will all be very emotional for us."

SJSU women's soccer team in a tussle

By David Weinstein
Daily Staff Writer

The Spartans women's soccer team is looking to end a seven-game losing skid this weekend, as they open Western Athletic Conference play with a two-game Texas road trip.

SPARTAN WOMEN'S SOCCER BETWEEN THE GOAL POSTS

NOTEBOOK

San Jose State University begins conference play Friday against defending WAC champion Southern Methodist University (7-2-0) at 7 p.m., followed by a visit to University of Texas-El Paso (5-3-0) Sunday at 1 p.m.

Senior fullback Kelly Nunn said there is no reason why the Spartans shouldn't beat either opponent this weekend, and the team is ready to step-up.

"Teamwise, we're ready to put the seven-game losing streak behind us and start a winning streak of our own," Nunn said.

Colorado tournament

The team treated the weekend games at the Colorado Soccer Shootout as though they were WAC games Nunn said.

The Spartans (1-7-0) lost a 2-1 heartbreaker Friday afternoon to the University of Denver, after grabbing an early lead on junior midfielder Kara Krake's first goal of the season.

Nunn said the loss was disappointing, but the team left the game feeling confident.

"We really took it to Denver and should've won that game, but we came off the field with smiles, laughing and really feeling good about ourselves," Nunn said.

The Pioneers out-shot the Spartans 12-7 in the match.

SJSU fell to No. 17 University of Colorado 3-0 Sunday, in the second game of the tournament.

SJSU head coach Kris Gilmore said playing two nationally ranked teams back-to-back was physically straining on the team.

"Fitnesswise, we weren't ready to play against Colorado," Gilmore said. "The girls weren't able to react as quickly, anticipate well and their skills seemed to drop."

Although it was the Spartans seventh loss in a row, Gilmore said he was pleased with the team's defense in the second half of both games.

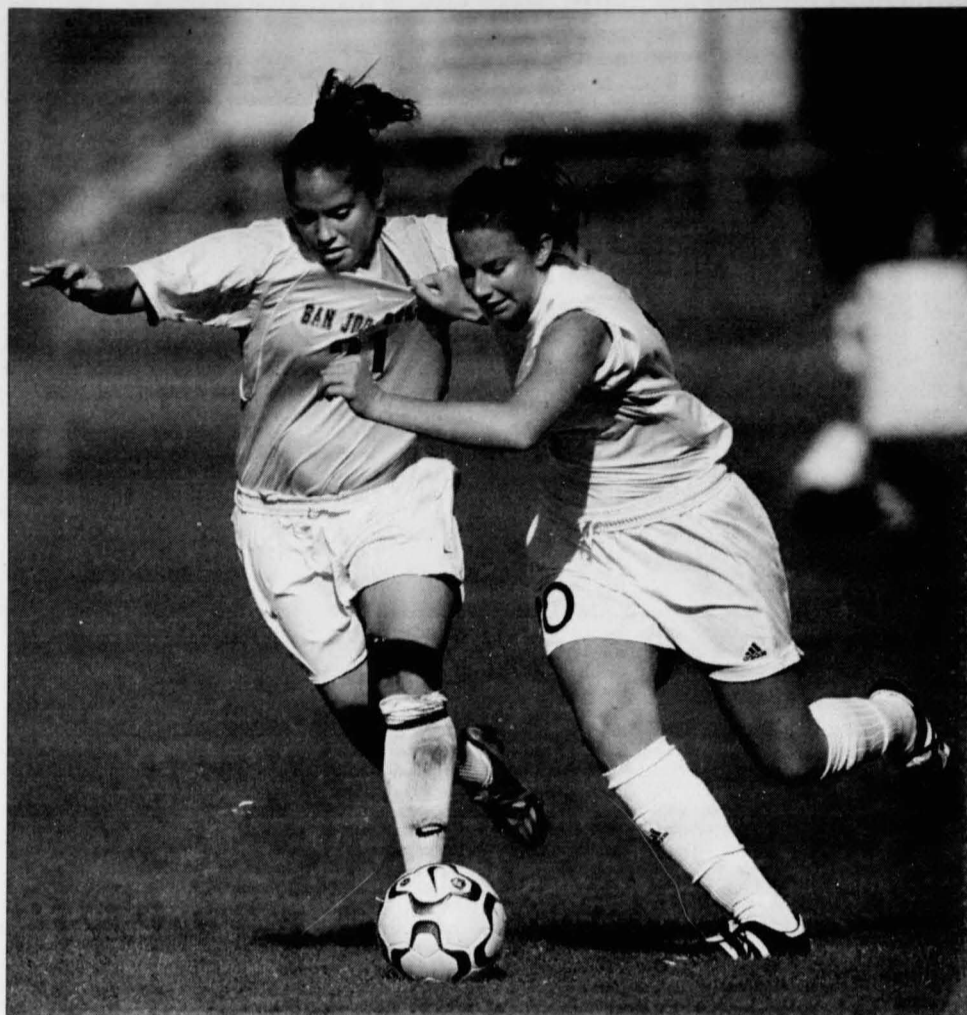
SJSU shutout both Denver and Colorado in the second half, something they haven't accomplished this season.

