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VTA ridership steadily increasing



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Patricia Finnell-Mendoza, a junior business major at San Jose State University, studies while riding the light rail on Monday.

Stronger economy, congested freeways have contributed to incline in VTA usage

By Claire Taylor
Daily Staff Writer

According to data collected by the Valley Transit Authority, ridership of buses and light rail trains has been on a steady incline since the beginning of the year.

Brandi Hall, public communication specialist for VTA, said weekday ridership in March 2004 was approximately 125,000, up from 116,000 in February and 113,000 in January — a rise of about

11,000 riders since the beginning of the year.

However, at this same time last year, numbers were 17 percent higher, Hall said.

"So, while we have seen a slight increase in month-to-month ridership, overall numbers are down from last year," she said.

These numbers are reached through traffic checkers who ride on light rail and buses, Hall said, along with fare boxes on buses.

There are multiple reasons for increased use of public transportation, Hall said. Though gas prices

are high as of late, Hall pointed to other factors, such as positive economic changes, employment rates and freeway congestion.

She said the state of the economy is often reflected in how many people utilize public transportation.

"Decreases (in ridership) directly correlate with unemployment and the economy," she said. "When the dot-com(s took a) hit, it really had an effect on

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Athletics debate heats up

Resolution to cap cash flow to athletics passes after lively Academic Senate meeting

By Jenny Shearer
Daily Senior Staff Writer

The Academic Senate voted to support a recommendation to reduce the amount of general fund support that intercollegiate athletics receives to 1.8 percent or less of the school's general fund budget by the 2005-06 academic year.

The senate also voted during Monday's meeting to hold a faculty referendum about funding for the athletics department, but no date was set for this vote.

Outgoing interim President Joseph Crowley, who was not able to attend Monday's meeting, submitted a written statement in which he said a resolution to reduce general fund support so it comprises 35 percent to 45 percent of the athletics department's budget seemed sensible. A copy of this statement was provided by university public affairs.

The general fund is the amount of revenue that comes from state appropriations and student fees, said Don Kassing, vice president for administration and finance.

In 2003-04, the athletics department received more than \$6.8 million, or 58 percent of its budget, from San Jose State University's general fund, according to information provided by James Brent, an academic senator.

Brent is an associate professor of political science and a key player with Spartans 4 Sanity, an organization that doesn't support SJSU's participation in NCAA Division I-A football.

In recent weeks, Spartans 4 Sanity has gathered signatures from 266 faculty members asking the Academic Senate to vote to leave Division I-A athletics, Brent said.

The original resolution that came before the senate on Monday regarding athletics funding called for a reduction of the general fund component of the department's budget from the current level of 58 percent to between 35 and 45 percent or to an amount not to exceed 2 percent of the general fund by 2009-10, said Michael Katz, professor of secondary education.

During the meeting, academic senator Nancy Stork, an associate professor of English and comparative literature, proposed an amendment to lock in the athletics general fund component at 35 percent.

Romey Sabalius, a statewide senator and professor of foreign languages, said he was surprised by the relationship between academics and athletics in the United States. He is from Germany and came to the United States in 1984 to attend the University of Southern California.

He said he realizes that much of what students learn in college occurs outside the classroom.

"The senate vote on the budget of the athletics division doesn't mean we don't want students to exercise or we don't want students to develop team sports or a sense of fairness in a competitive environment," Sabalius said. "But it doesn't need to be institutionalized in the form that it is, and it doesn't need to be, how shall I say, subsidized to that large degree by money from the general fund."

Another senator said she was unhappy about the amount of general fund support the athletics department receives.

"There's a general feeling that athletics is treated differently than academic programs," said Allison Heisch, a professor of English and comparative literature. "It leaves us feeling a bit dismayed to see one part of the university singled out and treated in this way."

John Twining, the senior associate athletic director and chief financial officer for Spartan athletics, said his department recently experienced budget cuts.

"Until we increase external funding, we will deal with lower budgets," Twining said. "Like I say, our coaches have been doing that for three to five years, it's not anything new to us."

Brent said the amendment calling for reduced general fund support was controversial.

"We cannot achieve significant budget reductions if we do not leave

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Taking a look at miscellaneous fees

Student Union tops list of services charged to students

By Dan King
Daily Staff Writer

San Jose State University students pay \$303.20 in fees every

semester to support miscellaneous campus services, ranging from the Student Union to the printing of diplomas.

"I thought fees were only about \$28," said Tony Nannini, a senior in nutrition and food science. "I'm surprised they are over \$300."

Francisco Avila, a senior in environmental science, said he is aware of the mandatory fees, and they don't really bother him.

"It's just like paying taxes," he said.

Cathy Busalacchi, executive director of Student Union Inc., said through the years the corporation has had to deplete its reserves just to meet operating expenses.

Student Union Inc. is a nonprofit corporation with no state funding and relies on student fees and self-generating revenue sources.

The corporation is responsible

for the Student Union building, the Event Center and the Aquatic Center. Starting this spring, the mandatory Student Union fee increased from \$81 to \$126 per semester.

Busalacchi said the \$45 was the first increase in 14 years.

According to the Student Union Inc. annual report for 2002-03,

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Six-figure salaries common in CSU

Free housing, cars among presidential perks on campuses

By James Barnes
Special to the Daily

While California State University campuses cut classes from schedules, lay off lecturers and freeze enrollments, the 23 campus presidents enjoy \$200,000 to \$300,000 salaries, plus housing and automobile compensation packages, according to CSU budget reports.

Close to \$120 million is paid systemwide to administrators with annual salaries of \$100,000 or more. This total does not include faculty salaries.

Although all but one of the presidents receive \$200,000 or more as a base salary, the CSU system still provides 15 of its campus presidents housing compensation ranging from \$23,000 to \$37,000 per year. Eight presidents are provided homes.

All 23 presidents can receive a monthly \$750 stipend — \$9,000

per year — to cover automobile costs. The automobile compensation is optional.

"I believe all of the presidents receive that (car compensation)," said Colleen Bentley-Adler, director of public affairs for the CSU Board of Trustees. "It is up to each campus to pay that out. We do not keep track of that."

Despite a tight budget, salaries and compensation packages have not been cut.

Seven, or almost one-third of CSU presidents, receive salaries and compensation exceeding \$260,000. Another six presidents receive salaries and other compensation between \$240,000 and \$260,000.

Eight presidents receive annual salaries and compensation between \$214,000 and \$240,000. The Maritime Academy president receives \$197,124 annually.

CSU administrators have annual salaries ranging from \$120,000 to \$316,000. CSU Chancellor Charles Reed receives free housing, along with a \$316,692 paycheck.

The Chancellor's office alone accounts for \$24 million in salaries,

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Ice cream vendor surprises family on campus stroll

By Dan King
Daily Staff Writer

San Jose State University is full of stories of people retraining for jobs because of the economy, but few stories match Antonio Macias Aguilar's trip through campus on Monday.

