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## Candidates sound off in debates

By Marsea Nelson  
Daily Staff Writer

Candidates running for the 16 positions on the Associated Students board participated in the A.S. Candidate Debate Tuesday in the Student Union.

About 40 spectators attended the event and that number dwindled to about 10 by the end of the hour and a half debate.

For each position, candidates made an opening statement followed by an open floor session where a moderator asked questions submitted by the audience. Each candidate had two minutes to answer each question. Afterward, each candidate gave a closing statement.

Andrew Weiglein, the independent candidate, Mike Nguyen, the Spartan Party candidate, and Alberto Gutierrez, the Stand Up Party candidate, discussed why they would be best for the presidency position in a series of five questions.

Gutierrez said he would make

more visible to students and would make education the priority focus of his presidency.

Weiglein said he would focus on student organizations because they are the "life blood" of the campus. He said he would want a private space designated for every club, which he said would create more of a community.

Nguyen said he would emphasize an affordable and well-rounded education.

When the candidates were asked what the most important aspect of San Jose State

University was and how they would maintain it, Weiglein criticized last year's A.S. carnival, saying money should be allocated for "things that people actually need."

Nguyen emphasized community, advocacy and participation. He said he would fight for textbook affordability and fight against fee increases.

Gutierrez said the most important aspect is education.

"If the quality of education

is not there, there is no pride," Gutierrez said.

When the candidates were asked what they thought of athletics all three said they supported it.

"I support athletics 100 percent," Nguyen said, adding that it is an important part of a well-rounded college experience.

Gutierrez said that athletics is a luxury and, though he supports athletics, there needs to be new and creative ways of funding it.

Weiglein said he does not think athletics receives the recognition it deserves and cited the success of the judo and gymnastics teams as examples.

"Associated Students could play a big role in increasing attendance," Weiglein said.

Sarah Stillman from the Spartan Party, who is running unopposed for the vice president position, said she would work

toward giving A.S. a better name. She also said she would have one-on-one meetings with next semester's directors and make sure they do their jobs.

"I really will be hounding you," she said.

When the candidates for the controller position were asked how they would handle the responsibility of a \$5 million budget, Terry Vien, the Spartan Party candidate, said he would rely on his previous experience and that he would support programs that students utilize such as the Child Development Center, Transportation Services and the com-

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Mike Nguyen



Alberto Gutierrez



Andrew Weiglein

Photo Illustration By Jennifer Seigal and Neal Waters

## Bowen hires Nessman as men's basketball coach

By Aimee Threet  
Daily Staff Writer

George Nessman, former assistant coach at UC Berkeley, was introduced as the new San Jose State University men's basketball head coach at a press conference Tuesday.

Athletic Director Tom Bowen said it was a difficult decision to choose the new coach but Nessman stood out from the other finalists.

"(Nessman) came forward with a clear vision, a concise concept, his ability to articulate his relationships and his coaching," Bowen said.

This is Nessman's first Division I head coaching job, but he is no

stranger to college basketball. He has 17 years of head coaching experience in the high school and junior college circuits, accumulating a record of 359-156.

"This is an exciting opportunity for me," Nessman said. "Being in the coaching profession and having the opportunity to take over a Division I program represents the pinnacle of challenges in the college basketball world."

With this appointment Nessman said he is able to test himself against the best coaches in college basketball.

Nessman said he was drawn to

SJSU because it has a basketball program that he feels has untapped potential.

He also wants to move the program forward and bring a fighting spirit to the Spartans and change the attitude of the team to one that will be successful and competitive in everything.

"We're going about it the right way and move forward as fast as we can," Nessman said.

Nessman said he is planning to change the team's offensive and defensive play.

"Offensively, we'll move up the court and advance the ball quickly and score early," Nessman said.

Nessman also said he wants to see the Spartans in the up-

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NESSMAN

## Tomey joins AFCA board

**Coach hopes to become vice president**

By Angela Forte  
Daily Staff Writer

The American Football College Association in Waco, Texas, added San Jose State University head football coach Dick Tomey to its Board of Trustees this month.

Rich Rodriguez of West Virginia University was also added.

The AFCA is considered to be the primary professional association for football coaches at all levels of competition.

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## CSU reports less lawsuits

By Banks Albach  
Daily Staff Writer

The second day of the California State University Board of Trustees meeting came to a close Tuesday in Long Beach with the adoption of its legislative program and principles.

In addition, presentations on diminishing litigation against the CSU system and rising proficiency standards among CSU freshmen were given.

David Spence, executive vice chancellor, gave a presentation to the Committee on Educational Policy, which he focused on the improving success rates of remediation in English and math for CSU freshmen. Of the 32,000 freshmen who enrolled statewide in Fall 2003, nearly 22,000 needed remediation upon admission, he said. During the next year,

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## Student awarded leadership grant

**Chamber of Commerce hands out \$2,500 prize to four recipients**

By Jean Blomo  
Daily Staff Writer

After winning \$2,500 from the San Jose Valley Chamber of Commerce's Women in Leadership grant, graduate student Inemesit Williams has bittersweet feelings about leaving San Jose State University.

"It will be hard to leave the nest," Williams said.

In her time at SJSU, Williams has been a head resident at the International House, an intern at the Career Center and a graduate assistant at the International

Programs and Services.

