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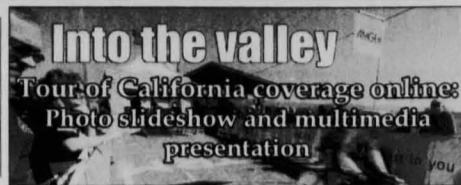
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## Clark Hall scheduled to open in Fall

Faculty and staff to move in March

By April Maramag

DAILY STAFF WRITER

The finishing touches are being placed on Clark Hall this week so that faculty and staff can move in by March.

Clark Hall, formerly Clark Library, will be the new home of the Academic Success Center opening this Fall. The \$19.6 million state-funded renovation of Clark Hall will now house new labs and classrooms along with faculty and administrative offices. Many of the faculty and staff going into the new offices will be moving from modular trailers, according to Daniel No, architect and construction manager for the Facilities Development and Operations department.

"Before it was Clark Library. We're changing it to (a) student service area, classrooms, faculty offices and some of the administration offices," No said. "The shell, (including) the outside, the walls and roofs (will) stay. We gutted everything out."

The building, which opened in 1982, was originally built to hold all the library's collection in one multi-story facility. It was named after former College President Robert D. Clark, according to sjlibrary.org.

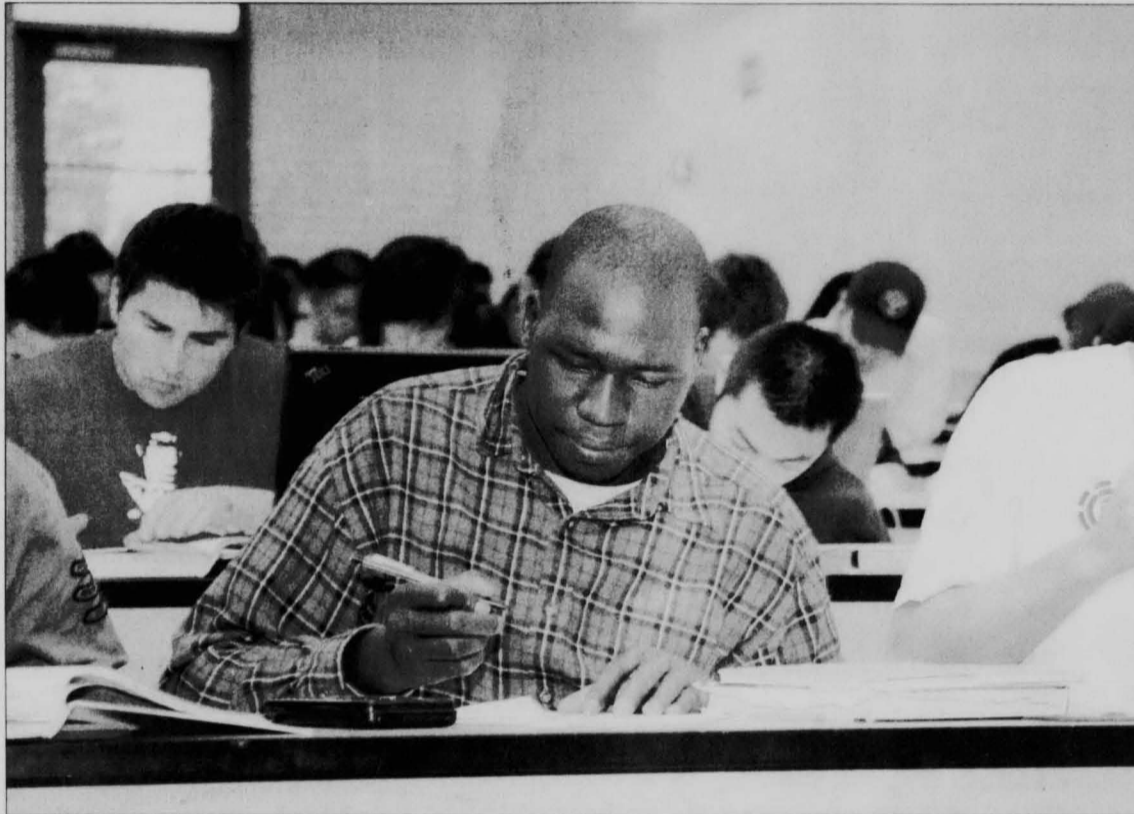
"The construction will be complete next week, March 3," No said. "But the moving will be different. There's a whole different stage for moving. Not all user groups will be moving the same day."

The modular buildings, which consist of six trailers located along Ninth Street between San Fernando and San Antonio, house the Administrative Systems and Finances' offices. This department will move to Clark Hall first to save money on rentals.

"AS&F people will go in first," No said. "The trailers will be vacant. So those will be taken away. The next group will be University Advancement. University Advancement (is) currently located outside the campus. They're leasing (their space). So the idea is to

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## 'Lost boys' find SJSU



DANIEL ESCH / DAILY STAFF

Mach Gong, center, a junior majoring in international business, takes an exam in his finance class Wednesday. Gong, along with two other students, fled his native Sudan after civil war broke out.

## Students' journey takes them from Sudan to Bay Area

By Teresa Hou

DAILY STAFF WRITER

From the outside, Bol Bol, Mach Gong and Peter Thon may seem like any other San Jose State University students. They attend classes, have jobs and complain about campus parking. However, that is where the similarities end.

When they were about 8 or 9 years old, Bol, Gong and Thon were forced to leave their families and the other members of their Dinka tribe behind when civil war broke out in their native country of Sudan.

"We left in 1997 and moved to Ethiopia for four years," said Thon, a finance major. "After that, war broke out in Ethiopia and we had to come back to Sudan where it wasn't safe because the war was still going on (and) so we crossed the border to Kenya. We stayed in Kenya for nine years in a refugee camp where we went to school

until 2000 when the United States government began to send the 'lost boys' to (America)."

According to the Red Cross Web site, "The Lost Boys of Sudan" is a name given by aid organizations to a group of 26,000 Sudanese boys like Bol, Gong and Thon who fled their southern Sudan villages as a civil war broke out between the predominantly Muslim north and the Christian south.

The lost boys walked hundreds of miles in search of peace and finally found it in the Kenyan refugee camp where they stayed for nine years until the U.S. government brought 3,600 of them to the United States, according to the Red Cross.

In 2001, Bol, Gong and Thon came from Kenya to the United States through sponsorships from the United States government and the Catholic Charity of Santa Clara.

The United States, however, was nothing like what they expected.

"When I left Kenya, I thought (the

United States) would be real cool," said Bol, a marketing major. "But when I came here, I was worried about where to sleep (so) I went out to look for a job so that I (could) have a) place to live. It (was) real hard."

Gong, an international business major, agreed.