Aguilar was selling ice creams out of his handcart along Paseo de San Carlos. He normally sells ice cream in the neighborhoods north of campus, but he occasionally makes a trip on campus to try selling his treats.

Juliana Hernandez, a senior in Spanish literature, looked through Aguilar's cart for something low in calories. She wasn't very successful and finally settled on a watermelon popsicle.

Aguilar, with the help of Hernandez as an interpreter, said he has only been selling ice cream for 15 days.

Before that he was a dishwasher and gardener, most recently working for the Garden City casino in west San Jose.

He took time off from the card parlor and from gardening to travel back to Mexico, and when he returned, there was no job for him.

"I'm 62, and they don't want to hire me at this age to do jobs that are strenuous," he said.

Aguilar said it was the third time he tried selling on campus, and business is only "so-so."

He said he is hopeful it will get better as the weather improves.

Two of his customers on Monday were Aguilar's niece Eva Arias and her son Noel Arias, a freshman in television, radio, film and theater.

"We were taken by surprise to see him on campus," Eva Arias said.



Nicholas R. Wright / Daily Staff

Juliana Hernandez, right, a senior Spanish literature major, searches Antonio Macias Aguilar's ice cream cart for a frozen treat. Hernandez eventually decided on a watermelon popsicle because she said it was the best low-fat option. Aguilar, 62, has been selling ice cream for 15 days. He says business has been "so-so" but he hopes better weather will bring more customers.

OXYMORON

Debate over football needs voices from athletes

"We've lost a lot of experience, but we've also gained a lot of athleticism at the quarterback position," coach Fitz Hill said in a Spartan Daily article last week.

What Hill should be most concerned about, however, is losing the football team's Division I-A status, realizing that not everybody is as concerned about the quarterback as he is.

Or maybe all the hoopla caused by Spartans4Sanity, a group petitioning to end Division I-A football play, will be ignored.

After the Academic Senate meeting Monday, it was decided, more or less, that the new president will walk into a tough decision to possibly "demote" the Spartan football program from Division I-A to Division I-AAA in the Big West, forcing the team to reduce its spending.

As the football team continues to lose, it also continues to pluck resources off the university's money tree. In fact, it takes \$3.5 million from this withering tree, diverting funds away from numerous lecturers, classes and educational opportunities.

According to the referendum passed Monday by the Academic Senate, "The funds now committed to D I-A competition could provide for hundreds of course sections and improve library, counseling and other services important to faculty and students." The referendum requires football spending to be cut from the general fund by 1.8 percent.

This referendum is reasonable, especially considering the amount of people who are actually affected by the football program.

After almost four years at San Jose State University,

I've spent more than 4,000 hours at work, 800 hours at a bar and 1,200 hours studying. My collective time at the Spartan football games? Two hours.

And you know, I'm sure most students' numbers are pretty close to mine. According to information released by Spartans4Sanity, only 10 percent of SJSU students, who are all granted free admittance to the games, attend football games.

"The average Spartan undergraduate is 24 years old, significantly older than the national average. Approximately 70 percent of our students have jobs that require them to work at least 20 hours a week. Many are married and/or have children ... These are simply not the types of students who will spend four hours of their precious time to watch a football game."

Lawrence Fan, sports information director for intercollegiate athletics, asked what events could be attended on campus where there is a crowd of more than 1,000, 5,000, 10,000, 15,000 or 25,000. Besides a Prince concert or graduation commencement, only the football team has attracted such a large group. Last season, SJSU showed it could meet the Division I-A criteria of 15,000 fans per game, averaging 15,080. This showed an improvement from the previous season, which averaged more than 10,000.

However, critics are quick point out that without the sold-out crowd of more than 31,000 at the Grambling game — which likely attracted more fans because of the famous Tiger Band rather than the actual football game

— SJSU would have never met the criteria.

Furthermore, if only 10 percent of the fans regularly attending games are students, that means it is community members who are going to the games. If football is more valuable to the community than to the students, why is there such a demand for Division I-A? Surely, the community would be just as happy to watch Division I-AAA football games.

The community, however, is not the only group of people who want our football program to stay in Division I-A.

While Spartans4Sanity has made dozens of statements asserting there is no need for Division I-A football, the fact is that too many people still want a football program associated with such prestige, regardless of how much money could be saved: Of the more than 3,000 staff members at SJSU, only 266 signed the Spartans4Sanity petition.

Meanwhile, on the field, football players get ready for the new season.

Fan said that the football players' focus has been on practicing and dealing with academic course loads, not dealing with the excessive amount of "booing" the program is receiving.

But why aren't the football players speaking up? One expects a group of athletes, who constantly focus their time on playing offense and defense, to know how to step up their defense on and off the field. Why aren't football

players speaking up and exclaiming how valuable football has been to their education? Why aren't football players shouting that this program is needed? And why aren't football players explaining to their peers the reasons for staying in Division I-A?

In a phone interview with Fan, he said college athletes have many positive qualities. According to Fan, a report released by the NCAA showed that the graduation rate during six years for student athletes is 56 percent, compared to the general student graduation rate of 35 percent.

Among their strengths, student athletes are great at time management. They are required to maintain full-time student status and maintain a minimum grade point average of 2.0.

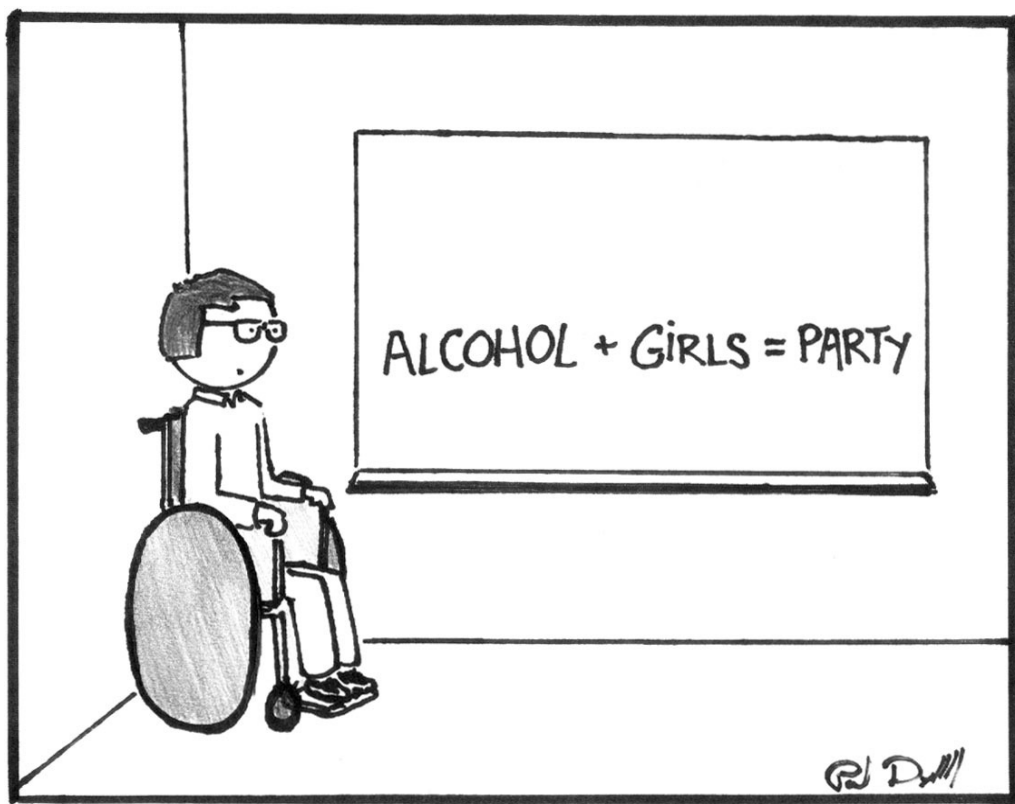
And while the dedication, time management capabilities and educational value student athletes gain compared to students who do not have the talent, dedication or perseverance to play at collegiate level is not debated, the issue at hand is, why is the football team hanging on to its Division I-A status?

