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**MESSAGE TO OUR READERS**

Today is the Spartan Daily's last day of publication for the semester. Publication will resume Monday, August 26. Good luck on finals and have a good summer.

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## Cramped residences to remain

By Colin Atagi

DAILY SENIOR STAFF WRITER

Hoover, Washburn and Royce halls may be getting destroyed, but, for students, other living spaces near campus shall remain.

Along with residents in Allen, Markham and Joe West halls, students will continue living in Spartan Village next semester.

After experimenting with triples in Spartan Village this year, Diana Tran, interim community relations coordinator for housing, said some apartments will continue to house six students next semester.

"(The project) was a success in the way we measured it," she said. "We provided affordable housing and services to students who were looking for it."

With fewer dorms next year, Tran said Spartan Village would play an important part in providing housing.

She said she thinks it would be a good option for students looking for on-campus housing at lower costs and those who want to live with several friends.

"I think it's a good deal if it's what you're looking for," Tran said.

Chariss Ilarina, a sophomore majoring in nursing, said Spartan Village was convenient for her, even though she had five roommates.

"I wasn't looking for anything but convenience for school," she said. "It's better here (than the dorms) I would think."

Ilarina said she would advise second-year students from the dorms to live in Spartan Village before moving off campus.

Tran said she saw some students registering to move into the Spartan Village triples for next semester.

Rissa Belara, a second-year student majoring in kinesiology, shared an apartment with Ilarina this year and said she enjoyed her stay.

"I live comfortably because the rest of the people I live with, I knew all of them except one," she said.

Belara said living with her friends allowed them to get to know each other better.

Though there were six people in the apartment, she said it helped that there was a living room area with a kitchen, rather than just a single room, like the dorms.

She said the only problem was the lack of privacy.

"There wasn't too much privacy, and everyone needs alone time," she said. "If you wanted to be alone, you could go to your bedroom, but there'd be somebody (in) there."

Belara said she had a hard time staying weekends while living in the dorms but was fine with it while in Spartan Village.

Ursula Santamaria, a sophomore majoring in office

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## Cactus Club doors to close

By Ali Fard

DAILY STAFF WRITER

The Cactus Club officially announced its closure on Monday.

The music venue, located in downtown San Jose's South of First Street district, is closing after 15 years of operation.

The club, which has been a staple for the South Bay music community since its inception, will close its doors on June 30 because of continuing pressures by the owners of the building and the rental increases, which the club can't meet.

Bands such as Smashmouth and Papa Roach established themselves at the venue, which has also featured musical acts from Alanis Morissette to Nirvana.

Dance events related to various community subcultures have also frequently been showcased.

According to Stikmon, one of the owners of the club, the ongoing pressure from the city to change the downtown area was a catalyst for the venue's demise.

"It's a bad time for the club," Stikmon said. "Our rent is well over \$12,000 when just a few years ago it was \$4,000."

The Cactus Club was originally created from an existing strip club as a way to improve the South First Street area.

Since then, according to Stikmon, the area has developed into a place catering to more of an elite crowd of young adults, which makes a 16 and up venue a bit out of place.

"When the Cactus opened, the city loved that it was something different," Stikmon said in Tuesday's press release. "However, the 'dot.com' greed has changed the view of San Jose, even in the eyes of the locals. They have forgotten about the people who have been here and lived here when things weren't so technology focused."

Jennifer Leggio, a promoter for the club, said the effect of the club's closing is going to be devastating to the local community.

"The Cactus is the only place in the south bay that kids 16 and over can go for all kind of music - from hip hop to punk to hardcore," Leggio said. "They do have the Gaslight(er) Theater in Campbell, but that's not anywhere near (downtown)."

Leggio said although the club features live music a few nights a week, the last two nights before its closing will feature multiple line-ups of live music each night.

She said there might be a possi-



bility for some mainstream bands to play at the venue.

"Everybody is in shock," Stikmon said. "I've talked to people who have been going here for years saying, 'I grew up here.'"

Some bands that regularly play the Cactus will be saddened when the venue closes.

Leonard Guzman, a guitarist in Moodfrye and a junior studying music, said his band played at the Cactus once every other month.

"Basically, it's one less all age venue to play at," Guzman said. "I'm definitely not happy about (its closing) because it's the best place to play."

He said many musicians in the area got their first gigs at the venue.

The club's demise was inevitable because of future lease expirations, but the fact that it is happening so soon is what is surprising, Stikmon said.

Although he would like the club to remain on South First Street, Stikmon said he will be looking at alternatives in downtown to open a venue around August.

"The problems that we're going to run into getting permits to do what we've been doing," he said. "That's going to be the biggest challenge."



Photos by JaShong King / Daily Staff

**Top, Cactus Club bartender**

Robert Cella, right, puts his hands on the doorway entrance of the club during a slow afternoon hour. The Cactus Club announced it will close its doors on June 30 after being part of the downtown San Jose nightclub scene for 15 years. Cella said he considers the closure "the end of an era."

**Above, Cactus Club co-owner**

Stikmon (no last name given), sits in the sound booth across the stage from where countless bands have played in the club's 15 year history. Stikmon blames the club's closure on high rents and attempts by San Jose property owners to give downtown a more high class image.

## Broadcast adviser retires

By Dray Miller

DAILY STAFF WRITER

It wasn't a normal sized crowd, but then again, it wasn't a normal show.

A large group of teachers, students and friends poured into the control room of Update News, the weekly on-campus news broadcast, as the last show of the semester came to an end.

It was the final broadcast under the guidance of Darla Belshe, who is retiring as a lecturer and the advisor of Update News after 25 years of service and dedication at San Jose State University.

After the show, the crowd filed into the newsroom, where students and faculty presented Belshe with gifts, took pictures and exchanged tearful goodbyes with the adviser who, as one colleague put it, "is the most compassionate, warm, caring, loving human being anyone would ever want to encounter."

The appreciation shown toward her years of dedication was abundant.

"We have some great faculty on this campus, but I can't think of a single person who has spent as much time individually with each of her students," said journalism professor Bob Rucker, who first met Belshe when he came to SJSU 11 years ago.

