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David Makovsky calls for “more light, less heat” in negotiations with Israel and Palestine in a lecture on Feb. 5, 2015.

Speaker calls for civility over Israel, Palestine

By JEREMY CUMMINGS
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The road to peace between Israel and Palestine has wound its way through San Jose State University.

On Feb. 5, David Makovsky, a prominent figure in the Middle East Peace Project came to speak at the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Library as part of a series of college visits.

Makovsky’s goal is to foster more dialogue amongst college students and

to bring more hope and civility to these contentious debates.

“We need more light and less heat when talking about these issues,” Makovsky said.

The event drew a large number of people with nearly every seat in the room filled with attendees of all ages. Some chose to stand in the back rather than navigate the crowded rows of chairs to find a spot.

Members of the Israel on Campus Coalition set up a table with literature

and handouts for the people who came to the talk.

Maya Harlev, an attendee, said the coalition funded Makovsky’s trip to SJSU.

A few students from the group Students for Justice in Palestine showed up early and sat in the front rows.

When Makovsky arrived he scanned the room for a minute with a determined gaze then took some time to speak with the media.

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SPORTS

Spartans find sunshine on a rainy day



Jonathan Wold | Spartan Daily

Fans brave a barrage of rainfall during the alumni baseball game as Spartan starter Jonathan Hernandez pitches to alumnus Kevin Frandsen.

By JONATHAN WOLD
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Despite heavy rain over the weekend, the Spartan baseball team found a window dry enough to play ball for the 2015 Alumni Game between the current team and former Spartans on Saturday afternoon.

Fans in the stands at Blethen Field set up umbrellas to shield themselves from the passing showers, the bright sun and occasionally both at the same time.

The current Spartan team won 4–2 over the alumni team highlighted by Washington Nationals infielder Kevin Frandsen, as well as more recent graduates from the team like Matt Carroll, Jacob Valdez and Danny Stienstra.

“It helps our kids understand the history of this program,” Head Coach Dave Nakama said. “When they see the great turnout from our alumni, they realize what this program means to a lot of people.”

Nakama is in his third season as

head coach and has heavily recruited students to bring new faces to the team.

Of the 34 players on the roster, 16 are freshman.

“The thing that keeps me up at night is that we have a lot of freshman,” Nakama said. “I think my biggest worry is how they’re going to react when adversity sets in.”

With all the incoming freshman, the 2015 season will have more depth,

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Healthcare enrollment event fails to draw out uninsured students

By RAECHEL PRICE
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Declining enrollment in health insurance could mean students will be hit with unexpected fees at tax time as changes to the health care law raise penalties for uninsured residents.

On Feb. 2, independent insurance brokers met in the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Library to enroll students in Covered California insurance programs, in an event called “Ask a Broker,” organized by Valley Health Plan, a nonprofit health insurance company in Santa Clara County.

The company organizes open enrollment events to provide residents with easy access to independent brokers for the duration of the enrollment period, which is a joint effort with the California State University system to bring solutions to students.

The event’s goal was to provide students immediate access to a certified enroller with information about the effects of the new insurance requirements.

New laws under the Affordable Care Act require all adults to be insured, with the uninsured facing tax penalties of more than \$300 for going without coverage for a year.

Sylvia Oliveros, an insurance broker with Be Well Insurance Solutions, called it “the healthcare surprise.”

Ashley Bejarano, a plan-based enroller through Valley Health Plan, was responsible for organizing the event. She and other brokers at the event are certified through Covered California.

At the start of the event, Bejarano warned they might not have any students show up to the event. By 5:30, not a single student had even passed by the meeting room.

“The last few no one has shown up to,” Bejarano said.

The CSU system began a program to educate students and their families about the new requirements under the health care law called the Health Insurance Education Project.

One in four students are uninsured, according to HIEP website.

“Just like you wouldn’t drive a car without car insurance,” Bejarano said, “I don’t think it’s safe to be without health insurance.”

