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George Hincapie of the Discovery Channel Pro Cycling Team wins Stage 2 of the Amgen Tour of California in front of Christopher Horner and Josep Pou Jufre of Davitamon-Lotto. The 94.9-mile stage of the race ended in downtown San Jose after a brutal 2,000-foot climb in the hills northeast of the city.

Committee hosts Day of Activism for black history

By Janet Marcelo and Tandra Madison
DAILY STAFF WRITERS

San Jose State University's African Awareness Month Planning Committee is hosting a Day of Activism tonight in the Umuuhum Room of the Student Union from 5 to 7 p.m.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

"This is the first of its kind," said Abel Habtegeorgis, co-chair of the committee in a phone interview.

Habtegeorgis said the evening would be dedicated to recognizing the importance of activism and awareness in the black community.

Issues that will affect not only the students at SJSU, but the rest of San Jose as well.

"They should address so many things," said Tifanie C. Williams, a sophomore child development major. "The list could go on forever, to name a few; accomplishments of the black communities, religion, health care in the black community, single-parent homes, education, employment, and death rate within the black youth."

Three speakers will be addressing different key issues that are affecting lives in the black community.

"Speakers will address how important it is for us, as young adults and future leaders, to be active in our communities and the world," Habtegeorgis said. "Then after that, speakers will address specific issues affecting many Africans and African-Americans around the world."

The first speaker will be Pierre La Bossiere, an activist with the Haiti Action Committee. According to the committee's Web site, the committee is a Bay Area-based network of activists supporting the Haitian struggle for democracy.

La Bossiere will talk about the

situation in Haiti, which involves issues of hunger, denied freedoms, poverty and denied rights to vote. The combination of those things are resulting in violent uprisings, according to Habtegeorgis.

The second speaker will be Jahahara Amen-RA Alkebulan-Ma'at, American Friends Service Committee African Initiative coordinator, who will handle the topic of debt cancellation in Third World nations. Habtegeorgis said nations that are in debt to super powers that don't need the extra money.

The last speaker will be Rick Callender, who is the San Jose Silicon Valley branch president of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. He will address the issues of racial profiling and police brutality by the San Jose Police Department.

"University students should be aware of all issues," said African-American Studies Department Chair Steven Millner in a phone interview. "Whether (it's) local police profiling or the effects of African descents in Haiti, Brazil or Peru."

Habtegeorgis said students should take three R's from this event, "Recognizing the problems, realizing the effects on human lives in the present and the future and reacting to the problems in the form of advocacy and activism to create change."

Child development major Williams said "Black history to me shows the foundation of which our nation was built on and the legs our nation still stands on today."

Habtegeorgis said students and people must recognize that an injustice anywhere is truly an injustice everywhere and that this event will have a powerful impact on students who are black, white, green or red.

"A panel cannot cover everything in one night," Miller said. "A panel focusing and highlighting a month of events will alert members of the public, making them aware and sensitive to the situation."

Lecturer lobbies for recycling program

By Erin Hull
DAILY STAFF WRITER

For the past five years, San Jose State University environmental studies lecturer Bruce Olszewski has been on a mission to propagate recycling information in the state of California, using the campus' recycling information center as an example.

During numerous visits to Sacramento to consult with lawmakers, Olszewski has touted the successes of SJSU's own Center for the Development of Recycling in an effort to establish a state-wide network of recycling information centers housed within the California State University system.

The proposed recycling information network would consist of

10 to 12 satellite information centers based upon the SJSU model located at other CSUs. Although a state representative does not yet sponsor the legislation, Olszewski insists that the program would be beneficial for all involved.

"It's good for the environment, it's good for the economy, it's good for cities, it's good for students, (and) it's good for the university," Olszewski said of the center.

Since its inception in 1989, the stated mission of the Center for the Development of Recycling at SJSU has been to provide recycling information at no charge to the businesses, governments, and residents of the 15 cities of Santa Clara County.

Staffed by students, the center assists local government in

the dissemination of information consumers and businesses need in order to comply with the rapidly changing California recycling laws.

Olszewski, director of the Center for the Development of Recycling, argued that the center is a resource integral to Santa Clara County.

"There are all sorts of people who are wondering, 'What do I do with my tape recorder?' 'What do I do with my florescent bulbs?' 'What do I do with my broken iPod?' 'What do I do with my television?' And the state just says, 'You can't dump it. It can't go in a landfill.'"

The Center for the Development of Recycling works to provide answers to these recycling questions.

The best place to get recycling information is locally, and the best people to gather that information are students, Olszewski said.

"Cities don't necessarily have the money to collect that information," Olszewski said. "But... a great resource for doing that is college students. Students need to learn how to collect information, how to collate information, and how to disseminate information."

Students at the center gain hands-on experience, preparing them for life after college, said Olszewski.

"When students come into (the center)," Olszewski said. "They immediately contribute, and then once they graduate, because of the experience they got here, they

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Seminar reviews healthy eating

By Michael Brady
DAILY STAFF WRITER

Staff from the Nutritional Science Department at San Jose State University held a seminar on eating disorders in the Guadalupe room of the Student Union Tuesday.

The seminar was part of the Fifth Annual Eating Disorder Awareness Week.

Billed as "Straight talk about bingeing, purging and starving," the one-hour discussion covered the prevalence of eating disorders, as well as possible treatments for those affected by the disease.

Kati Fosse, a graduate student in nutritional science who wrote her thesis on eating disorders, started the talk with a review of healthy eating.

"When you eat because you are hungry, and stop when you are full — that's healthy eating," Fosse said. "But it's never that simple, we all overeat at times. A healthy person learns to trust their body to make up for these mistakes over the next few days."

Healthy eating can slide towards an eating disorder slowly and without obvious alarms being set off, said Irene Franklin, a nutritional science student and one of the seminar speakers.