"I received an e-mail about (the grant) and I immediately thought of (Williams)," said Dave Rudel, study abroad coordinator of the International Studies and Services.

"She's amazing. I don't know how she keeps all the balls in the air, and she's still incredibly enthusiastic, organized and passionate about study abroad and international education," Rudel said.

Rudel, along with Helen Stevens, the director of

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## Gearing up ...



Lorry Thomas / Daily Staff

Takeyaki Suzuki, right, a senior majoring in aviation, places protective gear on his sparring partner David Chow, a senior majoring in radio, television and film, during a taekwon do and Wu Shu Club practice Tuesday. Chow, who is president of the club, said they will meet on top of the Event Center Tuesdays at 1 p.m.

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## Older not necessarily wiser for coaching

Before San Jose State University hired 66-year-old Dick Tomey in January as head football coach, my father and I had what we like to call a "spirited discussion" about whom the Spartans should hire.

He pushed for an older coach who had already proven himself at the Division-I level, while I said the school should give a younger coach the opportunity to build his first program.

This "spirited discussion" carried over when the SJSU men's basketball team was on the lookout for a new head coach.

This time, the university decided on former Cal Berkeley assistant coach George Nessman, who has 17 years of head coaching at the junior college and high school levels, but never as a Division-I head coach.

However, with the coaches selected, I'll still be entrenched in this argument with my father.

He'll argue the older coach can bring the wisdom of decades of winning into an institution that hasn't won, while I'll tell him the older coach won't be able to relate to his players.

He'll say the younger coach will take longer to succeed than the older coach, but I'll just come back by

saying the older coach will be unable to last through one or two rebuilding seasons.

He'll say the older coach won't stand losing. I'll say the younger coach will be in it for the long haul. Then he'll get mad at me and bring up the fact I backed my truck into a tree when I was 16.

It's just the way our "spirited discussions" go.

But now, hopefully, we'll both have the chance to be right.

### And while on the subject of basketball ...

Every sports fan has their favorite day or days of the year. For some, it may be the Super Bowl or baseball playoffs. For others, they may wait four years for the Olympics.

Well, for myself, and millions of others, those days fall on this Thursday and Friday when the 2005 NCAA men's basketball tournament kicks off.

Everyone has their own reasons why they love the first round of the tourney.

Some love it for the upsets, some for a chance to see some players on the court for the final time ever and some for the opportunity to see the highest caliber of basketball on Earth.

I love it because every year, without a doubt, there will be some school with 10,000 students who come within one shot of knocking off Duke University or the University of North Carolina.

There is nothing like seeing a bunch of guys who will never play in the pros going basket-for-basket with a team of future all-stars.

But what's even better is seeing that same group of guys walk off the court for the final time and know they were just as good as the best team in the country, if even for just those two hours.

### And now to bring it back home ...

The SJSU women's basketball team was royally screwed over by the Women's National Invitation Tournament selection committee this week when it in-

cluded three other Western Athletic Conference teams, but not the Spartans.

After finishing the season with a record of 18-12 — the best in the program's history — and one win away from a trip to the WAC tournament finals, the Spartans were turned away by the WNIT.

One of the reasons was SJSU played an easier schedule, but another was the team wouldn't bring a crowd.

It's sad when lack of support ends a successful team's season instead of a loss — but this is SJSU, so it really shouldn't surprise anyone.

### And because a friend asked ...

I should have said this before, being a Los Angeles Dodger fan, but the Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim need to get their act together.

They aren't in L.A., they don't represent L.A. and now, they aren't even respected by L.A.

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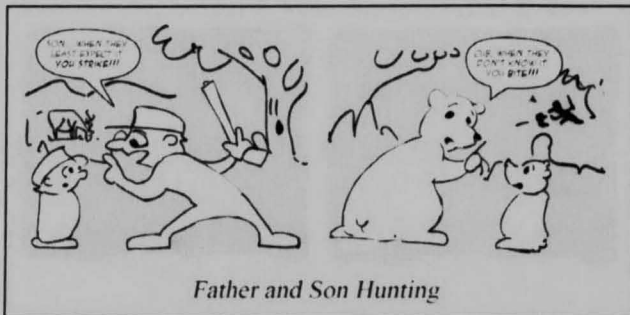
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## SPARTA GUIDE

Sparta Guide is provided free of charge to students, faculty and staff members. The deadline for entries is noon three working days before the desired publication date. Entry forms are available in the Spartan Daily office in Dwight Bentel Hall, room 209. 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.

### TODAY

#### Counseling Services

A women's process group meeting will take place from 9 a.m. to 10:20 a.m. A men's process group meeting will take place from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Both events will take place in Counseling Services of the Student Services Center. For more information, call 924-5910.

#### School of Art and Design

An art exhibit featuring student galleries will take place from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Art building. For more information, call the gallery office at 924-4330.

#### Mu Alpha Gamma

A meeting will take place at 11 a.m. in front of room 213 of Dwight Bentel Hall.

#### Event Planning, REC 97

"No-Fear Factor" will take place from noon to 1 p.m. at the Student Union Amphitheater. It will be an hour-long show of games and prizes. For more information, call Jason Hansen at 226-4385.

