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## Suspected pedophile caught during Internet sting

Accused is an SJSU grad, former employee

By Zeenat Umar  
DAILY STAFF WRITER

A graduate of San Jose State University and Westmont High School teacher was taken into police custody Feb. 20 on charges of attempted child molestation and sending harmful material over the Internet, according to a press release by the Campbell Police Department.

Luke Lajoie, 35, was arrested when he showed up at an undisclosed location after an undercover detective posing as a 12-year-old girl in an online chat room arranged to meet with him, according to Detective Gary Berg of the Campbell Police Department Investigations Unit.

"A number of police officers were involved in the arrest. However, the location and undercover detective cannot be released," Berg said.

Lajoie graduated from SJSU in May 2000, according to Sharon R. Willey, assistant vice president for student affairs. He worked for the housing department of SJSU for several years as a peer advisor for residential computing and as a resident advisor for several years, according to Owen Hege, the principal of Westmont High School.

"It was listed on his resume," Hege said. Lajoie, of San Jose, has been bailed out of jail according to Berg. He has been charged with attempted child molestation and sending harmful material over the Internet.

There could be possibilities that there could be additional victims according to the Campbell Police Department.

Hege said that Lajoie was hired in August 2005 as a part-time mathematics teacher for ninth and 10th grade.

According to Hege, the school staff is encouraging students to talk to parents, counselors, or detective Berg, if they have been subject to any related incident.

"I talked to students in all three classes he taught," Hege said.

According to Hege, there have been no student complaints.

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## Group gives Kassing failing grade



NEAL WATERS / DAILY SENIOR PHOTOGRAPHER

Jonathan Karpf, center, a lecturer in the anthropology department, and Elena Dorabji, front right, a lecturer in the political science department, gather with other faculty members and students outside San Jose State University President Don Kassing's office Monday to present a report card on his performance.



DANIELLE STOLMAN / DAILY STAFF

From left, Elena Dorabji, a political science lecturer, talked to San Jose State University President Don Kassing, while Ali Rahnama, a junior in sociology, and Liz Cara, president of the California Faculty Association, right, watched on Monday. Kassing met with the group and others concerned with his performance after a protest rally.

## Faculty association protests CSU policies

By Tandra Madison  
DAILY STAFF WRITER

In a vocal protest on Monday, San Jose State University students and faculty members harshly criticized the California State University system and later presented their issues to Don Kassing's office.

The crowd filled out a public "report card" for Kassing, grading him on how he's done as president so far. The areas on the report card included tuition affordability, class availability and job security for lecturers. He was given F's in all areas.

Chanting, "Professors and students united will never be divided," the crowd mobilized and marched to Kassing's office in the Administration building.

The public report card was presented to Kassing's aid, Zayna Fakhreddine, who told demonstrators that if they were willing to wait a half hour, he would meet with them. Calls to Kassing's office were not returned Monday afternoon.

The SJSU branch of the California Faculty Association held a "Unite to Win" rally on Monday afternoon in the Student Union Amphitheatre before marching to Kassing's office. The rally was meant to unify students and faculty members while drawing public attention to the issues of fee increases and tenure track positions being cut, among others.

"Faculty teaching conditions are student learning conditions," said Elena Dorabji, coordinator of the rally and political science lecturer. "You can't have poorly paid teachers and a good learning environment."

Dorabji is also the elected CFA Lecturer Representative

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## Military recruiters allowed on campuses

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court ruled unanimously Monday that the government can force colleges to open their campuses to military recruiters despite university objections to the Pentagon's "don't ask, don't tell" policy on gays.

Justices rejected a free-speech challenge from law schools and professors who claimed they should not have to associate with military recruiters or promote their campus appearances.

The decision was a setback for universities that had become the latest battleground over the military policy allowing gay men and women to serve only if they keep their sexual orientation to themselves.

The ruling does not, however, answer broader questions about the policy itself. Challenges are pending in courts in Boston and Los Angeles that could eventually reach the high court.

Justices seemed swayed by the Bush administration's arguments that after the terrorist attacks, and during the war in Iraq, the government had a responsi-

bility to bolster its recruitment.

Chief Justice John Roberts said that campus visits are an effective recruiting tool. And, he said, "a military recruiter's mere presence on campus does not violate a law school's right to assert a law school's right to as-

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broadly, saying that Congress could directly demand military access on campus without linking the requirement to federal money.

"When you're in the middle of war, even if it's not a terribly popular one, courts are hesitant to tie the hands of the military," said Jon Davidson, legal director of gay rights group Lambda Legal.

Jay Sekulow, chief counsel for the American Center for Law and Justice, called the decision "an important victory for the military and ultimately for our national security."

The military's policy had put college leaders in a thorny situation because of campus rules that forbid participation of recruiters representing agencies or private companies that have discriminatory policies.

Most college leaders have said they could not afford to lose federal help, some \$35 billion a year.

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## Credit union returns after 4 years

By Jamie Visger  
DAILY STAFF WRITER

After a grand re-opening on Jan. 3, USE Credit Union's San Jose State University branch has attracted some students and faculty while others are unaware of its presence on campus.

"I had no idea there was a credit union on campus," said Amy Starnes, a senior majoring in hospitality. "It doesn't really interest me though. I already bank with Washington Mutual and I don't see any reason to change."

Employees are hopeful that this time, the bank will be well received on campus. The credit union had a branch on campus before that closed between 2001 and 2002, said Duane Webb, vice president of USE and regional sales manager for Northern California.

