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Police building delayed again

By Beau Dowling

DAILY STAFF WRITER

The word "delay" has become popular around the University Police Department. For the third time, the new police station, located next to the Seventh Street garage, has delayed finishing construction, moving the opening date to mid-November.

The original plan called for the station to be fully operational by June 1.

However, due to labor problems and last minute changes, the opening date was set for today.

Claire D. Kotowski, administrative analyst for the University Police Department, said there are several reasons for the third delay.

"The union workers began to strike because one of the sub-contractors felt the workers were not being paid union wages," Kotowski said. "Then, Santa Clara Company tapers went on strike about two weeks ago because they wanted more money. This is a county-wide problem."

Kotowski said the fire marshal, the inspector and the superintendent for the new building have all changed.

The changes resulted in issues being

looked at differently, such as gaps between structural beams and a firewall behind the west part of the building, she said.

"The second fire marshal did not certify it, so that delayed time," Kotowski said.

Piles have to be driven 60 feet into the ground through the unstable layer of dirt to the bedrock, Kotowski said.

"The air hammer crane broke while driving in the piles, so that delayed it for about two weeks," Kotowski said. "There is so much construction going on in San Jose, that finding subs is not easy. Juggling schedules always causes delays, too. It's not like building an office."

Dawn Bozack, a sophomore majoring in art, is surprised it's not finished yet.

"It's not that beautiful," Bozack said. "It's tacked onto the parking garage, so I don't know what to expect. They should rebuild the dorms instead."

The new station contrasts with the Seventh Street garage, which has paint peeling off the handrails and chipped concrete barriers.

Nick Umamoto, a freshman majoring in electrical engineering, said the new police building looks out of place.

"Compared to the surroundings, it looks very modern," Umamoto said. "The dorms

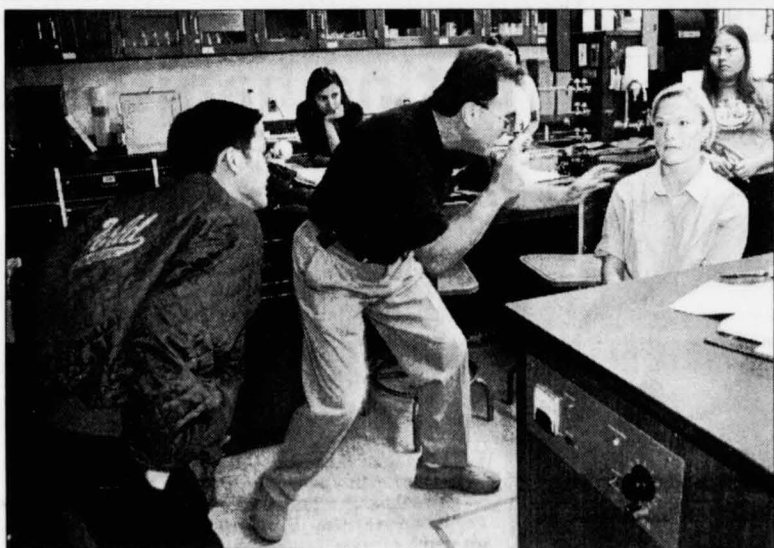
are brick. However, it will be convenient. Two weeks ago, there was a fight in the lobby of Royce Hall. The police were called, but they took awhile to get here. Now, if there is a problem, they can just run on over."

Nicole Nodelman, a sophomore majoring in interior design, said the location is perfect.

"It's better for them to get out of the old building," Nodelman said. "It'll be safer because it's closer to the dorms."

Stephanie Lee disagreed with Nodelman.

"It's a waste of space," Lee said.



Above, instructor Dan Holley demonstrates to mammalian physiology lab students how an optical tool can be used to see the capillaries inside the eye. Holley looks into senior Tara Netter's eye as graduate student Quan Nguyen observes.

Right, seniors Diem Van, Indro Banerjee and Ivy Nguyen laugh after Banerjee tried on an early version of a phoropter, equipment optometrists use to determine corrective lens strength. Students measured sensory perception in the mammalian physiology lab, BIOL 125.

photos by Jill Toyoshiba /
Daily Staff



Coming TO THEIR Senses

Members of the San Jose State University Concert Choir and Choraliers perform in the Concert Hall. The performance was put on by the school of music and dance.

Joel Turner /
Daily Staff



Listening hour hits note

By Minal Gandhi

DAILY STAFF WRITER

The spirited, melodic voices of San Jose State University's Concert Choir & Choraliers resonated throughout the Concert Hall for the first time this year.

About 100 visitors occupied the spacious hall, which has a capacity of 500 people, for the weekly Listening Hour series, which is held at 12:30 p.m. every Thursday.

The guests quietly sat in their chairs watching and listening to the mass of people who were gathered on stage singing songs that used drama, joy and melancholy to create different moods.

Some of the students who came to the Listening Hour jotted down notes, and said they were trying to put the sounds they heard and feelings they felt into words.

"I'm doing this for my music appreciation class. We have to do critiques," said freshman Lee Boch.

"So far, it's been enjoyable," Boch said. "It's amazing to hear all the pitches these people hit when they sing. They're all very talented."

Performers were dressed formally with the women wearing long, black and white gowns and the men suited in tuxedos.

Atop the tiered bleachers, the choir and choraliers sang Italian and Russian pieces

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Editorial

Using drugs does not justify discrimination

(U-WIRE) WILMINGTON, N.C. —

A 17-year-old takes a tok off a joint for the first time at a concert. The youth sticks the remainder of the gift joint into his pocket, and decides to walk out of the auditorium onto the public sidewalk. The officer says hello, and politely, the juvenile returns the greeting. Only the officer notices the pungent smell of marijuana emanating from the youngster's breath and clothing. He arrests him on the grounds of use and possession of marijuana.

A year after conviction, the youth applies for federal financial aid in order to be able to afford to attend college. He is denied on the basis that he violated the anti-drug law under the Higher Education Act. Therefore, he does not go to college and ends up struggling for income for the rest of his life. Even to the point where he commits crimes to feed his family.

This could happen based on the new anti-drug, anti-education law.

Hypocritical people who are out of touch are once again shaping the future of America. Congress recently enacted a new anti-drug law, which denies federal aid to college students if convicted of an illegal drug offense.

This provision to the Higher Education Act has more flaws than there are senators. College students all across America have expressed their discontent with the aid-buster's blatant shortcoming. The law protects few while inadvertently destroying others.

Discrimination rings loudly throughout the college aid killer. Students who are intelligent enough to attend an institution of higher education, yet may not have the monetary resources to afford to go on their own, suffer gravely. Low-income pupils rely on financial aid as a means of tuition payment. This bill attacks the underprivileged directly, due to the fact that middle to upper-class Americans rarely depend on federal aid.

If that is not enough, the privilege-destroyer targets a crime that primarily remains a non-victim offense. What about violent or property crimes? Oh no, they're OK. Burglarize a home, assault a police officer, steal a car ... just don't use drugs. The bill does not enforce denial of aid to any of these crimes, but if you are busted trying an illicit drug, you risk losing an education.

The Fourth Amendment to the United States constitution protects Americans from unreasonable search and seizure. This includes a right to privacy. The American government enacted this clause to keep our personal matters to ourselves. Disclosing private information infringes on these rights because one's past does not necessarily reflect how one will perform in college. How would the government be wasting money in this situation? Should we not invest in our future?