While the football program can provide 77 to 85 scholarships a year for its close-to-100-player team, the program should "take one for the team" — the academic team — and reduce its amount of spending to provide more classes and information for students and faculty, even if it means they would compete at a Division I-AAA level, where they might just have a winning season.

Jennifer McLain is the Spartan Daily arts and entertainment editor.

"Oxymoron" appears every other Tuesday.

ANOTHER DIMENTION | PAUL DYBDAHL



OCTOBER 17, 2003: STEPHEN HAWKING

Letter | Paying for internship course adds burden to students

Dear editor,

I am a senior studying in the illustration/animation program. As one of the requirements for graduation, all students in the program need to take an internship class and complete 144 hours of work experience in the art field to fulfill three units. Since I am an international student, I pay my tuition according to the number of units I take. Three units cost me \$786. However, what does it mean by "tuition," if the students are not taught by anyone from school? In this case, there is no initial lecture or

workshop that involves faculty. In most cases, students have to go out to find an internship by themselves.

For Spring 2004, the total fee I paid for the 12 units of classes was \$4,755.20, not including the parking fee. SJSU does not provide any financial aid for international students, and we are only allowed to work up to 20 hours per week, limited to campus jobs that pay notoriously low. There is such little support for us but so much to be extracted from us. International students are already charged a large amount of money and are asked to offer their labor in an internship class

that costs \$786.

Making an internship a requirement does help students. It prepares us for jobs and makes our resumes stronger. However, there is no reason to charge the regular tuition for it. This "tuition" only benefits the school, but students do not receive an education in return. An internship should not be used as an excuse to charge students extra money.

Chizuru Ogasawara
Senior
Art

Viewpoint | Counseling services important to students' health

Dear editor,

After reading an article titled "Counseling Services Fears Smaller Budget" in the March 17 issue of the Spartan Daily, I was outraged. Throughout campus, there have been all kinds of cuts because of the budget. I just feel that the campus should know where to draw the line. It bothers me that the most important services are given up so lightly. With all the pressures of student life, the students at San Jose State University really need the counseling services the campus provides.

Not everyone on campus has a confidant or can afford to speak to

a psychologist — especially students who are already tight on money. Cutting back on this counseling service will result in increased depression and suicide rates. Those in charge of the budget should realize the impacts the budget cuts are having on people. According to the article, as of now, there are only nine counselors for the 28,000 students. Now they want to cut that number even smaller? It's ridiculous!

According to the Centers for Disease Control, the third leading cause of death for people between the ages of 15 and 24 is suicide. If SJSU cuts back on its counseling services, suicide will eventually make its way

to the first leading cause of death. It's so frustrating because it's preventable. This is why I think it's important to know when to draw the line with these budget cuts. Instead of cutting back on such important services for students, they should be looking into ways to raise more money to benefit our campus. Thank you for taking the time to read this, and thank you very much for bringing this issue to my attention.

Aaisha Gataani
Junior
Communications

NO MUSIC, NO LIFE

Animals don't have to be sacrificed for fashion

I own a wool sweater.

Well, it's 50 percent wool, 40 percent cotton and 10 percent nylon.

It's brown, and I haven't worn it in awhile.

Some helpless sheep gave their natural God-given wool to make my sweater, and I don't feel right about it.

The trend of Uggs boots has also prompted my concern about the demand of sheep's wool, and the facts I found make me cringe, and I am vowing to never wear an animal on my body again.

According to People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals, much of the world's wool comes from Australia and New Zealand, and there is a practice called "mulesing," where farmers use shears to slice dinner-plate-size chunks of skin off the backsides of live animals, without any pain relief. PETA said this practice is done to create a smooth scar that is supposed to resist maggot infestation, also known as flystrike.

I saw photos of helpless sheep in these metal contraptions that hold them in a position so they are on their backs and their hind legs are pulled forward to their stomachs.

The position allows shearers access to their anus areas to perform the mulesing.

Their wounds are exposed and left to be infected by natural elements.

I always thought a lamb had enough covering that it could afford to share some of its wool, but according to PETA, sheep grow just enough to protect themselves from extreme temperatures.

In order to make sweaters and scarves in time for winter, shearers begin in spring, just before the sheep would naturally shed their winter coats — many sheep die from premature shearing because of exposure to weather temperatures.

Also, shearers get paid by volume, not by the hour, so fast and careless work means painful cuts for the sheep.

Not only are sheep a commodity for their wool but for their meat as well.

Many Australian and New Zealand sheep are bought and shipped to other countries. The sheep are crammed and made to endure long travels.

According to the Sydney Morning Herald and the Animal News Center, last year there was a case where a ship with 50,000 sheep was on its way to the Middle East. The sheep were to be slaughtered for the Islamic holiday of Ramadan.

But the Saudi Arabian government refused the shipment, because many sheep had spread scabby mouth disease to each other.

The sheep were stranded for seven weeks, while Australia's federal government looked for a landing place where the sheep could be destroyed.

Meanwhile, the Minister for Agriculture said roughly 1,140 sheep died on board (from suffocation, trampling or starvation), and a former employee of the ship Cormo Express said "dead and dying sheep were routinely dropped down a nine-story chute and put through a mincer which squirted the remains into the sea," according to

the Animal News Center.

The center also reported that each year an estimated 78,000 sheep die on their way from Australia to slaughter in the Middle East.

Sheep are not the only animals humans have taken it upon themselves to torture.

Cows also endure that same treatment for their bodies and skin.

It's hard to think about how those snazzy shoes, belt and jacket came to be, but there is a tortured individual behind those items.

Regardless if it is a byproduct of meat, we kill an overabundance of animals, and the manner it's done in is horrendous and no living creature should have to endure the abuse.

According to AnimalLiberation.com, every year the global leather industry slaughters more than a billion animals and tans their skin.

The animals suffer from confinement, overcrowding, painful branding, castration, tail-docking, dehorning and/or cruel treatment during transportation and slaughter.

