

been president for the organization for the last two years

She said the proposed art piece wasn't inclusive of everybody in the Latino community.

"It reflects only a small part of our community," she said. "We wanted something that was more reflective of our community."

Curry-Rodriguez said, aside from the piece of art itself, the two organizations also protested the mock-up poster proposed for the art call to artists that were going to decorate the surface of the Low Rider going Tables

The poster, in which a scantily-clad girl stands next to one of the low rider tables, was designed upon the model of one of the covers of Street Low Magazine, said Gilbert Chavez, owner of the maga-

zine. "The mock-up represented the stereotype many peo-

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teach them to be successful in every-thing that they do."

thing that they do." The local program has existed for a little more than three years, Williams said, and another goal is discipline. He said one girl, Alex, age 11, came up to him and said she kicked a boy at school. Her punishment was 35 pushups, less than the usual 50. "That was a sign of huge maturity,"

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Judo student Vanessa Fuentes, right, practices throwing fellow classmate Nysia Welsh in an After-School All-Stars program class on Tuesday in Uchida Hall. Welsh may be



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competing in her first tournament Sunday in San Francisco

U.S. rep surprises Dean supporters Class tackles multiracial issues

By Therese Bratberg

Daily Opinion Editor

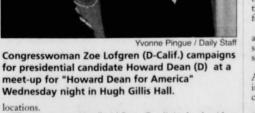
Supporters of presidential candidate Howard Dean were taken by surprise Wednesday night when Congresswoman Zoe Lofgren, a San Jose Democrat, walked into the Students for Dean meeting in Hugh Gillis Hall to talk

"We didn't know, and it completely took us by surprise," said junior Marian Hofer, president of the Students for Dean organization at San Jose State University. "Of course, we were pleasantly surprised, and we feel it's a privilege. She was very approachable, humble, inspiring and out-of-the-ordinar

Lofgren said she had looked the meeting up on the Internet and felt it was particularly important to attend. Happy to share her experience and encouragements with the group, she told stories about the importance of getting involved in politics for a good cause. "I'm concerned about what the Republican administration

is doing to the environment, education, fiscal policy, health-care and international affairs," she said. "I think Bush needs to get replaced and Howard Dean is the way to do it." Lofgren answered questions from an audience of 24 peo-

Lofgrein answered questions from an audience of 24 peo-ple and told the story of why she had been the first person in Congress to endorse Dean for the Democratic Party. Dean is one of nine Democratic candidates wying for the party's official nomination and a chance to face President George Bush in the next presidential election. Lofgren said she chose to endorse Dean, a former Vermont governor, after hearing him give a moving speech at the California Democratic Convention in March. Hofer said more than 150,000 people were attending Howard Dean meetings held Wednesday in more than 900



"This is pretty exciting," said Steve Orsolini, a local resident who wanted to show his support by coming to the meeting. He said he had heard Lofgren speak before and thought she probably stopped by while in the area. Karen Reyes, a supporter of Students for Dean, said she

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By Robert Hong Daily Staff Writer

Interspersed throughout San Jose State University's diverse campus are many unrecognizable ethnic faces that cause some to ask the question, "What are you?"

These increasingly noticeable indi-viduals are the multiracial population of the SJSU community, whose voices and presence often go unrepresented in the community.

While there are specific student organizations and academic departments for almost every ethnic group, these mixed-race individuals have very w places to turn to. "SJSU is a working class school with

a diverse set of people that attend," said Curtiss Rooks, a professor of

sociology. A multiracial person of Japanese and African American descent, Rooks has initiated a class at SJSU that serves to celebrate and study multiracial people. The course, Asian American Studies 187, will be available for students in

"The course will explore issues of diversity that have shaped people's minds," Rooks said. "And for the multiracial person, (this class) will be about learning about themselves."

Rooks said multiracial people are always questioned, with people trying to guess what they are, and that this class will help understand that experience

Ethan Hernandez, a computer sci-ence student of Mexican and Caucasian heritage, said a class of that nature would be valuable at a universi-

ty of this magnitude. "I think it would be a welcome addition to campus activities ... if there is appropriate funding available," he

said. Hernandez said that as a multiracial person, he does not want people assuming anything specific about his cultural background. This is part of the experience that AAS 187 plans to get across

Linda Fleming, a business student at the University of Southern California who transferred from SJSU, said the issue of culture is important and that she would like a similar class to appear

at her own university. "I do feel very conflicted when I am asked to check only one box for my 'race' I sometimes feel obligated to answer the way that white people view me as opposed to my true national origins," said the 21-year-old Korean-Caucasian senior.

She said that a class focusing on multiracial people is vital in contem-

porary America's rapidly diversifying

"I have had a class on diversity ... but not specifically on mixed races,"

Fleming said. "A class like that might somehow show people how to not be so con-cerned in having to classify a person into one single category and accept the fact that more and more people are coming from varied national ori-gins," she said.

Rooks said this is just the type of issue that his class would cover.

"In the last 10 years, there has been an influx of Asian Americans and a growing number of Latinos," said Rooks. "Beyond the second generation of Asian American immigrants, the out-marriage rate reaches near 50 percent." He said that interracial relationships

would also make up a large portion of the class and that it would be an ideal environment for discussion from anyone involved in this type of relation-ship. In addition, the class will focus on the intermixing of people from dif-

ferent religious practices. Across the country at New York University, Jessica Hong, a film stu-dent of Korean and Caucasian descent, hopes for a similar class to

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NO SHAME

to a school that deserves a better rep Farewe

Good Lord, I still can't believe that it's all over. After five-and-a-half years of college, I'm finally graduat-

How did it happen? I'm still shocked. Apparently somewhere in my college career, I earned enough units to graduate. Is this legal? Is this really happening? Is that the bright light

at the end of the tunnel, or am I going to wake up from my coma to a doctor telling me it was all a dream? On Wednesday, I got an e-mail from my friend Anthony, a

foreign exchange student from Australia who, last year, was a photographer at the Spartan Daily.

Anthony, who recently graduated from college down under, summed it up best: "I have now officially finished (university), I have checked out all my assignments and exams and somehow passed. I don't know how, I certainly didn't deserve it. I am still trying to figure out how the dribble I wrote for two subjects was accepted as learned thought. But who gives

a (expletive); I'm done and so happy." Anthony went on to say that he's going to get drunk (repeatedly) and "tell how it is to all the people and lecturers who pissed me off."

God bless him.

And God bless everyone else who shaped my unique college experience. However, before I thank all of the people who helped me reach this apex of mediocrity, I need to get something off my chest.

At what point did we as students become ashamed of attending San Jose State University?

In my time here, all I've heard is students whine about how much SJSU sucks or that they don't like it here.

People, knock it off. Look around you. You attend college in the greatest place in the world — the Bay Area. We may not be Stanford or Berkeley, but I wouldn't

trade SJSU for anything. We have our own unique culture here; our own way of life. It's ours

Our degrees don't mean any less.

Our library is top-notch. For God's sake, does anyone know that we're the only state college in California that has a nuclear reactor? I mean, serious-

ly, a nuclear reactor. As corny as it sounds, please stand up and be a Spartan. This is your school; take some pride in it and get involved. I never thought

I mattered here; that I was just a number. Then I realized I was the head of a college newspaper, a member of the school's rugby team and active in a fraternity. As Ferris Bueller said, "Life moves pretty fast. If you don't

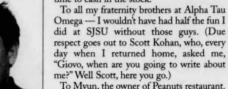
stop and look around once in a while, you might miss it." As with anything in life, you get out of an experience what

you put into it. That said, let's get on to the honorees that made college the best experience of my life ...

To my parents, for getting busy one night in 1979. No, just kidding. I'd like to think I was an immaculate conception. It's

only now that I finally understand where they were coming from. When I brought home Cs and Ds, they always said I could have done better or tried harder. They were right. They paid my tuition, rent, food and myriad other expenses so I could get here. I was an investment. It's now

time to cash in the stock.



GUEST COLUMNIST

mild fan.

field well.

To Myun, the owner of Peanuts restaurant. I ate enough of your club sandwiches to put your kids through college. Thanks for the

VANNETTI discounted pitchers of beer. To Dr. Ted Butryn, whom I took Sociology and Cultural Perspective of Sport from. Dr. Ted leads a small host of teachers at SJSU whose classes I actually enjoyed CHRIS GIOVANNETTI attending. As Mr. Miyagi said, "No such thing as bad student only bad teacher.

(Yes, I know that was two movie plugs in one column, and no, I don't care.)