The personal information is also protected under the Fifth Amendment of the constitution. A clause in the amendment clearly states that any information, which can be self-incriminating, can be left undisclosed. This situation is a prime example of when a student with a record should partake in the liberties of the Fifth.

Most importantly, why do we as Americans want to penalize a potential educated leader for any crime where the punishment has already been carried out? Double jeopardy comes to mind.

Men and women, elected to office to protect the rights of Americans, apparently forgot to read the Bill of Rights. Remember Congressmen, the Constitution blankets all Americans.

The bottom line is simple. Reform the bill. Find the real criminals of society. Kill crime, not education.

'Smiley' spreads cheer on World Smile Day

Happy World Smile Day. Happy what, you ask? The second annual "World Smile Day" is being observed today.

It celebrates the ever-popular "smiley" face, invented nearly 40 years ago.

The first World Smile Day, held Oct. 1, 1999, was reported to be an "enormous success."

I guess a lot of people smiled that day.

If any of you are disposed to believing what you see in the movies, no, Forrest Gump did not invent the "smiley" face.

According to his Web site, www.worldsmileday.com, Harvey Ball created the very first "smiley" face in 1963 for a company in Worcester, MD, as a design that would improve company morale.

Ball distributed buttons with smiley's visage to all the employees. He didn't say if it succeeded in boosting morale among the workers, but it surely launched a successful career for smiley.

That recognizable little grin is seen everywhere. It is as much a part of American pop-culture as the "got milk?" slogan.

After smiley's humble debut as a button, its popularity spread to stickers, T-shirts and postage stamps. Today we see sideways attempts at portraying smiley in the form of



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emoticons in our e-mails and instant messaging.

The most common is the :) , but my personal favorite is :o) . Variations include ;o) (it's winking at you).

Microsoft Word, AOL Instant Messenger and other programs enable the user to change the sideways smile in the genuine article, as in J.

However smiley appears, it seems to be here to stay.

"Smiley" really has brought happiness to so many people," Ball wrote. "In recent times however, 'smiley' has become so commercialized that its original message of spreading good will and good cheer has all but disappeared."

So, Ball started World Smile Cor-

poration and World Smile Day. Is it possible to get too much of a good thing?

Ball said all the after-tax profits from his corporation go to children's charities. Incidentally, I am not sure the corporation actually exists, because if you go to the Web site, www.worldsmile.com, the browser remains blank.

Like the corporation claims it is, World Smile Day is dedicated to altruistic ideals.

Ball's christened catch phrase for the day is, "Do an act of kindness. Help one person smile."

And he declared smiley the "universal symbol of happiness and goodwill."

Let anyone be wondering how a person should celebrate this red-letter event (besides the obvious), Ball has his own "Top-10 list" of ways to celebrate his day.

Hmmm... let's consider some of them.

No. 4: "Organize a 'Walk for Smiles' with proceeds going to a local charity."

Ball racked up another original idea: walking for grins.

No. 5: "Have an outdoor 'Smile Fair' on World Smile Day that makes everyone smile."

Please. Can we get any cornier here? Oh, wait. Maybe we can.

No. 8: "Reward anyone that you

see doing an unexpected act of kindness by giving them a World Smile Day button."

Just what I always wanted, how about you?

An apparent relative, Charlie Ball, even wrote three songs to commemorate this occasion: "It's a World Smile Day," "The Smiley Face Song" and "The Jigsaw Puzzle Song."

They are cute little ditties, but I doubt these songs will catch on as well as smiley did.

And, no holiday would be complete without its own e-greeting.

From Ball's Web site, you can send several personalized e-cards. One of them parodies James Flagg's "I Want You For U.S. Army," and another winks at you.

I guess you could say that Ball has made more people smile than almost anyone on earth. And that's as good a reason for him to celebrate as any.

Despite the silliness of the whole day's premise, it's all good, clean fun and goodwill.

So maybe today we could at least try No. 10: "Smile at someone you don't know — and watch them smile back."

It couldn't hurt.

Monica L. Ewing is the Spartan Daily Opinion Editor. "The Way It Is" appears Fridays.

"COULD I INTEREST YOU IN SOME DIFFERENT OPTIONS, SAY, LIKE CONSERVATION, RENEWABLE RESOURCES, FUEL EFFICIENCY FOR SUVs AND TRUCKS, PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION...?"



Letters

Act like a college student, go to games

Hey SJSU students,

An old-timer alum would like to remind you of something: You're young. You enjoy partying. You're a college student!

I went to the Rice football game recently and was shocked to see literally zero student activity.

What happened to the tailgate parties at football games that were so good you didn't get into the game until the second quarter?

Something is very wrong when none of you go to see a good team play on a beautiful day.

Do you know there are 5,000 free student-tickets available to every game?

Do you know that the Spartans beat Stanford and are 18th in the nation in offense?

Do you know that it's actually fun to step away from your computer/video games, put together a tailgate party with some friends and go see your school play?

You're probably too busy, right, or maybe just too cool to go to the games?

Well, you're going to wake up in 10 years and realize you missed out on the college experience.

Deal with it, act like a college student.

Get off your butts and get out to some football and basketball games.

The tickets are free.

Russ Biswell
alumnu
class of 1989

Leo Davila: Use your freedom of speech

In response to President Leo Davila (Oct. 5, 2000): Freedom of speech and freedom of the press go hand in hand (First Amendment of the U.S. Constitution).

You have the right to speak up and the press has the right to write about what you say.

Simply keep your words concise and then your words cannot be taken "out of context."

Lawrence E. Miller
alumnu
criminal justice

Eating habits suffer from busy schedule

I was snacking on some veggie chips the other day, and for some reason (I'll later explain) I decided to check the nutritional facts label on the back of the bag.

My eyes opened wide to see that the supposed, healthy chips I was about to finish had a whopping 10 grams of fat per serving.

Was I going to continue stuffing my face with those Styrofoam salt cakes or was I going to go down to the Student Union and buy myself some dinner?

The answer was simple. My butt was going to stay planted on that chair because I was damn hungry, and my wallet was filled with flies. That bag of chips was as good as gone.

These days, I couldn't care less about the amount of calories, cholesterol and saturated fat in my diet. I rarely have a full meal anyway. Most of the time I just eat whatever I have quick access to.

I'm like Homer on the "Simpsons." When I see food lying around, I think, "Ooooooh, something that's extremely fattening but fulfilling yum."

If it happens to be unhealthy, so be it. At least I've got something to make my stomach stop growling.

It wasn't always this way. I used to be known to all my friends and family members as a health nut.

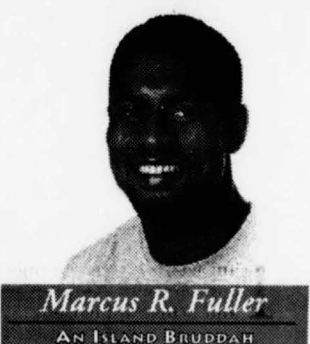
Yeah, that's right, at the grocery store I was the psycho throwing lettuce, carrots, oranges and fat free milk in the cart to replace the Oreo cookies, Ho-Hos and whole milk.

Whenever my friends ordered pizza, I had to make sure we had a nice, big, green salad to complement all of the oily cheese and pepperoni.

We all scream for ice cream, but not me. I was crazy for light desserts like frozen yogurt and Snack Well oatmeal cookies.

But, these types of eating habits weren't developed overnight. It became the only way to eat at home, and it spread into my everyday life.