SMU game

SMU kicks off conference play with new head coach John Cossaboon at the helm.

Cossaboon brings a wealth of experience to the Mustangs, as he was the former assistant coach of the Santa Clara University men's soccer program.

During his six-year tenure at University of San Diego, Cossaboon guided the Toreros to four straight NCAA Tournament appearances between 1999-2002.



Autumn Cruz / Daily File Photo

UC Riverside midfielder Danica Pommerenck, right, grabs Spartan defender Molly Flanagan's jersey as she attempts to gain control of the ball during the second half of a match at the Spartan Soccer Field on Sept. 15. Riverside won 3-1. The loss was the Spartans fifth of the season.

The Spartans and SMU played to a 2-2 tie in 2002 in San Jose.

The defending WAC champions enter Friday's contest coming off a 2-0 shutout against University of Oregon.

Cossaboon said his team is healthy for conference play and would like to duplicate last season.

"We hope to defend last year's conference run," Cossaboon said. "We've been lucky to go through the pre-WAC games with minimal bumps and bruises, but we're 100 percent healthy right now."

The Mustangs are an extremely young team Cossaboon said, with five freshmen in their starting lineup.

Senior forward Kim Harvey has led the Mustangs this season, averaging 1.14 goals a game, putting her at 14th among NCAA Division I scorers.

Harvey is also averaging 2.71 points a game, ranking the senior at 10th in the country.

"In SMU history, she ranks in the Top-5 for goals and assists," Cossaboon said.

SMU finished 2002 at 6-1-1 in the WAC, just ahead of University of Texas-El Paso, the Spartan's Sunday opponent.

UTEP game

UTEP went undefeated at home in

Daily Staff Report

Trestin George, a cornerback for the Spartan football team, was named the Western Athletic Conference Special Teams Player of the Week for the week ending Sept. 21, as announced by the WAC office in Englewood, Colo., on Monday.

2002, posting a 13-0 mark. SJSU lost to the Miners 4-0 last year in San Jose.

The Miners should compete again for the conference title, Cossaboon said.

Third-year head coach Kevin Cross led UTEP to a 16-3 mark in 2002, earning him WAC Coach of the Year honors.

Cross' team led the NCAA in goals per match (4.42) and total goals (84) in 2002.

Prior to the 2002 contest, the Spartans rolled off three wins in a row against the Miners, including a 2000 WAC Tournament victory in Fresno.

Prairie View A&M University was the Miner's latest victim in a 12-0 blowout Sunday.

UTEP led 9-0 at the break and set a school record out shooting the Panthers 66-1.

The 12-0 win was the third shutout in a row for the Miners, and their fifth on the season.

Freshman forward Barbara Butts led the Miners with four goals, tying a school record.

UTEP also starts multiple freshmen, including Butts, Sarah Graef, Christine McCartney and Kelli Yeaman.

The four freshmen have emerged as UTEP's top scorers, netting 12 of the

Miner's 25 goals.

WAC outlook

The Spartans should be more than ready entering conference play after facing five teams in the Top-25, Gilmore said.

SJSU has faced No. 23 Denver, No. 18 Santa Clara (2001 NCAA champions), No. 17 Colorado, No. 14 University of Portland (2002 defending national champions) and No. 8 Pepperdine University.

"Our scheduling this season has prepared us to play at a high level," Gilmore said. "The level of play this weekend will be comparable to what we're used to."

Spartan goalkeepers Adrienne Herbst and Erin Lavey continue to share time in front of the net.

"Both keepers made some spectacular saves this weekend and really kept us in the games," Gilmore said.

Fitness has become the team's worst enemy this year, but the Spartans played 90 tough minutes in the altitude Friday and were able to possess the ball Gilmore said.

"They're improving but it's not going to happen overnight," Gilmore said. "Our fitness is improving tremendously and we're getting everyone on the same page."

award given to an SJSU player this season.

Cross Country

The SJSU women's cross country team finished in fourth place, and the men in 15th at the Riverside Invitational on Saturday.