Valley Health Plan has witnessed declining enrollment from 2014-15. Bejarano said anyone who is not enrolled is either reluctant to or unaware of the new requirements.

“It can be confusing for a lot of young adults,” Bejarano said. “Because

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OPINION

Police lack accountability, should be held to higher standard

By JEREMY CUMMINGS
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I never thought I would wake up in a police state.

That’s how it felt, though, after the Supreme Court made its first decision of the new year in “Heien v. North Carolina.”

Effective Jan. 15, arrests made when a police officer misinterprets the law and pulls a citizen over for something that is not actually a crime are no longer considered improper arrests.

The language used in the decision is: “a police officer’s reasonable mistake of law,” according to the official blog of the Supreme Court.

Tectonic plates shift. I feel like I’ve lost my footing.

How can it be reasonable in any situation for a police officer to make a mistake

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Local artist says a colorful city is a connected city

By RAIN STITES
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“Every kid does art, I just never stopped,” artist and San Jose native, who goes by only his first name, Jesico said. Sketching cartoon characters as a child led Jesico to find his career as a paid artist.

Working as a tattoo artist for the past 13 years and contributing to various public art projects, Jesico finds inspiration in color.

“Lack of artwork within the public sphere can make a city feel less like a community and more like a strip mall,” Jesico said.

As a kid growing up in his hometown San Jose, Jesico felt uninspired by the overwhelming gray of the city.

“It’s so boring. It’s uninspiring,” he said. “I think it brings the community together for the better when you have arts. It just makes it more of a home.”

For Jesico, mural artwork allows for more creative freedom than his day job as a tattoo artist. He described tattooing as restrictive at times.

Outside mural painting liberates his art.

“That’s what art’s about right?” he said. “It’s really about being free and creative.”

Despite black tattoos and a gruff demeanor, Jesico has contributed to colorful and inspirational murals around the world. He brings paint with him wherever he travels.

Outside the Bay Area, Jesico’s work can be found in Japan, Amsterdam, and other parts of the United States.

In 2010, Jesico contributed to the “Love Letter” project while in Philadelphia. The project, comprising 50 rooftop murals spanned across the city, is an expression of love dedicated to anyone and everyone reading its messages.

“Doing it in the hometown’s always fun,” Jesico said of his local art pieces.

Jesico recently created an abstract piece in the Mural Project, headed by Juan Carlos Araujo of Empire Seven Studios, in the Japantown district of San Jose.

His contribution to the project displays a whirlwind of shapes and contrasting colors.

“I just wanted to experiment with (colors),” he said.

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A.S. Finance Committee plans new scholarship, Spartan Showcase

By ROSA JASSO
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The Associated Students Finance Committee met last Wednesday to talk about a new scholarship for veteran students, the first annual Spartan Showcase, future budget policies and an update on the Student Success, Excellence and Technology Fee survey.

Lourdes Amante, A.S. director of external affairs and member of the finance committee, spoke during the open forum to propose a new scholarship for San Jose State University student veterans.

Amante said she had a conversation with students at the military and veteran student services center and discovered that SJSU does not provide active military or veteran students with scholarships.

"Based on my conversation I had with students in there, I felt that it should be a priority of Associated Students to support veterans as the seasons of scholarships are coming around," Amante said.

Brandon Marquez, chair of the A.S. Finance Committee, agreed with Amante's new scholarship request and said he would add it to the budget.

Marquez also announced the first annual Spartan Showcase hosted by the committee. The free event will be on April 15 at the Student Union and will be open to all SJSU students.

"A.S. does a lot for stu-

dent organizations and we haven't publicized it enough," Marquez said. "So in regards to the Spartan Showcase, we wanted to have every single student organization that got funded to come over to this event that we're showcasing."

Marquez wants SJSU organizations that were funded by the finance committee to present the accomplishments achieved with the committee's funds.