At first my family became part-time vegetarians, if there



Marcus R. Fuller

AN ISLAND BRUDDAH

is such a thing, to help my brother and I lose weight. I spent the summer of 1990 with my mom in San Francisco. When I returned home to Hawaii, I was carrying 40 pounds of extra luggage and it wasn't in my suitcase.

At the baggage claim terminal, I still remember my dad asking, "What the hell happened to my son? Did you eat him?"

Constant war in the kitchen, a consummate battle ground, with my dad followed.

He forced me to eat tofu, garden burgers and avocado instead of good ol' meat sandwiches, cheese and mayonnaise.

He didn't know at the time, but he was creating a monster.

Years later, he wouldn't regret the fact that I was highly into nutrition, but he wouldn't hesitate to tell me to "save it" every time the "health nut" struck again.

"We need to go easy on the fat calories, pops," was my constant recommendation before many meals.

I don't think I'll ever stop checking the back of cans and packages before consumption. It's like an obsessive-compulsive disorder.

But, it doesn't do me any good anymore. I'm the healthiest unhealthy person on the planet.

I'm a starving student/journalist, and I don't eat healthy, I eat cheap and convenient.

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Today

Associated Students, Inc.

Last day of voter registration drive fund-raiser. For more information, call Samuel Casas at 924-6408 or Michelle Johnson at 924-6419.

School of Art & Design

Student galleries art exhibitions, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Art and Industrial Science buildings. Gallery 2: Ginger Tolonen, Gallery 3: Amanda Bauer, Gallery 5: Donna-mae Eachus, Gallery 8: Yamina Dedijer-Small and the Herbert Sanders Gallery: Sheila Malone. For more information, call John or Nicole at 924-4330.

Associated Students Election Board

2000-2001 recruitment. Conduct the student body elections during Spring 2001 or become a part of the A.S. election board. We are seeking three Students-At-Large, a Chief Election Officer, and Election Officer I and a Graphic Designer. The officer positions and designer receive monthly stipends. Pick up an application and return it to the Student Union, Associated Students office. Deadline is Oct. 13. For more information, call 924-5950.

New Student Orientation — Leader Recruitment

Join a team of 40 orientation leaders and impact more than 2,000 new students. Applications are available at the Student Life Center. Deadline is Oct. 13. For more information, call 924-5950.

Catholic Campus Ministry

Noon Mass, 12:10 p.m. to 12:35 p.m. at the Campus Ministry Chapel, 300 S. 10th St. For more information, call Father Charlie at 938-1610.

SJSU Sailing Club

Now practicing Tuesdays as well as Fridays to help accommodate your busy schedule, 2 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. at Lake Cunningham, near Raging Waters. No experience necessary, co-ed. For more information, call Joanna Dilley at (650) 799-3208 or JoDilley@aol.com.

Culture Fusion

Learn more about other cultures and share yours, 3 p.m. in the Student Union, Mosaic room. Taste international food and discover new friends. For more information, call Monica Bellavia at 294-2177.

SJSU Symphony Orchestra

SJSU Symphony Concert, 7:30 p.m. in the Music building Concert Hall. For more information, call Jun Nakabayashi at 924-4647.

Muslim Students Association

Friday prayer "Salat al Juma and Halaqa," 1:15 p.m. in the Student Union, Costanoan room. For more information, call Faten Hijazi at 738-5940.

Career Center

Job search strategies workshop, 11:30 a.m. in building F. For more information, call the Career Resource Center at 924-6034.

Birth Defects and Disabilities in Pre-Columbian Art

Presentation by Dr. Carlos F. Salinas from Medical University of

South Carolina will show how ancient cultures depicted human malformations in their art and integrated handicapped individuals into their societies, 11 a.m. to noon (illustrated lecture), noon to 12:30 p.m. (questions and comments) in the Student Union, Almaden room. For more information, call Marion Meyerson at 924-3688.

Sunday

Catholic Campus Ministry

Sunday Eucharistic Liturgy and Dinner, 6 p.m. at the Campus Ministry Chapel, 300 S. 10th St. Mass, 8 p.m. at the Campus Ministry Chapel. For more information, call Father Charlie at 938-1610.

Monday

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Associated Students

Blood drive, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Student Union, Guadalupe room. For more information, call Lorenzo Deveza at 924-6413.

IFC and Panhellenic

Join us as we kick off Greek Week 2000 in preparation for homecoming, 7 p.m. in the Student Union Ballroom. For more information, call the Student Life Center at 924-5950.

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Student galleries art exhibitions, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Art and

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The latest body composition testing: It's quick, painless and fun. Cost is \$5 for students and faculty, noon to 2 p.m. in the Central Classroom building, Room 221. For more information, call Sherry at 206-7599.

Career Center

Internships — spotlight on advertising, 12:30 p.m. in building F. For more information, call the Career Resource Center at 924-6034.

Study in England — SJSU International Program

Informational meeting for Spring 2001 Semester in Bath, 11 a.m. to noon at Hugh Gillis Hall, Room 114. For more information, call Dr. Jaehne at 924-5373.

Library Donations & Book Sales

Ongoing book sale, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Clark Library, 4th floor, Room 408. For more information,

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Gay Lesbian Bisexual Transgender Alliance

Awareness march, noon to 1 p.m. Meet at the fountain in front of the Event Center. For more information, call Shanna at 938-0803.

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SJSU Ballroom Dance Club

Beginning and intermediate tango lessons followed by open dancing, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Spartan Complex, Room 89. For more information, call 924-SPIN.

School of Art & Design

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School of Art & Design

Tuesday night lecture series: Richard T. Notkin, internationally exhibiting artist and lecturer, presenting a slide lecture of 32-year retrospective of his work, 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Art building, Room

133. For more information, call Andy at 924-4328.

Wednesday

Anthropology and Behavioral Science Club

Organizational meeting, screening of film, "Degrees of Shame," and student intern to the president presentation, 3 p.m. at Washington Square Hall, Room 04. For more information, call Marlene Elwell, ABS club president, at 938-1610.

SJSU Fraternities and Sororities

Join us for a Greek Week barbecue on campus, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Seventh Street plaza barbecue pit. For more information, call the Student Life Center at 924-5950.

Students for Justice

Weekly meeting, 5 p.m. at the Student Union, sunken living room. For more information, call Vanessa Nisperos at 504-9554.

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Letters

Spartan football team and other sporting events deserve support

Dear San Jose State Students and Faculty members,

I am writing to encourage your support of San Jose State University's excellent football team and athletic program.

While I know that each of you are busy with your classes, homework and other important activities, I hope you don't miss out on one of the best activities to experience while you are in college; namely attending and supporting your school in its athletics programs.

Spartan athletics is the window of SJSU to the world.

Just think about how much publicity and pride our Spartan baseball team gave us with their well earned appearance in the College World Series this spring. These are your fellow classmates working to earn respect on the field of competition.

For the past several years, there has not been a lot to cheer about when it comes to a winning football team. However, this year's edition of Spartan football is very exciting and well worth your time to watch at the games. Our basketball team is also on the rise along with many women's sports.

Looking back on my years at SJSU and my working career since, I fondly recall the football games and other athletic events that gave me such enjoyment.

My education at SJSU has helped me in Silicon Valley. Yet, it was the time I spent socializing and having fun at the games that helped give me a balanced view to apply at work and in my personal life.

Work is always there, but friends, fun and college athletics events gives an added dimension to help deal with the daily pressure and stress we all face.