"We had to close because we didn't have the support of the campus, unfortunately," Webb said. "Over the years though, requests kept coming in from the people on campus who did utilize us. After bringing those requests to our board of directors, a deci-

sion was made to reopen the campus location."

Located next to the Athletic Center Sport Club on campus, the SJSU branch of USE Credit Union is open to anyone who "lives, works or worships" in Santa Clara County, though they cater to faculty and students, Webb said.

"We cater to the university because of our location, but we do have an open charter," Webb said. "Anyone within the county is welcome to use our services."

Since its opening, USE Credit Union, a California-based company, has received positive feedback from customers, said Wanda Jordan, operations supervisor at the SJSU branch.

"We've gotten a pretty good response from students," Jordan said. "I think it's mainly been the staff and faculty that we've really gotten good feedback from, though."

So far, 75 students and faculty members have opened new accounts with the credit union since it reopened, Webb said.

Employees of USE plan to continue to promote the business on campus in hopes of reaching

out to more students, said Robyn Compton, relationship officer for the company. Students can benefit from the services it offers, she said.

"We're member-focused," Compton said. "It's not like the average service you get from other banks."

The company tries to cater to students by offering a series of financial seminars designed to educate them about the finance world, Webb said.

Having a bank located at a university is convenient for students, Jordan said.

"I certainly think that if you go to school here and you have your financial institution right in walking distance, it can save a lot of time," Jordan said. "You can just pop in between classes."

So far, the credit union seems to be better received by the faculty than by the students, Webb said.

"We're still trying to break through (to) more students," Webb said. "There's a trust level you have to gain and we have to earn. Faculty and staff have welcomed us back with open arms, though."



## ERIN OUT THE DETAILS

## I want a gun, then I can say, 'Go ahead, make my day'

Recently, I was traveling on the bus. It was a weeknight, cold and quiet like any other. Save for the bus driver, two gentlemen and myself, no one else was there. The tranquility was broken by another passenger boarding — some longhaired greaser with a leather jacket and an agenda. Have you ever looked at someone and felt fear course through your veins because you knew this person was up to no good?

Well, this guy looked at me like he was going to rape me, and when I got up to ask the bus driver to stop at a certain stop, the greaser got up and stood right behind me, inching ever closer. I reached into my purse for my little pocketknife, but just when I found it, it wouldn't open.

Fortunately, the two gentlemen on board distracted him and started up a conversation with him. He got off before I did, and when he did, the older guy of the two gave me the number for the San Jose Police Department (277-8911) and told me, "Remember that number."

Don't worry; I'll remember that number. I'll also remember that if it weren't for you and your friend, that guy would most likely have raped and killed me.

Thank you, my guardian angels.

It made me realize that I need protection, and by that I don't mean an umbrella. I mean a weapon, a piece: a gun.

Pepper spray sometimes doesn't work, because criminals can be so hopped-up on drugs that they are immune to the capsaicin in the pepper spray. Dogs aren't allowed everywhere, and stun guns require relatively close contact. What's the point of a whistle if no one else is there to hear it? This semester was the third semester in a row that I tried to enroll in one of San Jose State University's self-defense classes for physical education credit, but they were all filled by the time I was allowed to enroll.

Am I supposed to shrug my shoulders and say to

myself, "Oh well, that's the way the cookie crumbles"? Um, I don't think so.

Grieving mommies and anti-gun activists; don't make your tragedies mine. Am I supposed to die at the hands of a rapist or mugger because you think that stricter gun-control laws will make your personal pain go away?

I've got news for you people: You'll get my gun when you pry it from my cold, lifeless, perfectly manicured fingers.

According to California Penal Code Section 12050, either the "sheriff or head of a municipal police department" may issue qualified persons a license to carry a concealed weapon (CCW). Section 12050

goes on to further state that a completed application, training certificate and jurisdictional-dependant psychological test are required if one wishes to carry a gun.



ERIN CABALLERO

OK, that's fair enough, but why isn't the information more readily available? It took me nearly two hours to find the application to download, which is yet another hurdle for reasonable protection. The application to get a permit should be as easy to get as a pair of jeans, or one of those coffee concoctions at Peets. It should be as easy to get as a driver's license.

Because I don't have adequate protection, I must limit my travel to daylight and early evening hours, as well as travel with someone. Ever see a man do this? Being a woman, I have more to be afraid of, which is appalling in terms of social and political equality.

In the spirit of freedom and safety, I ask that you let me have my gun, because I refuse to beg for my life, and I refuse to live in fear.

Erin Caballero is a Spartan Daily co-opinion editor. "Erin Out the Details" appears every Tuesday.

## SPARTA GUIDE

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Sparta Guide is provided free of charge to students, faculty and staff members. The deadline for entries is noon three working days before the desired publication date. Space restrictions may require editing of submissions. Entries are printed in the order in which they are received.

## TODAY

## SJSU Career Center

The career center holds resume critiques, Monday-Thursday from 1:30-3 p.m. in the career center, modular F. For more info, contact Evelyn Castillo at 924-6031.

## Chicano Commencement

General meetings are held Mondays and Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. in the Student Union Guadalupe Room. For more info, e-mail Patricia Rocha at [patriciarocha31@yahoo.com](mailto:patriciarocha31@yahoo.com).

## Foreign Languages Department

Learn the world language of soccer in the Dr. MLK Jr. Joint Library, second floor exhibition area at 12 p.m. For more information, call 924-4602.