"Under pressure or trauma, eating can become away of coping," Franklin said. "People get in the habit of eating to feel better, and that sometimes becomes a way of life for them."

Anorexia nervosa and bulimia are the two eating disorders most familiar to people, according to Kerry White, another nutritional science student and speaker, but common to both are feelings of low self-esteem and something called body dysmorphic syndrome.

"When the person looks in a mirror at themselves, they don't see what others see — in their eyes they see ugliness and fat," said Shelia Thares, a mental health nurse practitioner at Kaiser Hospital in Santa Clara. "The problem is that very little can be done to convince them otherwise — that's body dysmorphic syndrome."

Eating disorders primarily affect women, by a 10-1 margin, according to Sunny Henderson, a nutritional science student. The disease usually starts in the early teen years, and continues through the twenties.

"The age of onset is getting younger every year," Henderson said. "I just saw a diet pill ad on Nickelodeon last weekend, maybe that has something to do with it."

The Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry estimates that 1 percent of late adolescents have anorexia nervosa, and two percent of them suffer from bulimia. They also report that 10 percent of this group have reported at least some symptoms of the disease.

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Feeling the squeeze ...



NEAL WATERS / DAILY SENIOR PHOTOGRAPHER

Debbie Dills, a staff member in the office of budget management, gives blood Tuesday in the Student Union. The blood drive was sponsored by the National Pan-Hellenic Council.

THE SHAPE OF WHAT'S TO COME

Israel's measures on Hamas government are destructive

Rather than driving toward a brighter horizon after a new Hamas-led Palestinian legislature was sworn in on Saturday, Israel seems poised to drive the prospect of peace off a cliff rather than down the "Road Map to Peace."

Maybe that's Acting Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Olmert's intention — his government's plan to sanction the Palestinians can hardly be viewed as constructive. It will not force Hamas to abandon its charter and accept Israel's right to exist. Nor will it button-hole the extremists in Hamas to give up their guns or the use of suicide terrorism against Israeli citizens.

Nevertheless, Israel is halting about \$50 million per month in tax transfers to the new Palestinian Authority; it will tighten border crossings between Gaza and the West Bank, claiming that the heightened measures will be directed at Hamas affiliates only; and the Israeli government plans to lobby the international community into halting funds to the Palestinian Authority.

On Saturday, Israel launched a military campaign in the Palestinian city of Nablus and the Balata refugee camp. As of Tuesday night, three Palestinians had been killed and 30 injured, according to the Palestinian Information Center.

To top it off, Israel wouldn't allow Hamas politicians from Gaza to travel to the West Bank for the swearing in of the new government. Instead, the Palestinians used a video conferencing system that broke down repeatedly.

Granted, Hamas must renounce violence and ac-

cept Israel's existence if it plans to embrace peace. Punishing the Palestinians, however, after their first successful election in a decade is beyond counterproductive — it's masochism on the part of Israel.

Yes, the terrorist wing of Hamas has murdered innocent Israelis, but Hamas has abided by the current ceasefire with Israel, which both sides agreed on more than a year ago. And the Palestinians did not elect Hamas because of the blood that its suicide bombers have shed in Tel Aviv and elsewhere. They swept the group to power because Hamas fills a massive gap in the Palestinian Territories, providing the medical care and other social services that the inept and corrupt Fatah party has missed throughout the years.

The appointment of Ismail Haniyeh, supposedly a Hamas pragmatist, to be prime minister is also a hopeful sign. But his first few months will be difficult. Besides trying to build a consensus with the Fatah party, which still holds 43 of 132 seats in the legislature, Haniyeh faces a \$110 million budget shortfall without the tax transfers from Israel. Hamas holds 73 seats.

This means that thousands of Palestinian civil service and security employees will be broke. According to a Sunday piece in the New York Times, many members of the Palestinian security services have already staged demonstrations demanding their pay, revealing that Israel's decision is destabilizing the process.

That's why it's masochistic. Wouldn't Olmert and

his Likud government prefer to deal with Palestinians who have cash in their pockets? Wouldn't Olmert prefer to deal with a Palestinian Authority that can maintain some sort of functioning infrastructure, rather than one without workers?

With Ariel Sharon on his deathbed, it's useless to ponder how the hawk-turned-pragmatist would have dealt with a Hamas-led Palestine. But some of his recent decisions — pulling out of Gaza and restoring travel between there and Egypt through the Rafah border — prove that Sharon was willing to make some difficult and unpopular decisions. In a nutshell, the situation was taking a turn for the better.

And it could turn back, though this requires Israel and Hamas to make painful departures from policies that are not only self-harming, but are the fuels that fire the cycle of violence that consumes them.

This can only be done through mutual incrementalism, or piece-by-piece trade-offs from both sides. It's fair to say that Hamas has taken a step by sticking to the current ceasefire framework. Likewise, the Gaza pullout was a step. So was opening up its border.

Hopefully Israelis will vote in the March 28 elections for Sharon's new centrist party, Kadima, or "Forward," instead of reinstating a Likud government led by the extreme hawk, Benjamin Netanyahu.

Most importantly, though, Israel politicians must stand up to the settler community and continue to dis-

mantle their projects in the West Bank.

Meanwhile, Olmert should reinstate the tax-transfer, just to ease tensions for Israel, not to mention the Palestinians. Hinging its entire Palestinian policy on Hamas recognizing the right of Israel to exist is admirable, but it's foolish, and more symbolic than anything.

Taking this statement out of Hamas's charter will not stop the violence. For this to happen, both sides need to renounce violence. This means a ceasefire that includes air strikes and suicide bombings. The charter amendments can come later.