A.S. does a lot for student organizations and we haven't publicized it enough

Brandon Marquez
Chair of the A.S. finance committee

He said a committee will be organized to plan the event. The committee will be composed of students from different areas in the university including the A.S. Board of Directors, the Student Union and Student Involvement.

This year's budget for funding school organizations was set at \$250,000, an increase from last year's budget of \$180,000.

Marquez said last year's budget was barely sufficient, and for that reason, the budget was raised this year.

The maximum allocation for individual organizations was also increased from \$1,800 to \$2,300. This means that organizations are able to ask for up to \$2,300 in annual funds.

School organizations have to fill out an application and receive approval from the finance committee before being funded.

Bryan Dingus, an A.S. finance committee member, was concerned about the new limit set for the yearly budget.

"I just want to make sure there is no limitation, to make sure that all organizations get funding and that nobody is rejected if for some reason it doesn't meet the capacity of \$250,000," Dingus said.

The finance committee also talked about honoring those organizations that were most interactive with A.S. with coupons or larger funds.

This idea hasn't been approved or planned out yet.

During the meeting, students sitting in the crowd were given a sample of the Student Success, Excellence and Technology Fee survey. The committee wanted to see if the students would be able to answer the survey questions without confusion.

The final survey is predicted to come out sometime this week. It will be sent out through students' SJSU email accounts.

Rosa Jasso is a Spartan Daily staff writer.

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ISRAEL: Middle East peace advocate speaks at King Library



Raechel Price | Spartan Daily
David Makovsky keeps the crowd in good spirits despite the heavy tension between the Israel and Palestine clubs during his discussion.

Makovsky said it was an exciting privilege to work with Secretary of State John Kerry on the peace talks in the Middle East.

Regarding his college tour, Makovsky said he is tired already, having testified before the tour at a Senate hearing.

"I've got miles to go before I sleep," Makovsky said.

Makovsky said he believes that speaking at colleges is important since students are the leaders of tomorrow and inspiring dialogue in every generation is key to solving the issues he attempts to tackle.

Due to the inflammatory nature of the subject matter, Makovsky started the talk with a disclaimer asking for civility and respect from the crowd.

Using his passion for the topic, Makovsky was able to grab the audience's full attention during his speech.

Makovsky used colorful language to describe the process he was a part of.

"It's like playing five-dimensional chess," Makovsky said, regarding the complexity of the peace negotiations.

He detailed the five core issues in the crisis.

Makovsky said that during talks he and his peers were able to make progress on the issues of land disputes and refugees, but the other issues security, Jerusalem, and mutual recognitions remained difficult.

After his talk, Makovsky opened the floor for a question and answer period.

One of the Palestinian students in attendance asked a question regarding Palestinian casualties in the conflict.

This drew some ire from the crowd—some people scoffed in response and one student seemed to be on the verge of shouting something back.

Everyone respected Makovsky's request for civility though, and he addressed all questions in thoughtful and diplomatic ways.

Abdo Ibrahim, from Students for Justice in Palestine, said he was not surprised by anything Makovsky had to say and that it would take much more than simple dialogue to solve the crisis in the Middle East.

Dana Margittai, the president of the Israel on Campus Coalition, said she enjoyed the talk and would love to have an open discussion at some point with the Palestinians on campus.

San Jose State was the third on a list of 10 schools Makovsky is visiting in California.

UC Irvine, CSU Fullerton and UC San Diego are some of the next stops on his trip.

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INSURANCE: Students unaware of health insurance requirements

so many of us are so used to being covered under our parents' insurance, it can be confusing to know where to start."

Students are no longer covered under their family's insurance plan when they turn 26. For those that need insurance, the next question is often about affordability.

Bejarano said students are primarily concerned with cost.

Covered California has a range of low-cost coverage options, including free coverage through Medi-Cal for individuals and families who meet the minimum income threshold.

Covered California certified broker David Candelario explained the penalties for being uninsured are increasing for 2015.

For the 2013 fiscal year, tax penalties for being uninsured were \$99 per person. In 2014, the penalty increased to 1 percent of net income or \$300, whichever is greater.