To SJSU head coach Fitz Hill, who, indirectly, became my chief motivator. I love coach Hill. Every time you talk to him, he tosses out what I like to call "Fitzisms." They include but are not limited to:

For one game, I completely ruled the court.

As a spectator, I can hold my own to some extent when talking about football and baseball because I'm a

I'll admit I don't know as much about the Niners now as during the Walsh/Montana/Young years or as much about the A's today than the World Series teams of the

Don't try to talk with me about basketball, soccer or golf, though. I understand the basics of each, but their

appeal eludes me. I have also never been much of a participant — I am

I have never been much of a sports guy.

late '80s. But at least I know the sports.

not good at sports. Besides having a weight problem for much of my life, I am a klutz. I have

Whenever I played football, I could count on being a blocker. I've scored only one touchdown in my life.

In baseball, I can't recall ever hitting a

double, but I sure got to know the out-

I was always one of the last kids picked

almost no athletic ability.

for any team in grade school.

"You can't believe the haters."

"When life hands you lemons, you have to make lemonade. This week, we're going to try to add some Sweet 'N' Low to

"Sometimes you have to take a step backward to make a leap forward."

And the immortal "Frog with Vision":

"There once was a frog, a frog with vision. This frog needed to get across a canyon. He saw a couple of birds, and he asked the birds to get a branch. He then told the birds to take each end of the branch in their mouths. The frog grabbed onto the middle of the branch with his frog mouth, and the birds flew across the canyon. That is our frog with vision." I don't care if SJSU never wins another football game, I'm

going to miss covering them. To everybody I raised a pint of beer with, high-fived at a party when I didn't remember your name or made out with.

learned a lot about the strategies and intricacies of the

sport. With some of the other people, I also took a class two nights a week at Foothill College to play and to

I became pretty good, and it was fun. And then came the day when I ascended to a different

Both teams gathered on the lawn next to the adminis-

At the start of the second game, I was the first server

tration building. We set up the net and put down the

anywhere I wanted.

The best-of-three match got underway.

on my side.

You know who you are. Farewell, SJSÚ.

improve my skills.

plane.

court lines.

My moment of sports glory

Chris Giovannetti is the Spartan Daily executive editor. This is the last appearance of 'No Shame.'

Viewpoint | Lack of help for new students

Dear editor,

I was going to attend San Jose State University. I had received my admittance letter just a few days before the beginning of the semester, and I didn't know what to do. I tried to seek counseling but all I found was frustration. Every time I called, I would get wrong answers. I didn't get to the orientation because I didn't know whether I had been accepted. I didn't know I had to take a test. I didn't know my way around campus, so literally I was lost. The first day of school came. I walked around campus and asked questions of the people that passed by. Finally, I got to the Administration building and they referred me to my major's department. I spoke to a counselor who basically just told me I should go around to every classroom with open spots and see if I could get in. I went around looking for at least one class. Just out of luck, I was able to get into an English class. I was thankful that I got in and didn't waste a semester because of

the lack of classes. The reason I'm voicing my experience is because I don't want any new students to go through what I did. Students who get late acceptance should be able to have some type of orientation and have counselors who will tend to their needs. Representatives and staff need to put more effort into making the admittance process of new students easier. There needs to be more knowledgeable people behind the phones and more counselors available for newcomers. Keep in mind that starting in a new school is overwhelming and that the school needs to help in making it a smooth transition.

Carolina Delgado Junior

Business Administration / International Studies

Viewpoint | Library hours inconvenient

Dear editor.

The new Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Joint Library is a beautiful building. But the students at San Jose State University must agree library hours are not beneficial to our learning. The library's hours are Monday through Thursday 8 a.m. to 10 p.m., Friday 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Sunday 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. Being a full-time student and working full time, the new library does not benefit most students because we are unable to study there. I get off work at 9 p.m. and if I wanted to go to the library, I would get there at 9:30 p.m., leaving me only 30 minutes to study. The short hours on Friday-Saturday are convenient for the public but not for San Jose State students. Even though they have extended hours for finals till midnight, it's still limited to a couple of floors on a first-come, first-serve basis. The library

setup is spread out, making it inconvenient for students to do research. When I was doing research for a paper, I was having a hard time because books were everywhere. They were on the third floor, fourth floor, fifth floor and sixth floor. How could one topic be on all these floors? It was also difficult to look for books because the staff couldn't help me find specif-ic books the database said they had. On top of that, holding books from one floor to the next is hard when you don't want to leave your personal belongings.

Nga Tran Junior Business

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@casa.sjsu.edu titled "Sparta Guide." Space restrictions may require editing of submissions. Entries are printed in the order in which they are received.

TODA

NATIONAL PRESS PHOTOGRAPHER'S ASSOCIATION Jack Gruber of USA Today will speak today at 7:30 p.m. in the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Joint Library on the second floor, suite B. For more information, call Dennis Dunleavy at 924-3245.

MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

Students in ME 106 will be presenting their interactive electromechanical games today from 1:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. in room 125 in the Engineering building. For more information, call Buff Furman at 924-3817.

PRIDE OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS

Win a real Christmas tree and other great prizes today in front of the Student Union. A \$1 donation is required to

CAMPUS CRUSADE FOR CHRIST

A weekly meeting of worship, prayer, sharing and fellow-ship is held Thursdays at 8 p.m. in the chapel. Everyone is welcome. For more information, call 297-7616.

SJSU CATHOLIC CAMPUS MINISTRY

play and all proceeds go to the club. For more informa-tion, call 924-2221.

(when I'm in decent shape) is that it doesn't take a lot of coordination. I can do it despite being a klutz.

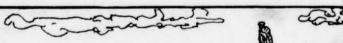
I'm in decent shape).

able spike now and then. And I can serve.

When I was about 30, the company I was at had a lunchtime volleyball league each summer for a few

years. There were enough teams so each had the chance to play twice a week without facing the same opponents

ANOTHER DIMENTIAN | PAUL DYBDAHL



other team standing a little too far apart, I made the ball sink between them. I could send that ball right to the edge of the court — on either side. If their person went for the ball, it flew in the wrong direction off his or her arms, but if they didn't go for it, the white line

I took hold of the ball. I tossed it into

I owned that ball. I was able to place it

When I saw a couple members of the

the air. And I went into the zone.

made a little bounce to show my serve was in. I could give the ball a topspin, so it dropped like a rock, or I could give it no spin, letting it float on the air currents.

I got ace after ace. The other team returned about a third of my serves, but my guys were able to save almost every one.

All told, we scored 13 points before giving up the ball to the other side. It was a streak that would rightly make anyone proud.

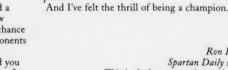
That game was one of the few highlights of my sporting life.

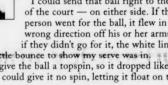
I may never be a fan of most sports. And don't try to convince me why basketball, golf, whatever is so great - I don't get it. But I will never criticize you for enjoy-

ing them. Because I do know the excitement you can get from

sports

Ron Pangrac is a Spartan Daily staff writer. This is the last guest column of the semester.





There are two sports, however, that I **RON PANGRAC** enjoy - bicycling and volleyball. As a fan, I have enjoyed watching the Tour de France every July for the past 10 years. I know more than just

the name Lance Armstrong. I know about Ullrich and Pantani, Cipollini and Zabel, about L'Alpe D'Huez and Mont Ventoux, about team strategies, breakaways and domestiques, about the green, white and polka dot jer-

As a sports participant, one big reason I like to bicycle

That is why it is so strange that I am good at volleyball.

Somehow, that is a sport I can play well (again, when

I can bump, and I can set. I can even make a reason-

That is one of my real strengths in volleyball.

over and over. Before that league, my level of play was the kind you

find at, oh, family reunions. During those summers, I

PEACE CORPS

A general informational meeting about joining the Peace Corps will be held today from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. in the Almaden room in the Student Union.

9TH ANNUAL SJSU STAFF ARTIQUE

The SJSU staff members will display, sell and take orders for their handmade craft items. from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on the ground level of the Student Union. For more information, contact John Hawk at 924-4875 or Ginny Smith at 924-5013.

"THURSDAY" LISTENING HOUR CONCERT SERIES

"Saxophone ensemble: Studio of William Trimble stu-dent highlights" from 12:30 p.m. to 1:15 p.m. at the Concert Hall in the Music building. For more information, contact Joan Stubbe at 924-4649.

