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House passes Iraq war resolution

Senate poised to do the same, with or without U.N. support. Some SJSU students worry about the effects of the decision

Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House voted 296-133 Thursday to give President Bush the broad author-ity he sought to use military force against Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein

- with or without U.N. support. The Senate was poised to do the same and to deliver Bush a major national security policy victory.
"The House of Representatives has

spoken clearly to the world and to the United Nations Security Council: The

gathering threat of Iraq must be con-fronted fully and finally," Bush said immediately after the vote.

Some San Jose State University students expressed concern Thursday about the United States' apparent willingness to disregard the United Nations role in a possible strike on

Iraq.
"I think it's horrible," said David A.

way of keeping peace among the world, and all of sudden we're not happy with it so we just bypass the United Nations. I'm let down by our government and the fact that it was so largely passed. "

Senate sponsors later succeeded in defeating all efforts to weaken the proposal, opening the way for a final vote late Thursday or early Friday.

"It is clear that we have lost this battle in the Senate," said Sen. Robert Byrd, D-W.Va., the most outspoken Senate foe of the resolution. Byrd accused Congress of "handing the president unchecked authority."

It's that unchecked authority that some people on campus said has them

most concerned.
"I think Bush is more willing to go to war than presidents in the past, but

said Joe Verducci, junior in civil engineering. I don't think he should be able to make the decision (to go to war) on his own.

While Bush hailed the strong showing, a majority of House Democrats voted against the resolution — even

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Luncheon commends engineering students

Most of the scholarships cover four years of tuition, housing and books

> By Bryn Graziano Daily Staff Writer

Carl Gohmann, a mechanical engineering freshman and recipient of a Lam Research scholarship, said he has a passion for building things, which is why in high school, he entered his wind tunnel project in a science fair.

He later learned, after winning the contest, that the prize being offered was a college scholarship.

"I was very surprised and happy to receive it," Gohmann said. "Now I can graduate in a timely manner. Otherwise, I would have had to work my way through.

Gohmann and 45 other engineering students were acknowledged for academic excellence during San Jose State University's first Engineering Scholarship Recognition Luncheon

on Thursday.

Twenty of the computer, electrical, mechanical and aerospace engineering students were in attendance to receive recognition for scholarships that have been previously awarded

over the past several years.

Interim Dean Belle Wei described the luncheon as a "happy occasion for us all," and he pointed out that awardees were selected after completing a very competitive process, largely based on SAT scores, GPA and per-

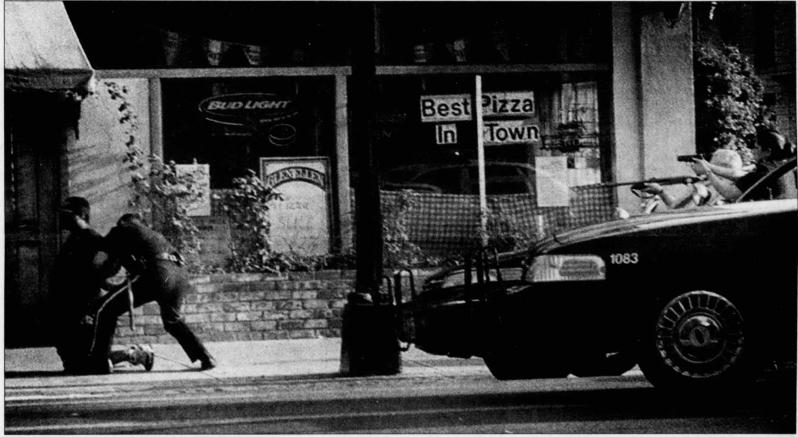
sonal interviews.

The numbers of students who apply vary significantly based upon the award, Wei said. She also said most of the scholarships are considered to be full — covering tuition, housing and books — for four years at SJSU. Provost Marshall Goodman took

the opportunity to congratulate the

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Man handcuffed near campus



LORETTA GIBSON / DAILY STAFF

With guns drawn, a San Jose police officer handcuffs a man in front of Nick's Pizza on Eighth and Santa Clara streets after pulling him over on Thursday afternoon.

Buy an International Gift Faire basket, help feed a family

By Karen Imamura Daily Staff Writer

Buying a basket can help feed a family at the International Gift Faire, which features handicrafts from around the world.

Taking place today and Saturday at the Lincoln Glen Church Fellowship Hall in San Jose, the items at the 14th annual Gift Faire are brought from third-world countries by an organiza"Artisans work with representatives from Ten Thousand Villages, who help them design items that will be marketable here in the United States,' said Norma Voth, who works for the

Gift Faire. According to an organization pam-phlet, Ten Thousand Villages has volunteers that eliminate the middle man in these sales, which allows 40 to 60 percent of the proceeds to go back

"The artisans get the first 50 percent

are paid in full when the order ships, Voth said. The items are then taken to a central warehouse in Pennsylvania. From there, different churches and

stores sell the items. "There are a lot of baskets, jewelry, linens, wood carvings from Kenya, stonewear, games and toys," Voth said. "The busiest is Friday morning because people who have been shopping here for years come to get Christmas presents."

handicrafts to buy basics such as food.