Recently Japan, which gets a third of its beef from the United States, has refused any shipments of beef, because a cow was found with mad cow disease in December, according to Yahoo's Singapore news.

Hmm, I wonder why the cows are going mad.

Know that there are alternatives to leather and wool, such as pleather, cotton, linen, rubber, ramie or canvas.

PETA's woolisbaad.com offers comfortable and easy-care products other than wool, and "PETA's shopping guide to compassionate clothing" is a free booklet with loads of information where an animal-friendly consumer can shop.

Animals are voiceless, so people have to stand up for their rights.

By the time you read this, I hope to have donated my wool sweater to the Salvation Army.



REBECCA VILLANEDA

"It's hard to think about how those snazzy shoes, belt and jacket came to be, but there is a tortured individual behind those items."

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Spartans look to bounce back against Nevada this weekend

By Mark Cornejo
Daily Senior Staff Writer

The Spartan baseball team will battle conference opponent the University of Nevada-Reno this weekend for the second time this season.

SPARTAN BASEBALL ON DECK NOTEBOOK

The Spartans (16-21 overall, 6-12 Western Athletic Conference) took two-of-three in their first meeting with the Wolf Pack (20-18 overall, 6-6 WAC) in Reno.

Spartan head coach Sam Piraro said the winds and altitude in Reno can carry the ball, making scoring runs easier.

He added that San Jose Municipal Stadium will be a different environment than the Wolf Pack is used to but that the Spartans won't let up because of it.

"Obviously, the conditions are quite different," Piraro said. "We have to duplicate the type of approach we had in Reno."

In the first series, a total of 54 runs were scored, including a 19-13 slugfest in the second game.

"Reno is a tremendous offensive team," Piraro said. "But we had some of our best at-bats of the season in that series, too."

Piraro said he had hoped that series would have turned around the Spartans' offense, but in their 11 games since the series, the Spartans are 2-9 and have only scored a total of 22 runs.

"I thought it could have been a real breakthrough for us offensively," Piraro said. "But I knew we would run into some stiff competition over the next 11 games."

Over that stretch, the Spartans played home games against Stanford University and Fresno State University and road games against the University of Hawai'i, Cal Berkeley and Rice University.

"I knew that offensively we really needed to prove ourself," Piraro said. "Unfortunately, offensively, we haven't been able to carry over what we did at Reno."



Yvonne Pingue / Daily File Photo

The Spartan baseball team looks on from the dugout during a game against Louisiana Tech University on March 21. San Jose State University will host the University of Nevada-Reno this weekend beginning at 7 p.m. on Friday at Municipal Stadium. The series continues with 1 p.m. start times on Saturday and Sunday.

Piraro said the team is just in a slump right now.

"There's no magic formula," Piraro said. "I would equate it to a basketball team that's in a shooting slump or a football team who, every time they get in the red zone, they can't get in the end zone."

Piraro said the hitting slump the team is in now hasn't affected the pitching staff, which he said is performing as well as they have all season.

He said he was especially impressed by starters Matt Durkin and Corey Cabral, reliever Brad Kilby and spot-starter Brandon Dewing, who was a WAC Pitcher of the Week nominee for his performance Saturday at Rice.

"They have a lot of responsibility on their shoulders," Piraro said. "And they

have done a very fine job."

Piraro said another bright spot for the Spartans has been the defense of the infield over the season.

"Our infield has been very consistent," Piraro said. "They get it done. I give them a lot of credit."

The Nevada series begins at 7 p.m. on Friday, continuing at 1 p.m. on Saturday and at 1 p.m. on Sunday.

Injury report

Spartan right fielder Travis Becktel, who may have re-injured his right shoulder last Friday at Rice, may not be available for this weekend's series.

It is the same shoulder Becktel had surgery on in Fall 2002, which caused

him to miss the entire 2003 season.

"I was feeling a lot of soreness in the back of my arm," Becktel said. "I started to feel it in my front, and that's where I had my surgery, and I got scared a little bit."

Becktel said he talked to the coaching staff and said he thought it would be best if he didn't play in the outfield on Saturday and Sunday, but instead was used as a pinch hitter.

"I'm taking some precautions right now," Becktel said. "I'm working with a trainer and just trying to strengthen it up."

Becktel said he may see a doctor on Wednesday but is confident he can be back in the starting lineup this weekend.

Women's golf leads WAC championships

SJSU in first place after 18 holes

Daily Staff Report

The Spartan women's golf team finished first on day one of the Western Athletic Conference women's golf championships in El Paso, Texas, holding a three-shot advantage over five-time defending champion the University of Tulsa.

SPARTAN ROUNDUP

San Jose State University shot a 291 total as a team, just three strokes over par. Spartan Ashley Gomes, a two-time WAC Golfer of the Week this season, finished tied for first place individually with a four-under par 68.

Tulsa's Julie Tvede and University of Nevada-Reno's Erin Long are tied with Gomes after the first round.

Gomes shot six birdies, an eagle and four bogeys to lead SJSU through the first 18 holes.

All five Spartan golfers completed the course with scores of less than 80, only the second time that SJSU has achieved that feat this season.

Four of the five Spartans in the 35-player field are positioned in the top 15 after the first day.

Tai Kinney is tied for fifth with a 73, Carmina Calle is tied for seventh with a 74, and Johanna Lundberg is tied for 12th with a 76.

Nevada is currently in third with a team score of 298. The University of Hawai'i (306), Boise State University (309), Southern Methodist University (312) and the University of Texas-El Paso (322) round out the seven-team field.

The WAC championships continue with 18 more holes today and then conclude with the final 18 holes on Wednesday.

Bonds homers in sixth straight game; Giants hold on for win

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — Barry Bonds hit his 666th homer through a swirling mist and over the center-field wall, and the San Francisco Giants held on to beat the San Diego Padres 4-3 Monday night to snap a season-worst four-game losing streak.

Bonds has homered in six consecutive games with an at-bat — he was intentionally walked as pinch-hitter Wednesday — and connected for the first time this season against the Padres after failing to hit a longball in three games at Petco Park in the season's first week.

He got his major league-leading eighth homer this season one batter after Marquis Grissom hit a two-run shot to left, the first time this season the Giants have hit back-to-back homers.

Jerome Williams (2-1) carried a no-hit bid into the fifth before Khalil Greene's one-out double to left-center broke it up. Williams still got out of the inning unscathed and pitched 6 2-3 strong innings, allowing one run and four hits, striking out four and walking two.

Matt Herges got the first two outs of the ninth before running into trouble. He gave up three straight hits, including Sean Burroughs' bloop single that glanced off the glove of charging center fielder Grissom, allowing Terrence Long to score from second. Mark Loretta followed Burroughs with a single chasing Herges.

Jason Christiansen entered and allowed an RBI single to Brian Giles and the Giants went to Jim Brower.

Brower got Phil Nevin to ground out to first, converting his first save opportunity.