SCHOOL OF ART/DESIGN

Student galleries will be on display today in the Student Galleries section of the Art building from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. For more information, contact Sam at 924-4330.

ing Sunday readings takes place every Thursday at 7 p.m. in the chapel on the corner of 10th and San Carlos streets. For more information, call Sister Marcia at 938-1610.

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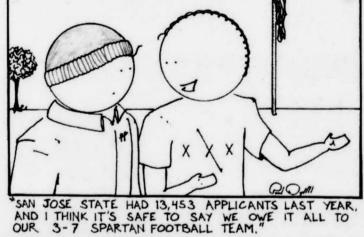
Alpha Omega meetings take place Thursdays from 8:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. in the SJSU Campus Ministry Center. For more information, call Kay Polintan at 938-1610.

SJSU CATHOLIC CAMPUS MINISTRY

Daily Mass takes place every weekday at 12:10 p.m. in the SJSU Campus Ministry Center. For more informa-tion, call Sister Marcia at 938-1610.

ISLAMIC STUDIES GROUP

Jummah Prayer takes place every Friday at 1:15 p.m. in the Costanoan room in the Student Union. For more information, contact Yasir Rao at 286-1217 or e-mail msaliaison_sjsu@hotmail.com.



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Gardener's green thumb brightens campus

By Janean Brongersma Daily Staff Photographer

Rene Snellen, a gardener for University Housing Services, lives his life around flowers and trees and works to make San Jose State University students happy. For 23 years, Snellen has designed and planted cardens around the dorme

For 23 years, Snellen has designed and planted gardens around the dorms and at Spartan Village. "I'm doing it for the whole campus community. I do it for the students. I do it for us coming to work," said Snellen with a smile. "I enjoy coming to my projects and working in my areas that I've created." Snellen said that he can use a lot of color in the winter in San Jose because

color in the winter in San Jose because of the mild temperatures. He has been of the mid temperatures. Fit has been mostly in charge of flowers and said he has been lucky to be able to spend a good portion of his budget on a large selection. He fears that recent budget cuts may affect his future spending. Snellen and the other gardeners for

Housing change the flowers seasonal-ly. They will plant for fall, winter and spring/summer. They use annual flow-ers such as Iceland poppies, pansies and snapdragons, as well as shade plants, like impatiens, that can last up to nine months to nine months.

Housing has done a lot of renova-tion, and Snellen has defined and built new flowerbeds. They just finished a new garden by the community room at Spartan Village. He said this con-sists of a lot of work and is a multi-ten process involving cail processions. step process involving soil preparation in the flowerbed, installing the irrigation and having the knowledge of what flowers can grow in what condi-

"Prepping is the hard part — and doing it right. Planting is ... the fun part," he said.

Snellen said that as a teenager, he did gardening as a side job. After graduating from SJSU with a degree in economics, he decided to return to redesize for failed live distribution ardening after finding dissatisfaction elsewhere. He completed a two-year program at the University of California Santa Cruz and received a certification in heriticaleure certification in horticulture.

"It is really theory and practice, prac-



Rene Snellen, a gardener for University Housing Services, prunes a European daisy outside of the Off-Campus Housing Center on Wednesday afternoon. Snellen has been employed by San Jose State University for 23 years.

tice, theory, doing it, learning, doing, going," Snellen said about gardening. "It's a really wide-open field." Gardening has given Snellen a cre-ative freedom. He loves working with

color. "It's almost like you're painting "It's almost like you're painting sometimes, once you know your medi-um," Snellen said with a glow of excitement. "Your medium is your plants, how you put it together you

can make these sweeping changes." When Snellen started working for University Housing in 1984, garden-

ers were under the label of custodian. He said that they do different things in Housing, not just mow lawns. They struggled to have a grounds depart-ment. They slowly built one by people seeing their gardens and appreciating their ways. their work.

Snellen said that he has stayed at SJSU for so long because he got mar-ried and raised kids in San Jose and he always liked the area. His career gives

him a lot of enjoyment. "We get a lot of appreciation from the students, and we're really doing it

for them. I'm not doing it for a boss, you know? If it's a really dark winter day and people are gloomy and all of a sudden (they) see some color going into a building, people stop, 'oh wow,' you make 'em feel better," Snellen caid

Gardening has been a hobby for Snellen most of his life, and he seems to still have a strong passion for what he does.

"It's kept my interest this long ... so I'm still here," Snellen said about gar-dening, with a laugh.

Briton charged with terrorist JUDO conspiracy link to shoe bomber Williams said.

Associated Press

LONDON - A 24-year-old British man was charged Wednesday with conspiring in an explo-sives plot with Richard Reid, the al-Qaida "shoe bomber" who tried to blow up a U.S. airliner. Sajid Badat, one of more than 20 people arrest-

Sajid Badat, one of more than 20 people arrest-ed since last week in a series of anti-terrorism-raids, was charged with two additional explosives offenses, London's Metropolitan Police said. Police gave no details of the charges, and it was unclear whether Badat was accused of involvement in Reid's attempt to set off explosives on a Paris-to-Miami flight. Badat is due to appear in court Today. London police commissioner Sir John Stevens said Wednesday the force is on a heightened state said Wednesday the force is on a heightened state of terrorist alert.

Details of the accusations against Badat were

Details of the accusations against Badat were not released, but explosive material was found at his home in Gloucester, southwestern England, where he was arrested Nov. 27. Before his name was released, Home Secretary David Blunkett said the security services and police believed the suspect had al-Qaida connections. "It is the belief of the security and (police) Special Branch services that this man has connections with the network of al-Qaida groups," Blunkett told British Broadcasting Corp. radio. Authorities alleged that between Sept. 1, 2001 and Nov. 28, 2003, Badat "unlawfully and mali-ciously conspired with Richard Reid and others unknown" to cause an explosion "likely to endan-ger life or cause serious injury."

ger life or cause serious injury." Reid, a British national, was sentenced to life in

Ibrahim Master, chairman of the Lancashire Council of Mosques, said last week that the suspect — not then identified by name — had been a student at the College of Islamic Knowledge and Guidance in Blackburn, north-ern England. Master said religious leaders assisted police in a search of the college and adioining mosque.

Badat was born in Gloucester into a strict Muslim family who moved to England from Malawi in the 1960s, The Daily Telegraph reported Saturday. The newspaper said he had trained as a Muslim cleric in Pakistan, where members of his family live.

The Guardian newspaper reported Saturday that Badat had gone to Anglican schools as a child, and it quoted friends who expressed sur-prise at the arrest.

child, and it quoted triends who expressed sur-prise at the arrest. "He is popular and he has never mentioned any-thing about fundamentalism or terrorism, that is simply not him," said Mohammed Yosuf. "He has traveled to many countries to study Islam, but study-ing Islam is not the same as studying terrorism." Reid, a Muslim convert born in London, had attended Brixton mosque in the capital. Mosque chairman Abdul Haqq Baker has said Reid fell in with a loosely organized group of the militants and attended extreme scholarship classes. Police gave no indication of how or where Badat and Reid allegedly had met. As Badat was charged, police continued to question 14 people arrested Tuesday in a series of dawn raids around the country. Those raids fol-lowed anti-terrorist operations last week in which seven people were arrested in the recent raids, Alercian pational Noureddings Mouleff was petitions.

program, said Hummer, their national sponsor, pro-vides about 25 percent of the funding. Their budget is close to \$1 million and raising money is continually challenging, said Poch, who was recruited by Schwarzenegger and the program's local board of directors to serve in his position. One other man arrested in the recent raids, Algerian national Noureddinne Mouleff, was charged earlier Wednesday with terrorism and fraud offenses. Mouleff, 36, who lives in southern England, was charged under the Terrorism Act provision that cites "possession of items or articles connected to the commission, preparation or instigation of terrorism.

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bison for a Dec. 22, 2001, bombing attempt aboard a Paris-to-Miami flight. He pleaded guilty and said he was a member of the al-Qaida terrorist network, pledged his sup-port to Osama bin Laden and declared himself an enemy of the United States. He admitted he tried to ignite plastic explosives hidden in his shoes on Agastican Airlings Elinght 63. American Airlines Flight 63.

board of director o serve in his position

the sport.

Sara Lyn Boyd-Winslow, coordinator for the cheer-leading program, said she's been coaching for six years.

"We try to teach self confidence and get them to work together," she said. Boyd-Winslow said she teaches the group of mostly girls cheers, chants, jumps and voice control. The next open registration is Jan. 12, Williams said.