When you go to Cost Plus or Pier 1 Imports and you can buy, say, a set of bottles for \$3, why do you think you asks Kathleer it for \$3: Cahill, a lecturer in the nutrition and food science department. She teaches Nutrition 139, a class titled Science and Hunger. "It's because the people who make these things are like slaves."

Cahill, who asks that each of her

students perform 10 hours of commu-

nity service, said some of her students will be at the Gift Faire

We talk about the political, cultural and environmental factors that contribute to hunger, and in turn how hunger impacts the society," Cahill said. Hunger is something that Ten Thousand Villages is working to pre-Candi Smucker, was on a tour and

went to visit a basketmaker, Voth said. "She asked the basketmaker if the orders from Ten Thousand Villages made any difference in his life. He

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Sexual violence explored during workshop

By Allison M. Foley Daily Staff Writer

One out of every four college women have been raped or suf-fered attempted rape, said Margaret Tam, a representative from the Prevention Education Program, during the Sexual Assault Awareness Workshop, held on Wednesday evening. This was just one of the many facts that was imparted to the group of about 15

people.

Tam was joined by Ellen Lin and Laura Flynn from Counseling Services, as well as Gong Chen, a professor in the human performance department.

Together, they explored the reality of sexual violence from a number of different angles and what women can do to ensure they are protected.

The workshop, sponsored by the Women's Resource Center and the Feminist Majority Leadership Alliance, was organized in response to two rapes reported recently to the University

Flynn and Lin were on hand to discuss the general "silence around rape," as Angie Fernandez, president of the Feminist Majority Leadership Alliance, described it.

Women don't report rape as often as it happens, leading to skewed statistics about this violent crime. The two women from counseling services presented four scenarios to the audience, all of which ended in sex. The job of the audience was to decide if the fictional woman in the scenario was raped, or whether sex was mutually agreed upon.

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Angie Fernandez, a senior majoring in public relations who works with the Women's Resource Center, helps human performance Professor Gong Chen demonstrate a basic self-defense strategy. Gong was one of the speakers at the Sexual Awareness workshop Wednesday evening that gave advice to women on dealing with assault and date rape.

United Neighborhoods conference to highlight speaker Rigo Chacon

Daily Staff Writer

The United Neighborhoods of Santa Clara County's ninth annual conference is scheduled for 9 a.m. this Saturday, with Rigo Chacon headlining as the keynote speaker at the Student Union.

Jacqui Carr, executive director of the United Neighborhoods of Santa Clara County, said the conference was able to double in size this year with 31 edu-

cational workshops and 30 presenters.
"The workshops are on topics requested by the Neighborhood Association and community leaders,"

The conference will include neighborhood association members and community leaders from Santa Clara County and other various counties,

In choosing this year's keynote speaker, Carr said the conference committee did some brainstorming and wanted someone who was

involved with the community. Rigo Chacon came to mind.

Chacon has received numerous awards, honors and recognition for his work in the community and for his contributions to broadcasting. Some of his awards include two Emmys for general news, the Martin Luther King Good Neighbor Award and the Ohtli Award for native sons and daughters of Mexico or their descendants who

have excelled on foreign soil. Chacon has been working for ABC7 for the past 28 years as a general

assignment reporter.

Judd Murkland, co-chair of the conference planning committee, said they felt fortunate to have Chacon as the keynote speaker.
"He's chosen to make the Bay Area

his home and has inverted his passion and time into this community," he said. Chacon has also devoted his time as the founder and president of Abrazos and Book. This organization gives scholarships to high school students of all backgrounds in the Santa Clara County and helps impoverished, dis-abled and abused children, according

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Body modification a method of increasing pleasure

ALLISON M. FOLEY

People with tattoos and piercings are more likely to engage in "risk-taking behavior" than those who go unmodified, according to a study published in an issue of the Pediatrics journal.

This risky behavior included having sex, as well as con-templating suicide, drug and alcohol abuse and violence. The Pediatrics study covered 484 people 12 to 22 years

This raises a few questions in my mind. As the results were revealed in newspaper articles nationwide, concerned parents, psychologists and doctors went on alert. The results pinpointed every youth with any type of body modification and turned them into the picture of a trou-bled individual.

Now, here's the problem with the study. Those who read the results failed to realize that the youths surveyed were of a small number and only from one specific area, the Adolescent Medical Division of the Naval Medical

Center in San Diego.

I feel like the study has caused outdated beliefs to resurface about body modification and what it means about the people who partake in it.

It may be true that people with body modifications are more active sexually, but there are other reasons for this besides the fact that those who modify are trying to

achieve that "bad" image. To assume makes an ass out of "u" and me, as the saying goes.

The two have been linked long before today's modern

etched indelibly in ink under the skin, or a new jewel sticking out of an unusual place on the body.

People put up with all that pinching and blood in order

methods of tattooing and piercing were established. Early tribes, and those that exist today, often

practice less permanent methods of body modification in the form of painting their bodies with plant dyes. They believe that this type of adornment increases their sex appeal. They also practice some rather extreme forms of piercing that I personally hope never make it to the United States. These too are said to increase one's level of attrac-

So, there you have it, ladies and gents. Why doesn't that apply in the United States? Why don't people see the beauty,

sex appeal and artistry associated with a well-done tattoo? Here's why. Pain and suffering, I tell you. Those who get piercings or tattoos are seen as masochists. The general public thinks they're twisted and that they enjoy the pain. Here's a different perspective. I've heard many a person claim that they suffered through the pain to achieve the new decoration on their body, whether it be a pattern

to commemorate an event, their place in a certain group

or a loved one who has died.