#### Catholic Campus Ministry

Daily Mass will take place at 12:10 p.m. in the Catholic Campus Ministry chapel. A candlelight worship will take place from 7 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. in the Spartan Memorial. "The Bible and You" will take place from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the ministry.

For more information, call Sister Marcia Krause at 938-1610.

#### Department of Philosophy

"Science and Religion in Medical Context" will take place at 4:30 p.m. in room 255 of the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Joint Library. It will feature speaker Amnon Goldworth, emeritus philosophy professor at SJSU. For more information, call Bo Mou at 924-4513.

#### Human Resources Management Association

A meeting will take place from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. in the Guadalupe room of the Student Union. It will feature guest speaker GERALYNN PALELLARO from Better Workplace and Anne Hausler from Merit Resource Group.

#### Asian American Christian Fellowship

A meeting will take place at 6:30 p.m. in the Pacifica room of the Student Union.

#### SJSpirit

Candlelight worship will take place at 7 p.m. in the Spartan Memorial. For more information, call Chaplain Roger at 605-1687.

### THURSDAY

#### Chinese Mandarin Bible Fellowship

A meeting will take place from 3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Montalvo room of the Student Union.

### EDITORIAL

## Alberto Gutierrez is the best fit for Associated Students president

Change is good.

The student body at San Jose State University will have the ability to choose between three presidential candidates on Tuesday and Wednesday.

After reasoning to each of the candidates, the editorial board of the Spartan Daily has unanimously decided to endorse Stand Up Party candidate Alberto Gutierrez for Associated Students president.

Gutierrez is the right candidate for the job for one reason — he demonstrates an understanding for the basic needs of students.

The other candidates expect students to come to them, while Gutierrez understands it will be his responsibility to understand student concerns.

His compassion and modesty are traits that would make him an effective student leader.

Gutierrez has the drive and motivation as a catalyst to change the campus for the better and plans to make A.S. more visible by making the group's information easily accessible to the public.

In addition, unlike the Spartan Party's reactive approach to budget changes, he promises to oppose student fee increases and budget cuts directly upon entering office and not after the fact.

Gutierrez possesses a stellar track record in leadership. He has worked directly with students for years as a resident adviser on campus and is a member of the community service fraternity Alpha Phi Omega.

Gutierrez is willing to take the initiative to reach out to students, whereas the Spartan Daily feels the other two candidates, Mike Nguyen and Andrew Weiglein, offer few solutions to the lack of involvement on campus.

For the past several years, A.S. has been dominated by one-party rule — the Spartan Party.

The apparent focus of the group this year was to invoke campus pride. Funds were spent on a large carnival during Homecoming, which resulted in damages to the grounds of the university. Carnival workers harassed students as they walked by and one former worker even stole computer items from Campus Village.

Pride no longer became something students felt — it was something shoved down their throats and something they were not allowed to define.

Such abuses of power stem from the core of the student government — the president.

Allowing the Spartan Party to continue its stagnating influence on A.S. will not be beneficial, as it has proven that it is out of touch with what students need.

The wishes of the student body have not been adequately met under Spartan Party leadership. The new president needs to focus on what's really important — core educational values.

Having a student government that is truly representative of its constituents, is a willing advocate and upholds their concerns can be a source of campus pride that all students can enjoy.

This election may be as close as the last. It's important for students to take five minutes out of their day to cast their vote for the next A.S. government.

The next president will face many challenges, with the most difficult one being trying to bridge the gap between the student government and the student body. The Spartan Daily believes Gutierrez is capable of successfully doing so.

### Associated Students elections letter policy

In light of the Associated Students elections next week, the Spartan Daily will not publish letters on this subject beginning Monday. All letters regarding the elections must be submitted by Thursday to be considered for publication on Friday. — L.W.

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## Japanese author to share short stories

By Mayra Flores  
Daily Staff Writer

Japanese American author Mary Yukari Waters will read from her short story collection, "The Laws of Evening," today at 7:30 p.m. in room 189 of the Engineering building.

The reading is sponsored by Reed Magazine, San Jose State University's literary magazine and the Center for Literary Arts and will be followed by a question and answer session with the audience as well as a book signing.

Waters is an accountant-turned-author, penning stories about growing up in Japan and Japanese culture and society during World War II.

"Her writing style is very fluid, very mature for such a young writer," said Chris Fink, an assistant professor in the English department and the faculty adviser for Reed Magazine. "She has pretty impressive credentials."

Fink said Waters is less interested in how Asian American identities are constructed in America and more in how they are constructed in Japan.

Waters has received an O. Henry Award, a Pushcart Prize and a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts.

The O. Henry Award is an award given to short stories.

According to Pushcartprize.com, the Pushcart Prize has been published every year since 1976 and is one of the most honored literary projects in America.

Her work has been included in the distinguished annual "Best American Short Stories" in 2002, 2003 and 2004.

Her stories are studied and discussed by students in the Phelan Seminar, the Writing Fiction and Graduate Fiction classes at SJSU.

"Master of Fine Arts students are eager to talk to a writer who has just received her MFA," Fink said.

"The Laws of Evening" is Waters' first published collection of short stories.

It's important to make the study of literature more exciting, Fink said. One way is to go to readings and ask the author questions about how work was put together, he said.