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Latino organizations object to low rider art ART

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ple have about low riders," Curry-Rodriguez said. Arredondo said she didn't see the

proposal until it had been approved by the city and that the Latino community was never contacted regarding the Low Rider Tables project.

Low Rider Tables project. Rubin said the city conducted thor-ough outreach efforts. "The university was sent e-mails and fliers and all of the meetings were publicly noticed. We did not exclude any particular community. We do our best to get the word out," Rubin said. Rubin said

She said the public art program held both pre-design meetings as well as public reviews of schematics and final designs

In February 2002, the two campus Latino organizations sent a letter to then-President Robert Caret informing him about the issue and also informed council member Chavez about the issue, Curry-Rodriguez

Two public meetings dedicated to the Low Rider Tables issue were held in March and November 2002, said urry-Rodriguez.

Rubin said about 50 people attended the March meeting and about 80 went in November. Rubin said Mel Chin, the project artist, attended both meet-

Arredondo said organizations from the off-campus Latino community sent their support to the November meeting. She said Reforma an organization that promotes library and information services to Latinos and the Spanish speaking, sent people and a letter of support to the meeting, while the National Association of Chicano and Chicana Studies supported with a letter.

Arredondo said her group numbers about 50 members.

Rubin said at the November 2002 meeting, community members were sked questions about what kind of art they wanted to see in the library. She said the same questions had been asked throughout the outreach process before

People were asked questions such as what is their favorite book, she said. She said public art is different from studio art in that it is responsive to the

"The artist consider the community input as a catalyst for their ideas," Rubin said.

She added that Chin consulted the

community repeatedly. "He got to know the community and asked many questions," Rubin said.

Chavez said since she took office, she realized public art meetings are the most controversial meetings in the community.

"Public art is a very challenging issue for people. We all view art differently and approach it differently" Cindy Chavez said.

Chivez said. Chin said during a phone interview Wednesday that the Low Rider Tables issue resulted from misunderstandings and that he is going to work with the community for a common understanding. "I want to be part of the process and represent as many people as possible," Chin said.

He said the low rider culture started in San Jose and it spread world-

Gilbert Chavez, the owner of Street Low Magazine, said the low rider cul-ture became known nationwide and then spread to foreign countries such as Japan. He said low riders represent a lifestyle.

"It's like hard rock," Gilbert Chavez said.

Daniel Hernandez, a freshman political science major and a member of SJSU Movimiento Estudiantil Chicano de Aztlan, said the low riders are a stereotype associated with Chicano culture.

He said an artwork about the Latino community should encompass more historic landmarks, such as the farm workers.

"(Low rider) is a part of a fuller, more vibrant, beautiful story," Hernandez said.

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A movie with great acting, humor, culture and battle scenes all wrapped in a solid plot By Jennifer McLain Daily Staff Writer

If you're in the mood for beheadings. Samurai swords, lengthy, bloody battle scenes and sitting patiently through a two-and-a-half-hour film, check out Tom Cruise in his newest movie, "The Last Samurai.

REVIEW

Directed and produced by Edward Zwick, who also directed "Legends of the Fall" and "Glory," this intense, dramatic and occasionally humorous film keeps viewers on the edge. Taking place in 1876, Captain Nathan Algren (Cruise) risked his life

and morals in many battles for the United States, including battles (massacres) against American Indians. After drinking his war nightmares away, the scruffy Algren can't forget the terror of the battlefield.

Meanwhile, in Japan, a country push-ing for westernization, modernization and a "civilized" nation, the emperor and his entourage need help fighting off the Samurai warriors. These warriors are sabotaging every

attempt for modernization, including recent attacks on the railroad.

Algren is asked to be part of the American battalion that trains Japanese soldiers to fight against the Samurai. He agrees.

He agrees. After introducing the new technolo-gy — guns — to the Japanese soldiers, Algren explains to the pushy Col. Bagley (Tony Goldwyn) and the emperor's sidekick Omura (Masato Harada) that the men were not ready to forbt against the Samurai

fight against the Samurai. The Samurai are generations of fam-ilies who have made their careers fight-

ing battles with swords. Col. Bagley refuses to hear Algren's request, explaining that the Samurai are nothing more than savages and will easily be toppled with modern weapon-

ry. Algren leads his soldiers to fight against the Samurai. Despite their firearms, the Samurai destroy Algren's oldiers.

Algren, after fighting off warrior after warrior, is spared his life by the chis-eled, war-loving Katsumoto (Ken Watanabe), the leader of the Samurai.

Algren spends the next year living, training and learning the life of a Samurai after a few months of confu-sion. Algren grows to love his new home and will fight against his former omrades.

Cruise captures his role as a heavy-hearted battle warrior with a good sense of humor. Throughout the movie, it is a relief to laugh at his one-liners as he pokes fun at the cultural differences between the two worldviews.

While "The Last Samurai" appears to be just another glorified American war movie, it refuses this insinuated thought when battles against Native Americans are portrayed as massacres by the Americans

Furthermore, the resistance against Westernization by the Samurai, and by Algren, suggests there is more to the world than the ways of the West.

Though the movie is a bit long, the humor, battle scenes and Samurai chil-

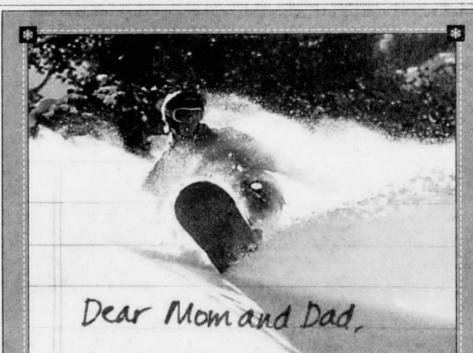
humor, battle scenes and Samurai chil-dren break up the potential naps throughout the movie and leave the audience in full captivity. While there are many outstanding features in this film, including the cin-ematography, actors, sexy Cruise shots and talented swordsmen, the battle scenes are thrilling. scenes are thrilling

There is enough blood that trickles out of beheaded bodies, but it is not an out of beneated bolies, but it is not an overbearing spray like in the recent film "Kill Bill Vol. 1." The intelligence, honor and courage of the Samurai war-riors make the audience just want the Samurai to kick "modernized Japanese"

Battle scenes, cultural differences, great acting, humor and a solid, uncon-fusing plot are all reasons for viewers to check out this movie. The film is scheduled to open in the

aters nationwide Friday.

Photo courtesy of Warner Bros. Pictures Capt. Algren (Tom Cruise) and the Samurai leader Katsumoto (Ken Watanabe) have their first conversation since Algren healed from his battle wounds. Algren and Katsumoto eventually develop a friendship after a rough few weeks together. Algren soon joins the Samurai to fight against Japanese soldiers.



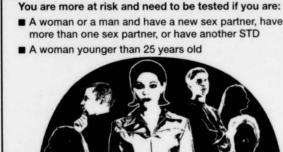
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Getting busy with acting and comedy

Niecy Nash looks forward to a prosperous future with three television series

> **By Alexandra Proca** Daily Staff Writer

If you ask black actress Niecy Nash how she's been doing these days, she will tell you she's been working hard. She plays deputy Raineesha Williams in the unscripted Comedy Central series "Reno 911," hosts Style Network's home-makeover series "Clean House" and lent her using to "Clean House" and lent her voice to character Tollie Mae in "Kid Notorious," an animated series about the life of Hollywood producer Robert Evans

In addition, she has three children and a husband at home.

and a husband at nome. "I'm the busiest woman in showbiz that I know about," said Nash during a phone interview from her home in Southern California.

Southern California. Because of her conspicuous presence on TV, somebody called her "the queen of cable." "Well, I guess I am," Nash said. In "Clean House," Nash helps unor-ganized people get rid of their clutter in their messy houses. "I try to tell people how they got there and how not to get back," Nash said.

said. First she makes an assessment of the

First she makes an assessment of the person's clothes, then she organizes a garage sale and then the TV station matches the proceeds up to \$1000. The crew then uses the money to do a house makeover. Nash said she takes what she's learned from people on the show and applies it to her own home. When everything is said and done, Nash exchanges the trendy outfit for the cop uniform and quick humor in "Reno 911." Nash said 97 percent of the show is improvisation.

the show is improvisation. "We figure out the beat ahead of time. We know what the scenario is. Then we do two, three takes and move

to the next pie Nash said. Playing in an unscripted series requires a lot of spontaneity and no remorse, Nash said. "I've been with my husband for years, so I know how to be quick, Nash joked.