There is, however, another reason that would prove the previously mentioned study exactly right.

There is a new generation of body modifi-cation aficionados who deal with the pain so they can experience pleasure later on. I'm talking about piercings that increase sexual pleasure and enhance response.

The Body Modification Ezine depicts some rather graphic photos of all sorts of these piercings, ranging from commonplace to much more extreme.

Speaking of commonplace, let's start with the tongue piercing. All too many people have this simple piercing these days. Some in their early teens are doing it for rebellion. Some think it looks neat, but the fact is that it is an enhancement during oral sex, when performed on

The tongue jewelry coming in contact with a woman's clitoris can enhance feeling and response in some but not

all females. When I recently visited Pierce /Ink, a piercing and tattooing shop in San Jose, I stumbled upon something that could potentially enhance the already enhanced

experience.

The fine folks at Pierce/Ink were selling soft rubber covers with little spines that are meant to fit over the metal ball of the tongue jewelry. I'm sure one can only imagine the benefits this has. And no, it's not just to look funny.

Other sexually enhancing piercings include anything related to the penis. Some males go quite the extra mile to please their partners. Rings or bars piercing the head of the penis are another way of making that orgasm just per-

When there are more than one, I think it's more about adornment than the feeling that's achieved, but who

I believe that the beauty of it all is, "to each his own." All of us place our values in different areas, and whatever your reason for modifying your body is, or for shunning those who do, just keep that cliché in mind.

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Viewpoint | Reader takes issue with 'Annoyed'

A few statements in Ben Aguirre Jr.'s article, "Kids in Beating Death Should Face Same Charges" made me question the personal bias journalists are permitted to insert into their articles without having done thorough research. Because the crime Aguirre chose to comment on was (is) so unfathomably shaking, he failed to be analytic and instead wrote the article as an emotionally-justified statement rather than one supported by facts. This is not to say that Aguirre's account is uncommonly cruel. When a rape case is reported, you are bound to hear me exclaim that all rapists ought to be riddled with bullets in obscure areas of their body and left to slowly and painfully bleed to death. But this, like Aguirre's assessment of the beating-murder case, is a limited, personal viewpoint and has no backbone exploration to root it as an argument. Similarly, due to its lack of factual support, Aguirre's article has no place in our news. To reply to Mr. Aguirre, let me begin by saying that he is obviously unaware of a child's learning process. Children learn in stages, try Psych 101. Aguirre says he can understand a child stealing a CD and going unpunished but can not fathom a child-murderer being set free. Had he done just a bit of research or perhaps even pondered the matter rather than going on a tirade, Aguirre may have wanted to reverse his statement. While it is likely that a 10-year-old boy can fully grasp the concept of theft, and more than likely, the results and consequences of his actions, it is hardly reasonable to expect a child to comprehend death, a concept, idea and part of life that is never fully understood by any person, even those well into their adult years. Aguirre asked if anyone was so bold as to tell him that this boy's motives were in fact "unaware." My reply for him is yes. Absolutely, this child knew that he was doing something wrong. But only as "wrong" as hitting the smelly kid at school or pulling his sister's hair - neither of which had resulted in death in his un-experienced stage of understanding the world, his own actions and the results/consequences of those actions.

Regardless of any particular person's childhood experience (for I myself, possibly at the far end of the spectrum, did not have any experience with death until last year at age 19), let us state the facts. No one is applauding this child for the heinous crime he has committed. District Attorney McCann is simply stating that he has no evidence from any source to assume that the boy truly understood the heinousness and severity of the crime. When assessing a criminal, a court carefully considers the reasoning capabilities of the criminal (such is why crimes committed by the "insane" are more easily forgiven than those committed by the "sane"); McCann's conclusion was simply that any pre-meditation or motive was lacking, due to the boy's innocence of age and yes inability to reason morally.

Our country decided to make the age of 18 a warning age to all children, they must take their actions seriously now, as adults. This age was chosen based upon many factors, including hopes that these late-teens would be educated through at least high school and that their hormonal and emotional levels would have simmered to some degree. Is Aguirre proposing that we change this "warning age" to the age of 10 when children have yet to enter puberty (defined in the Merriam Webster's Dictionary as: the state of physical and emotional development)? Perhaps he has done studies of his own to prove that this is a valid age at which to expect children to comprehend all aspects of life and death. Perhaps next Monday, he'll share them with us.

GUEST COLUMNIST

Film critics have many responsibilities to readers

FERNANDO CROCE

I admit it. I am a movie buff.

And I accept all the alleged geekiness that comes with

Yes, I will postpone cleaning my room to watch "Vertigo" for the 30th time. Yes, I will use book money to buy the special-edition DVD of a movie I already bought months ago. Yes, I will stay up late the night before a test to catch an obscure Raoul Walsh western on cable.

For years now I have been soaking in every kind of film, getting into pointless arguments over cinematic minutiae and basically being a movie punk, trying to get anyone

within earshot to see this or avoid that. I'm still doing all those things. The main difference is that my opinions now get printed. People can take them up or throw them down, but just the fact that they are there on the paper gives them a respectability that no barroom shouting match ever could.