"People were paying the \$99 because they thought it would be cheaper than the cost of insurance," Candelario said. "But now that it's going up to \$300, people are starting to pay attention."

Oliveros gave an example of a client who lost a significant portion of their tax return because of the penalty for being uninsured.

"He was originally supposed to get around \$1,500 back," Oliveros said. "He wound up losing almost 2/3 of that, and most of it from the insurance penalty."

Next year's penalty is also increasing to 2 percent, or \$600, for going uninsured.

Candelario also said next year's enrollment period is changing. The dead-

Fast Facts:

Health insurance by the numbers

- ◆ **26:** Cutoff age for coverage under a parent or guardian's plan
- ◆ **Feb. 15:** Deadline to enroll for the 2015 fiscal year
- ◆ **1% OR \$300:** Tax penalty for being uninsured in 2015
- ◆ **2% OR \$600:** Tax penalty increase in 2016
- ◆ **\$16,105:** Minimum income threshold for free MediCal coverage

For more information on HIEP and Covered CA go to: <http://www.sjsu.edu/hiep/>

Infographic by Raechel Price

line to enroll is being moved up to December, which he equated to "tax season on steroids."

Raechel Price is a Spartan Daily staff writer.

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Documentary honoring black barbers premieres



Jerica Lowman | Spartan Daily

Dave Diggs cuts hair at his shop Barbers Inc. which was featured alongside other barbershops in the documentary "The Barbershop Diaries."

By JUSTIN SAN DIEGO
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More than 500 people filled Morris Dailey Auditorium on Sunday to view "The Barbershop Diaries," a documentary produced by faculty and students of the journalism and mass communications department that honors African American barbers and salon stylists.

"Look what we can do," journalism and mass communications professor Michael Cheers said after the premiere of the documentary, which he directed and produced.

Fifty-four people from 33 barbershops and salons were shown in the film that documents how barbers cope with arrests, financial stability, death and other life struggles.

Dave Diggs of Barbers Inc. was featured in the film. A former San Jose State engineering student, Diggs was arrested for credit card fraud and released in 2009.

Diggs keeps a picture of his prison ID by his bed to remind him not to make the same decisions that caused him to serve time.

With hopes to live off an honest income, Diggs opened Barbers Inc. in 2012 on East Santa Clara Street.

Diggs and nine others represented Barbers Inc. on Sunday evening.

"A barbershop is an essential hub to social life. It connects people, it connects businesses," Diggs said.

Kerry Booker, Barbers Inc. barber, lost her mother to breast cancer and used her job as therapy to stay strong.

Booker said it was difficult to be the only female working in the barbershop, but she has gotten through it by staying open-minded.

"Everyone has different stories, different backgrounds and I get to learn so many things and it takes my mind off my issues," Booker said. "It's a part of rehabilitation."

After being released from prison, featured barber Mark Maxx was told by his elderly father that he was glad he didn't pass away while Maxx was in prison. That was the first time he felt a positive emotional connection with his father.

After Maxx was released he soon found himself back in prison. His father died while he was in prison.

"The only way I can pay him back is to help people who can't do it themselves," Maxx said in the documentary, with tears pouring down his face.

Darionna Hunt was in the audience

to support her aunt, Robin Hunt, who was featured in the film.

"At a salon we play music, we talk, we laugh, we joke," Darionna Hunt said. "There's no drama. We're all girls, we hang out."

In moving forward with the project, there are plans to release the documentary through CreaTV San Jose and online, Bob Eucker, director of the department of journalism and mass communications, said.

"We're hoping to show what journalism is supposed to do and really go deep when you ask those questions," Rucker said.

The night was a collaborative effort with help from musicians, actors, ushers, a violinist and more.

"Dr. cheers pushes his students a lot. There was times I was extremely frustrated and there were times the barbers' schedules conflicted with mine," senior journalism and mass communications major Jerica Lowman said.