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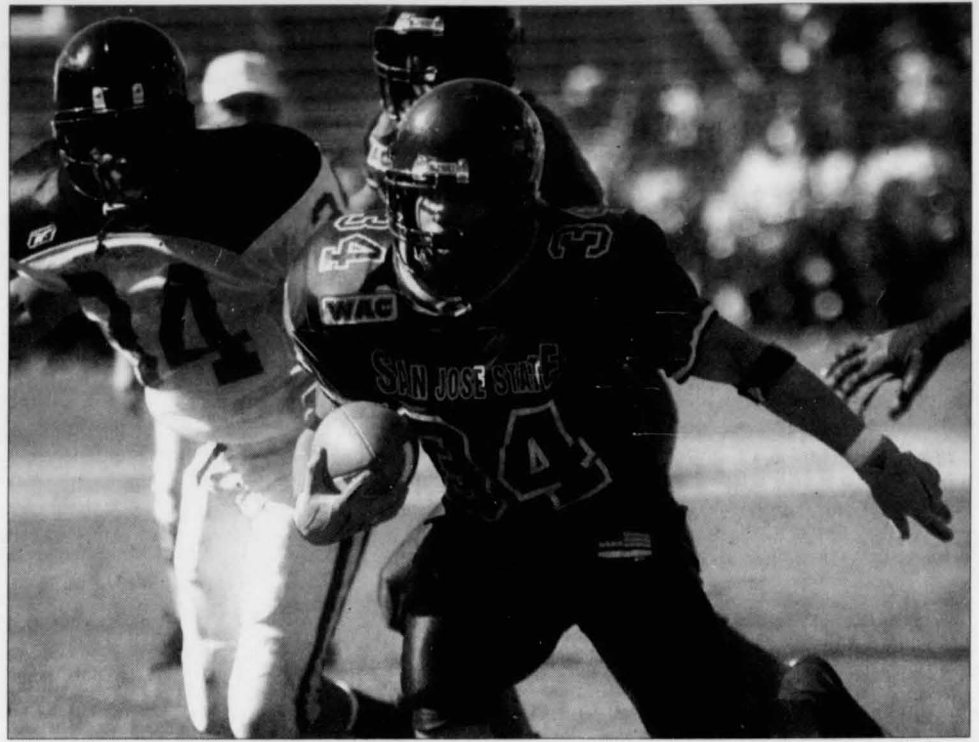
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\$250,000, Twining said. He said guarantee funds for the 2004-2005 season is less than the amount of guarantee money secured for the 2003-2004 season. Twining said the decrease in guarantee monies will create a gap that will need to be covered by increased ticket sales, increased donor gifts and decreased expenses. "We would anticipate that with our home schedule to include Fresno (State) and Stanford, that we would hope to make up a portion of the decreased guarantees. (Those games are) bigger draws than normal," Twining said. Expenses incurred by the SJSU football program include coaches' salaries, team travel costs, recruiting costs, scholarships and operational costs, Twining said. "An athlete on a football scholarship receives tuition fees, room and board and books, roughly \$10,700 (per year) for an in-state athlete and roughly \$19,800 for an out-of-state athlete," Twining said. Private donations are used to provide revenue for football scholarships, Twining said. Twining said \$950,000 is needed to cover the costs of scholarships, which reflects an increase in tuition for 2003-2004. "That represents the tuition increases that every (student) had to pay, which amounted to 30 percent plus. We (the Athletic Department) had to pay that. Our scholarships are up significantly because of that tuition increase," Twining said. Spartan head coach Fitz Hill said about 80 percent of SJSU players are from California, but that he's interested in recruiting athletes from other states. "If we could get a difference maker from out of state, I want to be cost-effective, but I want to assemble the

very best talent," Hill said. External sources contribute revenue to the Athletic Department's budget, including the Spartan Foundation. The Spartan Foundation generates \$1.2 million in revenues from boosters per season for athletics, Twining said. The Foundation conducts a fundraiser and an auction each spring. The athletic department earns \$350,000 in ticket sales, receives \$700,000 from the WAC and generates interest income from various endowment funds. Sponsorships also generate income of roughly \$300,000, Twining said. SJSU allocates about \$6 million for the athletic department, said Don Kassing, vice president for administration and finance. Another source of revenue for the Athletic Department is the \$750,000 that comes from a portion of the instructionally related fee that's part of the mandatory fees SJSU students pay when they register, Twining said. According to information in the university's schedule of classes, the instructionally related fee is \$20. Athletics receives \$12.75 or 63 percent of that fee, Twining said. Hill said another source of revenue for the football program is the 1st-and-10 Club, a booster organization, which is separate from the Spartan Foundation. Hill said his goal is to raise \$100,000 this year through the 1st-and-10 Club to help build the football program up to where it needs to be. He said it takes three components to generate donations from supporters. "People give to vision, when they see the organization and when they see a structure in place," Hill said. By comparison to football, the SJSU men's basketball generates approximately \$100,000 in ticket sales for the Athletic Department, Twining said. He said it's the only other sport to generate revenue for SJSU. Funds generated by the football pro-