Like other writers, however, the film critic is not absent from responsibilities. First of all, readers want to know right away if a movie is worth watching. They want ratings. Stars. Thumbs up or down. "Feel-good comedy." Edge-of-your-seat suspense." "A triumph of the human spirit." Or, simply, "good."

There lies the catch. What makes a movie "good"? By

whose standards are we operating here?

When you read a review, you are not reading the movie

but the movie after having been filtered through the sensibilities, the loves and hates of the critic. And quirks, too.

For instance, I am more interested in directors than in actors, or even in individual movies. I notice movie technique and try to bring it up in reviews - I often spend paragraphs rambling on about a single camera move-

Old romances move me, but gross-out comedies bore me. And who's to say what's right and what's wrong? These are just a few of the personal obsessions that color the critic's judgment.

If film criticism is inevitably subjective, like I believe it is, then my choices are bound to run against other people's tastes. Lord knows, I have loathed many a movie described by others in glowing terms, and many people have sworn never to ask my opinion again after sitting through a few of my movie recommendations.

audiences as more of a blessing than a curse. I welcome all kinds of criticism - there are at least a thousand ways to look at any given film, all of them valid. How pointless it would be if everybody liked or hated the same thing, and how boring it would be if all movies were judged by the same criteria.

Also, I believe that the critic should always try to make the reader aware of the hugeness of cinema. It is surprising that this happens in an age as media-savvy as ours, but the sad truth is that most people have a very narrow

idea of what film is.

I find it hard to go along with audiences (and even some critics) who herald a puny talent like Guy Ritchie as a visionary. And there is something definitely rotten in Denmark when 70 percent of film students choose to write their term paper on Kevin Smith.

The same people have never even heard of, let alone seen, Jean Renoir or Kenji Mizoguchi. To me, that's like having gone your entire life without listening to Mozart or, more bluntly, without having been exposed to sunlight.

It is my humble duty, then, to open people's windows. To pique their interests, to make them see the possibilities, to show them there's more to movies than what they see in the rectangular spaces of the

In other words, to break through the superficial A-isbetter-than-B academia and into a fuller, more satisfying understanding of an art.

Pretty heavy luggage.

Am I being arrogant to argue that a runty cinematic groupie like myself could (should?) do it? Ór is every-thing, like Hitchcock once said, "only a movie?"

All critics (or, at least, all self-respecting critics) write for themselves, rather than for the public. When I write a review, I am simply sharing my opinion. My responsibility lies in proving to be intelligent and coherent enough for readers to, if not agree with it, at least respect

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The English Society The English Society is having a faculty reading at 3:30 p.m. in the Faculty Office building, Room 104. For more information contact Lynn Benson at 924-4464.

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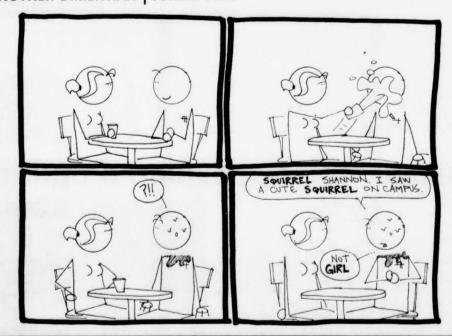
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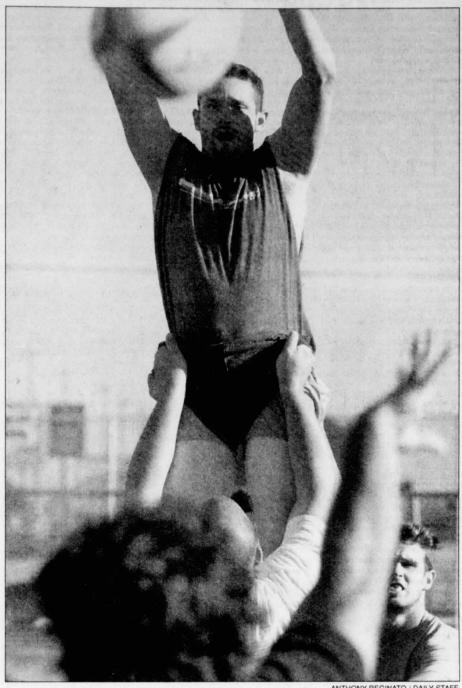
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Head and shoulders above the rest



ly changed her son's outlook on what's

most important. He headed home to Kelso, Wash., in late March to spend

time with her before the season start-

Park, in his first postseason appear-

While she wasn't in St. Louis on Thursday, she did watch him last week at San Francisco's Pacific Bell

San Jose State University rugby player Ryan Banderas is lifted while attempting to receive a fine out throw. In rugby, players are lifted so they have an advantage over the opposition to gain possession

Schmidt stars in SF 4-1 victory

wanted to simplify his pitching. He did and was simply stunning. Schmidt retired the side in order in

five of his 7 2-3 innings Thursday night as the San Francisco Giants beat the St. Louis Cardinals 4-1 to take a 2-0 lead in the NL champi-

Schmidt got his first career playoff

Giants-Cardinals 2002 NLCS

win in one of the best games in his six years in the majors.

The right-hander limited the Cardinals to four hits, struck out eight and walked one. Of his 119 pitches, 82 were strikes. He gave way to Scott Eyre after a solo home run to

eighth. Schmidt escaped his only real jam in the third inning, created only because J.D. Drew had enough speed to beat out a grounder to second.