It's one thing to read it in class and speculate and analyze, he said. "It adds a depth of appreciation."

The reading is the only one this semester sponsored by Reed Magazine. It was a joint venture between the magazine and the Center for Literary Arts. They will be sponsoring one reading every semester.

## Helping out ...



Jennifer Seigal / Daily Staff

Nancy Chan, left, passes through campus with her 2-year-old daughter, Laura, Monday afternoon. Laura was pushing an empty stroller while her mother was holding her sibling.

## TOMEY - Board seeks to maintain high coaching standards

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The organization, created by 43 coaches in 1921, was formed to maintain high standards in football and the profession of coaching football.

More than 8,000 members including coaches from Europe, Canada, Australia, Japan and Mexico make up the association.

Tomey was named the head coach of SJSU in December, his third head coaching position within his 41-year career, according to a written statement by the association.

Tomey was a member of the AFCA board from 1996 to 2000 while coaching at the University of Arizona.

"Tomey finished his five year term while at the University of Arizona and will now begin his second, five year term," said Todd Bell, director of media relations for the association.

In 2006, Tomey will move into the third vice-president position on the AFCA board, Bell said.

The association's board of trustees was founded in 1922 by Amos Alonzo Stagg and John Heisman.

Members of the board, including coaches Mike Bellotti of the University of Oregon, Rob Ash of Drake University and Joe Glenn of the University of Wyoming, work to establish policy and administer direction for AFCA.

"The board deals with a lot of issues that pertain to the association in working to make legislative changes within the National Collegiate Athletic Association," Bell said.

Tomey said that he is excited about his reappointment to the AFCA and sees it as a great opportunity to work with legislation.

"It gives me a chance to participate in an acting legislation to make the game better," Tomey said.

Tomey said his duties as a board member include attending two meetings each year through the NCAA and responding to the needs of the chairmen.

"Members act as the custodians of the board and basically do what the chairmen ask us to do in regards to different proposals relative to student football issues," Tomey said.

Bill Hall, director of football operations at SJSU, said Tomey

is a well-respected coach.

"It is unbelievable what Tomey not only does with other coaches and players, but with the community as well. He is talented with the way he handles people," Hall said.

Tomey's presence is one of the reasons he came to SJSU, Hall

**"The man has a plan and knows how to get the best out of coaches and the player."**

**Steve Morton, assistant coach**

said. David Fibb, co-defensive coordinator for the Spartans, said he played for Tomey for five years at the University of Arizona.

"Tomey is wonderful for the game of football because he looks

out for the players and their best interests while dealing with the challenges of the game," Fibb said.

Steve Morton, offensive line coach for the Spartans, said that Tomey brings a wealth of energy, enthusiasm, toughness and knowledge to the game because of his 40-plus years of experience.

"Tomey is the seventh most winning active (Division I) coach in the game of football and has the most wins in history at the University of Hawai'i and University of Arizona," Morton said.

Tomey, along with George Welsh and Paul "Bear" Bryant, is a Division I coach who is a career victory leader at two separate schools.

Morton said that Tomey's rejoining the AFCA is indicative of what his peers on the national level think of him.

"The man has a plan and knows how to get the best out of coaches and the player," Morton said.

Tomey said that as he goes up the ranks, he hopes to become president of the board.

"It's really an outstanding group of coaches from all over that I am working with and I am thrilled that they asked me to be a member again," Tomey said.

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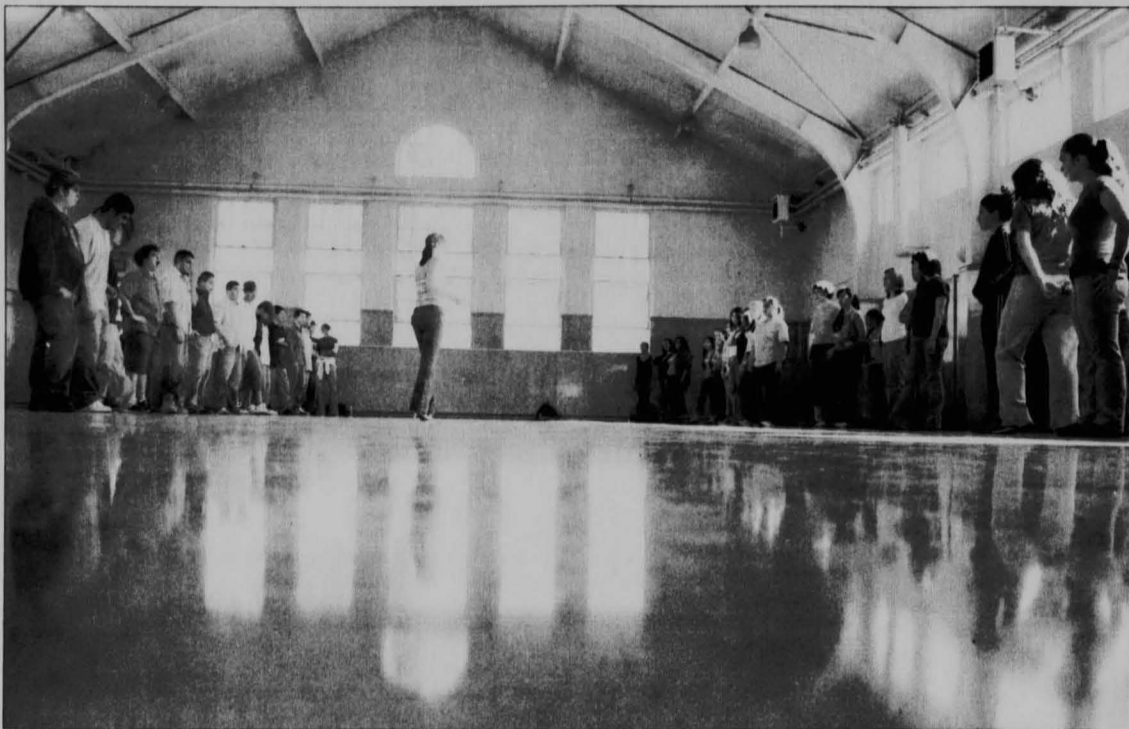
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## Step by step ...