"Coming here, our No.1 goal was school," Gong said. "But when we got here, school became second because we had to find a job and support one another. You have to work a lot of hours to make some money and then send some money to your family and basically start a whole new life."

However, with the people they befriended in San Jose, especially American families, said Gong, life in the U.S. has become easier for Bol, Gong and Thon, who fondly says his new friends are a part of his "big

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## A.S.

## approves funds for legal fees

New director introduced to board

By Erin Keilah Chin

DAILY STAFF WRITER

In a meeting on Wednesday, the Associated Students Board of Directors voted on and approved the transfer of \$15,000 for A.S. Legal Services from the A.S. Operating Reserves.

A.S. had set a \$20,000 budget for legal expenses. Between the months of July and December, A.S. used between \$18,000 and \$20,000 of the Legal Services funds.

"We are a corporation, and we do need legal counsel," said A.S. Controller Alex Ramos. "Whatever we do in terms of paperwork requires attorneys to be there to review what we are doing."

A.S. is charged for legal counsel when documents are reviewed, recommendations are made and word processing occurs, said Ramos in the meeting.

Ramos said that while changing the Elections Regulations Manual, A.S. had to go through legal counsel to prevent infringement of personal rights and privacy issues.

Any transfer over the amount of \$5,000 needs to be approved by the A.S. Board of Directors.

The legal service fees for January came to about \$18,000, Ramos said in the meeting. Because of a retainer — a deposit made for legal counsel — A.S. will get \$4,000 back. In the end, A.S. will need to pay \$14,000 for the month of January.

The extra \$1,000 that A.S. is transferring will pay for the legal services for the month of February, said Ramos.

In the meeting, A.S. also approved the transfer of \$10,000 from the Capital Outlay and Equipment Reserves to support the upgrade of equipment in the Morris Daily

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## Activists recount time in Haiti

By Janet Marcelo

DAILY STAFF WRITER

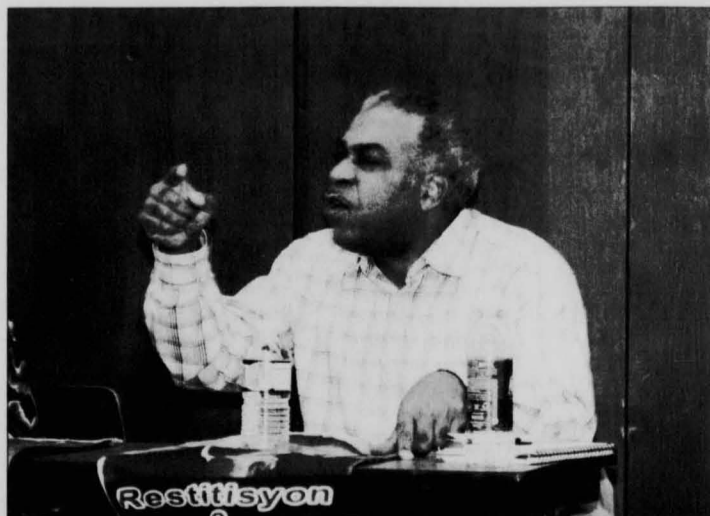
The Day of Activism event Wednesday in the Umunhum Room of the Student Union started off by posing a question to a small group of San Jose State University students: what would our lives be like if there were no activists?

## BLACK HISTORY MONTH

"The event was very informative," said Natalia Venbke, senior social work major. "The speakers really articulate their points real well. I just wish more students were here to hear it."

Audience members were asked to close their eyes and think about the question.

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MEGAN KUNG / DAILY STAFF

Pierre La Bossiere, an activist with the Haiti Action Committee, speaks about the political situation in Haiti during the Day of Activism in the Umunhum Room Wednesday.

## Panel to discuss Silicon Valley and Israel

Event to describe business links between both regions

Laura Rheinheimer

DAILY STAFF WRITER

The Entrepreneurial Society of San Jose State University will hold an event to showcase business ties between Silicon Valley and Israel this evening from 6 to 9 p.m. in the Barrett Ballroom in the Student Union.

The event, "Israel and the Silicon Valley: Building Entrepreneurial Bridges," will feature a panel discussion among top personnel at the high-tech companies SanDisk, Zoran and Partech International.

The Entrepreneurial Society President Ryan Baird said the event aims to show how venture capitalism is done beyond the Bay Area.

"I'm hoping people can see the types of businesses flourishing overseas," Baird said in a phone interview.

The event, organized by the Entrepreneurial Society, the Silicon Valley Center for Entrepreneurship, the Consulate General of Israel in San Francisco and Hillel of Silicon Valley, is free and open to the public.

Dean of the College of Business Bruce

Magid and Consul General of Israel David Akov will open the event, speaking on the links between Israel and the Silicon Valley.

"Firms in both Israel and here depend on each other's resources to the mutual benefit of both," Magid said in an e-mail.

The college of business is focusing on a global approach, said Magid, adding that he hopes this event will lead to others like it.

"It's really an emergence over the past few years," said Jarad Bernstein, director of media relations for the consulate general of Israel in San Francisco. Many companies find using Israel for research and development advantageous, Bernstein said.

"Many start-up companies were created in Israel and bought by companies here," said David Ben-Israel, who helped organize the event. "Microsoft, Cisco Systems, Intel—just to name a few—all have research facilities in Israel."

The college of business is looking to expand its programs by bringing international programs to SJSU and having faculty and

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## Opposing Views:

### YES

Freedom of speech and the press shouldn't be curtailed because of the tastes of some.

The Danish cartoons depicting a stricture of Muhammad may have been blasphemous, but they abide by the liberty of unregulated speech in a free press.

Although the images may be published in poor taste or simple ignorance, freedom of expression has given us the allowance to engage in dialogue within and between nations whether favorable or adverse.

Protests worldwide are based on the Muslim prohibition of any illustration of Muhammad. However, we may have overlooked the fact that the above principle is applicable only to believers of Islam. Commanding non-Muslims to follow such a religious decree translates into coercion, which contradicts a well-recognized principle of Islam that states there is no compulsion in religion.

In fact, a verse from the Holy Quran, an book unaltered since it was written and the most powerful source of Islam, states, "To you be your religion, and to me my religion."

It is imperative to realize that this verse is cited near the completion of the holy book, underlining an implication of peaceful coexistence.

Ignorance magnetizes ignorance; the cartoons provide us with an unprecedented impetus to communicate across national boundaries, to acquire a better understanding of each others' sensitivities and explore ways to coexist peacefully in the long run.

Alphonse de Lamar Tine, in the book "Histoire De La Turquie," published in Paris, wrote:

"As regards all the standards by which human greatness may be measured, we may well ask, 'is there any man greater than (Muhammad)?"