Lowman and fellow journalism majors Randy Vasquez and Brandon Chew are three SJSU students who contributed photos and video to "The Barbershop Diaries."

"We went a step further than that and really got to talk to them," Chew said. "It was either exciting, challenging or pleasurable because it was something I want to do."

During the premiere of "The Barbershop Diaries" performers kept the audience entertained.

Chey Bell performed a brief comedy set from the podium about how she was previously a salon stylist but had scary-looking hair herself.

There was a group of five male vocalists that came on stage during breaks to sing about the feelings of a barber.

A small display for "The Barber Diaries" is set up on the fifth floor of the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Library.

"Black History Month is about listening and finding common ground," Rucker said. "The more we do that the more we get along."

The event ended with all the barbers being called on stage and given an honorable certificate.

In honor of Black History Month, the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Library will show "Four decades of Eddie Gale" at the library on Feb. 15 and 22 at 3:00 p.m., and will have a film and dialogue series event every Wednesday during the month of February at 6:30 p.m.

Justin San Diego is a Spartan Daily staff writer.

Running symposium at SJSU helps runners

By RAYMOND IBALE
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Silicon Valley Applied Biomechanics Inc., a non-profit organization, showcased studies in running form Saturday afternoon at a fundraiser held at San Jose State University.

Running is often used as a way for people to stay in shape and lose weight, but with it comes various injuries such as knee pain, shin splints and lower back pain.

Dr. James Kao, professor of motor development and biomechanics in the kinesiology department, explained how forefoot running can help reduce the risk of knee and foot injury.

Forefoot running is when the first thing that hits the ground is the ball of your foot, as opposed to your heel.

Kao had the aid of his students and graduates to help present evidence that runners can change the way they run through training.

"Running is a high impact sport," Kao said.

Learning the correct form is crucial for any high impact sport because it helps you become a better athlete, Kao said.

Although learning proper form is key to becoming a successful runner, having the right shoes is a necessity.

Jonathan Williams, a SJSU alumnus and director of the biomechanics program, explained and demonstrated how finding the right shoe is key

for any runner, no matter what level.

The reason why we wear shoes is to protect the bottom of our feet, but wearing shoes changes the way your foot hits the ground, and with that change can come increased risk of knee injury, Williams said.

"We make it accessible for everybody because this is information that everybody can use and as a nonprofit we find it better to make it accessible than to make it exclusive"

Elizabeth Nguyen
Former student at SJSU

"Knee pain turns out to be one of the leading causes of disability here in America and can lead to a sedentary lifestyle," Williams said.

According to an article on <http://runnersworld.com>, running in minimal footwear means there is less mass to accelerate at the end of a runner's stride. This change alone can improve comfort and well-being when running.

The organization helps provide funding for research into biomechanics, motor development and educational/informational publications.

The fundraiser will help the organization buy things such as cones, agility ladders, medicine balls and other equipment to set up a mobile fitness unit so they can provide an after school program for children at different schools in the area.

The nonprofit plans to set up a program in the Hillview neighborhood (District 5) in East San Jose during 2015.

Much of the administrative duties fall on Elizabeth Nguyen, a former student at SJSU, a certified personal trainer and Silicon Valley Applied Biomechanics program director.

"We are more for promoting the education side of it than raise a whole lot of funds ... our organization is dedicated to publishing informational material in order for people to learn from," Nguyen said.

The running symposium raised over \$250 for the nonprofit organization.

"We make it accessible for everybody because this is information that everybody can use and as a nonprofit we find it better to make it accessible than to make it exclusive," Nguyen said.

The organization provides semi-private and private personal training, fitness classes, senior fitness, and youth strength and conditioning programs located in South San Jose.

Raymond Ibale is a Spartan Daily staff writer.

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» FROM FRONT PAGE » ART: Tattoo artist creates murals to communicate with community



Rain Stites | Spartan Daily

Artist "Jesico" works on a patron of Hold Fast Tattoo in Redwood City. His artistic roots took hold in his youth as a street artist in San Jose.