Joelle Maletis, center, a lecturer in the department of kinesiology, teaches her Latin Nightclub Dance for Beginners class in the Spartan Complex on Tuesday. The class is offered at 10:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Mondays and Wednesdays and 1:30 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Brian Connelly / Daily Staff

## CSU - Hopes for 90 percent freshman proficiency by 2007

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more than 18,000, or 82 percent, of these students got up to speed, Spence said.

"The idea is to allow students the time they need, which is usually a year, if they are showing progress," he said. "We have a place for all these students."

This represents part of a trend that started in 1998, in which freshman proficiency grew from 32 percent to 43 percent in 2003. The ultimate goal, Spence said, is to reach 90 percent freshman proficiency by 2007, a goal some trustees, specifically Kathleen E. Kaiser, were skeptical of.

The main reason stems from the lack of time the state education system has to iron out new high school standards, some of which were recently implemented, and others that are still pending in Sacramento.

"I would bet money we don't reach 90 percent by 2007," Kaiser said. "2005 will be the only year of measurement for whether this high school intervention really works."

The trustees were in agreement, however, along with Jack O'Connell, superintendent of California education, about the importance of implementing new

standards for grades eight through 11, which include new high school exit exams and an early assessment program.

General Counsel Christine Helwick presented to the Committee of the Whole what she referred to as an impressive CSU track record in court. Of 32 cases against the university system, CSU prevailed in 10, the plaintiff in two and 20 were settled out of

The 2005 legislative program, which was presented by Karen Y. Zamarripa, assistant vice chancellor in advocacy and institutional relations, and adopted by the Committee on Governmental Relations, includes state legislation covering whistleblower protection, affinity programs for University of California and CSU alumni, reallocation of dormitory revenues and a CSU doctorate program — which is opposed by the UC system.

Priority bills in the program would authorize no more than 10 CSU and junior college campuses to create campus charter schools and create a California post secondary education accountability structure to better prepare prospective college students.

Zamarripa said the trustees have more than eight bills regarding financial aid, 14 covering privacy and identity theft and 12 regarding the regulation of alcohol.

"I hope we pursue this vigorously," she said regarding the legislative program.

The trustees will conclude the three-day meeting tomorrow at 8:30 a.m. with the second half of the Committee on Educational Policy session and a conclusion round by the board of trustees.

*"I would bet money we don't reach 90 percent by 2007."*

**Kathleen E. Kaiser,**  
trustee

court. The CSU system is currently involved in 94 active litigation cases.

"We are very proud of this record," Helwick said. She added that many of the cases stem from a balance between individual privacy and the public's right to know.

Regarding the management of litigation, Chancellor Charles Reed was optimistic.

"We have made tremendous strides," Reed said.

## San Jose March & Rally Bring the Troops Home Now! SUNDAY, MARCH 20

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S. Market Street - between San Fernando and San Carlos

The war on Iraq is  
"a dagger in the heart of the  
US Economy," James Galbraith,  
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(LA Times, 4/29/04)

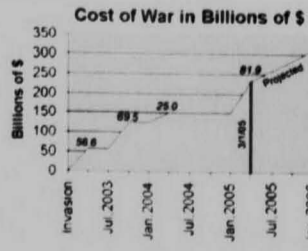
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1 - www.icasualties.org  
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## COACH - Hopes to tap Bay Area roots

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per half of the Western Athletic Conference standings regularly in the coming years.

Nessman wants to change who is recruited for the Spartans and not rely solely on junior college players.

"Right now there are no underclassmen. We need a balance with freshmen and sophomores," Nessman said.

He said he wants to take advantage of his Bay Area roots and recruit from local area high schools, which he plans on doing immediately.

Nessman also announced that UC Berkeley basketball coach Ben Braun has negotiated to have the Spartans play against the Bears this upcoming season.

Bowen and the athletic staff are not the only people happy with Nessman as the new coach.

The players who are return-

ing next year are impressed with their new coach and said they feel he can bring a lot of good to the program.

"He's the kind of coach you want to play for and tells you what you need to hear," said forward Demetrius Brown, who will be a senior next season.

Guard Donta Watson, who will also be a senior, is most impressed with Nessman's attitude. Watson said he feels that the coach will bring respect back to the Spartans basketball program.