In my many business meetings and negotiations, a common topic to set the stage usually ends up with discussions about each others college athletics programs. One interesting statistic is that more than 75 percent of all CEOs participated on a college football or other sports team.

At SJSU you have a chance to get both an excellent education and also take along a bit of that college experience outside the classroom.

This San Jose State football team is working very hard to bring honor to the name of the university.

This year's Spartans have already moved up in the college rankings from near 100th position to now nearing 40th ranking in the county — with a bowl bid likely if success continues.

We have some of the best individual players on the West Coast if not the country.

Your SJSU Spartans are headed to the top of the WAC. This SJSU team does not quit!

Join the rest of the students and all of us alums for some family, entertainment, fun and football against the University of Texas El Paso (UTEP) at 6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 14.

Call the athletics department for information on getting your free student tickets.

Remaining Games: UTEP 6 p.m., Oct. 14; TCU 12:30 p.m., Nov. 4; Fresno State 12:30 p.m., Nov. 25; Silicon Valley Football Classic 3:30 p.m., Dec. 31, Spartan Stadium.

Spartan thunder rolls again in the millennium. Congratulations on being students at San Jose State University. You are part of our college family.

See you at the games!

Craig Ash
alumnus
class of 1967

"THERE'S NO BUSINESS LIKE SLEAZE BUSINESS."



Quote for the Daily:

"Ours is a world where people don't know what they want and are willing to go through hell to get it."

— Don Marquis

Are you interested in listing available housing options to an SJSU colleague or student?



For more information contact the Off Campus Housing Program

924-RENT (7368)

or visit us on-line at

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(off-campus housing link)

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SPARTAN
OUTLOOK

Football

- Saturday at Southern Methodist in Dallas, Texas
- 6 p.m. Oct. 14 vs. UTEP at Spartan Stadium

Men's soccer

- 7:30 p.m. Sunday vs. Santa Clara at Spartan Stadium
- 7 p.m. Thursday at Fresno State University

Women's soccer

- 7:30 p.m. Today vs. UTEP at Spartan Stadium
- 1 p.m. Sunday vs. Tulsa at Spartan Stadium
- 3 p.m. Tuesday at St. Mary's College in Moraga

Volleyball

- Today at Rice in Houston, Texas
- Saturday at UTEP in El Paso, Texas
- 7 p.m. Tuesday at Fresno State

Cross Country

- Saturday at Long Beach State Invitational (men's and women's)

Men's Golf

- Oct. 13 at Fresno-Lexus Classic

Women's Golf

- Oct. 9-11 at Edean Ihlanfeldt Classic in Redmond, Wash.

Club Hockey

- 7:45 p.m. Today vs. Cal at Ice Centre
- 8:15 p.m. Saturday vs. Stanford at Ice Centre

Women's Tennis

- Oct. 13 at St. Mary's Invitational in Moraga

Spartans defeat
visiting Gaels 2-1

STAFF REPORT

The Spartan men's soccer team only needed two shots on goal to remain undefeated in a 2-1 victory against Saint Mary's College Thursday night at Spartan Stadium.

San Jose State University, ranked No. 7 in the nation by the National Soccer Coaches Association top 25 poll, improved its season record to 9-0-1.

Both teams went scoreless in the first half of play.

The first goal of the game came with 58:12 left in the second half. Sophomore defender Frank Sanfilippo headed in a pass from senior midfielder Jorge Martinez.

Martinez, the Spartans' scoring leader, has not had a goal since the Sept. 23 game against Loyola Marymount University. Martinez, however, has continued to contribute to the offense with an assist in the last three games.

The Gaels tied the score 1-1 in the 63rd minute on a free kick by Alex Avena. SJSU was called for a foul leading to the penalty kick.

Lars Lyssand scored the final goal of the game in the 84th minute on an assist from senior defender Ryan Suarez to give the Spartans the one-point victory.

Lyssand, a junior midfielder, has scored a goal in three straight contests.

The men's soccer team will be part of a Spartan tripleheader on Sunday at Spartan Stadium.

At 1 p.m. the women's soccer team is scheduled to play Tulsa University.

Following at 4:30 p.m. there will be an alumni soccer game featuring SJSU versus Santa Clara University.

The Spartans' team will then take the field at 7:30 p.m. to play Santa Clara.

Men's golf finish 13th

The San Jose State University men's golf team finished 13th at

the Pacific Invitational on Tuesday in Stockton.

The Spartans were tied with the University of California at Davis with a total score of 893 on the par 72 Reverse Golf Club course.

Senior Nate Whitson was SJSU's top player in the tournament. Whitson finished at No. 31 with a six-over par 222.

Two SJSU freshman golfers finished in the top 50. Bobby Powers was 44th with a total score of 226. Bryant Reyes ended the tournament at No. 50 with a score of 227.

The Spartans are scheduled to compete again on Oct. 13 at the Fresno Lexus Classic.

Cross Country results

Ana Martinez and Janina Crain led the Spartan women's cross country team to a third-place finish Sept. 30 at the Cross Country Only National Championships in St. Louis, Mo.

Martinez, a junior, finished 11 seconds behind the winner with a time of 22:46. Crain, a junior, placed fifth with a time of 22:58.

On the same day, the SJSU men's cross country team finished 11th in the open university division of the Stanford Invitational in Palo Alto.

Junior Matt Heard completed the 8,000-meter course in 26:35 to finish in 11th place. Senior Trevor Marca was No. 31 with a time of 26:44.

Both teams will compete next on Oct. 7 at the Long Beach Invitational.

Football Classic teams

The Silicon Valley Classic bowl game will match teams from the Western Athletic Conference and the Mountain West Conference, according to executive director Chuck Shelton.

The game is scheduled for 3:30 p.m. on Dec. 31, 2000.



Sebastian Widmann / Daily Staff

Spartan senior midfielder Gareth Williams (17), prepares to kick the ball against St. Mary's College midfielder Adrian Kirby (11) during a game at Spartan Stadium. San Jose State University defeated the Gaels on Thursday 2-1 to improve its season record to 9-0-1.

New York Mets take one from Giants

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Jay Payton's quiet little single was bigger than J.T. Snow's dramatic pinch-hit homer.

After Payton's go-ahead single in the 10th inning, John Franco did what Armando Benitez couldn't: Franco closed it out as the New York Mets overcame a game-tying, three-run homer by Snow in the bottom of the ninth to beat the San Francisco Giants 5-4 Thursday night.

Edgaro Alfonzo had a two-run homer in the ninth for the Mets, who evened their best-of-five National League playoff series at 1-1 and won for the first time in six games at Pacific Bell Park.

Game 3 is Saturday at Shea Stadium. Given a 4-1 lead in the ninth, Benitez wasted a standout performance from Al Leiter, who held the Giants to five hits in eight-plus innings.

"We won at this ballpark. I think that's really good for us," Mets manager Bobby Valentine said. "Al Leiter is fabulous. I'm proud of this group, that wasn't an easy win. This time of the year, they're not supposed to be easy. I'm proud of the guys."

When Leiter gave up a leadoff

double to Barry Bonds in the ninth, the Mets went to the bullpen for Benitez, a closer with a sobering history of poor post-season performances.

Jeff Kent reached on an infield single and, one out later, Snow launched the first pinch-hit homer of his career.

The ball hit the facing of the walkway over right field at Pac Bell and landed maybe two feet to the left of the foul pole.