It was the best outing yet for Williams, whose shaky spring certainly had some fans a little nervous. But the 22-year-old right-hander received a standing ovation as he walked off the mound after giving way to Wayne Franklin in the seventh.

Manager Felipe Alou said before the game the cool conditions Monday were ideal for a sinkerball pitcher such as Williams, who last season as a rookie went 7-5 with a 3.30 ERA, third-lowest among NL rookies.

Bonds, who homered four times in a weekend series against the Dodgers, lined out to right in the first against David Wells (0-2). His solo shot in the third made it 4-0. Bonds walked on five pitches in the fifth, then walked on a full count in the eighth after fouling away three pitches.

Bonds also homered in six straight games twice during the 2001 season when he set the single-season mark with 73 homers — April 12-18 and again May 17-22. The major league record is eight. Dale Long did it while with Pittsburgh in 1956. Don Mattingly and Ken Griffey Jr. did it in the American League.

Jeffrey Hammonds added two doubles for a Giants lineup that desperately needed some punch after losing three straight games by one run. Grissom hit his fourth homer of the season and also had an RBI single in the first to give the Giants the lead.

Ryan Klesko hit a sacrifice fly in the sixth for the Padres, who began a seven-game road trip.

Spurs shut down Grizzlies in fourth quarter, lead series 2-0

Associated Press

SAN ANTONIO — Robert Horry didn't wait until the final buzzer to make his trademark shot. Instead, his dagger of a 3-pointer — two of them, actually — came earlier than usual.

After the Memphis Grizzlies slashed San Antonio's lead to one point late in the third quarter, Horry made two 3-pointers and a putback to swing the game's momentum back to the Spurs in an 87-70 victory Monday night for a 2-0 lead in their first-round series.

Horry finished with 14 points on 6-for-9 shooting and 10 rebounds, prompting teammate Tim Duncan to accuse him of sandbagging during the regular season — just the sort of thing the Lakers used to tease him about when Horry was cementing his late-game reputation while playing in Los Angeles.

"He just kind of hung out and did what he could," said Duncan, who had 23 points and 12 rebounds. "Now it's playoff time and he wants to play."

Game 3 is Thursday night in Memphis.

Horry, who collected five championship rings during his time in Houston and Los Angeles, said the first 3-pointer picked him up. He made only 41 of them during the regular season, just two in April.

"I thought, 'I hadn't made a 3-pointer in so long,'" he said. "I just took what was given to me."

San Antonio's defense clinched the game by holding the Grizzlies without a field goal for nearly 11 minutes span-

ning the third and fourth periods.

The Spurs, up by nine after three, went on a 14-0 run early in the final period to build their largest lead — 82-60.

Tony Parker led San Antonio with 27 points, 17 of them coming in the first half. He was 4-for-6 on 3-pointers.

Parker took 20 shots, double the number he attempted Saturday in the Spurs' 98-74 win in the opening game.

"Sometimes he tends to forget that he's open and to let it fly," said San Antonio coach Gregg Popovich. "He was better at that tonight."

Pau Gasol led the Grizzlies with 20 points and 11 rebounds, but he had only one field goal in the second half.

"We were playing with intensity, running and executing and stopping them," said Gasol. "But they had that run in the fourth quarter that really killed us. We weren't playing like we did in the first three quarters."

Memphis, which trailed by 11 at halftime, made its push to open the third quarter.

Mike Miller, scoreless in Game 1,

scored nine quick points, and a pair of free throws by Stromile Swift cut the difference to 55-54.

"If you watched any Memphis Grizzlies basketball this year, that's how we play," Miller said. "Bottom line, it wasn't enough. I didn't get it to go in enough."

Horry made two 3-pointers and a putback, and Parker hit his fourth 3-pointer to put the Spurs ahead 68-59 after three quarters.

San Antonio held the Grizzlies without a field goal for the final 3:49 of the period.

Memphis didn't get its next basket until Bonzi Wells had a putback with 5:02 remaining in the game to make it 82-62, ending the 14-0 run.

Wells scored 13 for Memphis and James Posey 10.

Gasol missed his first shot, but by the end of the first quarter, he had four baskets and three rebounds — more than he had in either category in the Grizzlies' 98-74 loss in Game 1.

The Grizzlies went up 17-14 on a corner jumper by Wells, but the Spurs then went on an 18-4 run in which seven different players scored.

One of the baskets was Parker's third 3-pointer of the opening period.

Parker finished the half with 17, while Gasol had 13 on 6-for-7 shooting.

A layup by Posey cut San Antonio's lead to 37-31 with three minutes left in the half. After a jumper by Bruce Bowen, Horry picked off a pass to start the game's most crowd-pleasing play.

Horry got the ball to Parker, who dribbled through a narrow gap between Gasol and Jason Williams and finished with a layup around Lorenzen Wright to make the score 41-31.

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Acoustic harmony ...



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Daniel Ernesto plays his Johnson Blues King harmonica outside the SPX building Wednesday evening. "There's good acoustics in here," he said. "If you want to get good (at playing the harmonica), you have to make it your baby." He was just passing by the building and decided to sit and rest. He is originally from Yuma, Ariz.

Sports, soaps and selected programs of choice at Market Cafe

By Colin Kutch
Daily Staff Writer

On any given school day at the Market Cafe, there are two things that remain the same — sports and soaps.

Shanna Philpot, a senior majoring in hospitality management, was reading a book at the Market Cafe while the soap opera "Days of Our Lives" played in the background. As an on-screen character named Julie accused Marlena of murder and then tried to strangle her, Philpot said the television didn't interfere with her reading.

"I think people come here to take a break," she said. "If you get there early, you get a better seat with less distractions. There's no downside."

Philpot said she noticed one television always plays sports, while the other one has soap operas and talk shows.

"If you want to study, you can go to the library," she said.

James Whinery, the assistant director of retail operations, said the televisions add to a relaxed atmosphere. Whinery is in charge of the television programming and volume at the cafe, which is located in the old Cafeteria building across from the Student Union.

"It's one of those things that no one really comments on," he said. "We don't get a lot of requests or comments about it."

Whinery said the programming

is designed so there is always an entertainment show on the right-hand side of the cafe and a sports channel on the left-hand side, with the idea of appealing to a wide array of students.

"Requests are taken," he said. "Ask anyone behind the counter, and they will get a manager."

Anthony Welch, a senior majoring in speech communication, was watching "Sports Center" about 10 feet away from the television but said he couldn't hear what was going on.

"I wish they'd turn the volume up," he said.

Welch said he'd been to the cafe before but didn't notice either television, because they weren't loud enough to draw his attention. If people were studying in the middle of the cafe, the television wouldn't bother them, he said.

Sammy Ramish, a junior majoring in business management, was chatting with a friend directly under a television. As the sportscasters discussed Barry Bonds' home run quest, Ramish said the television wasn't a distraction.

"It's actually kind of nice," she said. "It's something to look at and comment on."

Whinery said the cafe is designed to be quieter than the Burger King or Sbarro Italian Eatery directly across the center divide of the old Cafeteria building.