Following Drew's infield single that

led off the inning, Schmidt allowed another single to Mike Matheny and a sacrifice bunt to Woody Williams

before getting a double play.
Fernando Vina flied out, and center fielder Kenny Lofton's throw home to catcher Benito Santiago got Drew at the plate.

After Matheny's single, Schmidt retired the next 13 batters before giving up an infield single. Albert Pujols hit a grounder down the third-base line with two outs in the seventh, and St. Louis had two runners on when

Schmidt walked Tino Martinez. But Schmidt struck out Edgar

Renteria swinging.
Schmidt won 13 games this season despite missing the first three weeks with an injured groin. He began the season at Triple-A Fresno before making his first start for San Francisco on April 24.

While Thursday's win certainly will

he has learned this year that there's much more to life than baseball. In March, during spring training, his mother, Vicki, was diagnosed with a malignant brain tumor.

She made it through, but it definite-

. . . SAVE FENWAY

Sports not just a game, but a foundation of society

In the small town of Odessa, Texas, a community gathers tonight at a high school to watch their sons, brothers, grandchildren and neighbors' kids play

game. Under the lights of a high school stadium, teenage football players across the country take the stage just as their older counterparts do on Saturdays and

But for some of these high school students, the games they play will bring a community

Stores will be closed, televisions will be off and the streets will be empty.

together.

To the spectators in Odessa, and many other cities across America, high school football is more than a game - it is a part of life, a part of their

If this sounds familiar, it's because it's

the setting of a book titled "Friday Night Lights," by H.G. Bissinger.

Don't worry, I didn't plagiarize anything, but the topic of this book has inspired my thinking. As I've gotten through the first two chapters, I'm starting to think about

how true this book really is. Not so much the amount of detail in which the author describes the football players in, rather the closeness of the

players in, rather the closeness of the relationship between high school football and the community, or in more broader terms, sports and society.

In the book, which was recommended to me by many people and I shall do the same to you, the reader gets to see that

to understand those in Odessa, one needs to understand the value of high school football.

I went to Wilcox High School in

Santa Clara, and our community didn't exactly rally around any particular school. Instead it was just the teachers, students and their parents who attended the games - not to mention the alumni who couldn't get it out of their system as they wore their letterman jackets from 20 years ago.

But in a sense, those teachers, students, parents and alumni are a community and the game they are watching draws them all together.

I don't know if you realize it, but sports

and society really do go hand in hand. From the clothes you wear, to the people you talk to, to the values you attempt to instill in your kids, sports has

Many times it has been said that if one plays a sport at a young that person is more age, that person is more likely to be successful in the

> Why? Because in most sports,

children and teenagers begin to realize the importance of teamwork, following the rules and what it is to set a goal and try to BEN AGUIRRE JR. achieve it.

If you played sports in high school or as a little kid, you probably realize that it has in one way or the other impacted your life.

For myself, playing football and baseball have made me realize the importance of the aforementioned items, which in turn I have applied to my current situation.

In football, players find a euphoric feeling as the clock is ticking, and their team is poised to win.

With that, I have taken the experiences of working against the clock and translated it to journalism where we have absolute deadlines.

The same can be said for many

aspects in any sport.

In team sports, one learns how to work with others to achieve a goal. In individual sports, one learns how to

draw on their own strengths to be the best, to be better than the rest. At the same time, the person learns the ins and outs of being the sole purpose for los-

Even outside of actual participation,

the effect of sports is huge.

Sports bars are a perfect example.

Here is an atmosphere where people who know nothing about each other

can gather and discuss one thing that both have in common — their love for sports and their teams The same can be said for those who

often see people high-fiving a stranger sitting behind them after a player from their favorite team does something

Sport creates a common bond, something that can bring Joe Banker and Steve Policeman together, if only for a

It is also an example of how sports precede society.

Very rarely do you see people walk down the street exchanging pleas-

And what about in times of national

Sports act as a way for people to escape their regular lives, and in times need, it acts as a Band-aid.

We saw this last year at the 2001 World Series and 10 years prior at the 1991 Super Bowl when people rallied behind the teams to relieve their pain.

Sport has been proven to be a very valuable part of American society. It's more than just people playing a game for enjoyment, it's the glue of our society — the main ingredient to this

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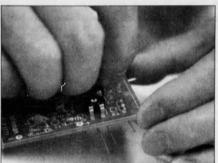
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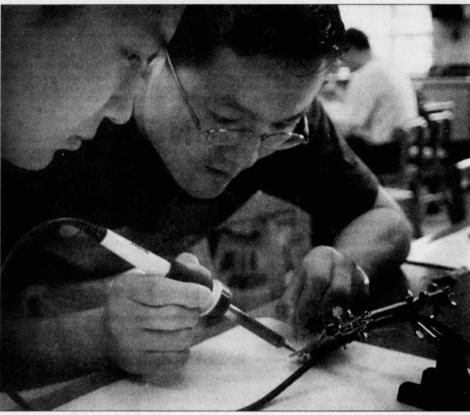
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Left, Ting Cai, a computer science major, assembles an FM Oscillator circuit board during his lab class. Oscillators are found in all FM radios and are used to change stations.