As the Giants' fans went wild, Benitez's shoulders sagged into an all-too-familiar pose. He allowed three game-deciding hits the 1997 American League championship series while he was with Baltimore, including a game-winning homer by Tony Fernandez that broke up a scoreless tie in the 11th inning of the series finale and a three-run, go-ahead homer by Marquis Grissom in the eighth inning of Game 3.

But the Mets came back in the 10th with a two-out double by Darryl Hamilton, who struck out with the bases loaded in the eighth inning of the Mets' 5-1 series-opening loss on Wednesday.

Hamilton, who missed about four months of the season because of an arthritic left toe,

lined the ball right-center and managed to get to second. Payton followed with a run-scoring single to center off Giants setup man Felix Rodriguez.

"We knew we were going to get another chance to go up there and swing the bats," Payton said. "Fortunately, it worked out for us."

Franco got the first postseason save of his 16-year major league career with a gutsy performance in the 10th. Armando Rios reached second on a pinch-hit single and a sacrifice, but Rios tried to take third on Bill Mueller's grounder and was thrown out by shortstop Mike Bordick.

Until the ninth-inning craziness, the game was dominated by Leiter. He pitched 4 2/3 hitless innings in the middle and appeared poised to get his first postseason win since 1993.

After allowing a run in the second inning, Leiter held the Giants hitless from the third until the eighth. He didn't allow another runner even to reach second base until the ninth.

"I kind of feel bad for Arman-

do. He's been there for us all year," Leiter said. "I'm happy right now. Doesn't seem like we do it easy, but that will hopefully build momentum for Game 3."

The Giants lost starting pitcher Shawn Estes in the third inning when he grotesquely jammed his left ankle into second base while trying to beat out a force play. Estes limped off the bag and was tagged out.

Estes, who wasn't sharp in the three innings he pitched, sustained a sprained ankle on the

play and was replaced by Kirk Rueter, the Giants' No. 4 starter during the regular season.

Timo Perez had a two-run single to center in the second inning for New York. San Francisco got one run in the second on Ellis Burks' RBI double.

Alfonzo, who had three homers in last year's division series against Arizona, hit his fourth postseason homer in the ninth against Rodriguez. The drive to one of the deepest parts of Pac Bell scored Perez.

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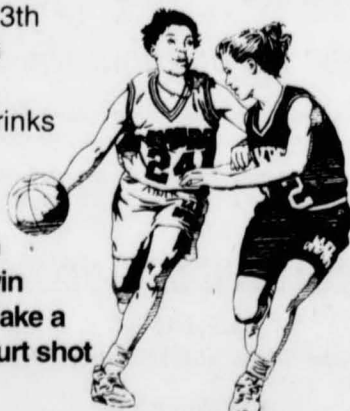
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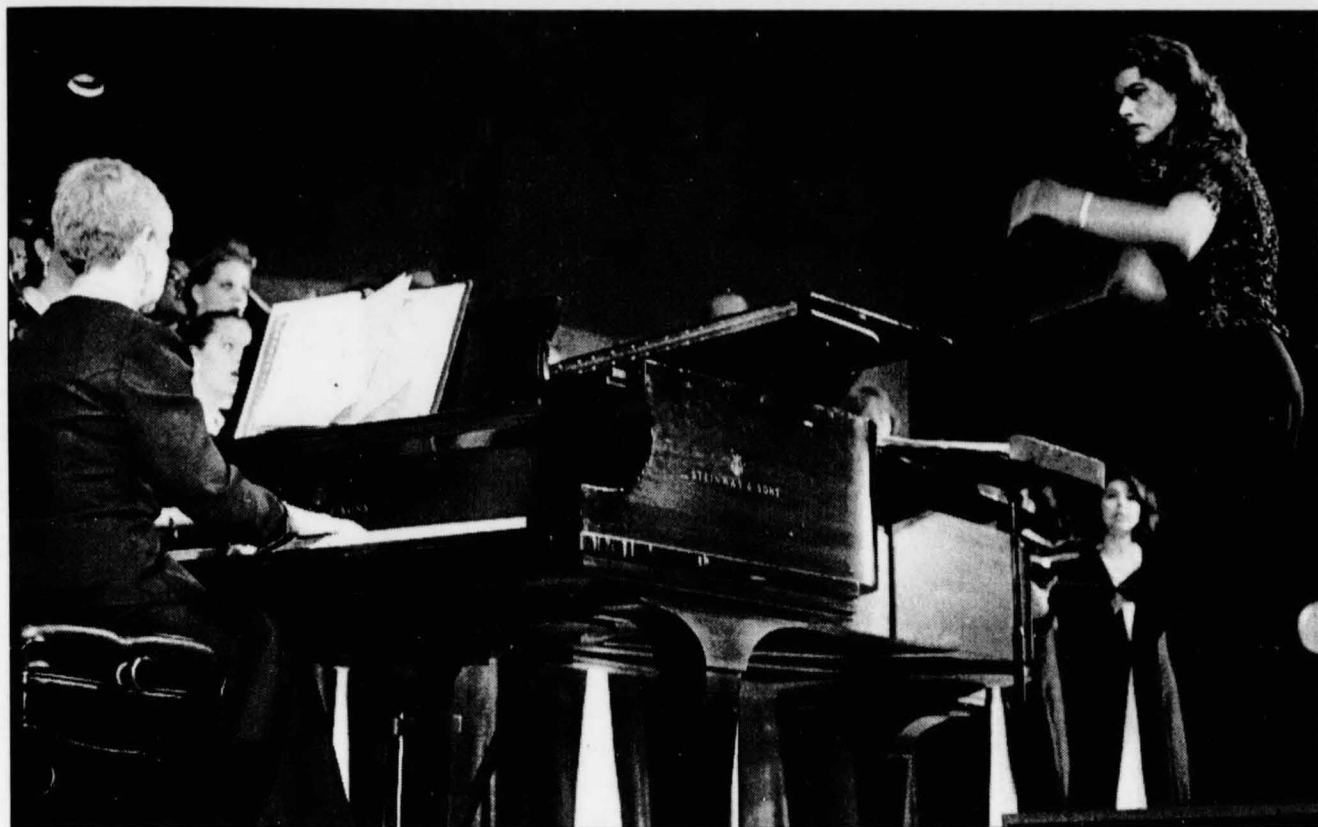
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Director Elena Sharkova and pianist Shaulamit Hoffman perform with the San Jose State University Concert Choir and Choraliers in the Music Building Concert Hall. Next Thursday's Listening Hour will feature Opera San Jose.

Joel Turner / Daily Staff

LISTENING: Concert choir will perform debut concert next week

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titled "Vita de la mia vita" and "Veniki."

Before each performance, Elena Sharkova and Charlene Archibeque, directors of the Concert Choir & Choraliers, interpreted the mood for the audience and added some history about the songs and composers.

"This is a very naughty piece," Sharkova said of "Veniki." "It is fast and fun, so I hope you enjoy it."

During some of the songs, Shaulamit Hoffman played the black piano in front of the choir. The piano tunes presented an extra melody for the audience.

"It's All Over Me," was an interactive, religious piece during which Archibeque encouraged the audience members to clap their hands along with the combined chorus whose voices oscillated according to the conductor's direction.

Although the Concert Choir and Choraliers were not planning to perform until next Thursday, after hours of rehearsal the night before, they were ready for the Listening Hour, said Andrew Chung, president of the Concert Choir.

"I think we did a really good

"We've been working hard, so this was our chance to show our talent to our fellow peers."