The new Palestinian Authority would be wise to divide its government according to expertise: Fatah should handle diplomacy and Hamas should concentrate on infrastructure, education and health. Incorporating Hamas's military wing into the Palestinian security forces might curb their extremist tendencies as well.

Many on the right and left have already taken sides. Some of you reading this probably have too. This is as much of a trap as the one that the Palestinians and Israelis find themselves in now.

It may seem hard to swallow, and you don't have to like it, but there is no right and wrong side in this conflict — there are only extremists and pragmatists. The road to peace only has room for the latter.

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TODAY

Department of Biological Sciences

Learn about the conservation of large carnivores with Live Oak Associates' Senior Wildlife Ecologist Rick Hopkins. In room DH 250 at 1:30 p.m. For more information, contact Leslee Parr at 924-4897.

African Awareness Month

The African Awareness Planning committee and Students in Action are holding "A Day of Activism." In the Student Union Umunhum Room from 5-7 p.m. For more information, contact Natasha Lovelace at 228-2181.

Financial Management Association

The College of Business will hold a seminar with National Semiconductor. In BBC 202 from 4:30-5:45 p.m. For more information, check www.cob.sjsu.edu/fma.

Counseling Services

Eating concerns group every Wednesday. In the administration building in room 201 from 11 a.m.-12:20 p.m. For more info, contact Carina Esteban at 924-5910.

Counseling Services

"Interracial Relationships Group" every Wednesday from 1:30-2:50 p.m. in the administration building, room 201. For more info, contact Linda Yoshikawa at 924-5910.

THURSDAY

Campus Crusade for Christ

Nightlife is a time for praising, hearing God's word and a place to connect with believers. 8 p.m. at the Spartan Memorial. For more information, email sjsucrusade@yahoo.com.

Counseling Services

"Romantic Relationships Group" every Thursday from 10:30-11:50 a.m. in the administration building, room 201. For more info, contact Nicole Ruzek at 924-5910.

Counseling Services

Men's Process group every Thursday. In the administration building in room 201 from 3-4:20 p.m. For more info, contact Kell Fujimoto 924-5910.

Bible Studies

Come read "The Book" in the Student Union Guadalupe Room at 7 p.m. For more info, e-mail Diane Kim at jfoon131@comcast.net.

Write letters to the editor and submit Sparta Guide information online. Visit our Web site at www.thespartandaily.com. You may also submit information in writing to DBH 209.

Communication Studies Lab

Learn about "Making Money on eBay" in a workshop in the communications lab from 7-9 p.m. in the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Joint Library, second floor. For more info, contact ES Harris at 924-5395.

School of Music and Dance Concert Series

Come listen to the "Faculty Hour: Cyprus String Quartet Music and Conversion." Free admission. In the music building concert hall from 12:30-1:15 p.m. For more information, call 924-4673.

School of Music and Dance Concert Series

Come listen to the "Student Showcase Hour," a graduate vocal recital. Free admission. In the music building concert hall from 12:30-1:15 p.m. For more information, call 924-4673.

SATURDAY

Kappa Sigma Fraternity Beauty Bowl Football Game
Seven sororities are playing in the Beauty Bowl powder puff football game. Admission is free and donations will go to the winning sororities charity. From 11 a.m.-3 p.m. at Williams St. Park. For more information, contact Matthew Hinsley at 981-8020.

MONDAY

John Steinbeck Portrait Unveiling

The Martin Luther King Jr. Joint Library will unveil a portrait of John Steinbeck on his 104th birthday in room 590 on the 5th floor at 12 p.m. Refreshments and a question and answer session follows. For more information, e-mail pdouglas@email.sjsu.edu.

Counseling Services

Women's process group from 1-2:30 p.m. in the administration building, Room 201. For more info, contact Carina Esteban at 924-5910.

Environmental Club Meeting

In the Student Union Almaden Room at 5 p.m. For more info, go to www.sjsuenclub.org.

Study Abroad Office

Learn about studying in another country in the Student Union Pacheco Room. For more info, contact Andrea Rojas at 924-5931.

International Youth Fellowship

Meet new people and learn spiritual life through bible study. In the Student Union Ohlone Room from 6-7:30 p.m. For more information, contact Ricardo at 519-9549.

THE SEVENTH INNING STRETCH

When Barry Bonds speaks, the sports hacks listen

Did everybody hear the latest news?

Barry Bonds just said that he might possibly not play baseball anymore and possibly might decide to retire, but he also might possibly decide to keep playing and maybe have a chance to possibly break Hank Aaron's career home run record. Whew!

Excuse me while I rush off to go write up the latest breaking story on this.

OK, I'm back. If you think that didn't take long, it's because there isn't anything to write.

A 41-year-old man with an arthritic knee who just missed all but 14 games of the previous year may retire at the end of this season? Whoever broke that story better win a Pulitzer for that type of investigative reporting.

If I sound a little annoyed or bitter here, it's probably because I am.

As a San Francisco Giants fan and, more importantly, as a baseball fan, I don't want to see the sport treated like a soap opera.

One of the reasons I choose to follow sports and ignore the other aspects of pop culture is because sports are usually real. The people who are involved in professional sports are there because they fought through the tough rigors of their sport and are among the best the world has to offer.

They aren't there because their mommies and daddies were famous and helped them out (other than providing them with some good genes) or because they're the best looking or have the most money.

They are there because they have dedicated much of their life to perfecting a skill in a particular sport and were rewarded with the opportunity to play it at the highest level.

So if there is some type of new news involved with the actual playing of their sport, let's roll the presses.

But here's a little rule of thumb — if it's something that can be repeated month after month or year after year and it's not a holiday, then it's not news.

I could care less what load of crap Bonds is off telling reporters. It's getting to be pretty obvious — Bonds is messing with them.