Peter Park, a computer science major, solders resistors to a circuit board as Ting Cai looks on. Both students hope to get jobs in the Information Technology field after graduation.

IRAQ Some students torn about issue

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though their leader, Dick Gephardt of

Missouri, was one of its authors.

"The issue is how to best protect America, and I believe this resolution does that," Gephardt said.

The Senate was working on the same resolution, voting 75-25 to choke off delaying tactics and move toward a final vote — expected late Thursday. It voted down a series of efforts to weaken or block the resolu-tion, as did the House. Senate leaders of both parties predicted easy passage.

The administration got a big boost when Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle announced he was putting aside his misgivings to support the president.

"I believe it is important for America to speak with one voice," said Daschle, D-S.D. "It is neither a Democratic resolution nor a Republican resolu-tion. It is now a statement of American resolve and values."

Some campus reaction was similar to that of Daschle.

"I'm kind of really torn on the whole subject," said Summer Reeves, senior in theatre arts. "It seems to me that if he needs to stop whoever he needs to stop, I say go for it. It's an unfortunate solution, but I think a lot of what's going on in that section needs inter-vention."

But some influential Democrats remained opposed.

The power to declare war is the most solemn responsibility given to Congress by the Constitution," said Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass. "We must not delegate that responsibility to the president in advance."

The resolution gives the president wide latitude in defending the United States against the "continuing threat" posed by Baghdad. In a concession to Democrats, it encourages that all diplomatic means be exhausted before force is used and requires reports to Congress every 60 days once action is

Bush has said he hopes to work with the United Nations but wanted congressional authority to act independently if necessary. The strong congressional backing he was receiving could bolster U.S. efforts before the U.N. Security Council.

At the State Department, spokesman Richard Boucher said "talks are progressing" at the Security Council on wording of a strong new resolution to disarm Iraq that all five-

veto holding permanent members can support. The United States and Britain continues to encounter resistance from France, Russia and China. The president telephoned Gephardt and House Speaker Dennis Hastert, R-Ill., to thank them for the vote, then told reporters at a hastily arranged news conference:

arranged news conference:
"Today's vote ... sends a clear message to the Iraqi regime: You must disarm and comply with all existing U.N. resolutions or (you) will be forced to comply. There are no other options for the Iraqi regime. There can be no negotiations. The days of Iraq acting

"(Bush) thinks the American public wants somebody that they can have their vengeance on."

Michelle Spadafore, language department

as an outlaw state are coming to an end," the president said.

The war resolution comes nearly 11 years after Congress voted to give Bush's father similar powers to confront Saddam. In the earlier instance, however, an international coalition was already in place to drive Iraqi invaders out of Kuwait. The current Bush administration has faced resistance from allies in its efforts to form a similar international coalition.

In the House, 126 of the chamber's 208 Democrats voted against the war resolution.

Still, that was stronger support than the first President Bush received in 1991 when the House voted 250-183

to authorize force against Iraq.

House Democrats urged the president to work closely with the United Nations before going it alone against Iraq. "Completely bypassing the UN Iraq. "Completely bypassing the UN would set a dangerous precedent that would undoubtedly be used by other countries in the future to our and the

world's detriment," said Gephardt. The House earlier rejected, by 270-155, the main challenge to the White

Prosecutor George Williamson had warned jurors in his opening argument in July that they would never forget the case and that prediction seemed accurate three months later.

With more than 600 inmates in front of him on death row, and years

of appeals likely, it could be many

years before Stayner could be execut-ed. Along with his parents and the rel-

atives of his victims, the case will likely be followed closely by the four

women who served as alternates and

decided his fate.

House-backed resolution, a proposal backed by a majority of Democrats that obliged the president to return to Congress for a second vote on the use of American force against Iraq after he decides that cooperative efforts with the United Nations are futile.

Rep. John Spratt, D-S.C., said that without a multilateral approach, "this will be the United States versus Iraq and in some quarters the US versus the Arab and the Muslim world."

The Senate also turned aside efforts to put more checks on the president's war-making authority. It rejected, 75-24, a proposal by Senate Armed Services Committee Chairman Carl Levin, D-Mich., that was similar to the Spratt proposal in the House. On the key 75-25 Senate vote to

draw debate to a close, 28 Democrats joined 47 Republicans in voting for the measure. Only two Republicans voted against it: Lincoln Chaffee of Rhode Island and Arlen Specter of Pennsylvania.

In the closing hours of debate, Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton, D-N.Y., said the decision to back the resolution was "the hardest decision I've ever had to make, but I cast it with convic-tion. I want this president, or any future president, to be in the strongest possible position to lead our country, at the United Nations or at war."

Meanwhile, retired Marine Gen. Anthony Zinni, former head of US Central Command, said Thursday that the Bush administration seems unnecessarily rushed about taking on Iraq. Zinni, a former U.S. envoy to the Mideast for the Bush administration, said he considers Saddam "deterrable and containable at this point."

"I'm not convinced we need to do this now," Zinni said at a foreign-policy forum.

One student said she felt the president's latest actions were a deterrent from his ineffectiveness to finish the campagin started in Afghanistan against al-Qaida.

"He wants to get somebody for 9/11," said Michelle Spadafore, a tutor in the language department. "He can't find bin Laden, so (Bush decides) 'OK, I'll go after this guy. Everybody knows he's a bad guy, so we can go after him instead because we know where he is.' He thinks the American public wants somebody that they can have their vengeance on.