Muhammad has even been vouched for by prejudiced critics, yet a European newspaper detracts his image. Perhaps the response of the Muslim community should be one of sensible dialogue, purifying the image of their prophet.

Ironically, the furor Muslims continue to vent through violence of the man they are defending, in light of the Quran and the Hadith, a collection of authentic, biographical researches including sayings, deeds and approvals narrated by Prophet Muhammad.

The Hadith is considered a standard guide to all Muslims in supplement to the Quran.

Expressing justifiable concern, following the true Islamic tradition, would be to demonstrate dignified behavior through rational debate instead of bombing embassies, attacking buildings, boycotting and threatening. The Quran states:

"When (the righteous) hear vain talk, they withdraw from it saying, 'our deeds are for us and yours for you; peace be on to you. We do not desire the way of the ignorant.'"

The freedom of speech exercised by the Danes gives us a chance to solve deeper, underlying issues distancing the West from the Muslim community. The cartoon publications should be perceived as an educational moment for both worlds.

It's hard for a reader to understand the true gravity of a situation and realize how and why they may be offensive to a large part of the Muslim society, and therefore is not entirely as trivial a matter as most of us would like to believe.

*Zeenat Umar is a Daily staff writer.*



ZEENAT UMAR

## Should the Danish media have published the controversial cartoons?

### NO

The cartoons were offensive and incited violence.

One cartoon portrays the prophet Muhammad with a lit bomb on his head, replacing the turban that would normally be there.

Another depicts two women dressed in all black, with only their eyes visible, as the eyes of Muhammad are blind to their circumstances.

Cartoons are meant to be funny, like "Peanuts," where Charlie Brown kicks a football just as Lucy Van Pelt moves it. They can also be thought provoking like the "Boondocks" political satire.

Danish newspaper Jyllands-Posten's comic section was neither funny nor thought provoking this past September when they published 12 caricatures depicting the prophet in a negative, or what they might have seen as comical, light.

No one was laughing in the Muslim community.

According to the Hadith, a supplement book to the Quran and a compilation of Muhammad's teachings, depicting the image of the prophet is prohibited.

According to the Quran, Muhammad wanted worshippers to see him as one of them, a human being no better than the rest. By having pictures or images, it would permit idolatry and Muhammad is not to be seen as an idol.

For practicing Muslims, the images are hard to swallow because they have been taught to love and respect the prophet more than anyone else.

It's no wonder that such a violent response occurred after the publication of the cartoons.

According to a CNN report on Saturday, at least 29 people have been killed and many more injured during protests over the incident.

Non-Muslims may wonder what the big deal is.

The big deal is this: What if your religion, or something else you believed strongly in, was being made fun of as a result of a lack of knowledge or poor judgment?

Yes, the United States' First Amendment gives us the right to exercise our freedom of speech and of the press, but there are limits that dictate how responsible we are for what we say or print.

In the 1942 U.S. Supreme Court case *Chaplinsky v. New Hampshire*, the ruling limited freedom of speech and press, stating, "(the) lewd and obscene, the profane, the libelous, and the insulting or fighting words ... by their very utterance inflict injury or tend to incite an immediate breach of the peace."

The cartoons are a breach of peace. It's something that is offensive and doesn't need to be seen if it inflicts harm on others.

The Muslim community is haunted each day as problems such as the current political issues in Iraq, Afghanistan and Iran and the government restrictions and constant surveillance of their actions keep stacking up.

Everyone has the right to free speech and to voice what he or she believes. However, if it is at the expense of others' beliefs or freedoms — without thinking of the repercussions — then it's a freedom undeserved.

*Janet Marcelo is a Daily staff writer.*



JANET MARCELLO



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Online poll:  
Should the Danish media have published the controversial cartoons?

Yes  
 No

Results to last week's question:  
Should GPS trackers be placed on registered sex offenders?

53% Yes      47% No

What do you think?

## campusvoices



"Yes. I believe that it is up to them to publish it...because that's their belief."

Derek Deocampo  
graphic design



"Yes. I don't think it's a big deal because it was made as a sarcastic joke."

Alexander Sutkin  
finance



"No. I think that the action and information both as a whole wasn't appropriate."

Sami Alayoubi  
biology



"Yes. I just think that people have the right to do whatever they want."

Christina Custodio  
psychology



"No. He's like a very important figure, and those cartoons that were published were degrading him."

Asma Asif  
sociology



"No. There is a lot to say about Prophet Muhammed, peace be upon him."

Sarah Haridi  
accounting

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## Gays and lesbians should be allowed to adopt children

State laws trying to ban homosexuals from being foster parents or adopting children are blatant discrimination and hinder already displaced children from getting into loving homes.

More than a dozen states are currently debating the issue, putting measures on state ballots to ban gays from adopting children as a couple or becoming foster parents.

Ohio is currently considering this in its legislature, while Florida already has laws preventing same-sex couples from adopting.

Religious groups are at the root of preventing same-sex couples from adopting kids, giving the impression that they care less about the kids in need and more about their own personal ideologies.

Even if their specific sects are against homosexuals adopting kids, who are they to project their prejudice onto our communities and into our laws?

When will religious groups stop pandering and lobbying the government to get what they want on the ballot and understand that their beliefs aren't law?

Isn't this an obvious curtail of democratic process-

es and a suppression of this minority group's rights?

I don't think God would approve of religious conservatives using millions of dollars in the name of religion to force God's supposed ideology on society.

Rather than getting hard-to-place kids at home, religious groups would see these children exist in a loveless foster system.

The biggest joke is that these proposed laws deem heterosexual households perfect institutions for raising a family.

Well, obviously some of these heterosexuals can't take care of their kids properly in the first place, which caused their children to be placed in the foster care system. A union between a man and woman doesn't necessarily mean a good home.

Any regular viewer of the Dr. Phil show can attest to that.

Adoption agencies have placed kids in heterosexual homes that have been less than acceptable. For example, heterosexual Vanessa Jackson from

New Jersey was recently sentenced to seven years in prison for starving the foster kids she was caring for.

According to the North American Council on Adoptable Children in St. Paul, Minn., there are an estimated 520,000 kids in foster care, all of who could use a loving individual to care for them.

The child welfare system is in obvious need of homes, but is turning away perfectly good same-sex couples that could provide them based on conservative religious views.

Turning away available homes is completely asinine.

As long as people can provide a stable environment and financially assist with all the kids' needs, does it really matter what happens in the parents' bedrooms?

Isn't placing a child in a loving home the important issue here, and not some individuals' ideas on homosexuality?

Would one think that Rosie O'Donnell or Ellen

DeGeneres would be bad parents just because they're lesbians?

I think that some homosexuals would be even better parents, because they have to go through an extraordinary process to have kids.

It's disgusting to think that our country's laws purposely target homosexuals, strip away their right to marry and have a family.