## Photo Exhibit: World Language of Soccer

Opening of exhibit with a reception after. SJSU President Don Kassing will give an opening address. At 12 p.m. in Dr. MLK Jr. Joint Library. For more information, contact the SJSU foreign languages department.

## School of Music and Dance Concert Series

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

## Every Nation Campus Ministries

"The Source" — Held every Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. at the Spartan Memorial. For more information, contact Thai at (510) 773-9392.

## Queers Thoughtfully Interrupting Prejudice

Come learn about thoughtfully fighting prejudice in the Constanoan Room of the Student Union from 5:30-6:30 p.m. For more info, e-mail Dwayne Ludwig at [dwayneludwig@gmail.com](mailto:dwayneludwig@gmail.com)

## Hip-Hop Congress

General meeting in the Student Union Pacheco Room from 6:30-8 p.m. For more information, contact Dave Manson at 386-5073.

## School of Art and Design

Come listen to artist Nic Nicosa discuss making pictures in a Tuesday night lecture series. From 5-6 p.m. in the art building. Room 133. For more info, contact Jo Farb Hernandez at 924-4328.

## School of Art and Design

The SJSU School of Art and Design will be hosting "Student Galleries Art Exhibitions" from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. (through Friday) and 6-8 p.m. (tonight only) in the art building and industrial studies building. For more information, contact the Gallery Office at 924-4330.

## WEDNESDAY

## 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 a.m. in the administration building, room 201. For more info, contact Lynda Yoshikawa at 924-5910.

## Red Pin Plus Bowling

Win free games when you strike on red, yellow or a green head pin. In the Student Union Bowling Center from 7-10 p.m. For more information, call 924-6400.

## Financial Management Association

The College of Business holds a seminar with Frank Rimmerman. In BBC 202 from 4:30-5:45 p.m. For more information, check [www.cob.sjsu.edu/fma](http://www.cob.sjsu.edu/fma).

## Art History Association Meeting

Discuss a planned symposium for April. In the art building, room 329, from 1:30-2 p.m. For more information, contact Ami Davis at 831-566-6982.

## Foreign Languages Department

Watch a Hebrew Movie in Sweeney Hall 242 at 3:30 p.m. For more information, call 924-4602.

## Philosophy Colloquium

Victor Pineda, "Reflections on Invalidity: Disabled in Thought and Practice." At 4:30 p.m. in the Student Union Guadalupe Room. For more information, contact Bo Mou at 924-4513.

## Socrates Café

A discussion of the question "Should I sacrifice freedom for security?" From 3-4 p.m. in Student Union Pacifica Room. For more information, contact Janet Stenwedel at 924-4521.

## Bhakti Yoga Club Harinama and Book Distribution

Chanting and book distribution by ISKCON SV and Bhakti Yoga Club. From 12-1 p.m. at the Student Union pathway, near the fountain. For more information, contact balimardana at [balimardana@yahoo.com](mailto:balimardana@yahoo.com).

## Department of Biological Sciences

Learn about mutualism, competition and geological structure with Jason Hoeksema, UC Santa Cruz professor. In room DH 250 at 1:30 p.m. For more information, contact Leslee Parr at 924-4897.

## GUEST COLUMN

## Extremist Hamas agenda a serious threat to Israel

Can Israel be reasonably expected to negotiate a road map with a political party terrorist group that opposes its existence swearing repeatedly that it will not back down?

Israel has a right and an obligation to defend itself. It is truly twisted to say Israel should continue to support an organization that has for years tried — and for all intents and purposes still tries — to effect the violent demise of an independent Israel with a Jewish majority. Expecting Israel to continue to support such an organization, whether they're legitimately elected or not, is a patent misreading of the complicated politics of conflict resolution.

The actions and words of Hamas speak for the intentions of the group. Article 13 of the Hamas charter states that initiatives and international conferences are not an option:

"There is no solution for the Palestinian question except through Jihad. Initiatives, proposals and international conferences are all a waste of time and vain endeavors."

Hamas stated that it refuses to amend its anti-Semitic charter that calls for the destruction of Israel. After the Hamas victory in the elections, Hamas said it would "absolutely never" recognize Israel. It's like asking Jews to negotiate with the Nazis.

Sharon would not have done any different than Israel's acting Prime Minister Ehud Olmert with regard to money. No rational Israeli leader would have continued the flow of money to Hamas before a complete recognition of Israel's right to exist and a renunciation of violence. To expect them to do any different, again, is folly.

Cutting tax revenues is not intended to "punish the Palestinians," it is intended to protect Israeli citizens. Many sing the praises of Hamas for providing services like education and healthcare to the Palestinian people, and view it as the reason Hamas was elected.

Hamas has provided some medical care and services but it was not elected for that reason. By most objective standards, Hamas was elected because Fatah was perceived to be corrupt, not because people know Hamas to be a pacifistic organization whose members run around strapping baguettes and brie to their chests. If anything, it's specifically because Hamas is anti-Israel — violently so — that it was able to come to power.

Hamas uses the educational system to indoctrinate

Palestinian children. Ask Nonie Darwish, the daughter of a martyr, about learning jihadist chants in grammar school in Gaza.

"In Gaza elementary school, we learned hate, revenge and retaliation," Darwish said in a Feb. 14 discussion held at the Sainte Claire Hotel. "Criticism and questioning were forbidden."

Hamas continues to provide this "free" propagandist education.