Daily Staff Writer Anne Ward contributed to this story.

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This opened up valuable discussion that highlighted the various views on sexual assault and paved the way for more questions.

Lin said she was very pleased with the outcome of that portion of the

"People had some good questions.

We definitely got some good discussion going," Lin said. She also mentioned she was glad people decided to participate instead of only listening to what she had to say.

what she had to say. The Counseling Services representatives also discussed some of the reasons women, and even men, decline to report incidents of rape. For women, this included worries about retribu-tion from the attacker, being unsure if the incident was indeed rape, and the fact that the victim is often blamed in

Flynn said men may feel weaker or get teased by their peers if they reported being raped by a woman.

Tam provided a combination of statistics concerning sexual assault, facts about the most common date rape drugs and some simple tips on how to prevent a possible assault.

Tam said the drugs most commonly used to facilitate rape are GHB, Rohypnol and Ketamine. She said GHB is the most easily obtained because it is frequently made at home. She said there was even a recipe for it on the Internet.

Tam's advice on preventing rape was, among others, to keep an eye on your drink at all times while in a bar or at a party. She also said it is very

important to be alert to the behavior

"I really encourage you to be each other's keepers and to watch out for each other," Tam said.
One of the most shocking facts Tam

presented was that 47 percent of rapes are committed on a first date. She added that female college freshmen are at the greatest risk of rape from the first day of school through to the

Thanksgiving holiday.
This is because that is the standard time period in which everyone is getting to know each other and possibly finding out how easily certain individ-

uals could be to take advantage of. To close the workshop, Chen demonstrated methods of self-defense that can be used by women to stop rape. Chen also related successful and unsuccessful stories of those that had tried the methods. He said that speaking up and telling the attacker to stop

what they are doing is not effective. "They don't care how you feel about the situation," he said.

Sandra Aguirre, a junior administra-tion of justice major, said the workshop informed her "about a lot of what was going on. "I learned statistics I wasn't aware

of," Aguirre said. She was surprised about the one in four statistic mentioned earlier, as many of the audience members were. Fernandez ended the evening by

emphasizing the importance of taking back the campus and making it a safe "We're here to learn. We're here to

have fun. We're not here to be raped," Fernandez said.

Jurors say death for Stayner was logical

SAN JOSE, Calif. (AP) - After 13 weeks of hearing about Yosemite killer Cary Stayner's tormented mind and methodical killings, a death sentence was the logical conclusion, a juror said Thursday.

The day after deciding that Stayner should die for his crimes, three jurors returned to the scene of the verdict and explained their decision.

"The evidence to me was that he was a cold-blooded killer," a 50-year-old social worker from San Jose told the Bay City News Service. "The crime to me was raping and killing innocent children along with two innocent, productive, healthy adults."

The three men spoke to reporters in front of Santa Clara County Superior Court on condition they not be named.

Stayner, 41, was convicted by the same jury of murdering Carole Sund, 42, her daughter, Juli, 15, and their Argentine friend, Silvina Pelosso, 16, during a trip to Yosemite National Park in February 1999. The panel also ruled that he was legally sane.

In the final stage of trial, prosecutors presented evidence about the murder and beheading of nature guide Joie Armstrong, 26, for which Stavner is already serving life in prison without

At each stage of the 13-week trial, it took jurors less than six hours to reject lengthy testimony of Stayner's mental problems, evidence that defense lawyers presented to spare his life. The fact that Stayner was a predator

outweighed evidence of his deformed head, mental illnesses and troubled childhood, jurors said.

Despite the relatively short deliberation periods, one juror said the ver-

dicts were not arrived at on a whim. "That six hours wasn't fast in that room," said a 47-year-old federal employee from Sunnyvale.

Stayner, 41, who will be formally sentenced Dec. 12, was in his jail cell in the Santa Clara County Jail on

in the Santa Clara County Jail on Thursday. He refused an interview request by The Associated Press.

While jurors gave high marks to the lawyers and the judge in the case, at least one felt that the defense was unfairly prevented from presenting some evidence to spare Stayner's life. Judge Thomas Hastings curtailed some testimony because of prosecution objections and overruled numerous defense objections.

ous defense objections.
"The man was on trial for his life," the Sunnyvale man said. "I wanted to

the Sunnyvale man said. "I wanted to say, 'Let the people finish." Defense lawyer Marcia Morrissey, who will appeal the verdicts, the sentence and ask for a new trial, said Stayner received an unfair trial because of rulings by Hastings. "There were limitations imposed on us that I was amazed at," she said Thursday. "I'm gratified to know that somebody noticed that we were being stymied at every turn."

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The cornerstone of the prosecution was Stayner's lengthy tape-recorded confession to all four killings, in which he described how he plotted for months to bind young girls to sate his sexual fantasy. He matter-of-factly described the sexual assaults and killings, saying that strangling Carole Sund was like performing a task.

The confession left one juror, a 45year-old city worker from San Jose, "drained and withdrawn."