— Hans Cardenas, choir member

job considering it was so hectic yesterday," Chung said. "We sang and rehearsed for eight hours, and I think it paid off."

Hans Cardenas, a music composition major, is a part of the choir and said he enjoys performing on campus.

"It's cool," Cardenas said. "We've been working hard, so this was our chance to show our talent to our fellow peers."

The Concert Choir and Choraliers will perform their debut concert at 8 p.m. Oct. 13 at the Campbell First United Methodist Church.

◆ For more information on the choir and the Listening Hour Concert Series, contact coordinator Joan Stubbé at 924-4631.

Vice presidents' debate less heated than bosses'

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The Dick Cheney - Joe Lieberman debate was praised by some TV commentators as an exercise in good manners and condemned by others as bad politics.

"Highly civilized, in many ways they articulated the positions of their campaigns more effectively than the top of their ticket when they met in Boston," Tom Brokaw said.

"Give it a rave," said CBS anchor Dan Rather. This will go down as the best vice presidential

joint appearance on television since the television era in presidential and vice presidential campaigns began.

His colleague, Bob Schieffer, wondered whether their "bosses," George W. Bush and Al Gore, were watching.

Instant polls and in-studio audiences also gave the vice presidential candidates high marks.

But some observers pronounced themselves frustrated by the debate. Fox News Channel's Mort

Kondracke called it "an opportunity wasted by Cheney to go after Gore."

"Maybe somebody could have given the candidates a hot foot or put a joy buzzer on their seat," said his colleague, Fred Barnes.

Conservative commentator Bill Kristol, also on FNC, said "the Bush campaign failed to do what it had to do ... which to assault Al Gore's policies and his credibility."

ABC's Sam Donaldson asked plaintively when it was decreed

that campaigners had to act like "gentlemen and ladies."

"I think that's nonsense," Donaldson said.

The night was put in perspective. ABC anchorman Peter Jennings, who noted that "bottom of the ticket" doesn't necessarily have that much effect on voter decisions.

NBC's Tim Russert of predicted the veep debate's "effect on the election will practically be nonexistent."

A group of undecided voters

recruited by NBC in Tampa, Fla., were impressed with both candidates — and, with a non-show of hands, all indicated they remained on the fence.

On Tuesday, an estimated 46.5 million people watched the first presidential debate between Gore and Bush, while some commentators deemed rancorous.

Lieberman and Cheney were probably on their best behavior because focus groups told the campaigns that conflict doesn't pay, commentators mused.

That Gore-Bush audience was comparable to the 46.1 million people who watched the first duel between President Clinton and Bob Dole four years ago, but fell short of the all-time record: 80 million people watched President Carter and Ronald Reagan square off in 1980.

Cheney and Lieberman, with moderator Bernie Shaw, met at Centre College in Danville, Ky., for their only debate. Bush and Gore have two more debates scheduled, on Oct. 11 and 17.

Yugoslavia left in shambles as president's reign ends

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (AP) — Mobs seeking to topple Slobodan Milosevic turned their fury on his centers of power Thursday, leaving parliament and other key Belgrade sites in shambles and flames. The 13-year rule of the Yugoslav president appeared to have collapsed.

Opposition leader Zoran Djindjic said Milosevic was holed up near the eastern town of Bor, some 50 miles southeast of the capital, near the border with Romania and Bulgaria. He said Milosevic had not been in touch with the opposition camp.

"As of today, Serbia is again a democratic nation," declared an opposition leader, Nebojsa Covic, referring to Yugoslavia's main republic. "It belongs to all of us, to Europe and to the world."

By nightfall the crowd's fury was spent as the symbols of Milosevic's power — police stations, state media — had fallen to the opposition. Huge crowds wandered the streets and gathered in the squares celebrating their apparent victory.

Opposition leaders, including some former senior military officers, appealed to the armed forces to support their candidate, Vojislav Kostunica.

State media said that army commanders were meeting in Belgrade early Friday and that a statement was expected.

Djindjic said shortly before dawn Friday that he felt "the critical period" overnight when Milosevic military could have counterattacked against the opposition supporters "was over."

On Thursday, hundreds of thousands of people swarmed through the capital to demand that Milosevic accept his apparent electoral defeat by Kostunica in the Sept. 24 election. The uprising developed with stunning speed, swelling as security forces showed little willingness to battle the largest anti-Milosevic protest ever.

Some police who did fire on demonstrators were beaten, as was the director of Serbian state television, Dragoljub Milanovic, one of Milosevic's closest allies. He was punched, kicked and pummeled with sticks as he tried to flee the television station.

The government's Tanjug news agency, which defected to the opposition, said two people were killed and 65 injured in the rioting. All but 12 of the injured were treated and released from hospitals, Tanjug said.

Many police put down their clubs and joined flag-waving crowds as they surged across cen-

tral Belgrade through clouds of tear gas. As demonstrators charged and riot police cowered behind helmets and shields, the federal parliament building, the state broadcasting center and police stations fell in quick succession.

Protesters tossed documents and portraits of Milosevic through the broken windows of the parliament complex. Smoke billowed from the building and from the state television headquarters nearby.

Elsewhere in the country, thousands more people joined smaller rallies in a number of towns.

"What we are doing today is making history," Kostunica proclaimed during an evening speech in front of Belgrade city hall, across from parliament.

The opposition's domino-like successes did not fully erase fear that Milosevic could strike back.

"The most critical moments are not over," said Vuk Obradovic, a former general turned opposition leader. "It is very important that people stay in the streets."

Kostunica asked supporters continue demonstrating until dawn to try to block any possible counterattack by the military.

Tens of thousands were still heeding his call as dawn approached Friday, roaming the streets in impromptu celebrations.

Kostunica also appealed to people from the countryside to stream into Belgrade for rallies Friday.

"We call on the military and police to do everything to ensure a peaceful transition of power," he said.

The crowd chanted for Milosevic's arrest. Kostunica answered: "He doesn't need to be arrested. He arrested himself a long time ago."

At the White House, President Clinton said: "The people are trying to get their country back." British Prime Minister Tony Blair said of Milosevic: "Your time is up. Go now."

Commenting on the possibility that Milosevic could strike back, National Security Adviser Sandy Berger said: "There are a lot of rumors swirling around and I would take them all with a certain grain of salt at this point. Again, we have no reason at this stage to believe that he's not still in Serbia."

A statement from Milosevic's Socialist Party of Serbia in the early hours of the clashes said it would "fight against violence and destruction" with "all its force and in all state institutions." No fur-

ther statement was made.

A former Yugoslav army chief of staff, retired Gen. Momcilo Perisic, appealed to the armed forces to support the democratic forces. He said what was left of the police force had already agreed not to attack people "unless they break into public buildings and cause damage."

"I talked to the army leaders and they promised not to intervene," Perisic said without elaborating. Perisic said, however, that Milosevic and his allies are "determined" and there remains a chance they might be planning a counterattack from somewhere "outside Belgrade."

During an interview on state television, Kostunica said he envisions a democratic Serbia that has normal relations with other countries and does not suffer under diplomatic sanctions.

The United States and the European Union have imposed sanctions against the Milosevic regime for several years. But French Foreign Minister Hubert Vedrine said France, which holds the rotating EU presidency, is "taking the necessary steps" for the EU to reconsider the sanctions as soon as Monday.

The collapse of Milosevic's institutions in Belgrade was extraordinary. As clashes spread through the capital, the streets echoed with the sound of stun grenades and tear gas fired in an unsuccessful attempt to break up the crowds.