For a nation that boasts equality for all, the U.S. is far from projecting those ideals, and this is just another sign of that growing phenomenon.



RACHEL HILL

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TODAY

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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](mailto: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 information, contact Nicole Ruzek at 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](mailto:jfoon131@comcast.net).

Men's Basketball

SJSU plays Fresno State at the Event Center. 7 p.m. Free admission for SJSU students with Tower Card. For more

information, call 924-1548.

Communication Studies Lab

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

ISACA

ISACA is hosting a dinner social at Sonoma Chicken Coop from 7-10:30 p.m. For more information, contact [isaca@cob.sjsu.edu](mailto:isaca@cob.sjsu.edu)

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 the winning sororities charity. From 11 a.m.-3 p.m. at Williams St. Park. For more information, contact Matthew Hinsley at 981-8020

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## Discussing Islam ...



DANIELLE STOLMAN / DAILY STAFF

Usama Canon, outreach director of the Zaytuna Institute, gave a lecture to students Wednesday at the Mosaic Cross Cultural Center entitled "Prophet Muhammad Peace Be Upon Him" which explained why followers of Islam "love and follow Muhammad." Canon was brought to campus by the San Jose State University Muslim Students Association as part one of a two-part series. Part two will be held on March 2 in Mosaic at 2:30 p.m.

## Blogs used for education

By Jill Rae Seib  
DAILY STAFF WRITER

Professor Nicholas Burbules from the University of Illinois will present a lecture titled, "Weblogs and the Potential of Self-Publishing for Democratic Education" at 10:30 a.m. today in Room 189 of the Engineering Building.

Burbules said he believes that Web logs, or blogs, have the possibility to be used as a positive educational resource.

"Students can use it for research topics. The blog becomes a shared workspace and they can take collective responsibility," said Burbules in a telephone interview. "They are a supplement to class, not a substitute."

Burbules uses Web logs as part of his curriculum in many of his classes, and has found that students respond positively to them.

"It is one way of building a sense of community outside the classroom," Burbules said.

Burbules will also speak about the positive and negative aspects of using Web logs in the classroom and how to evaluate the credibility of any source.

Michael Katz, a professor of secondary education at San Jose State University, who organized the lecture for the Francis Villemain lecture series, will bring his philosophy of education class to hear Burbules speak.

According to Katz, the philosophy department often brings business ethics and moral philosophy students to these lectures.

"I bring my students to this event for several reasons," Katz said. "I want to expose

them to other ethicists of education, philosophers of education who, like me, want to bring theory and practice into some harmony around issues affecting our lives as citizens living in a democracy and seeking to become moral role models to our students."

Greg Lose, a student studying science at SJSU, said he is interested to hear what Burbules has to say.

"I'm going into this totally open-minded," said Lose. "Is the whole concept a concerted effort, or is it just another hype with technology?"

Burbules said the freedom of the press is available to anybody through a personal Web log and it is very easy to start.

"It is very easy to learn, I can teach people how to make a blog in 15 minutes," Burbules said.

This lecture is an opportunity for students to learn about the multiple possibilities of a Web log.

"I don't know much about blogs," said Jonathan Hanna, a student at SJSU working on his teaching credential. "So I am very interested to hear what he has to say."

This lecture series is held annually in memory of Francis Villemain, and is sponsored by the Institute for Social Responsibility, Ethics and Education, a research institute at SJSU devoted to the study of business and professional ethics and matters of social responsibility.

Villemain was a former dean of the College of Education at SJSU and was deeply committed to the fields of ethics and aesthetics, according to a pamphlet on the Francis T. Villemain Scholarship Fund.

## A.S. - Report on student fees reviewed at board meeting

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Auditorium. These reserves are allocated specifically for the replacement of equipment.

### New A.S. director of student fee affairs appointed

During the A.S. Board of Directors meeting Wednesday, Sunshine Saguil was appointed as director of student fee affairs.

"Honestly, it was really hard to decide what I wanted to do, but basically I just wanted to get into a position where at least my voice would be heard," said Saguil, who is majoring in communications.

According to the A.S. Web site, Saguil will be responsible for reporting to the board of directors on the status and activities of the Child Development Center and the Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships. In coordination with the director of legislative affairs, she will report on matters "concerning decisions within the California State Legislature affecting student fees."

Saguil will also serve as a representative to the Campus Fee Advisory Committee and a

member of the Traffic, Transit and Parking Committee of the Academic Senate.

A.S. President Alberto Gutierrez said he chose Saguil because he thought she would be a good addition to the Board of Directors.

"After interviewing the candidates who were applying for the position, I felt (Saguil) was the one who showed the most interest and I thought she would bring a new view to the Board," said Gutierrez.

With experience in leadership as a part of Alpha Phi Omega, Saguil said that she had reached her peak in the leadership aspect there and wanted to move on to different areas.

"I wanted to branch out somewhere new and different," she said. "(This is) a higher step for me. I really just want to experience any kind of work, even if I'm not going to be involved in the political stuff."

At the A.S. Board of Directors meeting, Saguil expressed how excited and eager she was to work with the Board of Directors.

"She's a ray of sunshine," said A.S. Vice-President Sarah Stillman. "I think she's going to be a great asset."

### A.S. student fees may become unrestricted

The Board of Directors reviewed a report on unrestricted A.S. fees for its departments.

Every semester \$72.50 is taken out of each student's tuition for A.S. fees. In total, \$6.3 million are collected.

In the past, these fees were then split up and allocated to different departments, such as child development, transportation and campus recreation, said Robert Colón, director of business affairs.

Now, by unrestricted these fees, the money will no longer be allocated to the different departments. It will be put into one account where each department can access the funds.

Colón said that enough funds will be available for each department, but if there is a need for money for other situations and circumstances, the money can also be shared. Scholarships and grants will also be pulled from this account.

Though it may seem as if departments can use as much money as they want, Ramos said that each department will still maintain budgets that will help to control the amount of money used.

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## Police sniff out leads on missing whippet

NEW YORK (AP) — With few physical clues to the whereabouts of an escaped show dog, the hunt for the award-winning whippet has entered another realm.

About 12 psychics are counseling searchers as they check the heated cargo buildings near where Vivi escaped from a travel cage at Kennedy International Airport, Paul Lepiane, the dog's co-owner, told Newsday.

"They are telling us that she is alive and they are telling us she is warm," said Honi Reisman, a friend of the dog's owners. "They are saying she's in a building — but there are hundreds of buildings."

According to breeder Bo Bengtson, the animal bolted across the tarmac last week at 25 mph as workers chased her on foot and in three cars. The 3-year-old whippet, also known as Champion Bohem C'est La Vie, nosed into a marsh area and disappeared.

The dog's escape came within days of winning an award of merit at the Westminster Kennel Club show, the nation's most prestigious.