While the decision to step away was understood by those at SJSU who are close to Belshe, it was met with sadness by students and colleagues who said a majority of Update News and



JaShong King / Daily Staff

Update News adviser Darla Belshe, right, hugs Spartan Daily adviser Mack Lundstrom on the set of San Jose State University's weekly TV news program after producing her last show. Belshe is retiring after 25 years as an adviser and lecturer for the broadcasting department in the school of journalism and mass communications.

the entire School of Mass Communications would be leaving with her.

"Darla's been an inspiration for so many students," junior Ysolde Jayme, a reporter for Update News, said. "She's inspired me and encouraged me. For her to step away, I think it's tragic."

Like many others did, senior

Ronald Jackson, also a reporter for Update News, described Belshe as someone who went far beyond the call of duty.

"I've known Darla for about six years, and she's one of the sole reasons why I'm still on Update, why I'm still

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## Neil Parry focused on return to the field

By Andrew Bollinger

DAILY STAFF WRITER

It's been 18 months and 20 surgeries since San Jose State football player Neil Parry has played in a game.

After suffering a compound fracture on October-14, 2000 against the University of Texas-El Paso that resulted in his right leg being amputated 18 inches below the knee, Parry is ready to make his comeback.

The Spartans special-teams player suffered the injury on a third-quarter kickoff when one of his teammates rolled on his leg after being knocked to the ground by a Miners player.

Two seasons later, Parry is as determined as ever to get back on the football

field. "I feel like I'm probably ready to play in the fall," Parry said.

Even though other people, including football players on other teams, have been fast to criticize him in his attempt to make a comeback, Parry won't let anything get in his way.

"There's always people like that," Parry said. "The people that said those things obviously don't know the type of person that I am."

The last of his 20 surgeries was performed in February to remove bone spurs from his leg and to fuse his tibia and fibula.

If not for the bone spurs, Parry said he

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## Correction

A story headlined "Students address conflict" in Tuesday's Spartan Daily contained a factual error about suicide bombers in Israel. A sentence said, in part, "In recent months, in retaliation for a series of suicide bombings by Israel, Israel has..."

The story should have said, "In recent months, Palestinian suicide bombers have killed Israeli citizens and the Israeli Army

has made incursions into Palestinian towns and a refugee camp leading to a number of deaths, resulting in increasing international tensions."

The story also contained a quotation from a student alleging that Israelis killed members of a family. There was no indication that the allegation was true, nor was there an attempt to verify the allegation. The Daily regrets the errors.



# OPPOSING VIEWS

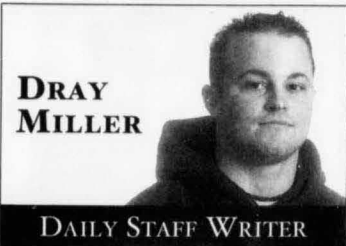
Should alcohol be banned at SJSU?

**Banning alcohol would only succeed in killing the already-suffering social atmosphere at San Jose State**

**Alcohol has no place in an academic environment like a college campus where students are role models**

Administrators at the University of California, Berkeley recently decided that student organizations should not be entitled to good, old fashioned, American fun. Citing "perennial violations of university policy and state and federal laws" on the part of social fraternity's and sororities, the Dean of the

It's 1 a.m. on a Monday. The rest of the world is sleeping, but you're wide-awake in your dorm room. Your left hand is up in the air while the right hand has a bottle of Jack Daniels in it.



**DRAY MILLER**

DAILY STAFF WRITER

accepted, feels the need to drop an iron fist on something that is supposed to be an adult activity. Students can be expected to study forty hours a week, juggle exams and term papers, but they aren't allowed to tie one on every now and then? This is a terrible way to initiate their students, who are supposedly some of the brightest in the nation, into adulthood. Not only is it a terrible precedent to set on their campus, but it's a terrible one to set for any campus period. Such actions might catch on with other university administrators who think part of their job description is playing the role of "booze-Nazi" at campus parties. Can you imagine if this moratorium broke loose from the Berkeley campus and spread south to San Jose State University?

**We are already told that we can't enjoy a beer at a Spartan basketball game at the Event Center, where the Gordon Biersch stand teases us with thoughts of a cold Marzen.**

What is already, for the most part, a rather tame Greek community would be rendered lifeless. We are already told that we can't enjoy a beer at a Spartan basketball game at the Event Center, where the Gordon Biersch stand teases us with thoughts of a cold Marzen but makes us settle for overpriced tap water. The pub that once graced this campus and provided SJSU alumni with a place to make long lasting memories in between classes has been taken out and replaced by yet another place to get overpriced food. Hell, even the Spartan Daily newsroom is apparently off-limits to alcohol, even though there are

times and people, both from outside and on the staff, that make the occasional drink necessary. Forcing the fraternities to go dry at their parties would be a travesty. Think about frat parties ... what would they be without alcohol? Without kegs of beer, how could they justify charging people to enter? Without crunchy, potent margaritas, the possibility of promiscuous sexual activity with complete strangers would sharply decrease, basically canceling the point of such events in the first place. Come to think of it, would the attendees of these parties even be able to stand each other without the alcohol? Telling young adults that they can no longer drink after waiting 21 long years to legally be able to would only be creating more problems. If they aren't allowed to drink, they'll seek out other vices. Would those in favor of banning alcohol rather see drinking events replaced by coke parties or ecstasy fests? The fact is, all of us boozers, whether or not we are in a fraternity or sorority, are not going to put our drink down because some suit thinks he has a right to tell us to. The end result will be more people getting in trouble, more organizations being placed on probation or losing their houses, and more people being forced to rebel against unnecessary regulations. University administrations, no matter what campus they are on, need to be reminded of their real responsibilities and leave it up to students to make decisions for themselves.

Dray Miller is a Spartan Daily Staff Writer.

University, Karen Kenney, imposed a moratorium on alcohol at parties taking place at chapter houses on campus, effective from the end of April through the end of the semester.

The administrators up in Berkeley have managed to step in and force authority on a group of people who likely need a little help of the alcoholic sort in order to deal with the stress and anxiety of attending such an expensive and academically exhausting institution as theirs.