He's having a lot of fun feeding these news-hungry reporters with tales of "pill-popping" and potential retirement. He's the biggest name in baseball today, maybe in the history of the sport, and he knows any little tidbit of information that he gives a reporter



JIMMY DURKIN

will end up being blasted on the front page of every newspaper across America and will hit the ESPN Bottomline ticker within minutes of him saying it.

But come on, who cares? If it's not legitimate news, there's no need to report on it. When Bonds hits a home run, tell me. When he slips on some sand at a beach, toss me my next beer and stop interrupting my Happy Hour.

I'm a fan of Bonds. I hope he can stay healthy and break Hank Aaron's record and lead the Giants to their first World Series title since 1954.

That being the case, I'm naturally interested as to whether or not he's fully recovered from his three knee surgeries because that is important to the Giants contending this season.

But I'm a visual person. I want to see it to believe it. If I see Bonds limping into Spring Training overweight and not prepared to play baseball, then we have a story.

However, I don't care if it's just something that he's spouting off to some Joe Schmoe reporter.

If there's one thing I've learned in my years as a Giants fan following Barry Bonds, it is that he doesn't like the media. That's not a surprise.

So why would he go out of his way to supply them with any kind of big breaking news, especially if it's something that isn't exactly positive? The easy answer is that he wouldn't.

I've heard tales on radio talk shows of former athletes making bets about who could get a choreographed quote into the newspaper. The basic idea of the "game" was to badmouth a teammate or say something controversial to see if it'll get printed. If it does, the person who said it wins the bet and there are no hard feelings because the team knows the person who said it wasn't serious.

If I was in the position of a professional athlete, I'd probably do the same thing. It's sounds pretty fun to me.

So let's remember, just because a famous person said it, it doesn't make it news. You can alert me when something major happens and Bonds actually does retire, but until then, I'll be off enjoying the \$1 beers at Happy Hour.

Jimmy Durkin is a Spartan Daily copy editor. "The Seventh Inning Stretch" appears every Wednesday.

Correction

In a column titled "Gretzky's links to gambling hurt Canadian hockey and Olympics," which ran Tuesday, a line should have read "Tonya Harding's husband Jeff Gillooly hired a goon to attack fellow skater Nancy Kerrigan."

It is Spartan Daily policy to correct all errors.

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Biology students study in Sri Lanka

By Jamie Visger
DAILY STAFF WRITER

During winter break, four students and four faculty members experienced the unique lands of Sri Lanka during a first-time co-operation program between San Jose State University and the University of Peradeniya.

This was the first Sri Lanka trip sanctioned by SJSU, although an identical program was cancelled two days before it was scheduled to leave last year due to the tsunami that ravaged the country only days earlier, said Allegra Maruoka, a senior majoring in physical anthropology.

Over the three-week trip, students received three units in Field Study Biology by attending class at the University of Peradeniya and going on corresponding field trips to different areas of interest within the country, said Somala Ang, a senior majoring in sociology.

A whole team of professors from Peradeniya taught the class. Each professor, an expert in a specific field, taught the students about the subject in their area of expertise, Maruoka said.

"The classes were intense but

really interesting," Ang said. "We went to class everyday and we stayed in one classroom while the professors changed. We'd learn about two or three different subjects in a single day."

The students studied the local plants, animals, amphibians, gems and minerals, Maruoka said.

"The cool thing about Sri Lanka is that most of the plants and animals are found only there and no where else in the world," Maruoka said. "Something like six out of every 10 trees in the forest are only found in Sri Lanka."

Another thing that stood out to students on the trip was the native people of Sri Lanka. Though they seemed to not have much as far as possessions, they were really friendly and engaging, Ang said.

"What had the most impact on me was the people," Ang said. "I had never been to a Third World or developing country. So I kind of had an idea about poverty in my mind but to witness it first hand really affected me."

The culture of the people in Sri Lanka was a point of interest, Maruoka said.

"Their way of life is so different from ours," Maruoka said.

"Here we would call them poor, but they don't view themselves that way because it's just how they live. Their standard of living is so much simpler than ours."

Most of the people who went on the trip found it to be a profound experience, said Jon Pearce, a computer science professor at SJSU and the organizer of the trip.

"The real goal here is to set up some kind of permanent exchange between San Jose State and the universities in Sri Lanka," Pearce said. "We'd like to bring their students here to do some graduate work and send our students there to learn about what they have to offer."

The total cost for the entire program, including tuition, flight, meals, room and board was \$3,500, Ang said.

The next trip will take place during the winter semester of 2007, Pearce said.

"I would recommend students to go on this trip because it was a really unique experience," Ang said. "The country itself is beautiful and it's an especially good trip for those interested in nature and animals."

DISORDERS - Campus counselors offer treatment

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Men make up 10 percent of eating disorders, according to White.

"There is often a stigma attached to men with this problem, and they tend to get under treated," White said. "What they share with women is the low self-esteem and body image disturbances."

"Over half of my case load each semester consists of students with eating disorders," said Dr. Carina

Esteban, an SJSU psychologist. "I'm not the only counselor who's seeing these students."

Treatment for eating disorders at SJSU starts with the counselors.

"We take a multi-disciplinary approach with students," Esteban said. "We see them on a short-term basis here on campus and, at some point, send them to a physician to rule out other medical problems. We also try to get them involved with an eating disorder group at the health center, and refer them to

our in-house nutritionist, Jennifer Waldorp."

Helping someone with an eating disorder can be slow and difficult according to Fosse.

"You can't expect magic when dealing with a loved one or friend," Fosse said. "The best way of helping is to support the person and tell them in non-judgmental words what you are seeing in them — avoid words like good or bad. Always remember that you are there to support, not rescue."

RECYCLE - State should fund recycling centers, Olszewski says

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contribute for years after because they've become professionals..."