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**JOURNEY - SJSU students from Sudan plan on returning to war-torn home after receiving their college degrees**

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African family.”

“I think our life would have been hard if we didn’t have many friends,” said Thon. “Now that we are established here, everything’s fine except that we have people back home in Africa.”

Bol said that he works 30 to 32 hours a week to help support other lost boys who don’t have a chance to come to America. Bol, Gong and Thon said that even though they are in America, they still have to help provide for the people back home.

“We work hard for (the) people in (Sudan), said Bol. “We work and we go to school to help any way we can.”

In the future, Bol, Gong and Thon all agree that once they get their degrees from SJSU they plan to go back to southern Sudan to help restore their country.

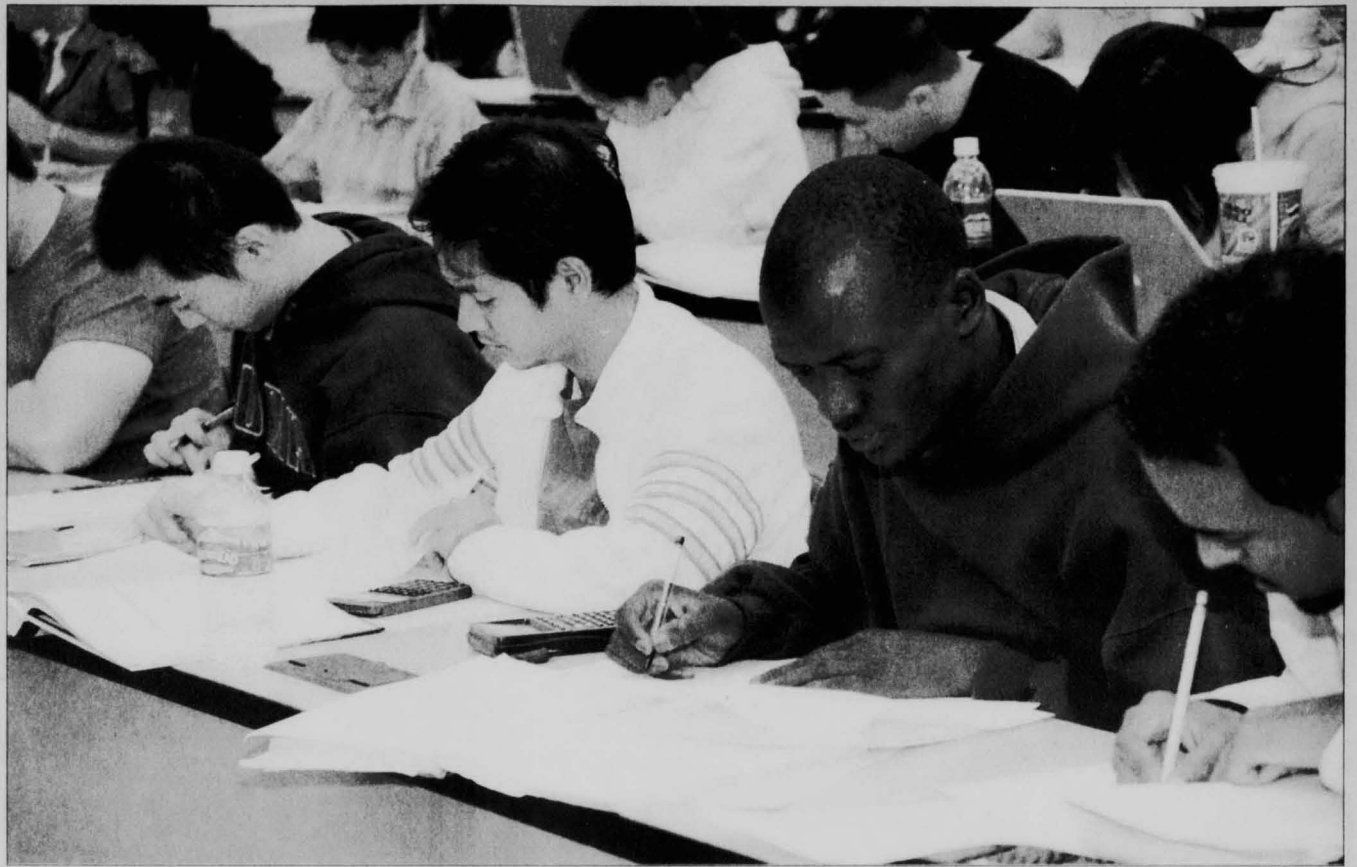
“We appreciate ... the United States government and (our) American friends who helped us when we first came to this country,” said Gong. “We have been helped and therefore we should help too. The only way that we can help is for us to get some skills here (and) to go back and rebuild the country.”

Although America has treated them well, Bol, Gong and Thon said they have no desire to stay any longer than necessary.

“America is a good place to be, but there is nothing like home,” Gong said.

DANIEL ESCH / DAILY STAFF

San Jose State University junior marketing major Bol Bol, right, takes an exam in a finance class Wednesday. Bol fled his native Sudan after civil war broke out.



**CLARK - Space may be parking lot**

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minimize rent. They’ll move in second, towards the end of March. University Advancement is alumni affairs and they work with donors to bring money in.”

The Administrative Systems and Finances offices officially closed Wednesday and will only be available through phone and e-mail until March 7. Paul Siegel, Director of Accounting and Financial Systems said the offices will move into the fifth floor of Clark Hall by March 6.

Siegel said planning for the move has been in development since the Wahlquist buildings were torn down in 2000 to make room for the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Joint Library.

“The first academic group that’ll move in is ... library information science,” No said. “They’re in modular buildings D and E, but they want to utilize spring break, so they’ll be moving in late March. In May, we’re moving Student Life and Leadership. They’re currently (behind) the cafeteria. All the (other) faculty and other academic groups will be moving in July.”

No said he could not comment on what will happen to the open space after the modular buildings are removed, but Sgt. Timothy M. Villarica of the University Police Department anticipates construction of a new parking lot to begin as soon as possible.

“We had a parking lot underneath there before, so when the moduls go away, that lot should still be there,” Villarica said.

**ISRAEL - Other events planned**

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students become more involved in international activities, said Professor Burton Dean in a phone interview.

“This may be the first of such events,” said Dean, who will moderate the panel discussion.

Bernstein said the consulate has held similar events at Stanford University and UC Berkeley that attracted large crowds. He said he hopes to bring the event to all the major business schools in the area.

Based on the turnout from E-Society’s previous event featuring venture capitalist Guy Kawasaki, the organizers expect more than 200 people to show up for Thursday’s event.

**San Francisco experimenting with dog feces as power source**

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) - City officials are hoping to harness the power of dog doo.