It seems a bit odd that a college such as UC Berkeley, where supposedly only the most responsible and intellectually gifted students are



Illustration by Dawn Bozack

Your three other friends, two of whom are younger than the legal drinking age, are chanting, "Go, go, go."

Slowly, you raise the bottle. Its brown contents fill your mouth. At first, your body gets warm and tingly. Then you wince as the liquid slides down your throat and into your stomach.

You're smiling and your friends are cheering.

Minutes later, you feel the buzz — vision is getting blurry and your hearing is shot.

Yep that's the college life. You go off to college and you expect to experience what others before you have done.

The drugs. The drinking. The random sex. The late-night partying.

Sounds like fun doesn't it? Now put yourself in your parent's shoes.

What do you think was going through their minds when you left for college?

They were afraid their 18-year-old baby was going to get caught up in the peer pressure.

This is exactly why we need to eliminate the alcohol from the dorms and the fraternity functions.

Less than a month ago, University of California at Berkeley officials decided to make the campus dry.

I think that was a great idea and I believe we should follow suit.

Alcohol has its place in society, but in a dorm room where there are people under the legal drinking age is not one of them.

Alcohol causes problems.

Don't believe me? Try asking Kenny Nears, a former wide receiver for the Spartan football team.

Nears was shot in the leg at a fraternity party in February 2000. According to the Feb. 22, 2000 edition of the Spartan Daily, the University Police Department suspected alcohol might have played a factor in the brawl that ensued outside the fraternity house.

And what about in October of that year when concertgoers rioted after an El Tri concert at the Event Center?

According to the Oct. 16, 2000 article, the Event Center sold a lot of alcohol that evening and some of the vendors who were present said those involved in the altercation were probably drunk.

Perhaps these are the type of things the Berkeley officials were trying to prevent when it voted last month to make the UC Berkeley campus a dry community for the remainder of the semester.

Maybe, just maybe, it is time we too crack down on alcohol on this campus. Alcohol has no place on campus or at any events put on by entities of SJSU.

Do you know how hard it is to police alcohol use on a campus where there are more than 27,000 students, with a significant number of them being under the age of 21?

Now I know some of you who are old enough to drink are wondering why you should be subject to such regulations.

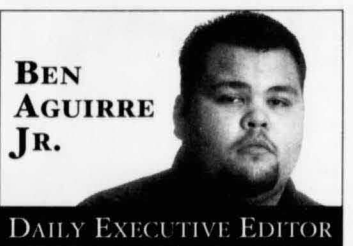
The answer is simple — you are role models to younger individuals in this community.

Believe it or not, younger individuals on this campus look up to you older folks and try to act just like you. So when you're at a party slamming, or chugging that beer, there are two underage drinkers who are waiting to mimic you.

I know alcohol is part of the college experience, but we need to ban it from our campus. If alcohol is to be consumed at a bar, where minors will not have access to it and if problems arise, they can quickly be taken care of.

We need to take a step back. We need to step away from what we know as "tradition" and create a safe environment for the individuals who do not know the difference between right and wrong.

After all, you probably don't want to be in the same situation your parents were in when they sent you to college.



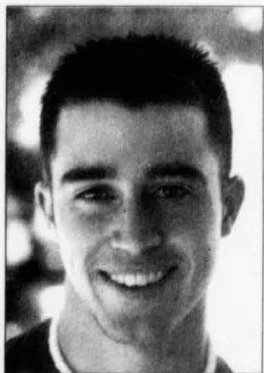
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DAILY EXECUTIVE EDITOR

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Ben Aguirre Jr. is the Spartan Daily Executive Editor.

## TALKING HEADS Should alcohol be banned at SJSU?



"It's a person's prerogative whether they want to drink or not. I haven't seen any major problems with SJSU not being dry."

— Brendan Croom  
materials engineering



"I think they should have the pub back, like they did a couple of years ago. It creates a socializing, bonding atmosphere for students, especially during finals week."

— Anthoy Teav  
management information systems



"Yes, the campus should be dry. Alcohol is so readily accessible and it creates an environment of irresponsibility."

— Sean Coach  
SJSU alumnus



"It's okay with alcohol. It's people's freedom."

— Khin Sein  
computer science



"No, I don't think it's a good idea. It's legal for whoever is over 21 and most colleges have students that are over 21. Fraternities aren't even on campus."

— Thu Lam  
corporate finance



"Hell no, because people should have the freedom to party."

— Kelly Ferketich  
television, radio, film, theater

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## VIEWPOINT

### Year's end is time for memories and thanks

Here it is, the last issue of the semester. In this issue is a culmination of all the hard work the staff has put into this semester. The end product of a group of people who have finally figured out how to successfully run a newspaper.

At least that's what you would think.

The end of the semester brings a lot of things.

People graduate, they get to move on with their lives by leaving this university, and in the fall a whole new group of students will trickle in to fill their places.

Maybe today will be the last class you ever take.

Or maybe it will just be the last class you take this semester.

The point is next semester will be brand new, with new classes, new professors and new faces.

The same goes for the Daily. Each semester we start anew.

There's a new editorial staff and a new writing staff.

We'll have a brand new staff as in brand-spanking new.

Former editors, or experienced ones generally use this time to pass down all their words of wisdom to the new editors.

We try to jam what we learned all semester into two weeks of training.

It doesn't always stick, but it's better than sending them in cold turkey.

And that's what it's all about: training.

In kindergarten we trained for the next grade.



**MICHELLE JEW**

SPOILED

college. And now that we're here, we're training for the rest of our lives.

We take classes to help us in our goals: to actually find a job and hold a career.

And even though I'll never understand why I had to take a statistics class or how it relates to journalism, I made it through.

I'm not graduating. After being on the daily staff for two-and-a-half years, I'm still stuck here for a year.

But for the people who are graduating, I hope you enjoyed San Jose State University.

I hope that in 40 years you can look back on your time here and laugh about the parking situation.

I laugh about it every day. I hope that you can look back on the time you spent here and have fond memories.