"It's a coffee house," he said. "We lower the lights and make it comfortable."

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Division I-A," he said.

Several senators said they were concerned they didn't have enough information to vote on the funding amendment.

Academic senator Billy Campsey, an accounting and finance professor, said there were no guarantees that monies saved by leaving Division I-A football would be funneled back to support academic resources, such as the library. He said the issue was emotional.

"I want the senate to be recognized as a strong member of this community," Campsey said. "If we go off and vote with our hearts, not our heads, people are going to stop paying attention to us."

Miriam Donoho, the vice chair of the senate, said she thought there were holes in the data Brent presented to the senate.

After the meeting, Donoho said she was surprised the discussion wasn't conducted with more dignity and fact searching.

"I believe that the data were not researched properly, and I also don't think that the result is complete," she said.

Attitudes toward athletics

During a presentation to the senate, Brent said keeping football at SJSU isn't a priority for the faculty, students or alumni.

"We've been engaged in this battle for over a year and the boosters know about it," Brent said. "We engaged in this battle, so they would start coming to the games more, so they would start donating more money to the football team, that the threat of extinction would actually motivate boosters to save it. Hasn't happened. In the last two years, since the NCAA revealed its new rules, they've made no progress on any front."

He said less than 10 percent of the SJSU student body attends football games, an action which signifies their lack of interest in supporting the program.

Brent also cited attendance figures for the 2002 football season.

"We ranked 115th in 117 Division I-A teams."

Brent also said personnel within athletics, including Fitz Hill, SJSU's head football coach, were overly optimistic about the program's chances of success. He quoted Hill, who said the team would win the Western Athletic Conference championship in the 2003 season.

"The reality was they finished 3-8 and second to last in the WAC," Brent said.

Senator Heisch said she thinks SJSU needs a good intercollegiate athletics program, one that pays

attention to all sports, not just football, men's basketball and baseball.

Brent said he thinks there's a "zero percent chance" that the new campus president will decide to remove the school from Division I-A athletics.

"I'm just facing up to clear political realities. That's why President Crowley should get rid of football before he leaves or get (us) out of Division I-A before he leaves," Brent said.

In Crowley's statement to Annette Nellen, chair of the Academic Senate, he states he opposes the university leaving its Division I-A classification because ramifications of leaving Division I-A for either I-AA or I-AAA status have not been fully considered. Schools that do not have football programs compete in Division I-AAA.

"Each of the alternative possibilities ... carries with it the need for careful, comprehensive examination of the financial and other ramifications for the university," Crowley states.

Huy Tran, the director of governing affairs for Associated Students, said he supports Brent's stance on athletics.

"I know Division I-A athletics is part of San Jose State and some feel that it is part of our identity," he said. "I feel like athletics plays a role. However, we have to set priorities."

Tran said he would like there

to be a student referendum about funding for football, to determine student support.

Senator Stork also thinks students should have a voice in this issue.

Senator Heisch said she was disappointed that six student senators, who are either members of Associated Students or were appointed by the group, weren't present for the discussion. One student senate seat is vacant, according to the Academic Senate's Web site.

"They have seven votes, and they have been absent all semester," she said.

Heisch said when she was on campus gathering faculty signatures for the petition to leave Division I-A football, many students asked her if they could sign it, too.

"We kept saying to them, 'We would love for you to start a referendum, start petitions of your own,' and I don't think that would come from the Associated Students," Heisch said.

"They don't care enough to show up for this vote in the senate," she said. "I don't know what kind of leadership the students can expect from them. If it happens, it would have to be like Spartans 4 Sanity, a grass roots effort."

Attempts to reach Associated Students representatives for comments after Monday's meeting were unsuccessful.

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with personnel making \$100,000 or more annually accounting for \$9.1 million of the \$24 million.

If one was to calculate the amount a president is paid per student, they would find that it differs drastically among the 23 campuses.

Cal State Channel Islands is a 670-acre campus located in the hills of Camarillo, between Ventura and Santa Monica. The CSU established the campus in 2002. Combining perquisites with the base salary, the president is paid \$241,128 annually.

This means Cal State Channel Islands' president receives \$27.05 per student for his 1,627 full-time students. In contrast, the presidents of CSU Northridge and Fullerton receive 79 cents per student. Northridge's enrollment is 24,392 students; Fullerton's

is 25,061 students. These campuses were established in 1958 and 1957, respectively.

Eight presidents are paid less annually than Cal State Channel Islands', yet some of those presidents serve up to 25 times more full-time students.

The \$4.5 million in salaries for Cal State Channel Islands' president, top personnel and staff soak up 18 percent of the school's budget, the majority of that paid to employees making over \$100,000. Faculty salaries are not included in the 18 percent.

Presidents at CSU Sonoma, Humboldt and San Marcos — where enrollments range from 6,110 to 7,450 — receive from \$8.52 to \$10.36 per student.

At Sonoma State, the salaries of the president, top personnel and staff consume 29 percent of the budget. Annual salaries of \$100,000 or more grab almost

8 of the 29 percent. Faculty salaries are not included in these numbers, either. Sonoma State was established in 1960.

Cal State Monterey Bay spends 7.2 percent of its allocated budget on salaries of \$100,000 and above. This almost equals CSU Channel Islands' 10 percent. The salaries of the president, top personnel and staff grab \$7.6 million, or 18 percent of the allocated budget. Cal State Monterey Bay, established in 1994, has 3,654 students enrolled for the 2003-04 academic year.

In contrast, Cal State Northridge is home to nearly 25,000 students in Los Angeles' San Fernando Valley. The president receives one of the lowest combined salaries at \$215,444. Salaries for the president, top personnel and staff equal \$16,779,817, or 11 percent of the allocated budget at Cal State Northridge.

Energy deregulation bill moves forward

Associated Press

SACRAMENTO — A bill that would loosen government regulation of the power market while encouraging utilities to build new power plants in California was approved Monday by a key Assembly committee.

The bill from Assembly Speaker Fabian Nunez, D-Los Angeles, has the backing of a number of major utilities including Southern California Edison.

Supporters say the proposal is not a return to full deregulation that some say led to the energy crisis of four years ago. The bill does not impose new regulations. Instead, the bill is a "balanced framework," according to Nunez.

Opponents, which include some independent power producers and consumer groups, say the bill will not work as proposed. Doug Heller, of the Foundation for Taxpayer and Consumer Rights, warned that deregulation of the

electricity market has been tried before and resulted in consumers and business paying big rate increases. He said some regulation of the system must be imposed to protect consumers.

Although several members of the Assembly's Utility and Commerce Committee expressed their own reservations, a majority passed on the proposal. The bill still needs to be passed by at least one more committee before it can be considered on the floor.

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Assembly committee postpones violent-video-game legislation

By John Kim
Daily Staff Writer

A year ago, Jesse Warren, a junior majoring in graphic design, was an avid gamer. He devoted a few hours each day to his favorite video games, "Goldeneye 007" and "Tony Hawk Pro Skater."