During the trial, jurors were barred from following news stories about the

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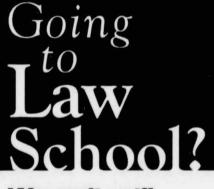
the nine men and three women who "That's one of the tragedies of this whole thing," the city worker said. "You've got 16 other people pretty much drawn into this whole thing. I 10% Discount or One Free Gift (please bring coupon) mean I'm never going to forget.'

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Brin Deetz, a senior majoring in mathematics, practices juggling on the grass between MacQuarrie Hall and the Human Performance building Wednesday

SCHOLARSHIPS | Caret stresses competiveness

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"This is a campus of 31,000 students, and the GPAs coming out of this building are at the top," Goodman said. "It shows the excellence sitting in this room."

Ryan Bruno, an electrical engineering sophomore and recipient of one of the Silicon Valley Electrical Engineering Scholarships, was one of four students to share testimoni-

als.
"What this scholarship means to me is recognition of hard work," Bruno said. "It reminds me of the generosity of the companies that sponsored it."

Watson graduated from Anthony Rithony Watson graduated from Bellarmine college prep, where he started a robotics team that has developed into a class. He was awarded with one of three Hewlett Packard Scholar scholarships for 2002 and is

an electrical engineering freshman.

"I've always wanted to follow in my dad's footsteps in robotics," Watson said. "This scholarship has made a difference in my life by allowing me to attend college, take all the units I need and graduate on time.

A junior in computer engineering, Hieu Ha described herself as a typical student who discovered engineering at an open house in high school. She was the recipient of a 1999

Hewlett Packard Scholar scholarship
The honored students in attendance were asked by Peter Reischl, associate dean of graduate studies and research and the event's master of ceremonies, to stand and face the alumni wall of honor, a wall decorated with photos of celebrated alumni from the college of engineering.

Some day, you can be there too," he said. Industry sponsors were also thanked for their committed efforts to give back to the community by the donation of scholarships.

"This is an opportunity to celebrate these exceptional men and women and distinguished Silicon Valley companies and friends of the college of engineering," Reischl said. Goodman addressed the importance of

maintaining a competitive edge in the Silicon Valley and the sense of appreciation that is felt toward the businesses that contribute to it.

"They recognize the partnership and are giving back to the community. And the investment they are making in the future of graduates of SJSU," Goodman said.

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One of the two scholarship sponsor speakers was Dana Ditmore, currently president of Tru-Si Technologies, whose family provides an SJSU scholarship. His oldest son graduated from SJSU several years ago, and he said his family appreciates the value of being able to offer students an education.

"As a family and a business, we've benefited by SJSU," Ditmore said. "We're proud of the heritage of this urban university in Silicon

Valley."
Steve Lindsay is vice president of corporate marketing and global field operations at Lam Research, a company providing three SJSU scholarships and one, as he said, that views people as their most valuable asset.
"We see our involvement as an opportunity to make an impact on SJSU students and to give them the opportunity to attain their

give them the opportunity to attain their

dreams," he said. dreams," he said.

The list of scholarship sponsors included Applied Materials, Atmel, Asyst Technologies, the Benzing Family, Cadence Design Systems, Cisco Systems, Ditmore Family, Hewlett Packard, Intel, Lam Research Corporation, Lockheed Martin, Solectron and National Semiconductor.

After sharing an anecdotal story about his

After sharing an anecdotal story about his interest in chemistry as a child, which eventually developed into his first course of study, SJSU President Robert Caret spoke about his gratefulness to the scholarship sponsors and the importance of being able to provide extra

support to deserving students.
"Our students need to be competitive,"
Caret said. "We're one of the universities that have helped create the Valley, and we're primary in the mix to sustain it.

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to the United Neighborhoods of

Santa Clara County.

Murkland said he is very impressed by Chacon's actions.

"I thought that was pretty indicative of his personality and the priority he has put to helping the community," he

Bob Rucker, a radio-TV news coordinator and journalism professor at San Jose State University, knows

Chacon as a professional colleague.

"As a person of color, he makes me proud and happy that such talent and love are appreciated by so many peo-ple. We're talking millions of peo-

According to Rucker, Chacon went to SJSU in the late 1970s and studied broadcast journalism. He left because of personal reasons but didn't let it

"As far as I'm concerned, they ought to name a building after him because he's inspired so many students to grad-uate from this school," Rucker said.

According to the United Neighborhoods of Santa Clara County, the conference costs \$20 and includes breakfast, workshops, speakers, lunch, a resource fair and much

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said, 'Oh yes, now I can feed my children twice a day," Voth said.

The quality of life for the people making the products does make a difference for Rodger Stamness, a senior majoring in electrical engineering.
"I don't think the cheapest

product is the best product," Stamness said. "But this is

difficult for students and people of low income. "
Voth described the price

range for some of the items at the Gift Faire.

"You can buy something for \$2.99 or \$15," Voth said. The first time I went, it was like taking a trip around the world."

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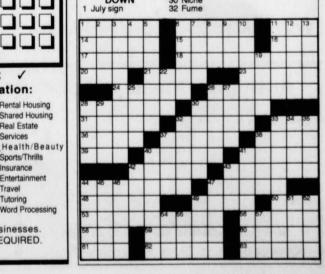


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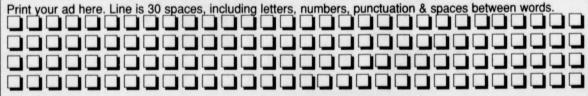
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