Whether it is about the time your friend got so drunk that he couldn't walk back to campus by himself to take a final, or the time he fell on his butt and lost a shoe at a bar.

Or maybe it will be the time

you spent all night in the computer lab typing up a report, only to have the professor say that you could turn it in during the final instead.

Maybe you'll meet your future spouse here.

Or your future ex.

Hey, I'm just applying the only thing I remember from that statistics class.

But when I look back in 40 years, maybe I'll remember the parking situation. Maybe I'll remember all the horrible classes I took.

But maybe I won't. There's only one thing I know I'll remember: the people.

I'll remember the first time I walked into a newsroom and met the people who would influence me more than I thought possible.

I'll remember The Jon, or maybe I'll blame him, for convincing (read: telling) me to come back as an editor.

I'll remember Aaron Williams because he scared me for about two seconds before proving he really was a sweetheart underneath it all.

I'll remember Christina Lucarotti for many reasons. For throwing her hands in the air every time she was excited, for having so many stalkers we had to hide her in the backshop and for being one of the best honest, wonderful people I'll ever know.

I'll remember Minal Gandhi, for being Christina's identical twin (they were separated at birth, I'm sure.) Just for being

one of the sweetest people I've ever met.

I'll remember Mike Osegueda. He won't let himself be forgotten. But how could I forget him? He taught me how to speak at people. He taught me how to lead without pushing and to laugh at everything, even if it isn't funny at the time.

I'll remember Tim, the backshop king, pimp extraordinaire and all-around wonderful man. Even though I tried to take care of him he always ended up taking care of me.

And I'll remember Mack, our adviser and friend. I'll remember all his advice, help and comforting words. And I'll always remember what Christina said: "If I could be anybody in the world for just one day, I'd be Mack. Because then I could honestly say that I knew everything. Even if just for a little bit."

These people have been my dearest friends and family for the past two years.

They've been my company. They've been my support. They've been part of the reason I get up every morning and go to school.

They've been part of the Spartan Daily.

I just hope you have as many fond memories to look back on as I do.

*Michelle Jew is a Spartan Daily Production Editor; this is the final "Spoiled" of the semester.*

### Student gov't needs to stop bickering and start working

In reading the dramatics played out in this newspaper over these past couple of weeks, (especially the one directed at me in yesterday's Daily) I've come to the conclusion that some people really must have nothing to do with their time other than bitch and moan in the school paper. Following are my brief takes on these "controversial" topics. Interpret them however you wish.

Mr. Alfonso De Alba receives \$100+ K annually. So what? Other auxiliary executive directors on campus receive roughly the same, or in some cases more than he does. He pulls in half of what he would if he were employed in the private sector, "qualifications" or not. He's performed his duties as A.S. Executive Director for the past few years and he's been compensated justly.

The current budget isn't in compliance with Measure M. Big deal! This was a poorly planned initiative to begin with and it sure as hell shouldn't have been an election issue. Allocating nearly \$600K to clubs and organizations, when at most the request for funds can tally to no more than roughly \$300K, is feeble thinking.

But Winter Field will be paved for parking. Why is this even an issue? True, some stu-

dents groups will be displaced and I sympathize with their plight, as much as I do for the residents in that neighborhood. But students are hankering for parking, even more so next year when the city reclaims more spots. There are far more commuters than there are spaces because many students don't utilize the free alternative transportation services provided by the university. More students using the garages leads to a greater need for maintenance and upgrades, which leads to a need for increase in fees. Remember, parking permits are OPTIONAL.

Is it worth more to a student body of 29,000 to have, at most, 200 people use fallow land twice a week, or the opportunity to get to class on time? Paving Bud Winter Field and increasing garage permit prices are the only parking solutions on the table for now.

I would love to talk more in detail about my stance in increasing the garage permit prices, but I'm limited in words.

In closing, I'd like to advise my fellow wannabe politicians to stop quibbling over these inconsequential issues and start listening and collaborating to ensure a quality student experience for the future. Stop being closed-minded party stalwarts and stop whining in the Spartan Daily. It's petty.

To the students, I urge you to get involved in the process. Attend committee meetings, ask questions, and most importantly, give us feedback. Without you, we're no more effective than headless chickens in running this campus.

Oh yes, and have a good summer.

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# Durkin wins 10th game in 9-2 victory over Cal



Top, Spartan freshman righthander Matt Durkin delivers a pitch during SJSU's 9-2 defeat of Cal Berkeley on Tuesday night. Durkin struck out six Golden Bears in eight innings of work to run his record to 10-2.

By Joseph Weaver

DAILY STAFF WRITER

When Coach Sam Piraro recruited Matt Durkin to the San Jose State University baseball team, he didn't expect his freshman right-hander to be this good, this soon.

Durkin tossed eight shutout

Tuesday's Score

Cal Berkeley	2
Spartans	9

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innings en route to earning his 10th win of the season in the Spartans 9-2 victory over Cal Berkeley (29-27) on Tuesday night at Municipal Stadium.

The Spartans (42-15) wasted no time in getting on the board.

Second baseman Gabe Lopez singled home center fielder Dino Quintero to give SJSU a 1-0 lead.

The RBI was Lopez's 57th of the season, a team-high.

The Spartans began to add to their lead inning-by-inning beginning in the fourth.

Shortstop Ryan Adams singled to left field to score third baseman Kevin Frandsen from second base for a 2-0 lead.

SJSU continued to batter Golden Bear pitching in the fifth inning when left fielder Nathan Corrick tripled down the right field line, scoring right fielder Travis Becktel for a 3-0 lead.

The Spartans assumed complete control of the contest in the sixth inning.

Frandsen lead off the inning hitting an 0-2 pitch off of Cal reliever Creighton Kahoali over the left field wall for his sixth home run of the season.

"He threw me two sliders and I looked for one more," Frandsen said. "He hung the third one and

I just drove it."

SJSU scored two more runs in the inning on wild pitches by Kahoali and reliever Matt Payne.

All the while, Durkin was dominating Cal batters.

After allowing a lead-off base hit in the first inning to Bears center fielder David Nicholson, Durkin didn't allow another hit until there was one out in the seventh inning, a stretch of 19 outs without allowing a hit.