Being a comic performer stems from Nash's long love affair with act-

She decided she wanted to be an actress when she was five years old, after she had seen the black actress Lola Falana on TV. "I had never seen such a beautiful black woman on TV before, and I decided I wanted to be black and fabu-lous too," Nash said.

The real epiphany came when Nash found out she had a talent for making people laugh. "When I realized

comedy was a gift for me from God, I embraced it," Nash said Nash used to be a

stand-up comedian before she had her third child.

"Going to clubs, being up late didn't fit with my life any-more," Nash said. Nash said there is

not any connection comedy and between stand-up unscripted series.

"They are two complete different mediums of entertainment. 'Reno 911' relies on you playing someone else. In stand-up comedy, it's just you being you," Nash said.

Nash was taken by surprise when she

Sony VP tops powerful women list

Associated Press

vice chairman Amy Pascal tops this year's list of The Hollywood Reporter's 100 most powerful women in Hollywood. LOS ANGELES - Sony Pictures

The list is part of the trade publication's 12th annual celebration of the top 100 women in motion pictures, television, music and other enter-tainment industries.

"Amy Pascal has developed a knack for producing projects both big and small, intimate dramas and all-out popcorn fare," said Christy Grosz,

Associated Press

LONDON - Keith Richards has criticized his old friend and fellow Rolling Stone Mick Jagger for

Accepting a knighthood. In an interview published in the December issue of the music maga-zine "Uncut," the Stones' guitarist was quoted as saying, "I thought it was ludicrous to take one of those

gongs (awards) from the establish-ment when they did their very best

to throw us in jail," in a reference to his and Jagger's 1967 conviction on drug offenses, later overturned on

A rock 'n' roll knight

executive editor, features at the trade publication and editor of the Women n Entertainment Power 100 issue. ent

Gail Berman, president of entertain-ment at Fox Broadcasting (5); Winfrey (6); Nina Jacobson, presi-dent of Buena Vista Motion Pictures Group (7); Susan Lyne, president of ABC Entertainment (8); Dana Walden, president of 20th Century Fox Television (9); and Judy McGrath, president of MTV Networks Music Group (10).

Paltrow pregnant

Associated Press

"He defended himself by saving that (Prime Minister) Tony Blair insisted that he took the knight-hood. Like that's an excuse. Like you can't turn down anything. Like it doesn't depend how you feel about it" BEVERLY HILLS - Gwyneth Paltrow and boyfriend Chris Martin are expecting their first child next summer, her publicist said summer, Wednesday.

The couple were "pleased" to con-firm the pregnancy, publicist Stephen Huvane said in a statement. He declined to say whether there were

declined to say whether there were wedding plans. The actress has been dating Martin, frontman for the British band Coldplay, for the past year. Both have been reticent about publicly dis-cussing their relationship. In a recent interview with the Beitich Bascherting Carp Beltreut

British Broadcasting Corp., Paltrow said she hopes to marry but wouldn't that aspiratio

go through hair or make-up," Nash said. Nash said because she has to go through weekly make-ups, she decided to use hair extensions to pro-tect her own. That is why she is a big-time collector of

mitment.

said. Nash said she had a great acting experience with director Robert Altman, who cast her as sheriff's aid Wanda Carter in "Cookie's Fortune," playing alongside actors Glenn Close, Liv Tyler and Chris O'Donnell. "The best director lets actors do what they do best — act," Nash said. She said she was amazed that at the first meeting. Altman had the actors

"By the time they started rolling the camera, we were comfortable with each other," Nash said.

"I had never seen

such a beautiful

black woman on

TV before, and I

decided I wanted

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and fabulous too."

Niecy Nash,

actress / comedian

hair. "I buy hair from everywhere," Nash said

She ranked Malaysia as the best hair-provider in the world.

Nash said she doesn't consider herself a lucky per-

son. "I consider myself a blessed person," Nash said, explaining that she believes people believes people often save other people in difficult tuation With her trust in

people and her honesty, Nash said she landed her first she landed her first paid acting job after she graduated from college by calling a director she had auditioned for in the part for in the past. Nash told the director she was broke, had a baby and needed a job

"If I could give anything to my chil-dren, it's this: being joyful," Nash said.

The Offspring: "Splinter" Colombia Records. These 'fly for white guys' release their eighth album. Big Tymers: "Big Money Heavy Weight" Cash Money/Universal R. Kelly teams up with rap duo.

"You have to stay committed. Real success doesn't happen overnight," Nash said. Best Foreign Film: "Whale Rider" She said acting requires total com-Best Horror Film: "No matter what, you go there and if you got to be funny, you be funny," she said. "28 Days Later

Best Leading Female Performance: Scarlett Johansson, "Lost In Translation"

Best Leading Male Performance: Sean Penn, "Mystic River"

College Critics'

Picks of 2003

Best Movie that Nobody Saw: "Raising Victor Vargas"

Best On-Screen Chemistry: Bill Murray and Scarlett Johansson

Best Sci-fi Film: "Alien: The Director's Cut"

Best Soundtrack: "Lost In Translation"

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Universal Pictures, repeated as the No. 2 most powerful woman on the list. She was followed by Nancy Tellem, president of CBS Entertainment (3); Sherry Lansing, Paramount Pictures chairman and last year's winner (4); "Not only has this given her an interesting slate every year, but her creative sensibilities and financial acumen have made her the first stop for some of Hollywood's biggest tal-

Celebrities on the list include talkshow host Oprah Winfrey (6); Julia Roberts (13); "Harry Potter" novelist J.K. Rowling (55); Madonna (67); Mary Kate and Ashley Olsen (84); and Screen Actors Guild president Melissa Gilbert (89).

Photo courtesy of Shannon Barr Public Relations

Niecy Nash stars in the Style Network's "Clean House" and Comedy Central's "Reno 911." The actress has also done stand-up comedy and lends her voice to one of the characters on the ani-

mated series, "Kid Notorious." landed the role of Robert Evans' housekeeper, Tollie Mae, in the ani-

mated series "Kid Notorious" "I've never thought that my voice would work," Nash said.

She said doing animation is a totally new experience for her. "Everything is behind the scenes.

Ruben Studdard: "Soulful" J

Nash has three children with hus-band Don Nash, who is directing a She got a part in "Boys On the Side" starring "We're doing hands-on when it comes to parenting," Nash said. She said her children are living nor-Side," starring W h o o p i Goldberg. Nash anchored her courage to ask mal lives, except when they have the chance to come and see her at the stufor a job in her total commitment to dio while she is working. Nash said the perfect Christmas gift

her profession.

Stacey Snider, the chairman of single, "Milkshake."

boys are drooling for Kelis' first

Records. American Idol winner's debut album makes him 'souful.

her protession. "Acting is the call of my life," Nash said. "I felt like I didn't have any other choice. I wasn't committed to any-thing else." Nash said patience is another key to

Kelis: "Tasty" Artista Records. The

"Just as we were about to start a wrong message. It's not what the Stones is about, is it?" he said. "I told Mick, 'It's a ... paltry honor."

A 'Simple' Hilton

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — The debut of "The Simple Life," Fox's reality show about Paris Hilton and pal Nicole Richie roughing it on a farm, drew a solid 13 million viewers Tuesday, according to Nielsen Media Research. The Hilton hotel heiress' recent publicity from a sex video with a for-mer boyfriend that appeared online may have helped.

mer boyfriend that appeared online may have helped. "The Simple Life" performed better than two other debuting series. NBC's "The Tracy Morgan Show," which kicked off with back-to-back episodes, drew 9.9 million viewers in its first half-hour and 8.7 million in the second — when the sitcom com-peted against "The Simple Life."



they kn ... they knew I'd tell would've said them where they could put it," he said.

Jagger, 60, said Tuesday that his

Jagger, 60, said Tuesday that his busy touring schedule has finally allowed him to collect his award from Queen Elizabeth II at Buckingham Palace on Dec. 12. The 59-year-old Richards, who was once briefly imprisoned for allowing marijuana to be smoked in his home — another conviction that was later overtured — said he

was later overturned — said he doubted he'd ever be offered a simi-

lar honor.

extended to Martin. Paltrow stars as poet Sylvia Plath in the new film "Sylvia."