I don't do that often with my personal work."

The mural runs alongside the train tracks and can be viewed by anyone walking or driving past.

The meaning of art depends on the perception of the person Jesico said. He explained artists, at the beginning of their career, are not yet at their fullest potential and should have some form of guidance.

"There's always the shit pile that you start with before you become finessed out," Jesico said. "Everybody's young at one point. Everybody is eager or ambitious and they wanna just get into it without the right

guidance."

Public mural projects are important for this reason, he said. They allow for emerging artists to progress in their art rather than remain static in their techniques.

As public art usually starts off with crap graffiti taggings, Jesico explained, a place for guided public art can help these potential artists engage with their community rather than fight it.

Kim Vuong, an employee at Kiem Service Laundromat in Japantown, said the murals are awesome.

"I feel (the murals) are very beautiful because it's preventing [people] from

writing graffiti," Jesico said. "I think the neighborhood should have the beautiful paint and express the art to the community."

Outdoor murals have the potential to reach a broader audience. This is important for the community, Jesico said, because the art is readily available for the public to view in their everyday lives.

This means people without the time, courage or interest to visit an art gallery can be surrounded by art, he said.

"It's just there," Jesico said.

According to Jesico, this is what makes public art so powerful. All people have to do is just look.

Jess Sandoval, a senior design studies major, explained the power public art holds within a community.

"Mural art is significant because instead of just moving through a public space, even if it's only for a moment, people recognize art," Sandoval said. "They become more attached to their surroundings."

Public response to Jesico's work thus far remains positive. He continues his work as a tattoo artist in San Jose and Redwood City and produces art in whatever way he can.

Rain Stites is a Spartan Daily staff writer.

Classifieds

Sudoku Puzzle

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 - 29 Cedar tree
 - 30 Sinks
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 - 34 Birthplace of Charles de Gaulle
 - 35 Pod occupant
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 - 40 Half a sawbuck
 - 41 Engraved fabric
 - 42 Held, as a dissolved substance
 - 44 Ringlet producer
 - 45 Corpulent
 - 46 Sheens
 - 47 Get-up-and-go
 - 49 "Arf!" or "Woof!"
 - 50 Pub
 - 51 Pitcherful
 - 51 Tall plant with tiny white or pink flowers
 - 58 Lancelot's title
 - 59 Foaming at the mouth
 - 60 Licorice-like flavor
 - 61 Call to the Coast Guard
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 - 5 Dream team pick
 - 6 Exclude from practice
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 - 26 Bad day for Caesar
 - 27 Use a crayon
 - 28 Endangered one's cry
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 - 38 Work with mail
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 - 41 Marsh denizen
 - 43 Belt's relative
 - 44 Street part
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 - 48 Miscellany
 - 49 Computer file measure
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It's time to eliminate the income and gender gaps

The minimum wage topic seems like a never-ending issue here in Silicon Valley, but every problem has a solution.

Raising the minimum wage will decrease income and gender gaps in this area.

We live in a country that demands equality for all, but that isn't the case for Silicon Valley residents.

High income people are getting richer, but low income people are economically drowning.

As far as gender differences go, men are earning higher incomes than women even though they have the same academic degrees.

The San Jose Mercury News said for those who have earned a bachelor's degree, men have a median yearly income of \$90,000 and woman earn \$56,000.

This makes no sense because these differences are occurring even though more jobs are available.

Mercury News also reported that about 58,000 jobs were created in Silicon Valley in 2014.

If the minimum wage is increased in the Silicon Valley, those with low incomes will be financially closer to those in the middle class.

"The middle class is disappearing," said Russell Hancock,



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the president of Joint Venture Silicon Valley Index.

Silicon Valley residents live in one of the most expensive places in the country.

I'm tired of seeing people having to commute from cities outside of the Bay Area to come and work in Silicon Valley, all because of the expensive cost of living in this area.