Durkin's evening was finished after eight innings when he wiggled out of a two-man on, two-out jam by getting Cal catcher John Baker to fly out to Corrick.

Durkin threw 129 pitches on the night in improving to 10-2 on the season.

"When we recruited him, we felt that he was going to be good," Spartan head coach Sam Piraro said. "But if you would have told me he'd have 10 wins right now, I'd have you drug tested. He's really been a boost to the team this year."

The Spartans scored three more times off of Cal relievers to push the score to 9-0 heading into the ninth inning.

Cal scored two runs off of Spartan reliever Don Gemmill when shortstop Nick Medrano hit a two-out double off the left field wall scoring teammates Noah Jackson and Justin Nelson.

Gemmill retired Nicholson for the final out of the game and the Spartans had their 42nd win of the season.

The 42 wins puts SJSU one win away from tying a school record of 43 wins set in 1990.

"All wins are big wins and we are just taking it one game at a time," Piraro said. "This was a really big one because it's a Pac-10 win. Whenever we play one of those teams, it's a game for us to prove ourselves."

# Jensen, Giants pull out pitcher's duel over Atlanta in eighth inning

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Ryan Jensen hopes nobody notices how well he's throwing. Especially the opposition.

Jensen scattered five hits over eight innings as the San Francisco Giants shut out the Atlanta Braves 2-0.

It was the right-hander's third straight win. Jensen (4-2) has thrown 13 consecutive scoreless innings, and has allowed just three runs over the last 21 1-3 innings.

"I'm not a first-round draft pick, I've had to work my way up. I've always been the underdog, something else would be different

for me," he said.

"I've always told everybody I want to be a million-dollar nobody."

Reggie Sanders hit a two-run single in the eighth for the Giants, who have won nine of their last 11 games.

Robb Nen, who blew a save Monday night in the ninth before San Francisco won in 11 innings, got three outs for his 12th save.

The Giants are 25-13 and off to their best start since 1973, when they opened with the same record.

Australian left-hander Dami-an Moss (1-1), coming off his first

career victory last Thursday against the Dodgers, earned his first major league loss.

Moss allowed two runs on seven hits over seven-plus innings with six walks and four strikeouts.

The game was scoreless until the bottom of the eighth.

Rich Aurilia walked, then went to third on Barry Bonds' double down the third-base line. Moss intentionally walked Jeff Kent before he was replaced by Kevin Gryboski, who hadn't allowed a run over 13 innings in 11 games.

Sanders' bloop single into right field scored Aurilia and Bonds.

"It would have been a shame for our pitcher to lose that game," Sanders said.

Jensen, who did not walk a batter, got out of a jam in the sev-

enth. With one out, Gary Sheffield doubled to the gap in left-center. Jensen then struck out both Chipper Jones and Andruw Jones.

Bonds went 2-for-2 and was walked twice by Moss. After setting the single-season record with 177 walks last season, Bonds has 50 walks this year.

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## SJSU baseball playoff bid a wait-and-see affair

By Andrew Bollinger  
DAILY STAFF WRITER

The Spartans baseball team dropped one spot from No. 22 to No. 23 in the Baseball America Top 25 Poll after losing two out of three games to Western Athletic Conference leading No. 2 Rice.

The drop in the rankings came despite the Spartans' (41-15, 18-9 WAC) tough play against the Owls (41-10, 22-2 WAC), whose only two conference losses have come at the hands of San Jose State University.

Lefthander Jahseam George, who gave up just four hits in eight innings of work, lead SJSU to a 5-0 shutout of the Owls on Saturday. In the series opener on Friday, the Spartans blew a 6-5 eighth-inning lead and lost 7-6.

The loss broke the Spartans seven-game winning streak. In the series finale on May 12, SJSU lost 3-2.

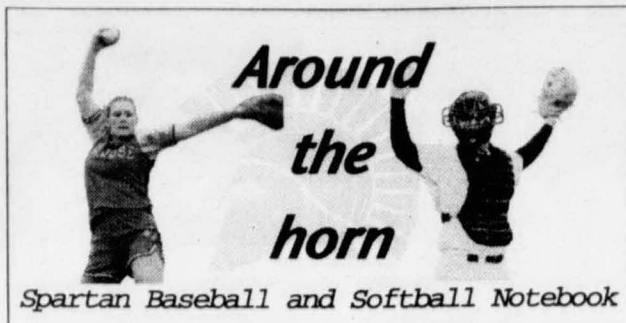
With the score tied at 2-2, Rice took a one-run lead with three singles in the seventh inning.

Spartans catcher Adam Shorsher led off the night inning with a double, but was unable to score the tying run.

Although SJSU lost two out of three to Rice, head coach Sam Piraro said his team has played ranked teams tough.

The Spartans defeated No. 7 Stanford 12-0 on May 1.

Before last weekend's series against Rice, the Spartans had



beaten the Owls on April 7 by a 2-1 score at Blethen Field.

"We've already got people's attention," Piraro said. "We're a nationally-ranked team. It's just a matter of continuing to play the way we've been playing."

### Playoff bound?

Through Sunday's games, the Spartans (41-15) had more wins than any Division I team in California, including No. 7 Stanford, and have defeated top 10 teams three times.

No. 21 Richmond (46-8), No. 5 Florida State (48-12), and No. 1 Clemson (42-12) were the only Division I teams in the country to have more wins than the Spartans.

Rice (41-10) and No. 12 Georgia Tech (41-11) were tied with SJSU in the win column.

But will the Spartans make it

to the playoffs?

"If we can win three of the next four — yes," Piraro said. "We're hoping that they take three teams," Piraro said. "Hopefully us and Fresno."

The Owls earned at least a share of the WAC title and thus a post-season berth with Sunday's victory, but the rest of the conference is up in the air.

Piraro said this year's team is the best regular season team he has ever had, including the 2000 World Series team.

"This team might have a little bit better offensive talent," Piraro said. "But there's something to be said about making it to the World Series."

He said the 2000 team had a set pitching rotation, while he has juggled his pitchers some this season.