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Close losses define 2003 Spartan football season

By Mark Cornejo Daily Staff Writer

San Jose State University head foot-ball coach Fitz Hill said he knows people may see this season as a step back, but he is confident the Spartans will be able to rebound in 2004. "When you have a 3-8 football sea son record, many people may think

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your program's not where you want it to be," Hill said. "But sometimes you need to take a step backward to make a leap forward." Hill said there were many contribut-

ing factors to the Spartans' record this season, including injuries, penalties, and questionable calls by the officials, but he sums it up simply as bad luck. "This was a very disappointing sea-son for us," Hill said. "The year

seemed to have a lot to do with being unlucky He said he could point out a handful

moments this season that, if they had gone the Spartans' way, may have

iven the team a few more wins. "If four or five plays go our way, we might be sitting here 7-4, talking about who we'd be seeing in a bowl game.

Injuries

The Spartans were plagued with injuries this year, including season-ending knee and ankle injuries, con-

cussions and car accidents. The 2003 season ended only three games in for safety Josh Powell, when he tore ligaments in his ankle against Stanford University on Sept. 6.

Hill said he is confident this season will not count against Powell's overall eligibility and that he will be able to red-shirt and play two more years for

the Spartans. Defensive lineman Josh Smith's sea-son ended in similar fashion three weeks later.

Safety Gerald Jones was in the first of five car accidents Spartan players were involved in this season, Hill said. Jones was on his way back from taking Powell to the hospital for his ankle surgery when his car crashed into a

pole near campus. Hill said center LaMons Walker, back-up quarterback/punter Dale Rodgers and cornerback Marshall Hendricks were all involved in car accidents, but none suffered any serious injury. Walker also missed the first four games of the season because of an aca-

games of the season because of an aca-demic eligibility problem. Hill said Spartan wide receiver and kick returner Kendrick Starling was just coming back to full strength in the final game of the season when, Hill believed, Starling suffered his third concustion of the season

concussion of the season. Starling's first concussion came against the University of Florida on Aug. 30; the second, a week later against Stanford. Hill said he does not expect any of those inviries to carry over to pert sea-

those injuries to carry over to next sea-

However, defensive lineman Eddie Brown tore his anterior cruciate ligament at practice on Nov. 12. Hill said he expects Brown's knee injury to keep him out for spring prac-tice but hopes he will return sometime

over the summer. Spartan tailback Lamar Ferguson, who missed all of the 2003 season with a torn ACL, will be back next season, Hill said.

Penalties

Hill said he was not upset with the number of penalties the Spartans racked up this year but that they seemed to come at the worst times. During the last game of the season against Tulsa University, the Spartans had two touchdowns called back because of penalties.

A holding call on Starling's 105-yard kickoff return and a block-in-the-back penalty on Jamall Broussard's punt return touchdown erased 12 punt return touchdown crased as SJSU points in a game the team lost

Hill also pointed to an interference call on cornerback Trestin George on a Rice University punt return which moved the ball up to midfield, leading to the Owls' winning touchdown in a 28-24 Spartan loss.

Hill said it was another example of the calls that have gone against the team all year long.

Questionable Calls

The Spartans have had no lack of problems with the officials this season. On three different occasions, Hill has sent videotapes to Western Athletic Conference Commissioner has Karl Benson for review of calls Hill said he felt were incorrect

The first was the call at Rice where it was later shown George was pushed into the returner by one of the Owls and therefore should not have been penalized

The second was the Spartan game against the University of Hawai'i at Spartan Stadium on Nov. 1. The referees missed several calls in the final minute of the game. The most pivotal was the fact they ended the game with one second still on the scoreboard clock.

After Hill learned officials in the WAC do not keep time on the field and the Spartans should have been able to run one more play from the one-yard line, he sent the tape to Beneon Benson.

Benson. Benson's response was to suspend the entire seven-man crew for one game and eliminate them from any postseason work. However, the Spartans still lost 13-10 to the Warriors. The final conflict this season came

The final conflict this season came against Tulsa when Hill said he believed safety Melvin Cook was held

believed safety Melvin Cook was held on the run that set up Tulsa's eventual game-winning touchdown. After the play, Hill erupted at the officials for several minutes. He said after the game, "It blows my mind, the calls that have gone against us this season" season.

Neil Parry

After having his right leg amputated below the knee in November 2000, Neil Parry made his return to the Spartans on Oct. 18 against the University of Nevada-Reno.

Parry played one play that game and ended the season with 19 plays in eight games, including at the University of Texas-El Paso where he played on the kickoff team. The kick-off team was the same team he was on when he broke his leg in 2000. Parry said even though he has another year of eligibility, he would

not be returning to the field next sea-

"I'm done. This is my last season," Parry said. "I want to go to the next

Parry said he plans to graduate in the fall of 2004 and that he ll need to put a lot of effort into his studies. "I gotta get out of college," Parry

said Parry's comeback became a national story, and since then Parry said he has had several offers to speak about the last few years of his life.

"People get inspiration from a lot of things," Parry said. "All the hoorah stuff, it's been pretty sweet." The East-West Shrine Game — which is scheduled to be played at EPC But is Scheduled to be played at

SBC Park in San Francisco on Jan. 10, 2004 — has announced that Parry is invited to be a guest at the game, but it is still undecided whether he will



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San Jose State University offensive guard Eric Olson, center, sits on the bench with some of his teammates during the closing minutes of the Nov. 15 game against Fresno State University. The Bulldogs defeated the Spartans 41-7. The Spartans would lose to the University of Tulsa 34-32 the following week, finishing the 2003 season with a 3-8 record. Close losses to Rice University, 28-24, and the University of Hawai'i, 13-10, prevented the Spartans from contending for a bowl bid.

Recruiting

play

A new NCAA Division I-A rule mandates that teams must have 77 scholarship players for the 2004 sea-

This season, the Spartans had a total of 70 football players on scholarship, seven less than they will need before next season

Add to that the fact the Spartans lost

Add to that the fact the Spartans lost 26 scholarship players to graduation alone this season. Hill said the recruiting efforts for the team will be stronger than they have been as they plan to bring in 35 new scholarship players by summer. Graduation took away four of the top five receivers from the Spartans in Starling, Broussard, Tuati Wooden and tight end Courtney Anderson as

well as starting offensive linemen Joe Hayes and Walker.

Hayes and Walker. Hill said he is not worried about the losses, saying the stability on the offense will help integrate the new players into their starting roles. "Because of the continuity, I don't think it will be a negative thing," Hill said. "The play of the quarterback position is the important thing." Hill said the loss of quarterback Scott Rislov is huge but that there will

Scott Rislov is huge but that there will be five quarterbacks vying to replace

Beau Pierce and Rodgers are the only two candidates who saw game time this season, but Hill would not say if there was a frontrunner for the position.

Hill said a new quarterback will be joining the team in January, but he could not release his name since he is not vet a student at SISU. The team will have five to seven returning starters on the defensive side of the ball next season, something Hill said he's looking forward

The running back position is another area Hill said he does not

another area Hill said he does not have to worry about. "We have the potential for a game-breaking running back to take pres-sure off the passing game," Hill said. With the return of Ferguson, the Spartans will have five experienced tailbacks in their lineup next season. The Spartans will face the same WAC opponents they played in 2004, with a non-conference sched-ule including Stanford, New Mexico State University, the University of State University, the University of Washington and San Diego State

The San Francisco Chronicle.

quoting sources familiar with the search, has said investigators seized

search, has said investigators seized information from Anderson contain-ing the names of athletes, along with types of drugs and the schedule on which they were administered. Bonds will be the biggest name to appear so far before the grand jury. Athletes from four sports — foot

Athletes from four sports — foot-ball, baseball, swimming, and track and field — already have appeared. They have included 2000 Olympic track star Marion Jones and her boyfriend, 100-meter world record-bolder. Tim Montgomery as well as

holder Tim Montgomery, as well as four Oakland Raiders and six-time Olympic gold medalist swimmer Amy Van Dyken. Federal officials have refused to dis-

cuss the grand jury or the scope of its secret proceedings, but sources famil-

Nuggets edge Warriors

Asssociated Press

OAKLAND - Though Carmelo Anthony has been the center of attention in his rookie season, he was happy to yield the spotlight to Voshon Lenard — particularly in a game that ended with the Denver Nuggets in first place.