San Franciscans already recycle two-thirds of their garbage, but in this dog-friendly town, animal feces make up nearly 4 percent of residential waste, or 6,500 tons a year — nearly as much as disposable diapers, according to the city.

Within the next few months, Norcal Waste, a garbage hauling company that collects San Francisco’s trash, will begin a pilot program under which it will use biodegradable bags and dog-waste carts to pick up droppings at a popular dog park.

The droppings will be tossed into a contraption called a methane digester, which is basically a tank in which bacteria feed on feces for weeks to create methane gas.

The methane could then be piped directly to a gas stove, heater, turbine or anything else powered by natural gas. It can also be used to generate electricity.

Methane digesters are nothing new. The technology was intro-

duced in Europe about 20 years ago, and more than 600 farm-based digesters are in operation there. Nine are in use on California dairy farms, and chicken and hog farms elsewhere in the United States also use them.

Neither Norcal Waste spokesman Robert Reed nor Will Brinton, a Maine-based recycling and composting consultant, knew of anyone in the United States who is using the \$1 million devices to convert pet waste to energy. But Brinton said some European countries process dog droppings along with food and yard waste.

“The main impediment is probably getting communities around the country the courage to collect it, to give value to something we’d rather not talk about,” Brinton said. “San Francisco is probably the king of pet cities. This could be very important to them.”

San Francisco — the city named after Saint Francis, patron saint of animals — has an estimated 240,000 dogs and cats.

Some experts believe methane digestion must become more attractive economically before it gets popular. Landfill space is relatively cheap, and natural gas and electricity also remain fairly inexpensive.

Reed points to San Francisco’s

groundbreaking food composting program, which began 10 years ago, as proof an unusual idea can work in this forward-thinking city. A Norcal Waste subsidiary collects 300 tons of food scraps per day from homes and restaurants and converts it into a rich fertilizer sold

to vineyards and organic farms. “Now, the city’s asked us to look at dog waste specifically,” Reed said.

Because animal waste contains disease-causing germs, composting it at home with yard waste and food scraps can be unsafe.

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## SJSU looks to tame Lions in three-game series



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From left, Brigham Young University designated hitter Austin Carter attempts to steal second as San Jose State University shortstop John Shaffer prepares to make a tag during the sixth inning Saturday at San Jose Municipal Stadium.

By Tatiana Getty  
DAILY STAFF WRITER

The San Jose State University baseball team's five-game winning streak came to a halt on Tuesday afternoon, after they lost 5-2 to Saint Mary's College at Louis Guisto Field in Moraga.

### BASEBALL TOP OF THE ORDER NOTEBOOK

The Spartans—coming off a week where they took the first and last games of a three-game series from UC Santa Barbara, defeated the University of San Francisco and swept Brigham Young University—were attempting to continue their streak on the road.

The three-game series that started on Feb. 16 against BYU was a productive one

for the Spartan offense. Freshman shortstop John Shaffer hit a home run in the second game of the series Friday. As a team, the Spartans boasted a total of 21 hits in the series with 10 in game three.

In Tuesday's game against the Gaels, SJSU posted seven hits and two runs in the loss.

"It was disappointing that we did not compete very well," said SJSU coach Sam Piraro. "I thought we were flat and sluggish, and where that manifested itself was offensively."

Second baseman David Pierson doubled in the sixth inning, bringing pinch runner Greg Fyfe across the plate for the first run of the game. Center fielder Chris Balatico scored the second run of the game in the ninth inning, bringing the score to 5-2 in favor of the Gaels. The loss dropped the Spartans with a 7-4 overall record.

Even with this loss, the San Jose defense is going strong with a total of six errors in the 11 games.

"You can't ask for too much more from our defense," said Piraro. "We've been very sound. Our starting pitching in particular

has been improving, with each start they've given us quality outings."

Senior second baseman Pierson credits the defense for the team's early season success.

"I think defensively we've been doing really well," said Pierson. "Our defense has actually kept us in ballgames and that's one of the main reasons we've been winning. We need to bring that to the table every day because that's going to give us the best chance of winning."

The team faces its next nonconference opponent, Loyola Marymount University, in a three-game series starting on Friday.

The Lions enter the series with a 2-9 record. Both LMU and San Jose are picked to finish fourth in their respective conferences, and the Lions lead the all-time series between the two schools, 7-3.

"I think we're going to do good against them," said shortstop Raul Campos. "If our defense plays like we've been playing and if we hit, everything will fall into place."

The series will begin 6 p.m. on Friday at Municipal Stadium, continuing at 1 p.m. on Saturday at Blethen Field and will conclude 1 p.m. Sunday at Municipal Stadium.

## Spartan softball blanked by No. 9 Golden Bears in home opener

By Greg Lydon  
DAILY STAFF WRITER

The San Jose State University Softball team fell to No. 9 UC Berkeley Wednesday afternoon 3-0 at SJSU field.

Golden Bears pitcher Kristina Thorson pitched a complete game, allowing one Spartan hit and striking out 11 batters.

"That's one of the best pitchers in the country," said SJSU coach Dee Dee Enabenter-Omidiji. "Getting one hit is very disappointing. I think we were looking at the jersey name across the field too much."



HARRISON

The Spartans sent sophomore pitcher Kelly Harrison to the mound. Harrison pitched six innings, allowed three runs on eight hits and struck out five batters. Nicole Luna-Pickens pitched the ninth inning, retiring all three batters she faced.

"I'm very pleased with the pitching. Cal's hits weren't hard hits," Enabenter-Omidiji said. "Nicole has improved each game since her first start."

On a cloudless day at SJSU field, the Spartans started the game off with solid back-to-back defensive plays on the field. SJSU first baseman Carlie Hill made a diving grab for the first out of the game followed by catcher Adrienne Hull, who threw out a Golden Bear runner who tried to steal second base.

"My defense did a great job out there for me," Harrison said. "We just need to work harder offensively."

UC Berkeley left fielder Alex Sutton started a Golden Bear two-out rally in the

third inning with a single to center field. First baseman Haley Woods followed with a towering RBI double off the top of the left field wall, scoring one run. Another Golden Bear double followed and Cal led 2-0 after three innings.

SJSU shortstop Sarah Taylor got the Spartans' first hit in the fourth inning, but was left stranded at second when the Spartans couldn't come up with a hit to bring her home.

"Our hitting didn't show up," said Hill. "There wasn't enough patience at the plate, we were anxious up there."

The Spartans huddled up before their at-bats in the fifth and sixth innings.

"I was telling them we had a opportunity in the game, but it was getting late," Enabenter-Omidiji said.

Cal's Sutton RBI single in the fifth inning added one more to the Golden Bears' lead, making the score 3-0.

An SJSU walk started off the seventh inning, and the Spartans' coaches went to the bench with a pinch runner and hitter in the final inning.