To say it has abided by the ceasefire is false and contrary to Hamas' own statements. The ceasefire was an agreement between Palestinian Authority President Mahmoud Abbas and Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon made in early 2005. Hamas promptly said it was not party to the ceasefire, and said it would continue to pursue control of the Gaza Strip, the West Bank and Israel.

Qassam rockets, unguided make-shift steel rockets developed by Hamas, have been consistently launched from Gaza into Israel, targeting civilians. The British Broadcasting Corporation credited Hamas with five rocket attacks launched into Israel in May in two separate attacks. Recent attacks in September, said to be the work of Hamas, were aimed at Israeli communities.

Instead of whitewashing Hamas' rampant anti-Semitism and anti-Americanism and ignoring the huge steps Israel has made toward peace, like the Disengagement Plan, Israel should not be held to a double standard if both sides are truly dedicated to their commitments.

Hamas is probably going to renounce violence, eventually, once it gets a real government established that has control over the Fatah-run security forces. It is totally unrealistic, however, to expect either Israel to keep funding what is still a terrorist organization or Hamas to up and renounce violence just when it has come to power.

It is true that the pursuit of peace has no room for extremists. Suggesting that extremist Hamas should be funded by the very people it is sworn to destroy is not a pragmatic approach.

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## Bruce Willis tries to save informant in short trip

By Erin Keilah Chin  
DAILY STAFF WRITER

The film "16 Blocks" is about how the lives of two men change over the span of 16 blocks.

A thickening plot, dramatic twists and turns and action-packed scenes are the ingredi-

### MOVIE REVIEW

ents in this gripping movie that has the audience hanging on for more.

At 8:02 a.m., detective Jack Mosley (Bruce Willis) is assigned the seemingly simple task of taking petty criminal Eddie Bunker (Mos Def) from lock-up to the courthouse. Bunker is supposed to testify before a grand jury at 10:00 a.m.

It's a mere 16 blocks in 118 minutes.

Mosley is out-of-shape and has a bad leg and a drinking problem. These add to the morning's difficulties.

Bunker is supposed to testify against a detective. His testimony threatens to bring a whole slew of officers down. Mosley has to decide whom he should try and save, his colleagues and

himself, or Bunker.

Crooked cops, led by Mosley's ex-partner, Detective Frank Nugent (David Morse), stand in the way of getting Bunker to the courthouse.

A few close calls that were meant to leave Bunker dead are averted when Mosley turns around in the nick-of-time.

Bunker wants to turn his life around and move to Seattle to open a bakery.

Throughout the movie he keeps talking about how he thought people could change. Mosley believes otherwise.

"Everything happens for a reason," Bunker says. The strange things that happen throughout the day are not merely coincidences, but "signs." Still, it doesn't faze Mosley's thoughts.

As Mosley and Bunker try to fight their way to the courthouse, each block seems a little bit further with Nugent and his team hot on their trail.

Bunker realizes that the "signs" he had been following ultimately led him straight to Mosley.

They are supposed to help save each other's lives.

Willis convincingly plays the role of a scruffy detective who, through both time and self-destruction, was getting older and deteriorating without

a purpose.

He stuck to his day-to-day routine and tried to stay out of trouble.

Willis gained weight and took on a limp for the role, both of which made the character more believable.

Mos Def is able to put his comical demeanor into effect in this movie. With quick one-liners and a nasal voice, the actor got the audience members laughing in what prove to be serious and sit-on-the-edge-of-their-seats scenes.

Morse plays the role of the slick, corrupt detective everyone loves to hate.

Turning on his ex-partner and manipulating the situation for his own benefit made the crowd "boo" and "hiss." Without this factor, there would be no plot.

Morse is a great addition to the plot. With his low, raspy voice, he is a convincing bad guy who could turn on the charm.

This thriller with an amazing cast will keep you at the edge of your seat, feeling like you're running around downtown New York City with Mosley and Bunker trying to help save their lives.

No one ever thought that a measly 16 blocks could make two men change

## Cinequest film details friends on cocaine search in Colombia

By Janet Marcelo  
DAILY STAFF WRITER

Based on a true story, "Á Colombia" is the story of two best friends who, on the spur of the moment, escape from their non-existent lives in Los Angeles for a weekend in beautiful Colombia.

### CINEQUEST REVIEW

Seeking fun and some pure cocaine to feed their habit, the duo meet with a series of unfortunate events that cause them to detour, keeping them longer than expected.

Ryan Byrne directs and stars as Jay, one of the friends and an artist whose fiancée leaves him after meeting another man. She gives excuses, saying they are both at different points in their lives and she's looking for someone more mature, which Jay just isn't.

28-year-old Dunkin (Terrance Bergeron) still lives at home with his over-protective mother, who has every right to be, because Dunkin suffers from a chronic stomach disease that has him popping painkillers on a regular basis. The disease gets so bad that oftentimes Dunkin is left curled up in the bathroom until the pain passes.

It's too bad that Dunkin hides this fact from his best friend, Jay, as his condition worsens.

Byrne uses Colombia as a backdrop as Dunkin and Jay pick up girls, barhop and get high morning, noon and night. It's during one of these nights that Dunkin leaves his backpack behind, along with all his money, his plane tickets and passport.

While on their extended vacation, they encounter many



Children of the barrio are pictured in "Á Colombia," which Ryan Byrne both directed and starred.

friendly and unfriendly individuals. The language barrier doesn't stop the pair from almost getting mugged or making friends with families that take them in, offer food and shelter and expect nothing in return.