Lenard had 26 of his career-high 38 Lenard had 26 of his career-high 38 points in a brilliant first quarter, and Anthony added 26 points to lead the Nuggets to their fifth straight win, 117-109 over the Golden State Warriors on Wednesday night. After leading the Nuggets past LeBron James and the Cavaliers on Tuesday night, Anthony scored 26 for the second time in two days. But the rookie sensation was largely a specta-

rookie sensation was largely a specta-tor in the first quarter, when Lenard angrily erased any notions that that the Nuggets would falter in back-to-

back games or tough road arenas. "He was hot. We had to feed the horse," Anthony said. "We're doing good. We've just got to keep it up, keep winning. The sky's the limit."

points. "We preach that we want to points. "We preach that we want to make the playoffs, and then we come out and play a team who wants to do the same thing. ... We're two teams who are saying the same thing, but they're going out there and doing it." Though the Nuggets won with late-game grit, both teams were buzzing about Lenard. He had the best quarter ever by a Golden State opponent, going 9-of-11 from the field. Lenard, the Western Conference's reigning player of the week, scored just

reigning player of the week, scored just 13 points in the Nuggets' win over Cleveland. Against Golden State, he seemed determined to win another award in the opening minutes alone. Apparently spurred by the front-row hecklers who hassle every visiting team's best players, Lenard made nine of his first 10 shots, including three 3pinters, and all five of his free throws. Most of the shots were taken with a hand in his face, but Lenard barely noticed.

"I've been (that) hot before — in the sun," Lenard said. "I just wanted to win. A lot of people say we can't win on back-to-backs, but we shot well.

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO - Barry Bonds weighed 185 pounds as a rookie in 1986, when he was a slen-der leadoff hitter better known for stealing bases than hitting homers. Now he's a muscle-bound 230

pounds, a six-time National League MVP who holds the season record for home runs and is a threat to Hank Aaron's career mark Bonds, who

this says to BONDS

award season, hi increased strength is due intense weight training, proper diet and nutritional supple-ments from

companies such as the Bay Area Laboratory CoIn fact, except for 1989, Bonds has hit 24 or more homers in each of his 17 full seasons. The only dramatic jump came in 2001, when his record 73 homers marked the only time he

has topped 50 in a season. But those who suspect steroid use point out that four of Bonds' five biggest home run totals have come in last four seasons — all after his 35th birthday.

Bonds is linked directly to the only two men named so far as targets of two men named so far as targets of the federal grand jury. Bonds' personal trainer, Greg Anderson, is one of those targets. Another is BALCO founder Victor

Conte. Bonds became a BALCO client just before his record-setting 2001 season and has praised Conte for giving him a personalized nutritional program. Bonds posed with Conte and

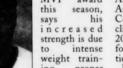
Anderson for the June issue of Muscle & Fitness magazine and

my zinc and magnesium intakes need to increase," Bonds said. "Victor will call me to make sure

Anderson's home was raided by the

Anderson's home was raided by the Internal Revenue Service and a drug task force on Sept. 5, two days after a similar raid at BALCO. Anderson's attorney, Bill Rapoport, said computer files and other things "that were not paper" were among items taken in the raid. But Rapoport said he does not know specifically what was taken and said

iar with the grand jury have said the probe is focusing on drugs and taxes. It's not clear what, if any, drug charges might result from the investigation. An appearance before the grand jury, or being subpoenaed to testify, does not mean an athlete is a target of the probe.



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Bonds set to appear before grand jury

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I'm taking my supplements, and my trainer Greg will sit near my locker and stare at me if I don't begin work-ing out right away. I have these guys

pushing me." Bonds brought childhood friend Anderson on an all-star tour of Japan after the 2002 season, where the trainer met players such as Jason Giambi — who also has been sub-poenaed to testify before the grand

fourth, including two late baskets that

held off the Warriors. He converted an acrobatic three-point play with 1:20 left, and Lenard point play with 1:20 left, and Lenard hit a 3-pointer on the Nuggets' next possession as they snapped Golden State's four-game winning streak and moved into a tie with Dallas atop the Midwest Division.

"(First place) means nothing right now," Denver coach Jeff Bzdelik said. "We're a team that needs collective energy from everyone, where the responsibility falls on every one of our players, because you never know. We have five guys averaging in double fig-ures, and we had five guys score in double figures tonight."

Speedy Claxton scored a season-high 21 points for the Warriors, who couldn't guard either member of the Nuggets dynamic duo. Erick couldn't guard either member of the Nuggets' dynamic duo. Erick Dampier had 16 points and 18 rebounds for Golden State, which lost at home for just the fourth time in 11

"This was a very frustrating game," said Nick Van Exel, who had 19

We can beat just about anybody when we play together and play smart." He turned and glared at the offend-ing fans after each of his shots, finishing by hitting an 18-footer with 42 seconds left. He missed a straightaway 3-pointer shortly before the quarter ended.

Though it was the best quarter ever by a Golden State opponent, it wasn't by a Golden State opponent, it wasn't the most prolific quarter in Nuggets history: David Thompson scored 32 in the first quarter in April 1978 on the way to a 73-point game. The Nuggets led 39-27 after making 13 of their 15 shots in the first, but the Warriors replied with a 35 points in the second quarter. It was the

the second quarter. It was the Warriors' highest-scoring half of the

year. Lenard didn't make another field goal until 5:34 remained in the third quarter, but Denver surged ahead again on big baskets by Nene and Anthony. Nene finished with 18 points and nine rebounds, while Andre Miller had 14 points and eight assists

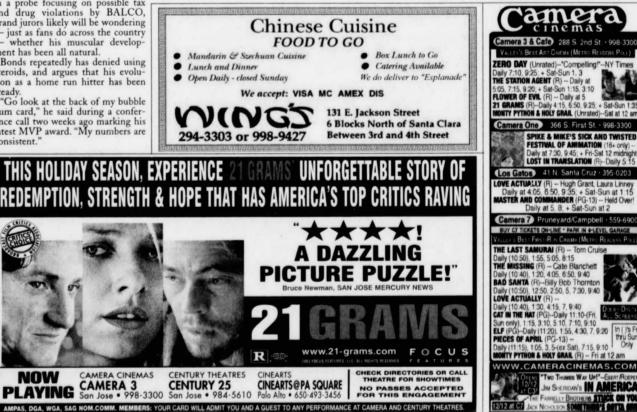


But when Bonds testifies Thursday in a probe focusing on possible tax and drug violations by BALCO, grand jurors likely will be wondering just as fans do across the country - whether his muscular develop-ment has been all natural.

Bonds repeatedly has denied using steroids, and argues that his evolution as a home run hitter has been steady.

"Go look at the back of my bubble gum card," he said during a conference call two weeks ago marking his latest MVP award. "My numbers are consistent

should be. Maybe I need to eat more athletes he trained.





Broncos fend off late Spartan rally

By David Weinstein Daily Staff Writer

The play of Santa Clara University point guard Kyle Bailey down the stretch overshadowed two solid Spartan performances in a 66-64 loss to the vis-iting Broncos Wednesday night. Bailey, a two-time All-West Coast Conference player scored server points

Conference player, scored seven points in the final 1 minute, 57 seconds while Spartan seniors Brett Lilly and Eric Walton played their best games of the young season as the San Jose State University men's basketball team fell to 1-3

Bailey finished the first 20 minutes with one point on 0-of-4 shooting and said he couldn't find his rhythm until

the second half. "Coach told me something at half-time," Bailey said. "I didn't really need it, but it obviously worked." The Broncos junior finished the game

with 13 points and five assists. Starting at forward for SJSU, Lilly finished with 17 points on 5-of-13 theotim

shooting. The senior also connected on 3-of-8

with 16 seconds remaining and the Broncos (4-2) holding onto a 64-61 lead, the Spartans drew up a play during a 30-second timeout to get Lilly a three-point shot attempt

three-point shot attempt. However, the Broncos' defense

"The play was designed to get me the ball," Lilly said. "We didn't get the play set up because Bim (Okunrinboye, point guard) was denied the ball on the inbounds."

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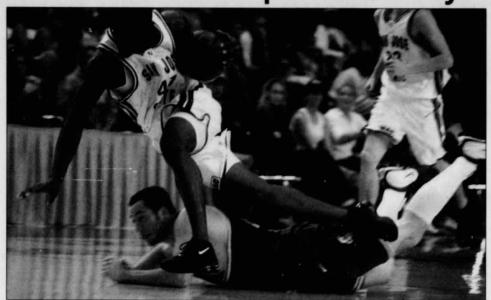
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Spartan forward Demetrius Brown attempts to keep his balance after Santa Clara University's center Jim Howell tried to steal the ball away from Brown as he dribbled up court. The Spartans lost Wednesday night's game 66-64 to the Broncos.

SJSU forward Marquin Chandler, who hit a three-pointer with 50 seconds left, shot and missed a three-pointer with nine seconds left on the clock. SJSU head coach Phil Johnson wasn't content with the decision by Chandler.