One reason the Spartans are in a position to make another trip to

the post season this year is because of the turnaround of Shorsher.

The senior, who was a member of the 2000 World Series team, hit a combined .239 with eight home runs and 61 RBIs in his first three seasons on the team.

Through Sunday's action, Shorsher was hitting .317 with 51 RBIs and leading the WAC with 13 home runs.

"He's made settle adjustments," Piraro said. "He hasn't limited himself to one part of the field. It took him three years to figure out he's strong enough to use the entire field."

The Spartans finish up regular season play with a three game series against the University of Nevada at Blethen Field this weekend.

SJSU will learn if they make it to the playoffs when the NCAA announces their post-season brackets on May 27.

### Spartan of the week

Spartans lefthander Jahseam George was named the Western Athletic Conference pitcher of the week after defeating No. 2 Rice University 5-0.

George allowed no runs, scattering four hits while walking four and striking out three in eight innings of work.

He retired 13 straight batters and didn't allow a hit past the fourth inning.

With the victory, George (9-1) tied freshman Matt Durkin (9-2)

for the team lead in wins.

"He's very important (to the team)," Piraro said. "He's done everything we've asked."

### Giant killers

The Spartan softball team ended the 2002 campaign by defeating No. 14 Fresno State University on Saturday at SJSU Field.

In doing so, SJSU defeated Bulldogs ace Jamie Southern (32-8, 0.41 ERA), who is one of 10 finalists for the Collegiate Softball Player of the Year.

Spartans freshman pitcher Brianna Ferguson, who was named the WAC "Pitcher of the Week," earned the victory in the 3-2 win, going all 10 innings.

The victory on Saturday was Ferguson's fourth complete game victory in a row.

The freshman shut down No. 8 Stanford 1-0 last Wednesday, No. 17 University of the Pacific, 1-0, on May 5 and Louisiana Tech University, 4-2, on April 27.

During the four-game stretch, Ferguson went 4-0 with a 0.90 ERA with 11 strikeouts and eight walks in 31 innings.

The Spartans ended the 2002 season with a 25-44 record (8-16 WAC), finishing 10 games behind conference champion Fresno State University in sixth place, ahead of only Louisiana Tech University.

This year's team, which had seven freshman and just three

seniors, was young and inexperienced, head coach Dee Dee Enabenter-Omidiji said.

"The maturity level has to improve," Enabenter-Omidiji said. "And I think it will. They've been through a heck of a season. It's been a long season ... It's going to be good experience."

### Postseason honors

This baseman Ramos was named to the second team All-Western Athletic Conference for the second consecutive season.

She hit .292 in the WAC and .284 overall.

Ramos tied the club record of 14 doubles in a season.

### Looking ahead

After the team finished with a .233 batting average, Enabenter-Omidiji said she would concentrate on finding hitters when she goes recruiting this off-season.

"We're going to need some more offensive support," she said. Enabenter-Omidiji said she would concentrate on getting players with experience.

"I'm going to try and get (junior college) transfers than have that maturity level," Enabenter-Omidiji said, "and have had some success at the plate. I think I'm done for a while with freshman."

"With a couple of years of experience, this is going to be a good program."

## PARRY: 18 months after leaving field, football player still planning a return

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would have played last season. "During the beginning of last season I was feeling pretty good," Parry said. "I was healthy ... then I had to stop running because of the bone spurs. After I get healthy from this (surgery), I should be on my way."

Parry's father, Nick, and brother Josh, who is playing in NFL Europe until June, have been behind him in his effort to get back on the football field.

"He should do what he wants," Nick said. "I've been behind him 100 percent. I told him what he decides is fine with me."

Although his brother Josh, who was his teammate at the time of his injury, is in Germany playing football, he still checks in to see how his little brother is doing.

"He calls me three times a week asking how my leg is doing, seeing if I'm doing alright," Parry said. "He says he can't wait to watch me play again."

Parry's dad and brother are excited for him, but that doesn't mean his mom feels the same way. "My mom is a little scared," he said. "She just doesn't want to see me get hurt again, especially with the stuff that happened with Curtis Williams."

Williams, who was a defensive back with the University of Washington, was paralyzed in a game against Stanford in Palo Alto while Parry was in the hospital at Stanford Medical Center.

Williams passed away last from complications stemming from his injuries. Parry made the trip

to Fresno on Monday to attend his funeral.

"(My mom) doesn't want anything worse to happen to me," Parry said. "She doesn't want to see me go through anything else."

Parry wasn't able to participate in any contact drills during spring practice, and despite being confined to the sidelines during the spring games, he thinks he'll be OK.

While the rest of the team was playing spring games last month, Parry was working out and just trying to get healthy again.

"I should be ready. The next step is to start running again."

The only thing holding him back now is a new prosthetic leg made for running.

After the last surgery, a new leg had to be made for Parry because the surgery changed the shape of his leg.

The elder Parry said the doctors had to change the design of the leg too.

"It was made to sprint straight ahead," Nick said.

He said Neil has to be able to stop quickly and turn another direction, which wasn't possible with the previous prosthetic.

Because of the last surgery and not having a running leg available to him right away, Parry's father said he may not be where the rest of the team is when the season starts.

"He might be a little behind," Nick said. "It may take him until midseason (to catch up)."

Despite not playing in more than a season, Parry said the

SJSU coaching staff has been nothing but supportive, and thinks he will be able to complete his comeback.

"They've been behind me the whole time," Parry said. "They've told me to just go at my own pace and whenever I'm ready, let them know."

Head coach Fitz Hill wasn't the coach at the time Parry was injured, but is behind him nonetheless.

"Everything is on Neil's schedule," Hill said.

Hill, who is entering his second season as the Spartans head coach, told Parry to go at his own pace, and not worry about trying to rush anything.

When he's ready to come back, Hill said he'd find a place for Parry on the football team.

Hill went as far as to say that Parry could work with him if he isn't able to play again.

"I told him if he can't resume his full capacity of playing, he has a place with me coaching."

Parry said Hill has been one of his biggest supporters.

"His mom's been handicapped for most of his life, so he knows what it's like to have to deal with something like that," Parry said. "He's told me don't let anyone discourage me ... he'll do whatever he can to help me out."