gram are pooled to support other Spartan sports, Twining said. "We allocate the budget and come up with an income number that we feel is realistic for all sports and allocate expenses to all sports based on all sports," Twining said. SJSU has to satisfy several NCAA requirements during the 2004-2005 season to keep Division I-A status, said Lawrence Fan, sports information director. Fan said the requirements include the following stipulations: SJSU must schedule five home football games against Division I-A opponents. Average attendance at each of these games must be 15,000 fans, Fan said. The team must provide 76.5 football scholarships, which is 90 percent of the maximum number of 85 NCAA scholarships. SJSU must also offer 200 scholarships to male and female athletes and sponsor 16 sports, six of which must be for one gender, Fan said. Fan said SJSU Head Football Coach Fitz Hill has a plan in place to create funding for scholarships. "Of all the football coaches with whom I've worked here at San Jose State, he is the first one who actually had a plan on paper to increase the scholarship numbers," Fan said. Twining said that if SJSU fails to meet the NCAA's conditions during the 2004-2005 season, the university would be put on probation. "If we don't meet attendance criteria or the scholarship criteria of 200 financial aids or the 76 football scholarships in 2004-2005, we'll be put on probation. We'll have a second chance to meet the criteria. If we do not meet all the criteria in 2005-2006, we would lose Division I-A status. We really have two years in an sense," he said. Losing Division I-A status would mean the Spartans would no longer compete in the WAC and therefore lose \$700,000 in WAC funding, Twining said.



Spartan tailback Yonus Davis runs toward the end zone during the second quarter of the Literacy Classic football game on Saturday, Aug. 23, at Spartan Stadium. A freshman, Davis led the Spartans in receiving yards (69) and rushing yards (69) as San Jose State University defeated Grambling State University, 29-0.

"We would lose obviously football ticket sales. We would lose a significant amount of donor revenues because a very high percentage of donor revenue is football related," Twining said. "We'd go from a balanced budget to a budget situation that would put us in the hole for \$3 million plus," Twining said. He added that SJSU would also lose NCAA grant financial aid and sports sponsorship monies at a minimum of

\$150,000. Other programs, such as men's and women's basketball and baseball would lose status and donor contributions because the football program would no longer be a Division I-A program. "We would also no longer be a member of the WAC, so therefore we would get low ticket and donor income from other sports as well. People would not contribute to the program," Twining said. "We would hence receive small

amounts of ticket and donor dollars because of our diminished program," Twining said. Twining said the loss of donor funds would affect the athletic department's ability to complete projects that rely on these monies, such as the \$400,000 that's funding the current renovation of the men's and women's basketball locker room projects. "If we were not in the WAC or I-A, we would not receive those dollars," Twining said.

Insight into Islamic culture

Another dispels misconceptions in political science class

By Tammy Krikorian
Daily Managing Editor

Javed Mohammed, author of "Islam 101," gave a presentation to a Middle Eastern Politics class at San Jose State University Monday. Mohammed said he wrote the book as a response to Sept. 11 because the terrorist attacks raised a lot of questions about Islam and he wanted to clarify myths about women in Islam and jihad. He gave a general overview of Islam during the 75-minute class, but because of time restraints he wasn't able to go into much detail. Mohammed said he hoped to start dialogue among the students. Constantine Danopoulos, an assistant professor in political science who teaches the class, said he asked Mohammed to speak because of his background. "I wanted someone who is of Islamic background to talk to the students — a practicing Muslim who feels it in his bones," Danopoulos said. Mohammed began his presentation by giving a pop-quiz to the students. "What is the population in the world, what is the largest religion in the world and what is the fastest growing religion in America and Europe were just a few questions he asked the class. The world's population, he said, is more than 6 billion and Christianity is the largest religion with between 1.6 and 1.9 billion followers. Mohammed also said Islam is the second largest religion with 1.2 to 1.5 billion followers and it is the fastest growing religion in America and Europe. Mohammed said the Muslim population center is actually in the Far East, though many people believe it is in the Middle East. He also said that there is a significant Muslim population nearly everywhere in the world. The basics of Islam, he said, include submission through the will of God. Anyone can become Muslim, Mohammed said, if they bear witness that there is no God but one God and bear witness that Mohammed is His last prophet. "Being a Muslim means believing in God and all His prophets and all the books that came to them," Mohammed said. Muslims believe that the Quran is the holy word of God. The book was

revealed during a period of 23 years and contains 114 chapters. Mohammed said the true book is written in Arabic and everything else is a translation. "Looking at one verse can give you a total different context," Mohammed said. Muslims also follow Hadeeth, which are the sayings of the prophet Mohammed, and Sunnah, which is the example set by the prophet. There are five pillars of Islam including declaration of faith, prayers, charity, fasting and pilgrimage. One student asked Mohammed about the role of Jesus in Islamic faith. He responded that from an Islamic perspective, all prophets are Muslim. In the Quran, he said, there is an entire chapter on Jesus, Mary and Joseph. In his book, Mohammed said, he lists the Ten Commandments and how they correspond with the Quran. Mohammed said that women have a high status in Muslim culture and their role first and foremost is as a mother. Islam emphasizes the obedience to parents, he said. Mohammed admitted that when Islam was revealed centuries ago, women were treated poorly, but today they have more rights, similar to other cultures. Women, he said, have the right to education, the right to own property, the right to choose a husband and the right to divorce him. In terms of marriage, Mohammed said, Muslims believe that men and women are created for one another. Husband and wife have equal, complementary roles. "The husband is not superior, but has roles he has to play," Mohammed said. He said that many misconceptions about Islam come from the media. "The media can put a spotlight on whatever they want," Mohammed said. "You have to understand the entire context — go outside of main-