"We'll be a lot more confident as players," Watson said, adding that he is looking forward to being part of Nessman's first season, which he feels will be special.

Nessman said it feels great to be at SJSU and is that ready to get to work.

"I'm really proud to be a Spartan right now," Nessman said.

## WILLIAMS - First grant offered

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International Studies and Services, and Kevin Lee, career consultant at the Career Center, sent in "glowing recommendations" for the application for the grant, said Sue Murray, of the events department in the Chamber of Commerce.

"Her materials were thorough and impressively gathered. Her GPA was stellar, and we were impressed by her essay," Murray said of Williams.

Williams' essay, she said, explained her interest in working to motivate and empower students.

"I like to get them the resources they need and also provide them with support," Williams said.

In the future, she wants to work on improving communication

between different groups and offices in university and community settings.

"I want to make sure everyone is working toward the same goal — helping the students," Williams said.

Murray said the Women in Leadership grant was the first the chamber has offered, and three recipients were chosen this year.

"Applicants must be nominated by a company that exists in Silicon Valley and they must be an employee or an intern," Murray said.

"I got an e-mail from Dave (about the grant) and he said something low key, like, 'hey, check this out,'" Williams said. "It was completely an honor to be asked to apply for it."

Murray said the grant has received a positive response from the business community, especially female members of the Chamber of Commerce that have been working to improve the future roles of women.

"We held an event called 'Poker for Pedicures' last October where 300 women learned how to play Texas Hold 'Em and we helped fund raise for the grant," Murray said.

Success from last year's fundraiser has prompted the addition of a dinner to this year's event, planned for June, Murray said.

Like many students at SJSU, she works to support her education, but many times it's hard to make enough to survive, she said.

"Realistically, I will use (the money) to pay off my loans," Williams said.

Williams said what keeps her energized is her love for everything she does.

"I wouldn't be doing all of this if I wasn't having any fun," Williams said.

Her residency in the International House stemmed from a lifelong love of learning about various cultures, Williams said.

In high school, Williams' mother announced the family would be moving to Mexico.

"When I asked her why, she said because (my siblings and I) needed to learn Spanish," Williams said.

Her mother's spontaneous decision was the spark that ignited Williams' interest in international studies in Canada, Panama, Costa Rica and most

recently Honduras.

"I'm planning a trip to Iceland," Williams said. "I met a girl in the International House who is from there — I never would have considered going to Iceland before meeting her."

Rudel said Williams is an officer in the Global Student Network, an on-campus organization that connects U.S. students with international students.

"It's a social network for different types of people with common interests — international study and travel," Williams said.

Lee, Williams' immediate supervisor in the Career Center, said Williams uses all of her past experiences in her internship at the Career Center.

"She's the best intern I've had, and I've been working here for three years," Lee said. "She was able to make an impact right away, which is a rare quality in a person."

Williams, who graduated with a degree in molecular biology from the University of California at Santa Cruz, helps to critique resumes, perform job and internship searches and build interviewing skills for students.

"There really are two parts to what I teach," Williams said. "The first is to encourage the student to learn about themselves and the best kind of work environment for them. The second is to see what's available in the job market that matches them."

## A.S.

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puter centers. Tuan Nguyen, the independent candidate, said A.S. should review all expenditures to see if they are justified, if more or less money should be allotted and if new organizations should be funded.

Alex Ramos of the Stand Up Party said he would ask advice from professors and past controllers and would allocate the money in more useful ways.

Orlando Jones, a junior majoring in physical anthropology, attended the debate because his friend was running for one of the director positions.

"Some of the people had really good points," Jones said. "Some of them were not informed of what responsibilities their job title held."

When the candidates for extracurricular affairs were asked whether SJSU football should stay in Division I or change to Division II, Samanata Naik of the Stand Up Party said she did not know what the distinction was but thought this would not affect her ability to be an effective director.

Her opposing candidate, Chris Smith of the Spartan Party, said it was important to know the distinction and said he believes the football team should remain in Division I. He said Division I status gives the university a name for itself by competing against schools such as Stanford University and also by receiving coverage on ESPN, ABC and CNN.

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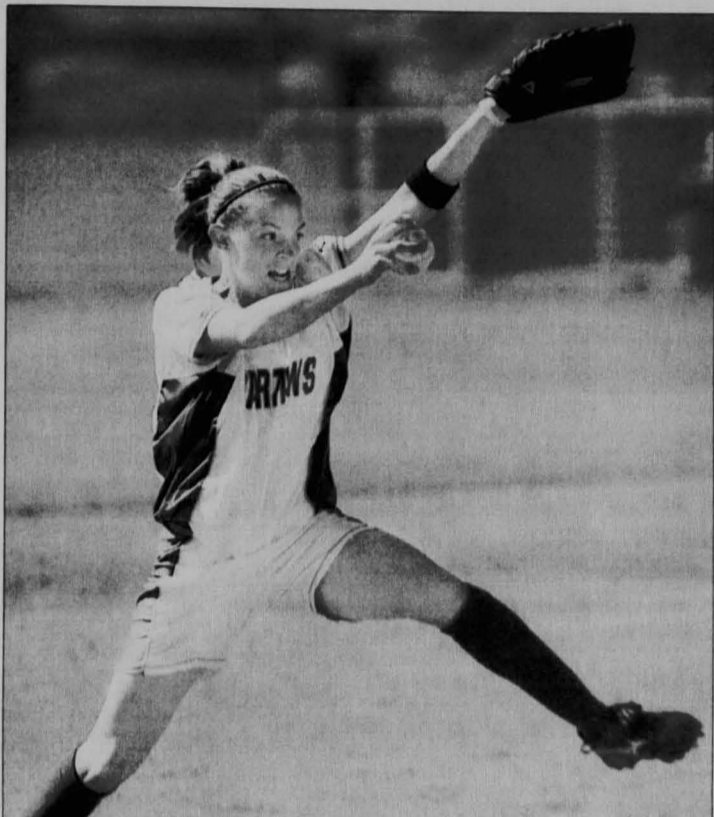
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## Spartans mauled by Panthers in doubleheader