My family experienced this and it was sad to see my parents' exhausted faces after driving from their workplaces in Silicon Valley to our home in Modesto.

Raising the minimum wage can prevent people from having to live far away from Silicon Valley.

Residents would have enough money to pay their monthly rent

if the minimum wage was higher.

Women's talents are also disappearing in the work force.

Hancock believes that many women are working part-time, which is why women's income isn't as high as men's income.

It's time for women to speak up and take action.

If women want more money, they should tell their husbands that they want to work full-time.

I wouldn't mind my future wife working 40 hours a week.

After all, she went through a lot of sacrifices to earn a bachelor's degree and it would be a waste of talent if she could only work part-time.

Women shouldn't be afraid to ask their managers for a raise or for more hours on their work schedule.

This inequality that women are facing when it comes to their paycheck makes me feel like we are living in the early 1900s when women weren't allowed to vote in this country.

Raising the minimum wage can be a solution for many hardworking women.

Women that aren't working would be encouraged to start working if they see that the minimum wage isn't so low.

It would decrease the income gap between men and women.

Women would also feel like their work is equally valued as the work that men do.

I understand people who oppose a higher minimum wage in Silicon Valley, because they think that raising the minimum wage would reduce the number of jobs because companies wouldn't be able to hire as many people.

Although a good argument, according to a report in 2014 from the Huffington Post, "The city (San Francisco) with one of the highest minimum wages in the country has had faster job growth than any other big city over the past 10 years."

After reading that fact, hopefully the opposition will be convinced that it's time for a change.

Just like Martin Luther King Jr., I have a dream.

I have a dream there won't be economic differences between residents in Silicon Valley.

Hopefully those financially at the bottom can get closer to the top.

I also want to see men and women having the same income if they work the same jobs and have the same educational background.

King's dream came true and I hope mine will too.

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POLICE: America is gradually transforming into a police state

about the law?

These bold individuals who are trusted to watch over civilians should know the law like a preacher knows the Bible.

Unfortunately, we live in a world where this is not so and police have the protection of law and legislation.

Nestled under the downy wings of a bald eagle, they have the freedom to make mistakes.

Absurdity grows like grapes on the vine.

This ruling has created a loophole that I am certain will be exploited endlessly to the benefit of bad cops.

In court anyone can plead insanity, but now cops can plead ignorance of their own laws as a defense.

Logic is thrown away, the meal you couldn't finish wrapped in a copy of the Fourth Amendment.

Police should be held to a level of accountability that is equal to the impact of their job. When I mess up making a sandwich at work, a quick reprimand is in order.

But when an officer of the law makes a mistake there are consequences of greater magnitude than misplaced pastrami.

People end up behind bars, broken in hospitals or buried in coffins.

When you give a select few human beings badges, batons and bullets, you give them power over the rest of us—great power that is abused far more often than it should be.

In the movie "Spiderman," Uncle Ben tells Peter Parker, "With great power comes great responsibility."

When you remove the responsibility, though, when there is no accountability for police who fail to do their jobs, there can be only disaster.



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The institution supports abuse and creates quotas for injustice

We've seen it everywhere.

Police can go run around with rifles and assault vehicles acting like Ferguson's standing army.

Unarmed children like Tamir Rice can be killed by officers who get off scot-free.

There are countless videos online, such as the infamous Eric Garner footage, of police killing unarmed victims.

It's not even surprising anymore when these things happen.

The institution supports abuse and creates quotas for injustice.

In The Nation's video exposé of NYPD's stop and frisk policy, we see officers speaking with their identities protected about the pressure to meet quotas by carrying out

random stops on civilians.

A captain tells his subordinates, "Let's go out there and violate some rights."

Thankfully, stop and frisk is over, but there was a time when young black men couldn't walk around New York without fear of a random police stop.

That doesn't sound like the land of the free. That sounds like dictatorship or occupation during a war.

The flaws in the once great American institutions are shown in chilling detail—TV's "Cops" except the cops are the bad boys.

It's hard to imagine how this could change.