Junior environmental studies major and Center for the Development of Recycling staff member Tim Tieu said working at the center has enriched his educational experience. "Before I worked here I didn't know what you were supposed to recycle," Tieu said. "Now, I realize that there are certain places to go (to recycle). You can't just throw everything in a recycling bin."

City governments benefit from the proliferation of recycling information as well, Olszewski said.

"When you recycle more, you generate more jobs, and when you generate more jobs, you generate more tax revenue," Olszewski said.

"In fact, you also generate more exportables. Our number one export from California is, believe it or not, scrap paper, and our number six export is scrap steel. We not only save the cities and the county money from collecting and disseminating recycling information, we help them generate income, which helps them operate local government," Olszewski said.

All it will take to establish these additional recycling information centers, Olszewski said, is the allocation of money the government has collected through taxes on recyclable products, termed "advanced recycling fees."

Every time consumers pur-

chase beverage containers, tires, motor oil and certain electronics, they must pay a tax to cover the cost of recycling that item. The Department of Conservation in the State of California Resources Agency reported in its November 2005 biannual statement that nearly 8.2 billion recyclable containers went un-recycled during 2004.

It is this money that is meant to be used for recycling, Olszewski said, that should be allocated to the development of the Recycling Information Network. Olszewski estimates the unused amount to be approximately \$380 million, and said the establishment of the network would require less than 1 percent of that money.

"What they do with the other (\$300-\$400) million, that would be up to them," Olszewski said with a chuckle.

The 2005 California Performance Review recommends in Resolution 32 that the State of California make better use of advanced recycling fees. The document also states that in the last five years, \$280 million has been diverted from the fund into the "general fund," for use on other projects.

Olszewski said that this as an example of legislators bowing down to special interests, and that it's "about time that the people of California become the special interest."

In accordance with California recycling law AB939, established in 1989, cities must divert at least 50 percent of their waste from

landfills.

The paradox, according to Olszewski, is that college degrees aren't offered in recycling.

"We have degrees in... English, we have degrees in math, but we don't have any degree in waste management," Olszewski said.

Senior environmental studies major and project manager for the center, Jerry Nelson, described his time at the Center for the Development of Recycling as "enlightening."

As far as establishing centers at the other CSU campuses, Nelson said, "I really wholeheartedly believe that this (legislation) could work, and it would be good for students."

Senior environmental studies major and center administrative manager Jillian Hogan discovered her future career in waste management by working at the center.

"It's not only a job, it's a lot of fun," Hogan said. "I think it would be great if they were at every state school to provide opportunities for students to not only learn about the waste management industry but to actually participate in it and to gain skills that they can use to further their careers..."

With a legislative deadline on Feb. 24, Olszewski and his students are working to make their voices heard among political heavyweights in Sacramento.

"I think it's asking very little," Olszewski said. "We're asking for a little bit of leadership from some legislator to step forward and do this."

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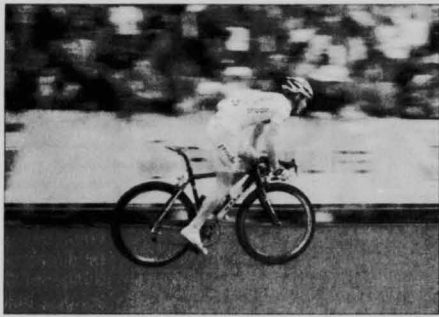
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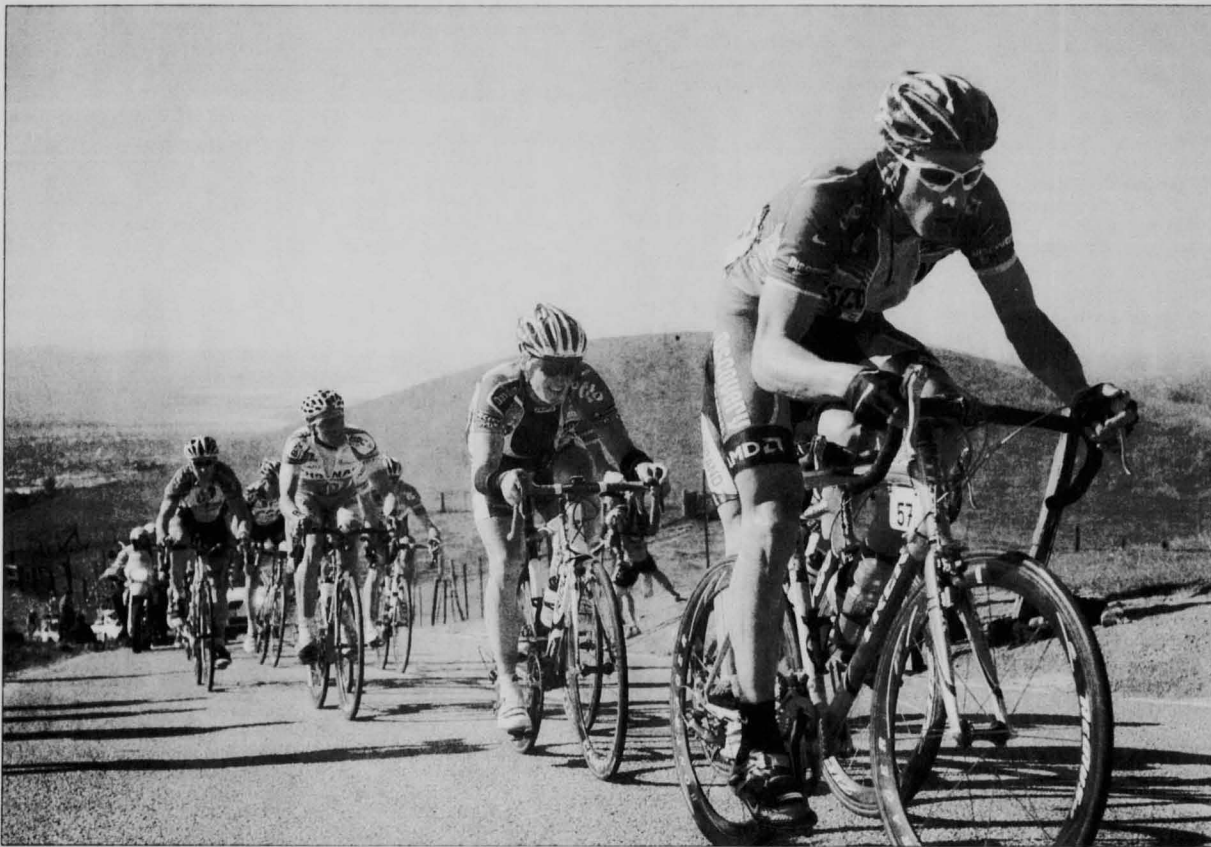
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Ricco Riccardi of Team Prodir Saunier Duval, rides past screaming fans Tuesday during the second stage of the inaugural Amgen Tour of California bike race.