stream media." One example of this, he said, is the word jihad, which many people interpret to mean "holy war." "It's an Arabic word," Mohammed said. "It means to struggle and strive. It has been used out of context." Before Mohammed could further explain, time was up. "I thought it went well," Danopoulos said. "I wanted him to talk more about the role of women, terrorism and jihad, but he ran out of time." Danopoulos said he was happy with the speech and felt that Mohammed connected with people in the class. Taylor Fields, a senior political science major, said Mohammed gave a good presentation. "He broke down the facts — made it more so we could understand, where the reading is more complicated," Fields said. Yasmin Flores, also a senior political science major, agreed with Fields. "What I liked about it is that we were asking similarities between Islam and Christianity and he broke that down to us," Flores said. "In reality there are a lot of similarities." Danopoulos said the class is relevant because of the Arab-Israeli problem, terrorism and Sept. 11. "Every time I teach it, we draw a big crowd," he said. Danopoulos said the first half of the semester is devoted to the general history of the Middle East, including the Arab-Israeli conflict and three major monotheistic religions — Islam, Christianity and Judaism — which originated in that region. The second half of the class deals with the four countries of Egypt, Iran, Turkey and Israel. If there's time, Danopoulos said, the class will look at a fifth country. In the past, it's been Saudi Arabia, but this year he's focusing on Iraq. "There, we look at each country individually," Danopoulos said. "It's background, policy and economy."

Federal appeals court rehears recall election argument

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — A federal appeals court heard arguments Monday about whether to let California's gubernatorial recall election go forward on Oct. 7, sharply questioning whether the Supreme Court's Bush v. Gore decision is grounds for postponing the vote. But judges also raised concerns that holding the election could deny some people the right to vote because of error-prone voting machines, giving hope to both sides that they might prevail in a legal battle that could still end up before the nation's high court. There was no indication when the court would rule. The American Civil Liberties Union wants the election postponed until six counties can install new voting machines so that 40 percent of California voters will not have to use the infamous punch card ballots that made "hanging chads" a household term during Florida's elections debacle. Judges Alex Kozinski and Johnnie B. Rawlinson challenged Charles Diamond, a lawyer for a pro-recall group, to explain just how error-prone a county can be before it violates the Constitution. "We cannot value one person's vote over another," Rawlinson said. If one out of every 10 votes doesn't count, Kozinski said, is that "close enough for government work?" "If it was 50 percent I think we'd want to take a searching look," Diamond conceded. Still, he stressed, "You don't stop everybody from voting if some of the people who do vote may have their votes counted erroneously." But Judge Richard C. Tallman expressed concern about the nearly 615,000 absentee ballots that Californians already have cast.

"The real point, I think, is it's an unlawful election," said Harvard University scholar Laurence Tribe, who argued for the Democrats in the Florida dispute that reached the Supreme Court in 2000. The hearing was the result of a ruling last week by a three-judge panel of the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals that postponed the gubernatorial election, agreeing with the ACLU that thousands of votes could be missed. The 9th Circuit later decided to allow an 11-judge panel to reconsider, setting up Monday's hearing. The 11 judges could either uphold the three-judge panel's ruling or overturn the decision, reinstating the Oct. 7 date. The losing side could then appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court. The three-judge panel repeatedly cited the U.S. Supreme Court's Bush v. Gore ruling that halted the Florida recount because counties were using different standards to read the ballots. Tribe, who is representing the ACLU in fighting for a postponement, defended the panel's ruling, but was grilled by Kozinski and Judge Diarmuid F. O'Scannlain. "We don't have a Bush v. Gore problem," Kozinski said, noting that California does have the kinds of standards for ballot-counting that Florida lacked in 2000.

"It's a worse problem," replied Tribe. He said punch-card ballots "are not lawful to use" in the upcoming California election since the state already knows they are error-prone. Arguing for the state, Deputy Attorney General Douglas Woods said U.S. District Court Judge Stephen V. Wilson got the case right in mid-August when he rejected any postponement. "Today, with this election ongoing, he is even more right," Woods said during the 70-minute hearing. Kozinski prompted laughter throughout the ornate courtroom with an observation that perhaps could give recall opponents some reason to be hopeful. "He sort of missed it on the Voting Rights Act, just between us," Kozinski joked. The ACLU contends that minorities may be more prone to have their votes discarded because the six counties have higher percentages of minorities than California as a whole. That would violate the 1965 Voting Rights Act. The judges chosen for the new panel are more conservative than the three who made the original ruling, and some legal scholars said it was likely the earlier ruling would be overturned.