Eventually, he realized he was spending too much time on game playing. His solution was to swear off video games altogether. Now, Warren says video games are a "waste of your time." He worries about the effects excessive video gaming might have on children.

"I think kids will have social problems if they're stuck in a room playing video games all day," Warren said. "They should be out on a playing field with 30 other kids."

Video games — specifically, violent video games — and children is a subject addressed by two different bills introduced by California State Assemblyman Leland Yee, a Democrat representing Assembly District 12, which includes San Francisco and Daly City.

The two bills, both designed to curb the sale of violent video games to minors, were put to a vote on April 13 by the California State Assembly Committee on Arts, Entertainment, Sports, Tourism and Internet Media. Neither bill garnered enough votes to pass, but "reconsideration" was granted by the committee. A re-vote will be held at the next committee hearing, scheduled for April 27.

In a press release, Yee reacted to the vote on April 13.

"I am deeply disturbed that money ruled the day here in Sacramento," he said. "Rather than protecting our children and giving our

parents a tool to help raise healthy kids, the multi-billion dollar entertainment industry was allowed to shoot down necessary legislation."

According to Adam Keitwin, press secretary for the assemblyman, the first of the two bills would "prohibit the sale of the most violent, realistic video games for children under 18."

"We're talking first- and third-person shooter games where you're committing realistic, heinous, atrocious and cruel acts — basically, acts that would be considered illegal if carried out in real life," Keitwin said.

The second bill would require retailers to separate mature-rated video games on the display shelves.

"They wouldn't have to be behind a glass case, they wouldn't have to be a certain (number of) feet off the ground — just a clear distinction between games that are meant for adults and games that are meant for kids," Keitwin said, "and then also clearly posting the (Entertainment Software Rating Board) ratings, so parents are well aware of what's involved with each type of game."

A representative from Activision, the country's second-largest publisher of game-console software, emphasized

the importance of the ratings.

"We put on every box a rating, and on the back of the box are clear descriptors of what are involved with the game," she said. "It's up to parents to determine whether that game is something their children should play."

At press time, representatives from Electronic Arts, the country's largest game-software company, had not responded to

requests for interviews. A representative from Namco, another major video game company, declined to be interviewed for this story.

According to its Web site, the Entertainment Software Rating Board is a self-regulated body created by the video game industry. Its ratings are prominently displayed on the front of video-game cases and are a way of suggesting the age-appropriateness of each game.

Kellie Smith, chief consultant for the California State Assembly Committee on Arts, Entertainment, Sports, Tourism and Internet Media, said the ratings were simply guidelines.

"They are voluntary systems," she said. "They are not mandatory, nor are they required under law."

According to Keitwin, press secretary for Assemblyman Yee, the board's ratings "have no teeth."

"Any child can go and purchase an M-rated game," he said. "The Federal Trade Commission conducted a study late last year in which they sent kids into the stores, and 70 percent of kids 13 to 16 were able to successfully purchase M-rated games, even in cases where the store had a policy against selling the games to the kids."

Titles rated M-Mature have content that may be suitable for people ages 17 and older, according to the Entertainment Software Ratings Board. The board warns, "These games may contain mature sexual themes, intense violence and/or strong language."

Keitwin said Yee's bills were based on research by various health organizations.

"The American Medical Association, the American Psychological Association, the American Academy of Pediatrics — they have joined three other major national medical groups and said the data (are) now fairly overwhelming, that there is a link between playing these games and carrying out real-life aggression and violence," he said.

According to the Entertainment Software Association, an association made up of interactive entertainment software companies, 92 percent of all games are purchased by adults over the age of 18, and 14 of the top 20 best-selling games in 2003 were rated either E-Everyone or T-Teen, meaning the games were suitable for players 13 or older.

"We're talking first- and third-person shooter games where you're committing realistic, heinous, atrocious and cruel acts — basically, acts that would be considered illegal if carried out in real life."

*- Adam Keitwin,
press secretary for state
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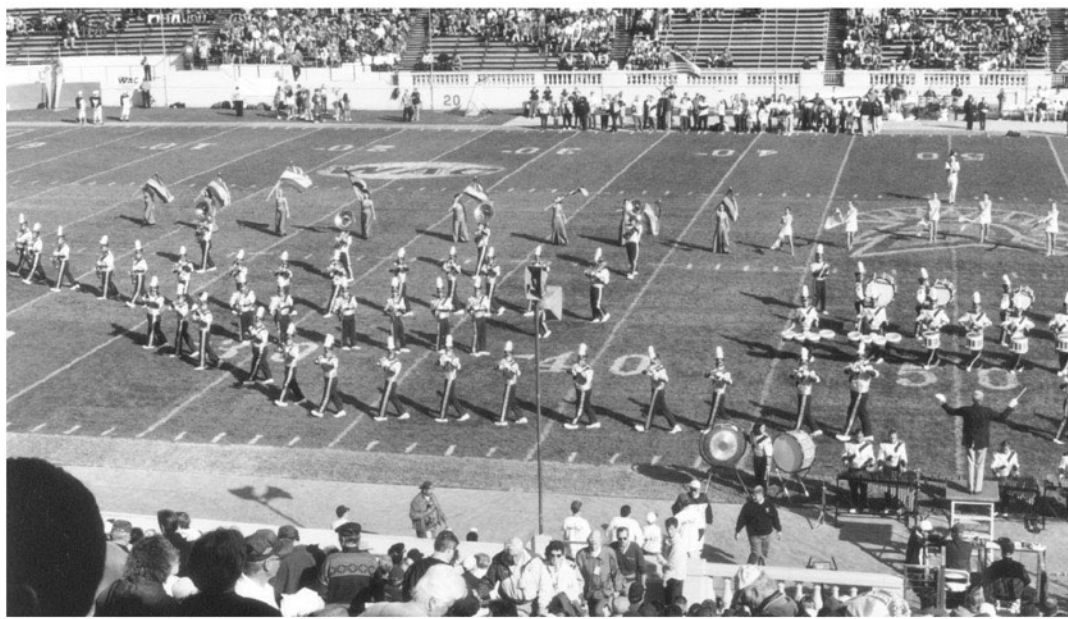
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Anthony Montano trims back the ivy on Morris Dailey Auditorium on Wednesday morning. Montano works for Facilities Development and Operations and says that "being up there in a manlift is the hardest part." From the ground to the top of the building is about 40 feet. The ivy needs to be cut twice a year. "It takes a whole week to make the entire building look nice," Montano said.

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White House raises limit for overtime pay

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Bush administration, bowing to political pressure, has revised new regulations on overtime to keep the benefits for most workers earning up to \$100,000 a year, congressional Republicans confirmed Monday.

"They have moved the threshold to allow more workers to qualify for overtime," said Stuart Roy, spokesman for House Majority Leader Tom DeLay, R-Texas.