Later, both state television channels went off the air before coming back on under opposition control, and the state-run Tanjug news agency — one of chief pillars of Milosevic's rule — announced it is no longer loyal to him.

"From this moment, Tanjug informs the Yugoslav public that it is with the people of this country," a statement carried by the agency said. Another Tanjug report referred to Kostunica as "President-elect of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia."

The conquest of the parliament was highly symbolic. But the loss of the state media and the government-run newspaper Politika was a bigger blow to Milosevic, denying him his biggest propaganda tools.

The Yugoslav military remained in its barracks and it was unclear whether the army remained loyal to Milosevic, but his security forces appeared to be disintegrating, with protesters seizing police precincts without a fight. The level of defiance was unprecedented in Yugoslavia's 55-year communist history.

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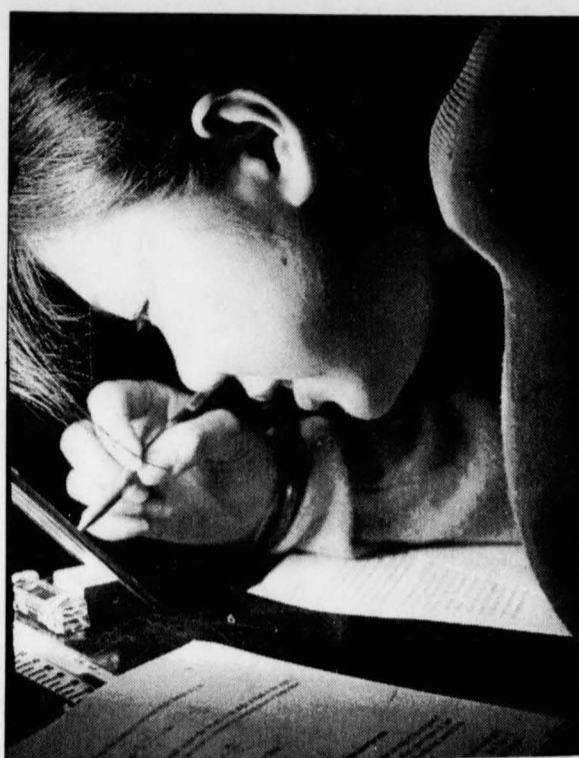
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WEIRD SCIENCE

Right, junior Chan Thai, looks closely at the measurements of her physics experiment. Chan said she did not like the project because the light the class used hurt her eyes. The physics lab meets from 1:30 p.m. to 4:20 p.m. Wednesdays.

Below, Alan Hsu, left, an electrical engineering major and Chan Thai, right, a software engineering major, work on a project during their physics lab. The two had to measure the line of interference fringes in front of a bright light in the dark.

photos by Joel Turner / Daily Staff



Shuttle captures images of Jupiter

PASADENA, Calif. (AP) — NASA's Cassini spacecraft, en route to a 2004 rendezvous with Saturn, snapped its first image of the giant planet Jupiter as engineers worked to understand a communications problem with a companion probe.

The problem involves the European Space Agency's Huygens probe, which will detach from Cassini and parachute to the Saturnian moon Titan in late 2004. It does not affect Cassini's primary mission of orbiting Saturn.

A test last month showed an ESA-supplied receiver aboard Cassini cannot handle the full amount of data expected to be generated by Huygens during its descent. That could impede communication. "We're still investigating it," Bob Mitchell, Cassini's program manager at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory, said Thursday. "The probe relay doesn't occur for another four years, so we have got a lot of time to work it."

Meanwhile, NASA released the first picture taken by Cassini of the gas planet Jupiter on Thursday.

The black-and-white image, shot from a distance of more than 52 million miles, shows the planet's cloud bands and swirling Great Red Spot, which has been noted by astronomers since the first telescopes were aimed at the planet 300 years ago.

Though the picture does not reveal anything new about the planet, it confirms the \$3.4 billion mission's imaging systems are working properly, Mitchell said.

"It is very reassuring to see that the entire system is working just great," he said.

Cassini is expected to return a steady stream of images as it flies closer to the planet. Each will be taken with a different filter and they will be combined to produce full-color images.

"Cassini has given us the first tantalizing taste of its enormous scientific potential," said Jay Bergstralh, Cassini program scientist at NASA headquarters.

By the end of the probe's flyby of Jupiter at the end of March 2001, controllers expect to have a collection of images that rival those taken by the Voyager spacecraft in 1979 even though Cassini will not fly as close.

"We have a better, higher-quality, later-technology camera than Voyager," Mitchell said. "Before we're done, we should have some very spectacular images."

A tape recorder malfunction prevented similar pictures from being sent back by the Galileo spacecraft, which continues to orbit the planet. Three global pictures taken at the start of the mission remain stuck on the recorder.

Since its 1997 launch, Cassini has flown by Earth once and Venus twice, each time using gravity to gain speed and change direction as it heads for Saturn. Its closest approach to Jupiter takes place Dec. 30.

Cassini is scheduled to arrive at Saturn on July 1, 2004.

Baby cut from womb of slain mother leaves hospital healthy

RAVENNA, Ohio (AP) — Police say a baby that was cut from the womb of his slain mother left the hospital Thursday, and his grieving father said the little boy is "God's gift to the world."

Jon Andrews carried Oscar out of Robinson Memorial Hospital and left for the house of an unidentified relative. The child, wrapped in a dark blue and white blanket, cried briefly as a nurse and others worked to strap him into a car seat.

Test results are pending to confirm that Andrews, 23, and his wife, Theresa, are the parents of the infant found in the house where police say Theresa Andrews was killed. Authorities say there is no evidence the baby is anyone else's.

"This is probably the best thing, under the circumstances," police Chief Randall McCoy said of the baby's release from the hospital.

Andrews' attorney, Nicholas

Phillips, said the family will be in seclusion with the baby until Sunday, the day of the funeral for Ms. Andrews, 23.

Andrews "asked me to mention to everyone that young Oscar is God's gift to the world, as well as Theresa's gift," Phillips told reporters gathered outside the hospital.

He said Andrews described the baby as being "perfect."

Michelle Bica committed suicide Tuesday as police arrived to

question her about Theresa Andrews, who lived a few blocks away and had vanished a week earlier. Her body was later found buried in the dirt floor of Ms. Bica's garage, and the 8-pound, 6-ounce baby was found alive in her home.

The heavyset Bica, 39, told her husband, Thomas, that the baby was theirs and that she had given

birth while he was working. Detective Greg Francis said Wednesday. Thomas Bica was questioned and released.

Prosecutor Victor Viglucci said the baby probably was delivered Sept. 27, the day Ms. Andrews disappeared in Ravenna, a city of about 12,000 some 30 miles southeast of Cleveland.

The coroner said Theresa

Andrews was shot once in the back and likely died instantly. The .22-caliber bullet matched ammunition in the gun Michelle Bica used to kill herself.

A series of cellular phone calls to the Andrews house led police to Michelle Bica. There was no indication the women had known each other. Michelle Bica left no suicide note.