Whether football is in Parry's future is uncertain.

One thing he knows he wants to do is be a motivational speaker.

Parry said he would like to go around and speak to high school students about his accident and

everything that he has gone through.

Hill said he has already let Parry talk to the team.

"If you can't be motivated (by Neil), you can't be motivated," Hill said. "You don't have a pulse."

Parry has also thought about coaching, perhaps with his brother and his father, who is the head football coach at Parry's alma matter, Sonora High school.

His father said he's already had a chance to coach with Josh, and can't wait for a chance to do the same with Neil.

"It was a blast to watch (Josh) interact with the kids," Nick said. "I would love to coach with (Neil)," Nick said.

Nick said Parry could be coaching already.

"He's had offers," Nick said. "I've had people come up to me and say if he ever wants to coach, 'call me.'"

While he was out of action last season, Parry helped out the Spartans defensive backs' coaches.

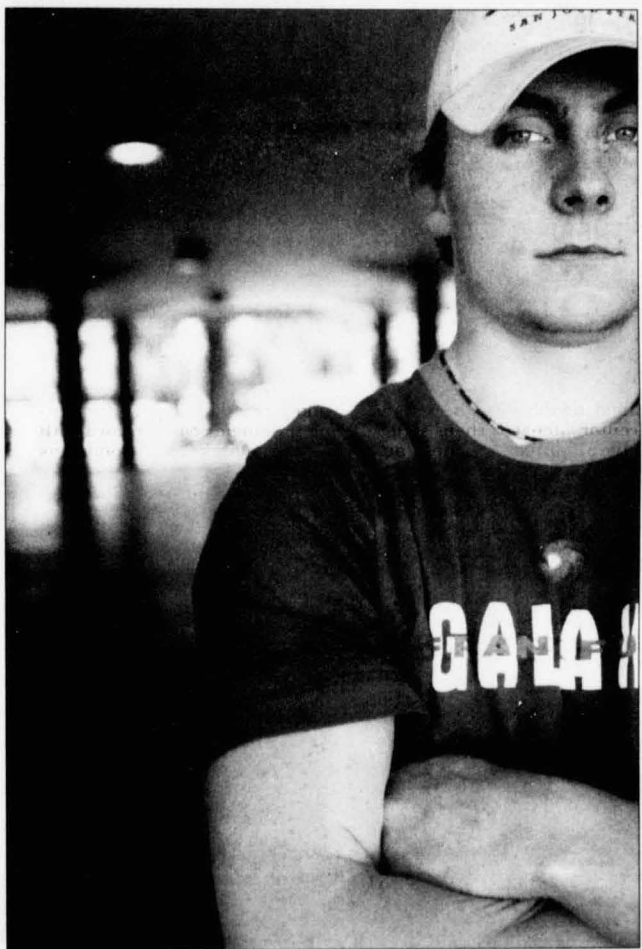
He said he enjoyed the experience and was able to see the game from a different perspective.

"Sometimes when you're playing, you're wondering what the coaches are thinking," Parry said. "(Now I know) what the coaches think."

A coaching career may have to wait a while, because Parry says he's going to play again.

As far as Hill is concerned, it's a done deal.

"As long as Fitz Hill is in football, there's always going to be a place for Neil Parry."



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Neil Parry stands in the walkway between the Spartan Complex and Uchida Hall on Tuesday. Eighteen months and 20 surgeries later Parry is still determined to play football for San Jose State University.

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## DORMS Students benefited despite lack of privacy



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Chariss Ilarina, Farmta Saelee, Rissa Belara and Michelle Wong, from left to right, fight over candy in their apartment in Spartan Village Monday. The four girls, along with two other girls, lived in a single apartment last semester.

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nursing, also lived with Ilarina and Belara. She said living in Spartan Village with five other roommates was a learning experience.

"You definitely learn about yourself, like things you weren't aware of yourself while living at home, and it teaches you about responsibility," she said.

Farmta Saelee, a second-year nursing student, said she agreed that people could learn from living in Spartan Village.

"I think every person has a certain cleanliness or just the way you do things is different, and you don't realize that until you live with each other," she said.

Saelee said there were some people cleaner than others, but it never got to the point where it was out of hand.

She said it seemed like things were louder than they really were, though, because there were a lot of people in a small place.

Belara said there was a problem with having friends staying over. She said she thought that as long as everyone cooperated, everything could go smoothly.

"It's all about consideration, and some people didn't have it, and it's hard when you have an extra person," she said. "I'll be in my bedroom, and it'll be crowded since there are four of us (including someone's

boyfriend) in the room. It happened a lot, more than we would have liked."

Saelee said she agreed that people should be considerate when living in Spartan Village.

"One of the No. 1 things on the list of things to keep in mind is to be considerate of others and think if you would want them to do this or that to you," she said. "If people don't communicate more, they'll just walk around mad."

Despite any problems, though, Saelee said she thought Spartan Village was a good deal.

"The place is furnished, you live a mile from campus, and you make one payment for electricity and water," she said.

Saelee said it's a step up from the dorms and is a good spot between dorms and a regular apartment.

Belara said she agreed that it was a good deal.

"It's a good experience because Spartan Village is a move up from the dorms, and it's convenient and cheap," she said. "You've got the shuttle, and it's like having your own place. But I think one year is enough."

Belara said they would be moving into the Esplanade apartments in San Jose's Japantown next semester.

She said they would be living with their current roommate Michelle Wong, who was

unavailable for comment, and a sixth roommate.

Michelle Carrison, the sixth occupant from Spartan Village, moved out a couple weeks ago and was also unavailable for comment.

Saelee said they were one of the last groups to move into the Esplanade apartments without help from campus housing.

Since she doesn't have a car, Saelee said she hopes there will be a bus service for the students like there was at Spartan village.

Two buildings were leased for about 250 students to live in the Esplanade apartments, which are being referred to as upper-division apartments, Tran said.

Belara said it would be different because there would be people other than students living in the complex. She said it was easier to talk to their neighbors at Spartan Village and to borrow supplies since they were also students.