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James Taylor: At Shoreline Amphitheater in Mountain View, Oct. 4.

Roots Reggae from ST. Croix w/ Dubwizw and DJ Hari KZSC: Sept. 29, doors open at 8 p.m. at Veterans Hall in Santa Cruz. All ages, \$15 advance / \$18 door (831) 235-0746

Ween: at the Greek Theatre in Berkeley, Sept. 26. \$30 gen. adm.

Mana: At Shoreline Amphitheater in Mountain View, Oct. 5

Slightly Stoopid: At the Fillmore in San Francisco, Oct. 23, \$16.50 (415) 346-6000

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Shadow of Ashland, by Robert J. Sawyer. \$13.69, *Forge*

COMEDY:

Asian American Comedy Night: Featuring: Kevin Camia, Amy Anderson and Oliver Saria. Oct. 10 at 8 p.m. at the Montgomery Theater in San Jose.

ART:

Surf Culture: The Art History of Surfing at San Jose Museum of Art, until Nov. 2. (408) 294-2787.

Artcar Festival 2003: At San Jose Museum of Art, Sept. 27: 11 a.m. - 7 p.m. www.sjmusart.org

Sex Work in Asia: The photographs of Reagan Louie at the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art. Sept. 4 - Dec. 7. (415) 357-4000 www.sfmoma.org

San Jose Museum of Quilts and Textile: Undercover: Political expressions in traditional quilts. Aug. 19 - Oct. 26. (408) 971-0323 www.sjqiltmuseum.org

FILM:

Gypsy Cinema: The Seedlings: The Art History of Surfing with Jazz guitarist: Tommy Guerrero (free). Oct. 3 at the Circle of Palms / San Jose Mus. of Art: 8:15 p.m. (bring blankets/chairs).

Midnight Movie Madness: Every Friday at Camera 7 Pruneyard, Camera One, \$6.50. This week: *The Princess Bride* Next week: *Raiders of the Lost Ark*

Jewish Film Festival: Premiering Sept. 24 at 7:30 at the Yerba Buena Center for the Arts in San Francisco. \$6 general / \$5 students and seniors. (415) 978-2787

THEATER:

San Jose Repertory: Noises Off, Sept. 6 - Oct. 5. Mary's Wedding, Oct. 18 - Nov. 16. (408) 367-7255.

The Fantasticks: At the Palo Alto Players Theater, Sept. 13 - 28. www.palayers.org (650) 329-0891.

The real Gidget surfed her way to fame

By Jenny Shearer
Daily Staff Writer

During the summer of 1956, Kathy Kohner Zuckerman, also known as Gidget, paddled into the waves off Malibu Beach on a surfboard and became part of surfing history.

Kohner Zuckerman spoke about her surfing experiences on Sunday afternoon as part of the San Jose Museum of Art's "The Art History of Surfing" exhibit before a crowd of 60 people.

Her nickname, a cross between girl and midget, was added to American pop culture after Kohner's father, Frederick, a Hollywood screenwriter, wrote a best-selling book called "Gidget," in 1957.

"My father was able to capture the moment in time. He was the talented one — I had the story," she said.

The book led to a film starring Sandra Dee in 1959. Sequels followed, as did a television series that ran from 1965-1966 and featured Sally Field in the title role.

"I think that Sandra Dee has made the Gidget phenomenon last for 50 years. She portrayed the character the way America wanted to see the character — sweet, charming and a bit humbled," Kohner Zuckerman said.

"Everybody knows my name, but nobody knows my face," said Kohner Zuckerman. She told the audience this was her first visit to San Jose since she spent the summer of 1962 here, trying to get into the Peace Corps.

"I left my heart in San Jose. The last fellow (another Peace Corps volunteer) I was in love with, he went off to the Philippines. I wrote to him. He wrote me asking 'Could you please tell me how to build a surfboard? I want to go surfing in the Philippines.' I was known as the surfer, even in San Jose, where it's always low tide," Kohner

Zuckerman said.

One audience member said she was surprised to learn that Gidget was a real person. "I think of her as a great example for young women today," said Pat Ziercher of St. Louis.

Although Kohner Zuckerman knew surfers as she was growing up and her parents went to Malibu Beach, it wasn't until one summer day in 1956 that she decided she wanted to try surfing herself.

Later that summer, Kohner Zuckerman said she told her father she wanted to write about her surfing experiences at Malibu Beach.

She said her father agreed to write a book based on her experiences.

He used the details she shared with him to write about a teenage girl who surfed with guys who hung out at shacks on the beach and had names like Moondoggie and the Big Kahoonia.

"I found my niche in Malibu," Kohner Zuckerman said. "I was fascinated that there was somebody (Terry 'Tubesteak' Tracy) that lived in a shack in Malibu, who didn't go home to mommy and daddy and the middle 1950s lifestyle."