"Our team is deep enough to give people opportunities," Enabenter-Omidiji said. "I didn't like the way some of the players looked at the plate, so I wanted a change."

The Spartans couldn't get the offense going in the final inning, so they were held to one hit in the contest.

Harrison had a sore back this week, but said it didn't give her any problems during the game.

"My back was fine out there... didn't effect the way I pitched throughout the game," Harrison said.

The Spartans are now 3-4 on the season.

"Our pitching is starting to come around," Enabenter-Omidiji said. "Our hitting needs to be more consistent for us to be successful at the tournament this weekend."

SJSU will travel to the University of Texas-El Paso this weekend for a tournament playing five games in three days starting Friday.



HILL

## Water polo focusing on fundamentals for weekend tourney

By Andrew Torrez  
Daily Staff Writer

The San Jose State University women's water polo team went 1-1 this weekend after losing to UCLA and beating UC Santa Barbara on the road.

### WOMEN'S WATER POLO THE KICK OUT NOTEBOOK

The No. 10 Spartans lost to the No. 2 Bruins 15-2 on Saturday. Spartan sophomores Alexis Higlett and Geraldine Hazlett scored in the fourth quarter to help their team avoid a shutout.

The Spartans rebounded on Sunday with a 9-7 win against No. 11 UC Santa Barbara.

Junior Rachel Rhodes made three goals and senior Katie Morgan added two goals against the Gauchos. Four other players scored goals for the Spartans in the win.

"We played really hard against Santa Barbara," Rhodes said. "I think if we played like that the rest of the year, then we could be unbeatable."

SJSU coach Lou Tully said the team needs to limit turnovers to have a better chance of winning. He said the team will be working on protecting the ball this week during practice.

"I am trying to teach them to pass the ball under pressure," he said. "What they are doing, in some cases, is they are waiting for the referee to blow the whistle (for a free throw)."

Tully said when his players don't get a free throw from the referee, they find themselves under more pressure from the other



DANIEL ESCH / DAILY FILE

Stanford University 2-meter Alison Grehorka attempts to shoot the ball past San Jose State University attacker Angela Riddle during the 2006 Stanford Invitational on Feb. 12 at the Avery Aquatic Center.

team.

"We are working on catching and releasing the ball quicker the next couple of days," Tully said.

After eight games, the Spartans have a 4-4 record during the 2006 season. Coach Tully said he isn't surprised about the teams the Spartans have lost to or won against.

"The four (games) we have lost have been to USC, Stanford, UCLA and Hawai'i," Tully said. "Coming into the season I thought those were going to be really tough teams and that we would have to do something special to win."

The Spartans will be back at UC Santa Barbara this weekend to play in the Daktronics Gaucho

Invitational tournament. The top-15 ranked teams in the country will be competing in the tournament.

Higlett said SJSU must win its first game against No. 7 Cal State Long Beach to make it in the top eight in the tournament.

"We really need to come out and play hard in the first game," Higlett said. "It is important to set the tone for how we will play all weekend. We need to come out like we did against Santa Barbara last weekend."

This article originally appeared online on Wednesday. "The Kick Out" normally runs Wednesdays in the Spartan Daily.

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— Lou Tully, SJSU water polo coach

ACTIVISTS - Panel members stress critical thinking

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"As you are sitting in your seats, you're comfortable," said Felicia Nance, who introduced the speakers.

Nance said students need to pay attention to the reality of today and where they are.

"(To) think about activism and major change that happens," Nance said.

Jahahaha Amen-RA Alkebulan Ma'at, American Friends Service Committee African Initiative coordinator, recounted his and fellow panelist Pierre La Bossiere's experience in the Caribbean nation of Haiti where they were almost killed not once, but twice.

Alkebulan-Ma'at said that once the Haitians were beginning to win their freedom, other countries tried to hold them down and started to offer loans to an already corrupt government that was more than happy to take it, leaving the people to pay it all back.

He said Haiti paid off the debt from that era, but accumulated more in the meantime.

Alkebulan-Ma'at said the money would

be better spent to pay for schools, health-care and water.

The government oppresses the people who try to rise above them by spreading negative facts about them so no one will listen, La Bossiere said.

"When Dr. King was alive, for example," La Bossiere said, "J. Edgar Hoover called him the most dangerous man. So they did this whole thing to tarnish him and his image. To create a gulf between him and his people."

Alkebulan-Ma'at said that even when they begin to win, the victory keeps being taken away as the Haitians have to pay more money to the more powerful nations.

"I was definitely interested in hearing more about the debt of African nations," Venbke said. "I think we don't hear enough (about) that or see the repercussions of it."

People like Alkebulan Ma'at and La Bossiere are not the only ones who can take action and help fix a situation.

All-African People's Revolutionary Party member Akubundu said that there was more to going to college than just getting a degree or being an athlete about his own experience while a student at SJSU.

"It is about developing your critical skills and analysis," Akubundu said. "To be able to look at the news and realize they aren't giving you the whole story, or when you're reading your textbook they aren't telling you everything."

Akubundu said that this would discipline people by "developing ourselves, training ourselves and politically educating ourselves."

Yale takes 'risque' approach to sex education

NEW HAVEN, Conn. (AP) — In a lecture hall on Yale's storied Old Campus, not long after an afternoon astronomy class has cleared out, a middle-aged sex toy saleswoman demonstrates her technique and hands out free products to an eager crowd.

"I want you to close your eyes," Patty Brisben playfully instructs a young man as she rubs scented lotion into his forearm and, to raucous laughter, reaches for an electric toy and a glove. "Fantasize about having an all-over body massage."

Welcome to Sex Week at Yale, a biennial celebration that has become one of the most provocative campus events in the country.

Organizers say Sex Week gets students talking about sex in a way that's more relevant than middle-school film strips, more honest than movies and television, and more fun than requisite college health lectures.

"To get people's attention, we do have to do things a little risque and a little different than other sex education programs," said junior Dan Lewis, who was inspired to direct Sex Week 2006 after attending the 2004 event.

Yale's event, which ends Saturday, includes lectures from dating specialists, a sex therapist and a discussion of homosexuality with a former Roman Catholic priest. More provocative sessions include a panel of porn stars and stripping lessons from a Playboy Channel hostess.

Critics say Sex Week is just the latest

act of debauchery at colleges in recent years: Students started sex columns. Vassar and others created erotica journals. Harvard launched H-Bomb, a magazine featuring suggestive pictures of undergraduates. Washington University in St. Louis offered a sex-themed week with orgasm seminars and condom telegrams.

"I don't see how bringing a Playboy stripper to campus is helping anything," said Travis Kavulla, editor of the Harvard Salient, which joined other conservative newspapers in giving Sex Week the Collegiate Network 2004 Outrage Award. "How are universities trying to educate students in sponsoring activities like this?"