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Spartan pitcher Courtney Lewis, No. 4, winds up for a pitch in game one of a doubleheader against the University of Northern Iowa on Tuesday at SJSU field.

By Ashley Little  
Daily Staff Writer

The San Jose State University softball team struggled through a doubleheader defeat against the University of Northern Iowa, 8-6 and 8-1, on Tuesday at SJSU Field.

With less than 10 fans in the bleachers, the Spartans' record fell to 18-13, fighting to hang on in the first game and stumbling through the second game, which had five Spartan errors.

In game two, the Spartans suffered a blowout loss.

After relieving in the first game, freshman pitcher Janeille Nickels returned to the mound for six innings and took the loss to make her record 2-1 for the season. She gave away eight runs, struck out one and walked four.

While the Panthers scored eight runs, Spartan pitcher Courtney Lewis delivered the only run for SJSU. Lewis was brought around the bases to home by a single from Spartan outfielder Elisa Barrios and a single from bench player Jessica Guillen to score their one run.

The Spartans brought in three runs in the first inning of the opening game. The first run began when Panthers pitcher Uju Ibekwe walked Lewis. Lewis was then advanced to third by a single by outfielder Jana Arde and steal to second. Lewis was then brought home by a single by outfielder Elisa Barrios.

First baseman Lindsey Allen was tagged out after hitting a single, but Barrios was able to advance to third base.

"Bringing in Jen Goodwin and her techniques has handled our hitting," head coach Dee Dee Enabenter-Omidiji said.

Coming off the bench, Spartan Heather Lopez bunted, driving in Barrios, making the

game 3-0.

Lewis started off on the mound for the Spartans, but struggled through the innings with the Panthers offense defeating her. The Panthers were able to tie the game 3-3 in the bottom of the second inning.

Panthers infielder Jamie Kelling hit a triple bringing in two runs that was then followed by another Panthers single.

In the top of the third inning, Lewis was relieved by freshman Nickels.

Throughout the remaining innings, there were more hits by Spartans Barrios and Lewis but none that amounted to breaking the tie.

"I have changed my swing this year," Barrios said.

She said she has been able to hit more home runs this season thanks to her retooled swing.

The Spartans brought in pitcher Kat Castro to relieve Nickels in the top of the sixth.

Castro allowed the Panthers to bring in four runs on five hits, breaking the tie and making the score 8-3.

The Spartans responded back in the bottom of the inning bringing in three runs on four hits. There were three doubles by Barrios, Allen and Lopez.

After losing weight this season, Allen believes that she has really improved her playing ability.

"I have so much more energy and playing 14 innings isn't so tiring anymore. Although I'm not 'fast,' I feel that I have gotten quicker when running the bases," said Allen. "This is my last year of college softball and at this point I have nothing to lose."

The Spartans began to gain ground, making the score 8-6, but were unable to take the lead.

The Spartans will next play in the Spartan Classic this weekend from Friday through Sunday.

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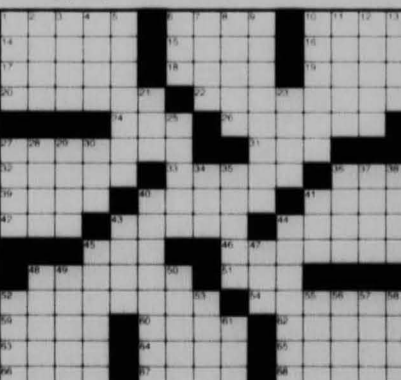
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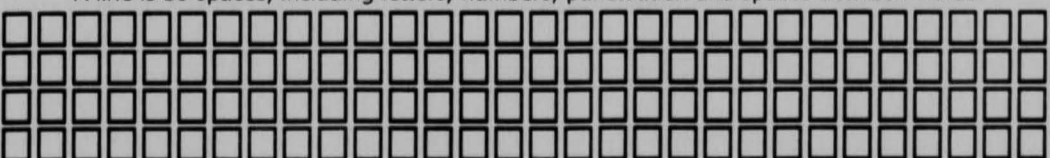
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**FAR LEFT:** Company members perform "Vesper," part of Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater's annual Cal Performances engagement at Zellerbach Hall.

**LEFT:** Company members from the Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater perform "Love Stories," during its annual Cal Performances engagement at Zellerbach Hall. They will be performing Wednesday to Sunday.