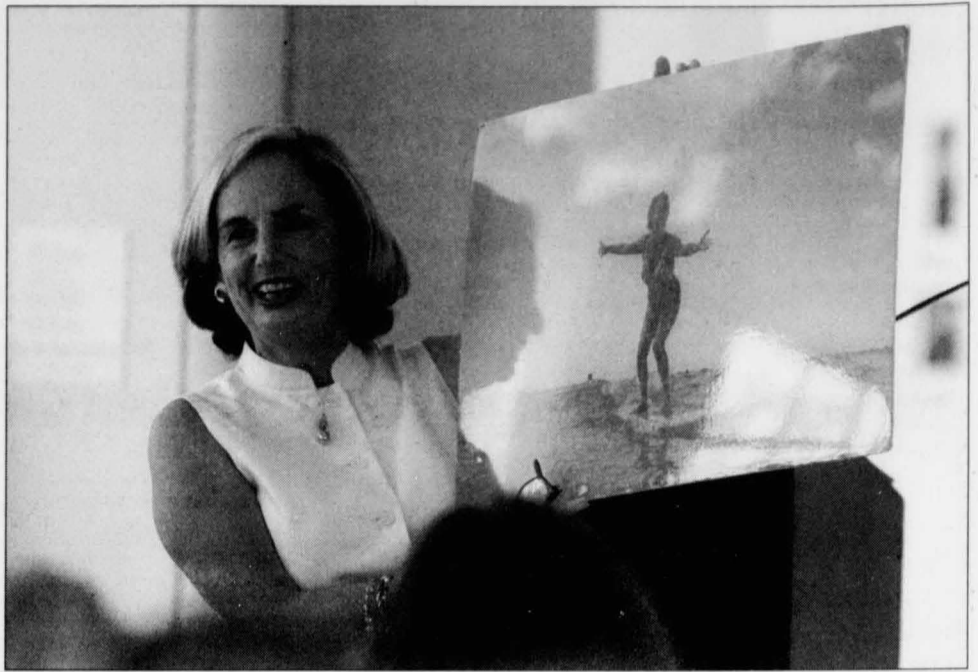
Kohner Zuckerman said the surfers she knew at Malibu were guys between 18 and 21.

"Part of the charm of the actual life I led and the novel is that they understood that I was somehow off-limits in terms of anything beyond the pal relationship," she said.

"I do recall that I wanted them to see that I could ride the waves."

"In hindsight, people will look at this as some sort of a gender issue," said Kohner Zuckerman. "I wasn't even aware of the term 'gender' when I was 15 in 1956. I wanted to be liked, to belong and to surf."

Kohner Zuckerman said although girls and women have always surfed, she happened to be the one who became famous for it.



Yvonne Pingue / Daily Staff

Kathy Kohner Zuckerman, an advocate of women's surfing, holds up a picture of herself surfboarding in 1996. She spoke at the San Jose Museum of Modern Art on Sunday promoting the re-release of the bestseller "Gidget," a book her father, Frederick Kohner, wrote about her surfing exploits.

Her role in shaping surf culture was recognized in 1999 when "Surfer Magazine" ranked her seventh on the list of 25 most influential surfers of the century. She was one of two women on the list.

Some people in the audience were impressed by Kohner Zuckerman's positive attitude.

"She's kept her joie de vivre (joy of living), her enthusiasm for things," said Kevin Steed, a real estate agent from Oakland. "Surfing was the first

indolent California lifestyle — it shed the rest of the country's Yankee and puritanical ethic," Steed said.

A high school friend of Kohner Zuckerman's who lives in San Jose also came to hear her speak.

"We had a mutual friend, that's how I know her. I didn't surf," said Judy Collard, a retired elementary school teacher.

Jean Sidle, an instructional assistant at an elementary school, said she's a Gidget fan.

"I grew up in Carlsbad on the beach. I wanted to come and see her and listen," she said.

Kohner Zuckerman's determination to learn how to surf impressed Margie Maynard, curator of education, interpretation at the San Jose Museum of Art.

"When I was 15, there's no way I'd wander up to a group of guys five to six years older and say, 'Hey, can I borrow your surfboard?'" Maynard said.

Yellowman keeps true to roots

By Rebecca Villaneda

Arts and Entertainment Editor

Overcoming his upbringing as an orphan, conquering jaw cancer in 1986 and living as an outcast in his early years as an albino in Jamaica, Yellowman has proved the reggae gods are with him.

The reggae artist performed at Zoë nightclub in downtown San Jose on Sunday night before an audience that sang along to songs. Although there was a lack of people, die-hard fans tried taking pictures with him while he was on stage and asked for autographs during and after the show with their sharpies in hand.

Yellowman still lives in Kingston, Jamaica but tours the United States and Europe frequently. He said touring is "alrie, mon, there is no struggle," and said he is used to the lifestyle.

"My favorite thing about touring is that the people make me feel good," Yellowman said.