Sex Week is a recognized student organization but Brisben's company, PureRomance.com, sponsors the events, not Yale Advertising helps pay for marketing and for Sex Week at Yale, the Magazine.

The magazine contains sex advice for men, help for selecting the right condom and suggestions for women trying to satisfy themselves.

Editors say they're promoting sexual awareness, not sex. The magazine includes an article encouraging abstinence until marriage, a guide to healthy relationships and an essay on unrequited love.

The interview with the porn star, organizers said, was just for fun.

"It would seem like we were trying to intellectualize sex if we didn't have something on the other end of the spec-

trum," said Whitney Seibel, a senior psychology major who posed for the cover wearing only red panties and a strategically placed arm.

About 25,000 copies were distributed at Yale and on other campuses nationwide. The editors are considering a second printing.

While Yale may be giving off a flirty vibe this week, Brisben said she was surprised at how reserved the students were at her seminar. And for all their good grades, Brisben said Yale students seemed less clued in about sex than students elsewhere.

"I have a lot of inhibitions and fears that I'm not sure where they come from. And I don't know how common," said Kaja Wilmska, a 20-year-old sophomore from Poland. "It opens up the ground to talk about issues people aren't comfortable talking about otherwise. Basically, I want to see what other people are saying."

Students complain that the dating scene is notoriously complicated at Yale, where every grade matters, every extracurricular is essential and everyone is in competition. Last year, author Natalie Krinsky made that awkward scene the star of her novel "Chloe Does Yale."

That's why Lewis says lectures such as Dating 101 are valuable. Lewis wants Yale to help other schools host their own versions.

"In planning it, I'm saying, 'Could I justify the educational value of this to my mom?' If we can, we're in good shape," Lewis said.

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# Mystery and suspense dominate 'Freedomland'

By Jeremy Barousse  
DAILY STAFF WRITER

If you're in the mood for a good mystery story, "Freedomland" is a good choice.

"Freedomland" creates chilling suspense and delivers a powerful message to its audience.

**MOVIE REVIEW**

Samuel L. Jackson and Julianne Moore give stellar performances in the racially conscious picture adapted from the novel of the same name written by Richard Price.

Jackson plays Lorenzo Council, a detective from an urban New Jersey town called Dempsey. Council comes across Brenda Martin (Moore), a white, middle-aged woman from the bordering blue-collar suburb of Gannon, when she staggers into a Dempsey emergency room one night claiming she was carjacked by a black man while her 4-year-old son, Cody, was asleep in the backseat.

Martin reveals that she has had a troubled past and happens to be the sister of a prominent Gannon police detective.

Officials from the predominantly white suburb of Gannon move into Dempsey and immediately shut down the low-income Armstrong housing projects — where Martin claims she was attacked — in hopes of catching the suspect.

The shutdown creates racial tension between the two neighboring towns since tenants of the projects are unable to leave their



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Samuel L. Jackson, star of "Freedomland."

homes. The projects turn into a hostile crime scene as predominantly black tenants start retaliating against white police officials.

Council, who has been assigned to shadow Martin during the investigation, is torn between his friends from the projects and Martin.

Council then becomes suspicious of Martin and her story.

Activist Karen Colucci (Edie Falco), who has made a life-long pledge to search for missing children, teams up with Council to unite members from both neighborhoods as they start a city-wide search for Cody.

The search takes the team to Freedomland Park, a stretch of several acres in New Jersey that used to be home to a children's insane asylum.

The park becomes the scene of fierce interrogation and deep secrets arise.

The shutdown of the Armstrong

projects paints a strong picture of racial profiling in America and reveals harsh discrimination between the "haves" and "have-nots."

The movie keeps its audience on the edge of their seat as the story suggests different outcomes and several twists arise.

New camera angles and sequences are introduced to make the movement seem more chilling.

Jackson delivers an amazing performance playing a middle-aged detective who carries some secrets of his own.

Moore assumes the role of a broken-down and confused mother convincingly.

The dialogues between both actors are intense and enthusiastic.

"Freedomland" creates strong emotional impact with realistic experiences.

This film is definitely a must-see.

# Fort Minor and friends tear up the Fillmore

By Teresa Hou  
DAILY STAFF WRITER

SAN FRANCISCO — A sea of nodding heads was all that could be seen Tuesday at the Fillmore as Fort Minor's Mike

**CONCERT REVIEW**

Shinoda enticed the crowd with a frenzy of rhymes and beats.

The rapper-songwriter, along with DJ Cheapshot and the Styles of Beyond crew Ryu and Tak, delighted audience members with songs from Fort Minor's recent album, "The Rising Tied," as well as some old-school classics from the likes of Snoop Dogg and Linkin Park.

Bay Area-based group Flipsyde opened the show with a mediocre mixture of rock and rap.

Second act DJ Mike Relm dazzled the crowd with his skills on the turntables and kept them preoccupied as a growing anticipation for Fort Minor could be felt in the air.

An explosion of energy seemed to fill the room when Fort Minor finally came to the stage.

Shinoda, accompanied by a live band and with the help of Ryu and Tak, got the crowd on their feet and their hands waving as they rapped Fort Minor's latest single, "Remember the Name."

Before playing any more of the songs on "The Rising Tied," Shinoda made sure the fans of his other group, Linkin Park, were happy by doing a rendi-



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Mike Shinoda, right, performs a sold out show at the Fillmore in San Francisco, with Ryu, Tak and Cheapshot of Fort Minor on Tuesday night. Fort Minor has been touring all this month, and after Tuesday's performance heads out for another show in Los Angeles.

tion of "In the End," which people happily sang along to.

Audience members quickly fell under Shinoda's spell as they waved their hands whenever he said to, sang along and continuously danced to each song.

The flow between Shinoda, Ryu and Tak was so seamless that it almost seemed as if there was only one person performing.

All three effortlessly worked the stage, running and jumping around every few seconds to make sure that everyone in the room was having a good time.

A definite highlight of the night was when Bobo from hip-hop group Cypress Hill came up onstage and played the drums for the song "Believe Me," which produced an even more pulsating sound for the song than usual.

Fort Minor teased the audience by leaving the stage, which caused pandemonium to erupt from the crowd as shouts of "encore" were chanted.

After what seemed like forever, Shinoda and the rest of the band came back out and thrilled the audience one last time with their interpretation of Jay-Z and Linkin Park's mash-up of "Numb Encore." However, a disappointment of the night was when Shinoda didn't play the song "Kenji," a breakthrough song about the Japanese internment camps that people like Shinoda's father had to live in.

Overall, Fort Minor brought an overwhelming amount of energy to The Fillmore that seemed to seep into the crowd and cause a burst of excitement that lasted the entire night. Shinoda proved that he is one step closer to taking both the rap and rock worlds by storm.



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