Tour of California cyclists race through San Jose

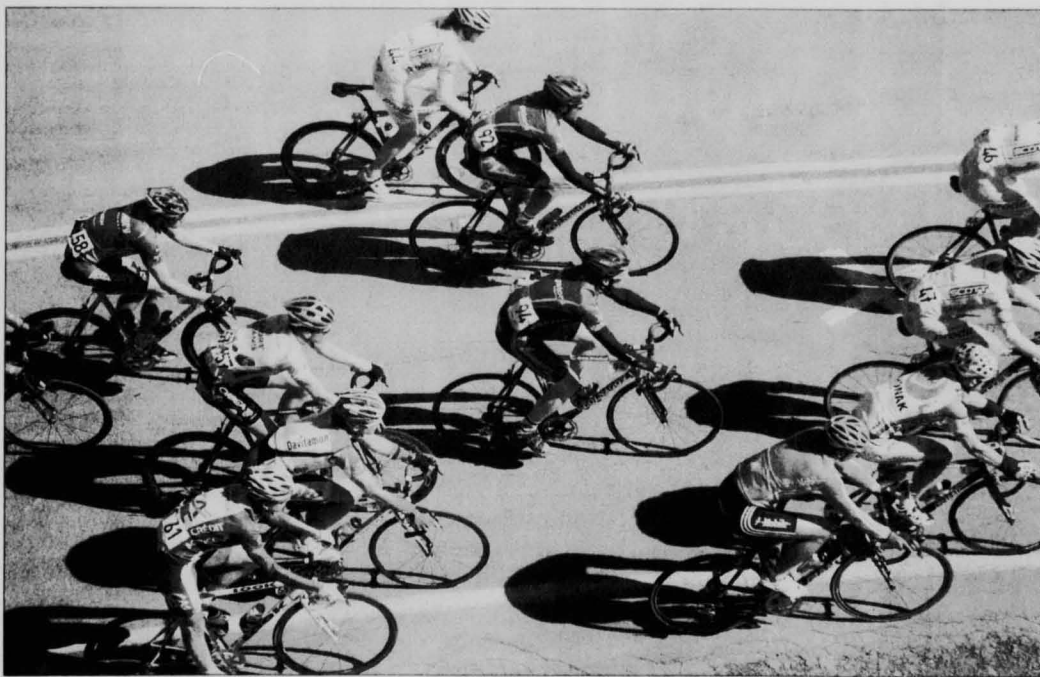


George Hincapie of The Discovery Channel Pro Cycling Team takes a moment for the media after winning Stage 2 of the Amgen Tour of California race.

ABOVE: team Discovery captain George Hincapie, right, ascends Sierra Road during Stage 2 of the Amgen Tour of California Tuesday in San Jose. Hincapie went on to win the stage. **Left:** Ten-year-old Page, who came with her family to watch Tuesday's race, paints slogans and pictures on the road for the approaching cyclists. Similar spectator encouragement dotted the 94.9-mile course that ran through East Bay hills in Stage 2 of the Amgen Tour of California.



ABOVE: The peloton comes around a curve on Pinehurst Road just past the city of Moraga in the Oakland hills during Stage 2 of the 2006 Tour of California.



Racers in Stage 2 of the Amgen Tour of California dot the road as they make their way along the rolling mountain course.

**Photos by Daniel Esch, Fang Liang, Gavin McChesney and Kevin White
Story by Shih Fa Kao**

Crowds of people lined up along the route of Stage 2 of the Amgen Tour of California to watch riders from professional cycling teams from across the world compete as they traveled from Martinez to San Jose on Tuesday afternoon.

The race started 11 a.m. in Martinez and traveled through the Oakland Hills and entered Santa Clara County, while traveling on Calaveras Road.

More than four hours later, George Hincapie of Team Discovery crossed the finish line first after racing down Almaden Boulevard in downtown San Jose.

According to the Amgen Tour of California Web site, Team Discovery comprises 27 riders and recently won the 2005

Tour de France and Giro d'Italia. Hincapie was greeted with cheers from spectators and teammates as he crossed the finish line with his arms raised in triumph.

Today, the riders will face a 17-mile individual time trial on a course along the Chesbro and Calero reservoirs, southwest of San Jose, according to the Web site.

Another three-day road race, which will begin Thursday in Monterey, will take riders down to Thousand Oaks on Saturday. The Amgen Tour of California will end with a circuit race in Redondo Beach.

The 128 cyclists, racing by invitation only, are competing for the \$150,000 prize purse, the highest in California according to the Web site.

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Former editor discusses future of media

By Greg Lydon
DAILY STAFF WRITER

Former Executive Editor of the San Jose Mercury News Jerry Ceppos spoke to San Jose State University students Tuesday afternoon about the future of mass media.