Sadly, the kind hearts of these Colombians aren't enough to save Dunkin and Jay from the past they're trying to escape or the fact that they need drugs to forget and feel good.

One night, Dunkin is so wired that he ends up calling room service to order some beer, girls and cocaine.

Little do Dunkin and Jay know that one of the room-service workers called the police. As they narrowly escape, Dunkin and Jay abandon one of the good Samaritans who helped them, leaving him to fend for himself. The man eventually gets arrest-

ed. As the story continues, Dunkin and Jay leave trails of pain and hurt along the way, still not able to escape from what they left behind in America. They manage to alienate the people who care about them back home, like Dunkin's mother and the people they encounter on their trip and, ultimately, even one another.

"Á Colombia" shows the power of friendship and of trying to change and be a better version of one's self.

Byrne portrays two very complex characters that you want to shake your heads at and look down upon. As you go along with them on their journey, however, you gain an understanding of them.

"Á Colombia" is part of the Cinequest's 16th Annual Film Festival.

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## SJSU looking for season sweep against Nevada at first round of WAC 2006 Tournament

By Sophia Seremetis  
DAILY SENIOR STAFF WRITER

After a turbulent season characterized by both winning and losing streaks, the San Jose State women's basketball team will try its post-season luck next week in Reno at the Western Athletic Conference tournament.

SJSU (13-14, 8-8) is locked in a tie for fourth place in the standings with the University of Nevada-Reno (12-16, 8-8) and will attempt to complete a three-game season sweep against the Wolf Pack in the first game of the tournament.

The Spartans will go into the tournament as the fourth seed, and the Wolf Pack are the fifth seed.

SJSU coach Janice Richard said that though the Spartans have fared well against the Wolf Pack, she still expects a tough game, especially at Nevada's home court, where the tournament is being held.

"I definitely feel a whole lot better playing a team that we've beat twice as opposed to having to open up with somebody that beat us twice," Richard said.

Spartans forward Amber Jackson agreed.

"We know it's hard to beat a team three

times in one year, but I'm pretty confident we can come off the win," Jackson said. "We played them twice, we beat them twice, so hopefully we can do it a third time."

SJSU has the WAC's third and fourth top scorers in Jackson and senior forward Lamisha Augustine, both averaging 17.1 points per game apiece. Jackson is also the WAC's top rebounder with 9.5 per game on average, and Augustine is third with 8.5 per game.

The pair have combined to do the bulk of the scoring this season.

Richard said that barring another big scorer materializing for the Spartans, the tournament will be much of the same.

"Lamisha and Amber have definitely carried us all season, and I think they have proven that they can go out and play with any team in the WAC," Richard said. "But it would be nice to have some of those other scorers that we know are capable of scoring step up, and I think for us to advance deep in the WAC tournament, we are going to have to have somebody else."

Jackson said she expects to see SJSU's opponents concentrate on limiting her possessions.

"I know the teams are going to be focused on me a lot more in the tournament

because it's the third time around playing us and they know what I can do," Jackson said. "But I'm pretty confident with just working hard, and my teammates can knock down the shot. I'm not too worried about not performing well."

Augustine said that the bond of communication she and Jackson have formed from practicing together day-in and day-out is "very unique," and will help them get through the tough spots in Reno.

"If I have an off night I know (Jackson) is going to be there to pick up my slack, and if she has an off-night she knows I'm going to be there," Augustine said. "I know when she's going to go to the backdoor, I know when she wants the ball and where she wants it."

Augustine, a five-year veteran, said that nerves can often take a toll on the younger players in a big game, and it will be up to the older players to show them the ropes.

"I know everyone knows that if you lose, you're done, but I don't think they understand the urgency that comes along with the tournament," Augustine said.

Wednesday's game against the Wolf Pack starts at 6 p.m. in the Lawlor Events Center. The championship match is Saturday with tip off scheduled for noon.

### Women's Bracket



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All games are scheduled to be played in the Lawlor Events Center at the University of Nevada-Reno campus.



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San Jose State University pitcher Nicole Luna-Pickens pitches to Saint Francis College outfielder Natasha Kirkland during a doubleheader at the Twin Creeks Sport Complex in Sunnyvale.

## Spartans put Terriers on a tight leash during doubleheader

By Greg Lydon  
DAILY STAFF WRITER

SUNNYVALE — The San Jose State University softball team took both games of a doubleheader against Saint Francis of New York Monday at Twin Creeks Sports Complex.

The Spartans blasted 13 hits and scored 10 runs in game one, defeating the Terriers 10-1.

"We always do a lot better as a team when we get off to a good start early in the game," said SJSU freshmen first basemen Brittany McConnell.

The mercy rule ended game one after the fifth inning. The mercy rule states that if the home team leads by eight or more runs after five innings, the game is over.

The Spartans sent freshmen pitcher Nicole Luna-Pickens to the mound in game one. Luna-Pickens pitched all five innings, allowing one run on

three hits and striking out five batters.

The Spartans' offense struck early and often in game one, starting in the first inning when SJSU first basemen McConnell crushed one into the right-field gap, scoring the first Spartan run on the RBI double.

Saint Francis came back in the third inning to tie the score at one. The Spartans quickly took the lead back in their half of the third.

The beginning of a nine-run, two-inning barrage for the Spartans started when senior center fielder Courtney Lewis doubled up the middle. It ended when freshmen catcher Mandy Winkley blasted a towering home run to right field, giving the Spartans a 10-1 lead.

"We needed to show some offense after the weekend," said Lewis. "We got runners on early and took advantage of the opportunities given to

us."