San Jose State Ice Hockey Team 2000-01 Home Schedule

DATE	TIME	OPPONENTS	SITE
Fri. Oct. 6	7:45pm	CAL	ICE CENTRE
Sat. Oct. 7	8:15pm	STANFORD	ICE CENTRE
Fri. Oct. 13	7:45pm	LONG BEACH STATE	ICE CENTRE
Sat. Oct. 14	8:15pm	NEW MEXICO	ICE CENTRE
Sat. Nov. 4	8:15pm	UTAH STATE	ICE CENTRE
Sat. Nov. 11	8:15pm	UCLA	ICE CENTRE
Sat. Nov. 18	7:45pm	UNIVERSITY OF UTAH	ICE CENTRE
Fri. Dec. 1	7:45pm	STANFORD (Semi-final)	ICE CENTRE
	10:15pm	PALMER vs. CAL (Semi-final)	BERKELEY, CA
Sat. Dec. 2	8:15pm	Final: Winners of Semi-Finals	ICE CENTRE
Sat. Jan. 13	8:15pm	DEPAUL UNIVERSITY	ICE CENTRE
Sat. Jan. 20	8:15pm	WESLEY STATE	ICE CENTRE
Fri. Jan. 26	7:45pm	WESTERN WASHINGTON	ICE CENTRE
Sat. Jan. 27	8:15pm	U. OF OREGON	ICE CENTRE
Sat. Feb. 10	8:15pm	PALMER COLLEGE	ICE CENTRE
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Adult smoker rates stay steady

ATLANTA (AP) — The number of American adults who smoke held steady in 1998 at one in four — a rate that hardly budged during the 1990s despite anti-tobacco campaigns and new kick-the-habit aids like nicotine gum and the patch.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reported Thursday that 24.1 percent of Americans 18 and older smoked cigarettes in 1998, the latest year for which figures are available. The rate was 24.7 percent in 1997 and 25.5 percent in 1990.

The numbers fall far short of the CDC's goal of cutting the adult smoking rate to 15 percent by 2000.

The nation's smoking rate has dropped sharply since 1965, when 44 percent of adults were smokers. The figure leveled off in the 1990s — hovering between 24.1 and 26.5 percent — in part because smoking increased among 18-to-24-year-olds, who probably started in high school, the CDC said.

Dr. Corinne Husten, a medical officer with the CDC Office on Smoking and Health, said there are signs the smoking rate can go much lower.

The 1998 survey found that only 11.3 percent of college-educated adults smoke and 39.2 percent of adult smokers had tried to quit in the preceding year.

Congressman links acne medicine to son's suicide

TRAVERSE CITY, Mich. (AP) — Rep. Bart Stupak says his 17-year-old son's suicide earlier this year may be linked to the popular acne medicine Accutane.

Bart Stupak Jr., known as "B.J.," shot himself in the head with his father's gun in the early hours of May 14. Stupak was popular in school, a football player, and killed himself after a prom-night party.

The elder Stupak, a four-term Democrat from Menominee, said Thursday that he blames Accutane, a powerful acne drug B.J. had taken for six months prior to his death.

"We knew our son, we loved our son," Stupak said on NBC's "Today" show.

The congressman and his wife, Laurie, said they had considered every possible explanation for B.J.'s suicide and "the only thing we can find is Accutane."

In 1998, the Food and Drug Administration advised doctors who prescribe Accutane to watch their patients for signs of depression. Afterward, the company notified doctors that the drug "may cause depression, psychosis, and, rarely, suicidal ideation, suicide attempts and suicide."

Stupak said the FDA had done poorly at spreading the word. B.J.'s medication package

included no warning and the doctor didn't tell the parents about the link to depression, either, his father said.

"If it can happen to our family it certainly can happen to you, and we don't want anyone to have to go through that," Stupak said.

Hoffman-LaRoche, which manufactures Accutane, contends no link has been proven between the drug and depression or suicide. In 1998, the company argued that more than 4 million Americans have taken Accutane since it was approved in 1982, and the possible side effect is very rare. It said teen-agers, prime acne sufferers, often suffer depression, and hormones involved with acne also may contribute to depression.

B.J.'s death stunned family and friends in Menominee, where he was a popular student and athlete. In the "Today" interview, his parents said he was a happy young man with a bright future.

"This is contrary to everything he lived for, everything he thought, everything he wanted in life ... completely out of character for him," Stupak said. "He would not do something like this."

B.J. left no note and the autopsy showed no drugs in his system, although he apparently had taken a couple of drinks.

The only suggestion of odd behavior came the night before his death. During a party following his junior prom, B.J. began reading the Bible and said he wasn't going to college because of his grades, and that his parents probably hated him for that, according to an account on the "Today" program.

The Stupaks said there was no reason for him to think such a thing.

An FDA science advisory panel last month suggested requiring Hoffman-LaRoche to give patients information about potential risks, agency drug chief Janet Woodcock said.

Woodcock said there still was insufficient data to establish a definite connection between Accutane and depression or suicide.

"It's really hard to nail this down," she said in a telephone interview Wednesday. "The bottom line is there is evidence against there being a link and evidence for being a link."

During the advisory panel meeting, FDA staffers presented evidence that some people had become depressed when taking the drug and had gotten over their depression after stopping use of the drug, Woodcock said.

Experts for Hoffman-LaRoche countered with evidence suggesting no link, she said. The committee recommended further study.

Revised dietary guidelines released

DALLAS (AP) — Eating right just got easier, especially for health-conscious folks who get a heady thrill from fruits and vegetables — but a headache from math.

The American Heart Association revised its influential dietary guidelines Thursday, stressing common sense in choosing one's daily fare and playing down complicated percentages of fat or nutrients.

"We are moving toward a diet that focuses on food rather than strictly on the numbers," said Dr. Ronald M. Krauss, lead author of the report.

It's the first significant revision in four years of the association's guidelines, which are widely mimicked by other health organizations.

The association urges a diet rich in fruits, vegetables, legumes, whole grains, lowfat dairy products, fish, lean meats and poultry. Five servings of fruits and vegetables and six servings of grains are recommended daily.

And, for the first time, two weekly servings of fatty fish, such as tuna or salmon, are recommended.

"In the past we have focused rather heavily on the percent of calories as fat and amounts of cholesterol," Krauss said. "These are still important considerations, but the emphasis has shifted."

For the first time, the association also emphasizes the prevention of obesity. Prevention is key, Krauss said, because shedding pounds is so difficult.

"The lowfat message for many people is distorted so they are selecting food with high junk calories," such as soft drinks and baked goods, Krauss said. "That just leads to excess weight gain without any real nutrition."

The association recommends tailoring people's menus to their own risk of heart disease and stroke, and outlines dietary directions for doctors and their patients for a variety of diseases.

No-no's, again, are saturated fats and trans-fatty acids, especially for adults prone to heart disease, the association said. Saturated fats are found in animal products and tropical oils, and trans-fatty acids include hydrogenated oil used in commercially prepared foods and some hard margarines.

The new guidelines, to be published in the Oct. 31 issue of Circulation, a journal of the American Heart Association, should help consumers, said Edith Howard Hogan, a dietitian and spokeswoman for the American Dietetic Association.

"This mirrors the ADA's recommendations of a diet based on a variety of foods," she said. "People are more interested in adding things to their diet than taking things out."

Eating sensibly can still be tough, especially with fast food so readily available, said Margo Denke, associate professor of nutrition at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical School at Dallas.

The guidelines say the average adult should cut saturated fats and trans-fatty acids to 10 percent of calories, which would be a cut of 2 to 3 percentage points for the average adult.

"That's setting a high mark for people to achieve," Denke said. "Is it doable for people who are eating out? Without a message that can be translated to people in restaurants, it's not going to be an effective message."

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