In a room in the Engineering Building on campus, Ceppos held an open forum with about 200 students and faculty on how to save the news business.

"Most papers today are making money, but a lot less than they used to," Ceppos said.

Ceppos displayed numbers on the board telling students that newspaper circulation fell eight percent from 1994 to 2004. However, the revenue from the Web site for the Mercury News is up 50 percent in 2004-05.

Ceppos said, "My friends think I'm crazy but, if I was in charge of a newspaper right now, I'd devote

half my staff to the Internet."

From 1995 until 1999, Ceppos was executive editor of the Mercury News. Prior to that, he spent 23 years in various news positions at The Miami Herald and the Mercury News.

During an hour of an open forum, several students rose their hands with ideas for change for the industry. Ceppos joked that he was taking these ideas and writing a book.

Students suggested they want their newspapers customized to what they want to read, or sent to them on their cell phones. A student brought up in the discussion that the older generation seems to have a fear of technology and that progress can't be made when change isn't at least discussed.

"Change the name of the newspaper, the name newspaper, that's boring," SJSU journalism professor Bob Rucker suggested. "Make it ipaper or inews. Something like

that would resonate with young people."

In a changing economic and technological environment, Ceppos wants the industry to get rid of the arrogance and embrace new technology.

"I liked where he was going with talking about new technology," said Chris Liberti, a junior majoring in advertising. "Staying in front of the curve and not falling behind."

New ideas are not something to be afraid of, Ceppos said to the gathering of students.

Democracy isn't a democracy without a vibrant news medium, he added.

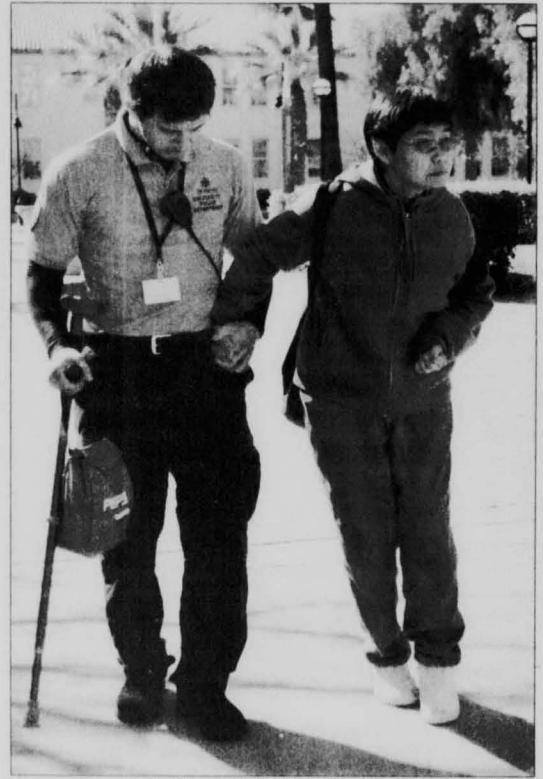
"It got my wheels turning about the future of journalism and my future in journalism," said Jean Blomo, a senior majoring in magazine journalism.

The open forum left some students still wanting more information.

"It wasn't what I expected," said Kyle Wise, a junior majoring in advertising. "I didn't learn anything I didn't already know."

Closing his speech, Ceppos encouraged young journalists to keep their eyes open because a story is often right in front of them.

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Club to host national skating competition

By Annette Andre
DAILY STAFF WRITER

Members of the San Jose State University Ice Skating Club are leaving for Colorado today to compete in the Pioneer Open at the University of Denver this weekend. The team will compete against University of Denver, UC Berkeley, UCLA, Colorado College and Cal Tech in order to secure their bid at nationals.

Even though the SJSU team will be hosting the Intercollegiate Figure Skating Team Championships, on April 1-2 at Logitech Ice in San Jose, it must place in the top three this weekend in order to secure its bid.

"I think it adds a new level of commitment, knowing that our school is hosting the nationals," SJSU figure skater Andrea Moody said. "This motivates us more as a team to not only try our best, but also to represent SJSU."

Moody, a ballerina with the San Francisco Ballet before coming to SJSU to complete prerequisites for a doctorate in physical therapy, started ice skating two years ago.

Moody decided to give skating a try after being approached in a ballet class by SJSU skater, Sandy Schaad.

"I totally had a knack for it," Moody said. "The dancing really showed through balance-wise while on the ice."

While some of the other schools competing in the Pioneer Open will have as many as 35 team members participating in the events, the SJSU team will enter into the competition with 18.

A few of the members will skate with injuries. Schaad is still recovering from an ice skating injury that she suffered nearly two years ago

when a fellow skater's blade cut into her right quadriceps.

Schaad, who has been skating since the age of seven, has been limited to skating an hour-and-a-half each day in order to prepare for this weekend's novice and junior dance portions of the competition. However, because the team is so small, she must also compete in the free-style competition.

Because the team must acquire enough points in this weekend's competition in order to secure a spot in nationals, Schaad and other girls on the team must compete in extra events despite injuries.

"With the larger schools, you have skaters only doing one program all year," Schaad said. "They can practice, rehearse and focus only that one thing. We have to spread ourselves thin."

SJSU figure skater Meghan Murphy said, "From what I gather, if we each compete in as

many events as possible, we should have a good shot at nationals."

Murphy will compete in the intermediate short and team maneuvers programs and after spending two months back on the ice after taking an eight-year break, she said she looks forward to competing again.

"What I loved about competing before was when the music first started," Murphy said. "You

"I think it adds a new level of commitment, knowing that our school is hosting the nationals."

— Andrea Moody, SJSU figure skater

have all these people watching you and it's a huge rush."