The Spartans took game two 4-1 behind another pitching performance that pleased the SJSU coaches.

"Both Nicole and Regina pitched well for us today," said coach Dee Dee Enabenter-Omidiji. "Our pitching took quite a beating over the weekend. It was nice to see them bounce back, especially with tired arms."

Sophomore pitcher Regina Farfan pitched a complete game allowing one run on three hits, earning the victory in game two.

Lewis kept the offense coming for the Spartans in game two when her line drive off the St. Francis pitcher's leg drove in one Spartan for an early 2-0 lead.

"My first college game, and I get hit and have to leave the game," said freshmen Saint Francis pitcher Katie Fiden.

The Spartans added two more

runs, including a McConnell home run to right field, to go on to the 4-1 victory.

"Courtney got on a roll this weekend and kept it going in both games today," said Enabenter-Omidiji.

The Spartans lost five games over the weekend in a tournament at UCLA. The coaches didn't feel like the team played well and made several changes in the lineup.

"We lost eight players last year. I made some changes in the lineup, giving a lot of the young players a chance to contribute," said Enabenter-Omidiji. "These freshmen are our future here. They're making the most of it so far."

The doubleheader was originally scheduled to be played at SJSU field, but the field was deemed unplayable by SJSU coaches and grounds crew because of the heavy rain over the weekend.

### SJSU SPORTS OUTLOOK

#### Today

##### Baseball

vs. Stanford University  
at Municipal Stadium, 6 p.m.

#### Wednesday

##### Baseball

vs. Georgetown University  
at Municipal Stadium, 6 p.m.

##### Women's Basketball

WAC Tournament  
Quarterfinals Round

vs. University of Nevada-Reno  
at Reno, 6 p.m.

#### Thursday

##### Women's Tennis

vs. Santa Clara University  
at Los Gatos Swim  
and Raquet Club, 2 p.m.

##### Water Polo

vs. Cal State Northridge  
at Northridge, 3 p.m.

##### Men's Basketball

WAC Tournament  
Quarterfinals Round

vs. Utah State University  
at Reno, 2:30 p.m.

#### Friday

##### Women's Tennis

vs. Southern Utah University  
at Las Vegas, 5 p.m.

##### Softball

National Invitational Softball  
Tournament

vs. Saint Francis College (NY)  
at Twin Creeks Sports  
Complex (Sunnyvale), 5 p.m.

##### Water Polo

vs. University of Southern

#### Friday (cont.)

California  
at Los Angeles, 5 p.m.

##### Gymnastics

vs. Sacramento State  
at Spartan Gym, 7 p.m.

##### Softball

National Invitational Softball  
Tournament

vs. University of Iowa  
at Twin Creeks Sports  
Complex (Sunnyvale), 7 p.m.

##### Women's Basketball

WAC Tournament  
Semifinals Round

vs. TBA\*

at Reno, 2:30 p.m.

##### Men's Basketball

WAC Tournament  
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## ARREST - Lajoie worked at a Campbell high school

"Surprisingly, we did not get too many calls from parents yet," Hege said.

Lajoie is the third teacher from Westmont High School in Campbell who has been accused of unlawful sexual conduct with minors according to past news articles.

In 1997, John A. McCabe, 36, a former biology teacher at the school was charged with several counts of molestation involving three girls. In 2001, Todd Lafferty, 27, a Westmont High School girl's softball coach, pled guilty to six unlawful sexual acts with three minors over a period of four years and was sentenced to three years in prison.

Hege said there weren't any complaints against Lajoie while he taught at the school.

"We never saw anything wrong with him at all," Hege said.

Berg said that he did not find any negligence on the part of the school's hiring process linked to Lajoie's case.

Lajoie is the third person arrested in San Jose in one month for luring minors online into sexual encounters.

"I think knowledge of what is going on the Internet is key," Berg said.

Recent numbers of adults engaging in inappropriate online contact with minors is a growing concern, said Berg. A 26-year-old man from Santa Cruz was arrested last month for the rape of a 14-year-old girl he had met online through MySpace.

"There are a lot of dangers that are out there on the Internet," Berg said.

Berg asks that anyone with information related to the case contact the Campbell Police Department's Investigations Unit at (408) 866-2708 or (408) 866-2101.

**"We never saw anything wrong with him at all."**

— Owen Hege, Westmont High School principal

## MILITARY - Court rejects free-speech argument

Roberts, writing his third decision since joining the court last fall, said there are other less drastic options for protesting the policy. "Students and faculty are free to associate to voice their disapproval of the military's message," he wrote.

Joshua Rosenkranz, the attorney for the challengers of the law, said that the case called attention to the military policy. "A silver lining to the Supreme Court's opinion is the court made it clear," he said, "law schools are free to organize protests."

Geoffrey Shields, dean of Vermont Law School, said the school since 1999 has given up some federal money and will continue to bar recruiters "as a symbol of the importance of fair treatment of all people."

"We've stuck to our guns and I anticipate we'll continue to stick to our guns," he said.

Roberts' decision carefully sidestepped taking a stand on the policy itself, although he explained in a footnote that under don't ask, don't tell, "a person generally may not serve in the Armed Forces if he has engaged in homosexual acts, stated that he is a homosexual, or married a person of the same sex."

The court roundly rejected arguments that the policy raised important First Amendment free-speech issues for school leaders.