## Company holds annual performance in Berkeley

By Sergey Loginov  
Daily Staff Writer

If the phrase "contemporary dance" usually sounds as something equal to "high-brow snooty stuff," it's time to make an exception to the rule.

For the Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater, which performs

### REVIEW

this week at Zellerbach Hall in Berkeley, the main word is still dance.

Being contemporary in this case is more of a synonym to "nonclassic."

The bodywork of Alvin Ailey artists is amazing, and seems to be far more intricate than that ballet.

You won't find "Swan Lake" in their repertoire. All the dances are original, having roots in the modern life with all its social implications.

The theater has been around for quite a while. An estimated 19 million people in 48 states and 68 countries on six continents have seen 14 performances of the com-

pany throughout its almost half-century history, according to the information from the theater.

Based in New York, it is one of the oldest dance theaters in the United States.

Texas-born choreographer Ailey and a group of black modern dancers started the company in 1958. At that time the theater didn't even have a permanent residence.

Today it owns an eight-story building worth \$54 million with 12 climate-control studios, according to Dance Magazine.

The program brought to Berkeley includes some of the best works from the early years of the theater along with the very recent ones.

The company's signature piece "Revelations" (1960) is rooted in the blues, gospels and spirituals. At "Rocka My Soul in the Bosom of Abraham" audiences normally leave their seats jumping and screaming or at least clapping to the rhythm, as was the case with the Berkeley spectators at the opening night on Saturday.

"Hidden Rites" (1973) is a pretty weird thing described by

Ailey as "the battle of the sexes" who was fascinated with "the age-old fight and seduction rituals that occur between men and women."

Music by Patrice Sciortino sounds like a 20th century avant-garde composer jam-sessioning with a bunch of African tribal drummers.

"Love Stories" (2004), based on African American social dances, is about "whatever a dancer gets from being in a studio alone in front of a mirror ... the solitude of that place," said Judith Jamison, artistic director of the theater.

The music of Stevie Wonder is mixed together with hip-hop and recordings of Ailey's voice.

Among other works brought by the company to Berkeley are "Shining Star" performed to the disco songs of Earth, Wind and Fire, "Burlesque" (2002) with the music of Louis Armstrong, and "The Winter in Lisbon," a tribute to jazz artist Dizzy Gillespie.

Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater will be performing at 8 p.m. today through Friday, at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, and 3 p.m. Sunday at Zellerbach Hall in Berkeley.

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## Cinequest closes, discloses awards

By Aimee Threet  
Daily Staff Writer

The 2005 Cinequest Film Festival came to an end on

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Sunday night at the California Theatre with tears, laughter and surprise.

The ceremony began with a showing of some of the festival's more memorable moments including some of the Maverick awards with Sir Ben Kingsley, Emmanuel Ofose Yeboah and Jon Polito.

Co-founder Kathleen Powell reflected on the success of the festival and how 15 years ago the festival was just a dream.

"I don't think we could have ever imagined it would be like this," said Powell.

Powell also announced some of the figures for this year's festival. The attendance increased to 61,200, an increase of 5,100 from last year's total of 54,100. Cinequest also brought in \$3.25 million for the city of San Jose.

Some of the Festival awards presented were included best documentary, best short and best narrative to name a few.

The surprise of the evening though came when Powell presented the Maverick Spirit Award to fellow co-founder Halfdan Hussey for his vision and ability in making Cinequest a reality.

"I will use this as an inspiration," he said and bowed to the audience and thanked them.

Following the awards was the U.S. premiere of the Norwegian film "My Jealous Barber" a whimsical and amusing look at how love can change everything.

It was a genuine crowd-pleaser, gathering laughter and several rounds of applause throughout the movie.

The movie told the story of Bent (Gard Eidsvold) who has had his hair cut by the same man for 10 years. He is the barber Frank's (Bjorn Sundquist) only regular customer. Frank feels he has the right to interfere in Bent's life by telling him whom he can and cannot date.

Both actors are wonderful in their roles and their performance proved that some of the best movies are not always made in America.

One of the best parts in the movie was when Bent met his new neighbor Susie (Hildegun

Riise) who has a terrible short-term memory problem. Bent tries to start a relationship with her, much to Frank's dismay. Viewers will wonder whether Frank is merely obsessed in having Bent's attention or is somehow interested in him. Anyone who gets a chance to see this movie should do so.

**Maverick Spirit Award**  
"Villa Paranoia," directed by Erik Clausen and produced by Peter Ingemann

**Best First Feature**  
"Uno," directed by Askel Hennie and produced by Jorgen Rosenberg

**Best Feature Documentary (Tie)**  
"We Are Dad," directed and produced by Michel Horvat

**"Wetback: The Undocumented Documentary,"** directed by Arturo Perez Torres and produced by Arturo Perez Torres and Heather Haynes

**Best Short Documentary**  
"In Search of Coonass ... and found a people," directed by John Darling Haynes

**Best Short Narrative**  
"Boy," directed by Welby Ings and produced by Nic Finlayson

**Best Short Animation**  
"Ryan," directed by Sven Martin and produced by Steven Hoban, Marcy Page and Mark Smith

**Best Student Short**  
"Fields of Mudan," directed by Stevo and produced by Courtney Powell

For a complete list of awards, go to [www.thespantandaily.com](http://www.thespantandaily.com)

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