Most of the SJSU team members have full-time jobs in order to pay for ice time and skating lessons, whereas many other schools offer these free of charge.

"Ice time is very expensive," Moody said. "Logitech Ice isn't willing to help us out, so we have to pay top dollar."

The team is trying to come up with the \$10,000 it will cost to host nationals.

"Dean Munroe, the director of San Jose Sports Authority, donated \$500 to us to go towards metals, which come to a total of \$1,200-\$1,300 after taxes," Schaad said.

In an attempt to raise money for the event, the team will be selling two-month student memberships to Pinnacle Fitness for \$15 until the end of February.

If purchased, activation fees incurred after the two-month period will be waived for SJSU students.

Donation support isn't all that Schaad hopes for.

"We'd love to see people come out and enjoy the skating," she said.

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Sandy Schaad, top, and Lindsey Moore, left, members of the San Jose State University figure skating club.

SJSU travels to doghouse in Fresno searching for series split

By Sophia Seremetis
DAILY SENIOR STAFF WRITER

After two home losses, where the San Jose State University women's basketball team was outscored 141-89, the Spartans regrouped to defeat New Mexico State University on Saturday 58-35, holding the Aggies to their lowest point total this season.

The Spartans travel to face conference rival Fresno State tonight at the Save Mart Center.

SJSU coach

Janice Richard said that after Thursday's 78-48 loss to first-place Louisiana Tech University, the team met and decided to rededicate its efforts.

"We actually met after that Louisiana Tech game, trying to rally them together," Richard said. "I thought they executed the game plan extremely well."

After starting Western Athletic Conference play 4-0 on a six-game winning streak in January, the Spartans are now 11-12 overall, 6-6 in conference play.

SJSU has lost six of its past eight games and is tied for fourth in the conference standings with the University of Hawai'i (15-8, 6-6).

On Thursday, the University of Nevada-Reno (11-14, 7-6) moved into the WAC's third-place spot after defeating Fresno State 68-67 in the last two seconds of the game.

Fresno State (18-6, 10-2), which had been locked into a first-place tie with Louisiana Tech (20-4, 12-1) for most of the season, fell to second place.

SJSU guard Brittany Imaku said Saturday's win gave the Spartans some much-needed momentum before heading to Fresno tonight to take on the Bulldogs for the second time this season.

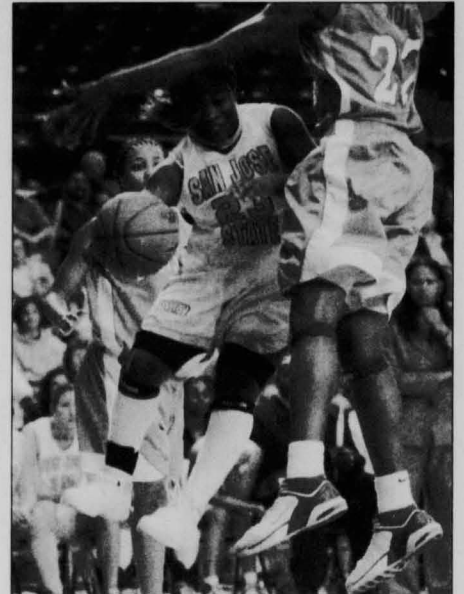
"I think it's going to help us knowing that Fresno just lost to Nevada, and we beat Nevada (64-56)," said Imaku. "So we're going to come in with some confidence."

The Spartans are 17-37 all-time against the Bulldogs. The last time the two teams met on Feb. 11, Fresno outscored SJSU 63-41. Fresno has won 11 of its past 13 games.

Bulldog guard Chantella Perera, who averages 11.8 points per game, led all scorers against the Spartans with 20 points. Forward Amy Parrish leads Fresno with 14.8 points per game.

Perera is leading the WAC in free-throw percentage.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL FULL COURT PRESS NOTEBOOK



DANIELLE STOLMAN / DAILY STAFF

Spartan guard Brittany Imaku leaps into the air to avoid losing the ball to Lady Techster forward Ty Moore during the second half of the game Thursday evening at the Event Center.

shooting 88 percent from the line, making 74 of 84 attempts this season.

On Saturday in Honolulu, the Spartans will face Hawai'i for the second time this season. On Feb. 4, the Rainbow Wahine defeated SJSU 76-61 at the Event Center.

Hawai'i guard Janevia Taylor tallied a game-high 23 points against the Spartans, including six of eight from behind the 3-point line. She leads the Wahine with 12.9 points per game.

SJSU still boasts two of the top scorers in the conference in Lamisha Augustine and Amber Jackson. Augustine is tied for second with University of Idaho's guard Leilani Mitchell at 17.2 points per game and Jackson is fourth with 16.6 and leads the WAC in rebounds with an average of 9.4 per game.

SJSU guard Breana Fields, who left Saturday's game with a right leg injury and guard Myosha Barnes, who left the game with a shoulder injury, are questionable for Wednesday's game against the Bulldogs.

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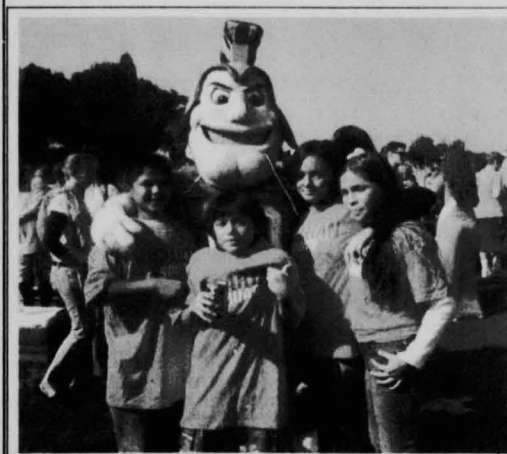
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