"Compelling a law school that sends scheduling e-mails for other recruiters to send one for a military recruiter is simply not the same as forcing a student to pledge allegiance, or forcing a Jehovah's Witness to display the motto 'Live Free or Die,'" Roberts wrote.

Roberts filed the only opinion, which was joined by every justice but Samuel Alito. Alito did not participate because he was not on the bench when the case was argued three months ago.

Congress passed the law, known as the Solomon Amendment after its first congressional sponsor, in 1994 — the same year that the "don't ask, don't tell"

law took effect. Since then, an estimated 10,000 people have been discharged.

Air Force Lt. Col. Ellen Krenke, a Pentagon spokeswoman, said Monday that "equal access to law school, and all schools for that matter, for our recruiters is crucial to ensuring we attract a diverse and highly qualified pool of applicants."

"The Solomon Amendment neither limits what law schools may say nor requires them to say anything," the chief justice said.

The case is *Rumsfeld v. Forum for Academic and Institutional Rights*, 04-1152.

### A glance at the issue of recruitment By The Associated Press

**OPEN CAMPUS:** The Supreme Court ruled that military recruiters must be allowed on campuses that accept federal money.

**THE DEBATE:** Law schools and professors who disagreed with the military's "don't ask, don't tell" policy on gays challenged the federal law preventing colleges from turning away military recruiters.

**NOT SETTLED:** The question of whether "don't ask, don't tell" is legal or not remains; cases about it are pending in two states.

## South Dakota governor signs anti-abortion law

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — Gov. Mike Rounds signed legislation Monday that would ban most abortions in South Dakota, a law he acknowledged would be tied up in court for years while the state challenges the 1973 U.S. Supreme Court decision that legalized abortion.

The bill would make it a crime for doctors to perform an abortion unless the procedure was necessary to save the woman's life. It would make no exception for cases of rape or incest.

Planned Parenthood, which operates the state's only abortion clinic, in Sioux Falls, immediately pledged to challenge the measure. The challenge could either be in court or by petition signatures to refer the measure to a statewide ballot in which voters would be asked to repeal the abortion ban.

"We fully intend to challenge this law," said Kate Looby, state director of Planned Parenthood. "It's just a question of how."

The Legislature passed the bill last month after supporters argued that the recent appointment of conservative justices John Roberts and Samuel Alito have made the U.S. Supreme Court more likely to overturn *Roe v. Wade*.

Rounds said he believes it would be better to chip away at abortion one step at a time rather than directly confront *Roe v. Wade*. But he said many abortion opponents want the direct challenge.

"Personally I think this court will be more interested in looking at different aspects of *Roe v. Wade* rather than the direct frontal assault, but we'll never know unless someone tries," Rounds said.

Rounds said he agrees with legislative sponsors that the test of a civilization is how it treats its most vulnerable and helpless people, and that unborn children are the most vulnerable and helpless.

Under the new law, doctors could get up to five years in prison for performing an illegal abortion.

Abortion opponents already are offering money to help the state pay legal bills for the anticipated court challenge. Rounds has said Lawmakers said an anonymous donor has pledged \$1 million to defend the ban, and the Legislature set up a special account to accept donations for legal fees.

Nancy Keenan, president of NARAL Pro-Choice America, said her organization will urge people across the nation to fight for their reproductive freedom. Some other states are considering similar bans on abortion, and the South Dakota legislation will have an impact in other states, she said.

"We see that this is about more than just South Dakota. It's about the country," Keenan said. "The bottom line in all of it is elections matter."

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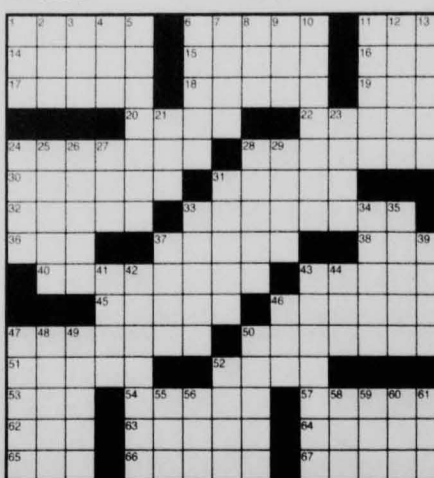
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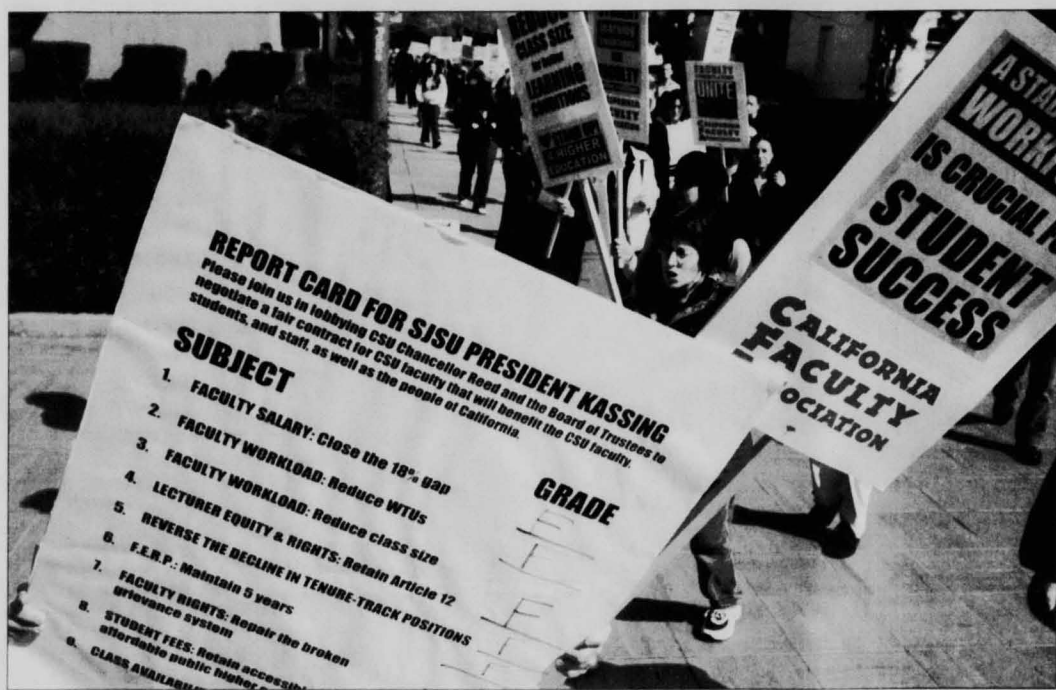
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**GRADE** - Some SJSU faculty members and students hold rally, protest salaries of CSU leaders