He said the name Yellowman came from the streets of Jamaica. It was a nickname that people started calling him when he was about 14 years old.

Now, at the age of 46, the man looks untouched and as active as ever, but the repercussions of battling cancer has left an indentation on the left side of his face because of surgery. Doctors gave him six months to live, but 17 years later he still proves that his spirit is strong.

"The effects of cancer come and it goes and I try to deal with it. Sometimes it slows me down, but I just don't think about it," he said. "That is the way to survive."

Yellowman has been in the reggae scene since around 1978 when he won a talent contest at Tastee Patties in Kingston. Winning that talent show allowed him to have an album produced.

His next album comes out in October and is titled, "New York." His next stops on this leg of the tour are Utah and Colorado, he said.

During this performance he sang many of his dance hall hits as he moved and jumped back and forth on the stage.



Rebecca Villaneda / Daily Staff

Reggae artist Yellowman keeps the crowd dancing at Zoë nightclub in downtown San Jose. The audience demanded an encore and the energetic performer came back to give them more of his Jamaican charm.

"People always ask me how old I am because they want to know where I get all my energy," he said.

During the performance he said, "Okay, I see you can't keep up with my energy so I am going to slow it down."

He began to sing a song that revived his career after his hiatus in dealing with cancer, titled "Blueberry Hill."

The audience responded fanatically and grooved to its mellow rhythm, but soon after, he brought back his vitality that seems to be his addiction. He moved on stage like no other performer, pointing at the crowd and interacting with them so naturally, kicking his legs up and bumping and grinding to his music.

Backing Yellowman up is the Sagittarius Band, and they swiftly changed from song to song keeping up with Yellow's intensity.

He recently had to find a new keyboardist for his band because the old one left to tour with dancehall artist Sean Paul.

"He got greedy," Yellowman said. "But who knows how long that will last."

Yellowman said this with no bitterness intended because he respects Sean Paul's music. He said it is a good example of where reggae has evolved.

"(Sean Paul) mixes reggae with hip-hop," he said. "Reggae is where it wants to be already, mon. Artists are taking it somewhere good."

He mentioned that record labels are interfering with the images of these artists. He used Shabba and Shaggy as examples of this intrusion, saying that record companies give them their images and this is what separates him from others.

"I had my image already, it's a natural thing," he said. "No makeup, no earrings — my image is to present myself and I have stayed that way."

Yellowman said he loves sharing and playing his music and loves that fans still come out to see him because it means they appreciate him and his music.

He ended his show with a positive affirmation that just extended his spiritual side that is already explicit.

"Remember ... one love, one heart, one destiny. If you can't be nice, you're on your own. Peace."

Mary J. Blige proves she is still a soulful diva



Singer collaborates with new artists but still has help from her old friends

Janet Pak

Daily Staff Writer

Five albums later, Mary J. Blige still carries the title Sean "P. Diddy" Combs crowned her "queen of hip-hop soul."

Blige continues belting out deep and soulful tracks that strike a distinct chord.

REVIEW

Her sixth album, "Love and Life," reunites her with Sean "P. Diddy" Combs on producing credits and guest vocals on "Love and Life."

The album blends hip-hop soul with jazzy elements on tracks such as "Special Part of Me," where the piano's striking melodies and bass stand out.

On the string heavy "Let me be the 1," Blige and 50 cent team up to share the problems of love.

Blige sings "boy I feel like this just can't be real ... so what's the deal? Should I save my love for you?" 50 Cent chimes in, "cause you understand life where we from ain't easy ... together we can weather the storm. Your love is unconditional. You're my heart."

The queen of hip-hop soul never wastes a minute or exhibits any signs of slowing down. Her soulful and deep voice is clearly evident throughout the album.

Blige's voice and talents are hardly overshadowed on guest collaborations such as "Love @ 1st Sight," featuring Method Man. This is her second collaboration with the rapper. The last song they recorded together in 1995 was "I'll Be There For You/You're All I Need To Get By."

Her collaboration with Eve on the keyboard and bass-intense "Not Today," is disappointing with uses of the occasional use of the N-word.

She doesn't miss a beat.

It's her honesty and ability to speak about self-love, cheating men and hardship that make Blige stand out.

She handles those issues without coming off as a "man-hater," particularly on the track "It's a Wrap," addressing the cheating men who fail to learn from the consequences.

Blige does it again with "Friends," where she questions how a friend could lie in her face and betray her. But Blige doesn't let a bad friendship stop her.

Her response is to keep on singing and she declares at the end of the song, "give me another track," where she sings right into the heavy bass piece "Press On."

While she is best known for her collaborations with artists like P. Diddy, Blige's voice alone stands just as strong. "Don't Go," demonstrates her strength with Blige stretching her vocal chords.

Her voice also resonates on the upbeat 1970s like "When We," with its bluesy and jazz like feel.

Blige's no-nonsense songs speak to everyone and her smooth silky voice shines on her latest collection.

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