"He came down and decided to "He came down and decide to jack it up and showed a loss of poise," Johnson said. SJSU hit three three-pointers in the final 50 seconds, but Bailey was

too much to overcome.

"He's the kind of guy who is going to come through late in the game," Johnson said

SJSU's next game is slated for 2

p.m. Saturday at the Event Center against Cal State Northridge.

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Shaq spurs Lakers to win SAN ANTONIO - Kobe Bryant SAN ANTONIO — Kobe Bryant scored 10 of his 21 points in the final period when the Los Angeles Lakers erased a nine-point deficit to post their third win of the season over San Antonio, 90-86 Wednesday night. The Lakers trailed 71-62 after three

Devean George added 18 for Los Angeles. Gary Payton had 16 and O'Neal 15. O'Neal narrowly missed a triple-double, grabbing 16 rebounds. A 3-pointer by Tony Parker, the Spurs' first basket of the fourth, gave San Antonio its final lead — 80-78 with 5:05 left. A free throw by George and a layup by Payton put the Lakers ahead for good with 4:16 remaining. remaining. The Spurs hit nine of their first 15

attempts to build an 18-11 lead late in the first quarter, but a pair of layups by Payton and 3-pointers from Bryant and George gave the Lakers their final lead of the half, 21-20.

A 20-8 run by San Antonio early in the second quarter stretched the advantage to 46-31. The Lakers outscored the Spurs 10-1 over the final four minutes of the half as San Actoria minutes in Galeman half as Antonio missed its final seven shots. O'Neal scored his first points of the game on a dunk over Duncan with 3:23 remaining in the first half.

Hearst out Sunday for Niners

Associated Press

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The Lakers trailed 71-62 after three quarters but made eight of their final 16 shots. Karl Malone, who finished with 16, shot 4-for-4 in the fourth, while Shaquille O'Neal recorded five of his nine blocked shots. The Spurs shot just 3-for-17 in the final 12 minutes and stumbled to their fourth straight loss. The defending NBA champions are now 9-10. They have not been below .500 this late in the season since 1996-97 — before the team drafted Tim Duncan.

Duncan, returning from a one-game suspension for pushing a referee in Saturday's loss at Golden State, fin-

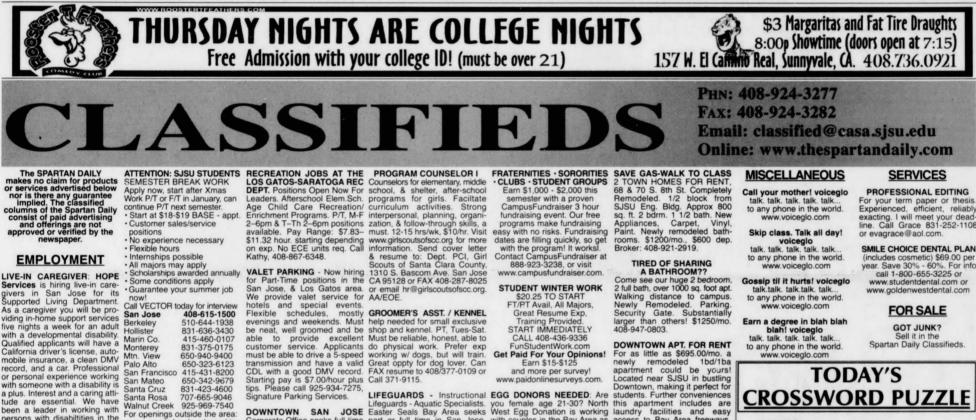
ished with 30 points and 15 rebounds.

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SANTA CLARA — Running back Garrison Hearst will miss the San Francisco 49ers' game against Arizona on Sunday with a sprained right knee. Hearst, who leads the 49ers with 768 yards rushing, was injured in the third quarter of San Francisco's loss at Baltimore last week. He had minor arthroscopic surgery Tuesday to repair cartilage in the knee, and he was on

crutches Wednesday. Hearst hopes to return for the Dec. 14 game at Cincinnati, but the 49ers wont evaluate him until next week. Kevan Barlow will get his first NFL start in place of Hearst, who hasn't missed a start in the three seasons since returning from a serious ankle injury that kept him out of the NFL for two years. years.

Barlow has 591 yards rushing and two touchdowns this season in a tande with Hearst.



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emerge there. "I don't believe we have anything like that," she said thoughtfully. "But it would be good for people to know that there is another breed of people besides those traditionally recog-nized."

She feels this type of organization should spring up at universities across the world.

"Knowledge is power," she said. "And there is nothing about that subject anywhere.

Rooks said SJSU is one of the few schools in the United States that offers this type of class, and he has

particular literature and guest speakers prepared for the class. He hopes for a large turnout with

what he considers one of the most important classes offered. "There is a tendency to think race doesn't matter," he said "Sex and race are always in play ... and we will re-interrogate the way we are racialized in curveriate."

in our society. Rooks said that the subject would be exceptional for multiracials to consid-

er and highly beneficial for anybody to learn about.

"Multiracials challenge the notion of race by our very existence," he said. "They have redefined what it means to be an American."

Downtown Ice attracts young skaters

Photos by Yvonne Pingue Daily Staff Photographer

Right: Joanne Wegener of San Jose ice skates with her son Shane, 4, during his third time this season on Wednesday night at Downtown Ice, located on **Market Street and Viola** Avenue. Warm weather postponed the rink's opening, which was scheduled for Nov. 20. Downtown Ice will be open through Jan. 19, 2004.

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had heard rumors about the congresswoman's arrival, but no one had really been sure whether she would show up. "She used to be the congresswoman in my district in Morgan Hill," Reyes said. "It was good to see her." Anne and Brian Mount, who were

visiting the United States from England, said they had enjoyed the meeting and hearing the congresswoman speak.

"We're absolutely fed up with Bush,"

said Anne Mount. "We hope that if Bush goes, Blair will go as well because he's been encouraging Bush." Her husband agreed.

"It was very interesting to hear the political awareness of the people around us," added Brian Mount. "It's lice to see participation." Hofer said Students for Dean meets

once a week and usually attracts about

40 people. "I find the campus very nonpoliti-cal," said Hofer. "Students here are not interested in politics."

Below: With plenty of slips and falls, Jeffrey Booher-Kaeding, 8, of San Jose, ice skates for the first time Wednesday night at Downtown Ice. According to the Downtown Association Web site, Downtown Ice is the largest and oldest outdoor skating rink in the South Bay. Sessions at the rink are 90 minutes and are limited to 200 visitors.

U.S. soldiers wounded in Southern Afghanistan

Associated Press

KANDAHAR, Afghanistan — A suspected member of the Taliban threw a grenade at a U.S. military vehicle, wounding two American soldiers in the southern city of Kandahar on Wednesday.

Salim Khan, Kandahar's deputy police chief, said Afghan security forces chased the suspect and arrested him, but only after he threw another grenade, slightly injuring an Afghan police officer. The attack came as the U.S. military

expressed concern the Taliban may tar-get the loya jirga, or grand council, which is to meet in the capital Kabul this month. Hundreds of delegates from around the country are expected to debate and ratify a new constitution, paving the way for national elections. A spokesman for the U.S. military in

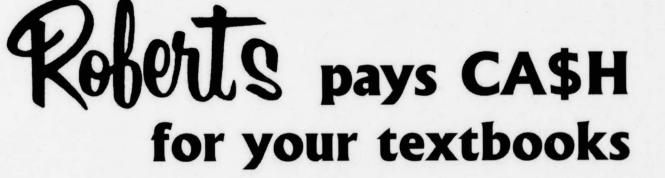
Afghanistan, Lt. Col. Bryan Hilferty, told a news conference in Kabul that

the fugitive Taliban leader Mullah Mohammed Omar "would like to dis-rupt the loya jirga." The spokesman declined to comment on a claim by Afghan President Hamid Karzai last week that Omar had been spotted recently in a mosque in northwestern Pakistan.

Regarding Wednesday's attack, the military said only that two U.S. soldiers were wounded when an explosive device was thrown at their vehicle. The deputy police chief said the two soldiers were sitting in a parked vehicle in a busy square, waiting for three other U.S. sol-diers to return from a nearby shop.

One U.S. soldier was seriously wounded in the leg and the other su fered minor injuries, Khan said. He identified the attacker as Khudai Rahim, from Lashkargah, the capital of neighboring Helmand province. Rahim told police he was member of the Taliban, Khan said.





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