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Students and faculty members march to San Jose State University President Don Kassing's office Monday carrying a report card on his performance.

for SJSU and on the statewide union bargaining team.

"This is only the first of many actions that we're taking," she said. "The chancellor has to understand that there's a problem here on the ground level. There are 23 campuses and there are 23 presidents. They basically do very little. The Chancellor makes all the decisions. So why should they get paid a quarter of a mil?"

Dorabji explained that the CFA only had two weeks to make the rally happen.

"We usually have more time to put things together," she said.

She went on to say that despite the shortened timeframe, she was pleased with the turnout. The amphitheatre seats were almost full.

The rally was lead by Jonathan Karpf, who's been an anthropology lecturer at SJSU for about 20 years. San Jose Vice Mayor and mayoral candidate Cindy Chavez spoke at the event along with graduate students Ali Rahnoma and Sayo Ogundiran, English Assistant Professor Persis Karim, Occupational Therapy Associate Professor Elizabeth Cara, Dorabji, and Karpf.

Rahnoma, a student intern for CFA, was the first speaker and began his

speech with, "Do we support our teachers? Hell yeah!"

During his speech, Rahnoma claimed that more than 5,200 eligible students were denied admission into SJSU for Fall 2005 and that fees had increased more than 75 percent over the past three years.

SJSU CFA President Elizabeth Cara walked around during the rally with an unlit cigar, pretending to be California State University Chancellor Charles Reed.

Rahnoma, at the end of his speech, asked, "Where are your priorities?" When Cara got up to answer, the audi-

ence hissed at her response, "I'm here to streamline this system."

Cara was also wearing sandwich signs, advertising the Chancellor's yearly salary of \$360,692, the \$1,000 monthly car allowance he gets and the fact that he receives free housing. One of the signs also showed that SJSU President Don Kassing receives \$230,000 a year along with the same perks.

According to the March 1 CFA newsletter, CSU faculty members recently received a 3.6 percent increase in pay, where administrators received a 13 to 20 percent increase. Chavez was not happy with the salary discrepancy.

"We're not willing to pay teachers a living wage? That's absurd. Absurd," she said.

Ogundiran got up to speak and explained her disappointment in the CSU system.

"I came all the way from New York, ... and when I came here, I found out everything was generic," she said. "And generic education produces generic students."

Before she left the platform, she read a poem she'd written called "Bring It Down," and dedicated it "to all the teachers fighting for their rights." She walked back to her seat amidst applause and whistles.

Fliers were passed out that outlined what the CFA was fighting for, including a fair salary agreement, protection of faculty rights and a reduced workload. According to Dorabji, the current tenure track states that lecturers must teach four semester classes, be published, do research and perform service.

"You're lucky if you get hired at 55 years old," she said.

Speakers emphasized the importance of unity between students and faculty. Chavez stressed how faculty stand up for students every single day.

"To you students, if you think it doesn't matter, let me assure (you) that it does," Chavez said.

**Ruling favors UC students**

BERKELEY (AP) — A judge says the University of California owes millions to students who sued claiming fee increases amounted to a breach of contract.

UC officials, who maintain there was no contract, said Monday they will appeal the ruling.

The case stems from a suit filed by professional students alleging that UC failed to keep a promise to keep fees stable during their three-year course of study.

In fact, fees increased a number of times.

UC officials say it was always made clear to students that fees could change under certain circumstances. They say the state's budget crisis of the last few years and subsequent cut in UC funding forced them to ask students to pay more.

In his ruling made public Monday, San Francisco Superior Court Judge James L. Warren found that UC broke its promise to students who first enrolled in professional schools in 2002 or earlier. The ruling said contracts were breached with other students when fees were raised in 2003 after they had been billed.

He ruled the school should pay nearly \$34 million to more than 9,000 students, but no payments will be made while the case is pending.

Mo Kashmiri, a UC Berkeley law school graduate and one of the original plaintiffs, said the ruling was "a great victory for students." Still, he said he was disappointed UC will be filing an appeal. "They're going to waste a lot of money in legal fees," he said.

Spokesman Ricardo Vazquez said UC officials believe the ruling is incorrect.

"The university believes that there was no contract regarding the amount of fees," he said. "All the increases which were prompted by the state crisis were justified."

The court also found that UC broke contracts with more than 47,000 students when their educational fees were raised after they had enrolled and been billed in 2003.

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