She said she expects them all to do well in their new home.

Though there were six people in the Spartan Village apartment, she said they had enough room for everyone's things.

"We had a lot of food," she said. "The fridge and freezer were full, but we got all our stuff in there."

## Staffer to lead Daily

By Michelle Giluso

DAILY STAFF WRITER

New ideas and enthusiasm will sit at the helm of the Spartan Daily this fall.

Anna Bakalis, currently a Daily staff writer, is going to be the newspaper's new executive editor.

The new advertising director is still undecided. Bakalis describes herself as confident, self-reflective and persistent.

It's an unusual transition for the Daily, as the executive editor spot is normally taken over by another editor from the previous semester, but what Bakalis lacks in experience, she makes up for in drive.

"My self-doubt motivates me," she said. "I always want to do a little better. What I did yesterday can always be improved on."

She said she wanted to be executive editor because she had a lot of big ideas she did not think would be accomplished if she were to return as a senior staff writer or managing editor.

"As executive editor I can oversee the entire paper and can work with other editors to flush out my ideas," Bakalis said. "That's the most exciting and challenging part about it — working with different personalities to make a paper that's more cohesive and interesting to read."

Bakalis said as a staff writer this semester, she took notes when she came up with an interesting idea or angle.

"Now I have the chance to work with great writers turned editors," she said.

Bakalis said she transferred to San Jose State University last fall specifically to study journalism.

She said she began working in the journalism department's main office so she could be in the environment and so she could get to know the professors.

"Since the beginning I've had a strong interest in this department and the Spartan Daily in particular."

This semester's executive editor, Ben Aguirre Jr., offered some words of advice for the new leader.

"Stick to your guns and don't give into pressure," Aguirre said. "Thrive off the pressure."

Most importantly, he said executive editors should believe in themselves.

"Don't give into outside pressures," Aguirre said. "As executive editor you have the final say. If you don't think something is right, don't do it."

Bakalis has a resume of journalism experience to bring to the newsroom.

As a former editor of her high school newspaper, Bakalis said she discovered her enjoyment of

research.

"I really enjoy dealing with bureaucracy and trying to muddle through difficult documents to come up with a nugget of a story. I think that's where my interest lies — in investigative reporting."

Bakalis was also the only staff reporter for the Valley Press, a weekly newspaper in Felton, Calif.

"I really got the hunger from that," she said. "Just the uncertainty of not knowing if you are going to have a story or if you are going to have more questions, I think that's the most enticing part of journalism."

Aguirre said Bakalis should expect to hear a lot of complaining.

Not just from staff reporters, he said, but also from unhappy readers.

"It's a college newspaper," Aguirre said. "This is where we make our mistakes. It's not an excuse to make mistakes, but it also shows you that we are in the process of learning."

He said as an executive editor, you tend to have a good sense of pride in what you are doing.

Aguirre said he does not take things for granted anymore.

"Every issue put out seems to be the end result of one day's hard work," Aguirre said. "You get to see all the work the editors and writers put into it."

After she graduates from SJSU, Bakalis said, she would like to pursue a career as a reporter for a metropolitan newspaper.

Bakalis said Mack Lundstrom, a journalism professor and Spartan Daily adviser, was one of the reasons she was so enthusiastic about joining the newspaper staff.

"He is intelligently subtle about the way he teaches," Bakalis said. "I think he is an inspiration to a lot of students."

Bakalis said former executive editor, Mike Osegueda, who she referred to as a mentor, has influenced her.

"He has taught me to not be afraid of the fact that journalism is personal," she said. "He taught me that it's a passionate profession and he has made me see how the personal side of a story is important as a reporter."

Bakalis said one of her first goals as executive editor is to redesign the layout of the Spartan Daily so it is more professional and consistent.

She would also like more collaboration in the newsroom.

"We as reporters are all working together for the same reason," Bakalis said. "I think most student reporters have a mechanism in them that makes them want to find good stories. It's our job as editors to foster that and to find what it is that drives that particular reporter."

She said she would also like to expand the arts and entertainment page as well as the opinion page to be a lot more relevant to the campus.

"The opinion page is too often a forum for personal rants," she said. "I want to expand it so more students can identify with what the columnists say."

She intends to include better coverage of issues pertaining to the city of San Jose and Associated Students issues that affect the university.

Aguirre said watching the reporters grow is one of the best aspects of being executive editor.

"It's a really satisfying job," he said. "To see everyone come together, not just as a room full of students, but also like a family, is unmatched."

Jan Shaw, a journalism professor and adviser for the Spartan Daily, said Bakalis has a real sense of news and great maturity.

"I believe she is going to be a wonderful editor of the Daily," Shaw said.



Christy Kinsley / Daily Staff

Anna Bakalis has high goals set for her term as Executive Editor of the Spartan Daily in Fall 2002. "What I did yesterday can always be improved on," says the senior journalism major.

## A.S. to honor faculty and athletes

By Mike Corpos

DAILY STAFF WRITER

The Associated Students government is scheduled to hold its Hall of Excellence Ceremony this evening in the Student Union.

The ceremony will honor individuals who have had a positive effect on the San Jose State University Campus and its population.

Those to be honored include students, athletes, faculty, staff and alumni, according to Associated Students Controller Julie Perreira-Rieken.

The ceremony is planned for tonight at 7 p.m. in the Umunhum Room of the Student Union.

The honorees were chosen by a committee comprised of A.S.

members Sam Casas, Erika Jackson, Maribel Martinez and Perreira-Rieken.

The award winners were selected after Perreira-Rieken handed out nomination forms to various members of the student population.

"This year we wanted to recognize various key people who make your college experience fulfilling," Perreira-Rieken said.

Among the honorees is African-American Studies Professor Steve Millner, who was

named outstanding male faculty member, Neil Parry, the Spartan football player who had a leg amputated halfway through the 2000 season, was named outstanding male athlete and rugby player Jennifer Coakes, named outstanding female athlete.

Perreira-Rieken said the honorees will receive plaques commemorating their contributions to the SJSU community.

The event is open to all and will include food and a D.J., Perreira-Rieken said.

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