Roy, who accused Democrats of "demagoguing" the issue, described the revisions as an administration effort to clarify what he termed the "ambiguity" of who would be affected by the changes in overtime regulations — to "make it black and white," he said.

An aide to Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist, R-Tenn., also confirmed that the regulations had been revised.

Although the revisions appeared to allow more workers to continue to qualify for overtime pay, they failed to win over Democrats, who had attacked the regulations as unfairly denying overtime pay to millions of white-collar, nonunion workers.

On Monday night, although they had not seen the administration's changes, two senators who have led the Democrats' effort to block the regulations — Tom Harkin of Iowa and Edward M. Kennedy of Massachusetts — denounced the reported revisions as inadequate.

"The Bush administration simply is not trustworthy on this issue, and I am beyond skeptical about these so-called revisions," Harkin said in a statement. "This president has gone out of his way time and again to undercut working families' right to overtime pay for overtime work."

Kennedy said in a statement that "no amount of White House rhetoric will stop employers from applying this shameful anti-worker rule just as Republicans planned it ... Bush administration officials can apply whatever gloss they want, but the plain fact remains that their regulation robs workers of their hard-earned overtime

pay, and that's just wrong."

A Labor Department spokesman would confirm only that Labor Secretary Elaine Chao would hold a news conference Tuesday to announce the overtime regulations, which are expected to take effect Wednesday with their publication in the Federal Register. The spokesman refused to confirm any details about revisions, or even whether any had been made.

Chao issued the regulations in March 2003, instantly drawing attacks from Democrats, organized labor and some Republicans. Last fall, House and Senate Republicans joined Democrats in support of measures to block the regulations, only to see their efforts stripped out of a giant spending bill at the White House's insistence.

The Labor Department said the regulations, as initially proposed, would mean that 644,000 white-collar workers could lose overtime benefits and 1.3 million could gain them.

White House officials told The Associated Press on Monday night that up to 107,000 workers could lose overtime protection under the revisions, but 6.7 million workers would be guaranteed overtime. AP also reported that the revisions would guarantee that firefighters and police officers would be paid overtime.

Democrats expressed skepticism at those figures.

The regulations have become a potent campaign issue for Democrats, who have pointed to them as evidence of what they say is the administration's insensitivity to the needs of American workers in tough economic times. They have sought to attach amendments blocking the regulations to various "must pass" bills this term.

Ross Eisenbrey, of the Economic Policy Institute, a Washington, D.C.-based liberal think tank, offered qualified praise — and some criticism — of the reported revisions.

Raising the salary threshold for workers defined as "highly compensated," and therefore ineligible for overtime pay, from \$65,000, as Chao originally proposed, to the reported \$100,000 was "a highly positive change," Eisenbrey said.

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its expenses were \$6,982,322, with 28 percent going to the bond debt that was used to construct the buildings, 30 percent to the operation, 25 percent to staff wages and benefits, and 6 percent to student wages and benefits.

Kris Kelly, administrative services manager for Student Union Inc., said the financial climate wasn't supportive of a fee increase in the past.

She said Student Union Inc. had to use reserves to meet operating expenses, therefore the reserve dropped significantly below the minimums required by both the California State University chancellor's office and the specifications of the construction bonds used to fund the facilities.

"Trying to not raise students' fees has been our priority," Busalacchi said. "That's why we laid off 25 percent of our workforce in 1995-96."

One possibility to offset increased expenses is increasing revenue, rather than raising fees.

Busalacchi said the corporation has done as much as possible to increase revenue, but implementing usage fees wouldn't always be possible.

"The priority when the facility was built was it would be for students at little or no charge," she said.

Kelly said expenses, such as those of the Student Union, would be difficult to divide into usage fees.

"We don't believe anyone isn't using the Student Union off and on," she said. "Between the food stores, bookstore and offices inside the union, we think just about all students get usage of the Student Union."

She mentioned the bowling alley is supported by a usage fee, but the Aquatic Center and Event Center facilities such as the weight room and racquetball courts must be open to all students.

"The Bowling Center works better as fee-based because of the mechanical things required to maintain," she said.

Another revenue generator for Student Union Inc. is renting the Event Center.

The economy and Sept. 11 led to a decline in revenue from rentals, Busalacchi said.

"Lots of performers weren't traveling after

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9-11," she said. "We are only now returning to our pre-9-11 revenue."

According to the Student Union Inc. annual report, revenue for 2002-03 was \$1,269,018 from rental income, an increase of more than \$300,000 from the previous year.

After the Student Union fee, the next biggest fee paid by students is the health fee, which is \$65.70 per semester.

Roger Elrod, associate director of the Student Health Center, said the center is 90 percent funded by the mandatory student fee.

According to Elrod, CSU pushed to make health care independent in the early 1990s with the idea of having it rely on fees rather than on the school's general fund.

The health center supplies primary care free to all students.

Elrod said the health fee was increased from \$55 to \$61 per semester in 2000, with a 2.5 percent per year increase scheduled through 2009.

He said they used to sell a Spartan health card for \$20 a semester, discounting some of the fee-

based services, but too many students thought it was health insurance, so they discontinued selling the card.

The Health Center also receives the \$3 facility fee charged each student, which Elrod said goes toward maintaining facilities for health services.

He said a state bond measure in the late 1960s set this fee, and it hasn't changed since then.

The next highest fee is the \$38 student association fee.

According to Alfonso De Alba, A.S. executive director, a nonstudent staff person who advises Associated Students, \$18 of this fee goes toward the A.S. computer fee and \$20 goes to the A.S. general fund.

"The student body has an opportunity to vote on these fees and other fees collected by the A.S. with a referendum," De Alba said.

A referendum asking students to decide on a \$12 fee increase has been scheduled for May 11 and 12. Half of the increase would go to the A.S. Child Development Center and half to Campus Recreation.

The 2003-04 budget for the Child Development Center was \$1,325,525, with \$890,325 income from parent fees and grants and \$435,200 from the current mandatory child care fee.

The A.S. Campus Recreation budget was \$389,999, with \$51,001 coming from usage fees and grants and \$335,998 from the current mandatory recreation fee.

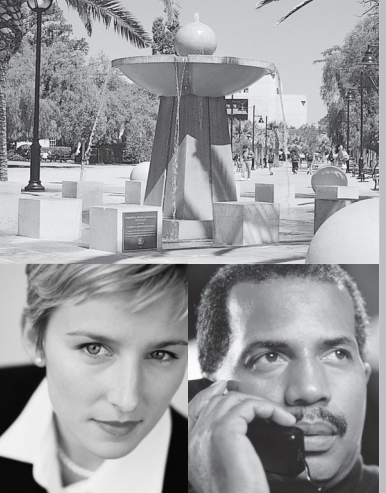
Jingyi Want, a junior computer science major, said she wasn't aware she paid any fees, assuming all she paid was tuition.

"There shouldn't be any extra fees," she said.

"The student body has an opportunity to vote on these fees and other fees collected by the A.S. with a referendum."

- Alfonso De Alba, A.S. executive director

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