There's too much information being broadcast that is far easier for people to stomach than the harsh reality that real law doesn't look like "Law and Order."

Planet Earth just has way too much going on for enough focus to be given to fixing problems with the police.

Obama's got presidential-sized problems like Russia and ISIS to deal with. He's far too busy for a problem as small as a corrupt police force.

Anyway, at the end of the day no matter what happens there will still always be bad cops.

It's a job that allows people to be bad and to step on the lives of people unlucky enough to be ordinary citizens of this beautiful oligarchy.

When police go too far, though, they have nice legislative cushions to help soften their fall.

The rest of us just have jail cells. All hail the Great American Police State. Jeremy Cummings is a *Spartan Daily* staff writer.

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Dear Editor,

We welcome President Qayoumi's exploring the possibility of an equity program, as outlined in article 31.12 of the new contract between CFA and CSU.

The Campus Based Equity program is meant to redress the distortions in the faculty salary structure. These distortions have accumulated since salaries were frozen in 2007-08 with the elimination of regular Salary Service Increases. Moreover, earlier Equity programs were never honored by the CSU.

SJSU faculty encourage President Qayoumi's administration to issue a written commitment to implement and fund a Campus Based Equity program. We know that this administration is motivated to improve faculty morale and to eliminate the inequities of pay created in the past. It can set an example for the CSU with an equity program that maximally addresses the needs of the faculty at SJSU.

Correcting the faculty pay structure establishes the conditions for quality higher education at San José State.

Preston Rudy
President, California Faculty Association at SJSU

CFA urges San José State to adopt Equity Program

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ALUMNI: Youth rules over experience to start season

leaving few positions on the team set in stone.

Andre Mercurio, one of three seniors on the roster, is a lock-in center fielder with great speed and range.

"If a ball gets hit out there, we know it's going to be caught," pitcher Myles Richard said.

Mercurio has been the starter in center field for three seasons and hit .280 last year despite battling a wrist injury early in the season.

"I hate throwing against Andre," starting pitcher Logan Handzlik said. "I throw a two-seamer down and away and he lives for hitting the ball the other way."

Brett Bautista led the team last year with a .313 batting average, and will likely see a lot of time as the designated hitter and in the outfield along with Dillan Smith and Tyler Olivet.

The other front-runner for the designated hitter spot is freshman Josh Nashed, who was named first team all-state by Cal-Hi Sports and MaxPreps as a senior in high school last year.

The infield is very flexible and full of youth.

Freshman David Campbell will take one of the corner infield positions, while Turtle Kuhlaua, a freshman from Kapaa, Hawaii, is the

probable starter at second base.

One of the more interesting battles may be at shortstop.

Freshman Kyle Morrison will likely get to start for the first weekend, but last season's starter Alec de Watteville is the only returning player to the team with a home run in 2014.

"Yeah, we lost some power, but I think we have more hitters and athletes that can do different things," Nakama said.

Last season, the Spartans were sixth in the Mountain West out of seven teams with a .263 team batting average.

Improving batting average numbers is a bigger priority for the Spartans than improving their power numbers, although SJSU was last in the conference in doubles, triples and home runs.

If the alumni game was any indication, their hitting woes may change.

The Spartans began the game by stringing together a single, two doubles and another single to score three runs through the first four batters.

Junior Mitch Ravizza also had an RBI triple in the fifth inning.

The pitching staff will also need to improve after finishing last in the conference with a 5.63 earned run average.

The mound, however, is where the team may be most optimistic.

"The pitching will be our strength," Nakama said.

Senior Kalei Contrades is the Friday night starter, the top position in the starting rotation.

Last season, Contrades split time as a batter, relief pitcher and starter, but dealt with some nagging injuries.

Despite that, he still led the team with a 2.50 earned run average and 79.2 innings pitched.

"He carries the team on his back," Handzlik said.

Junior Jonathan Hernandez looks to be the Saturday starter with Handzlik on the mound on Sunday.

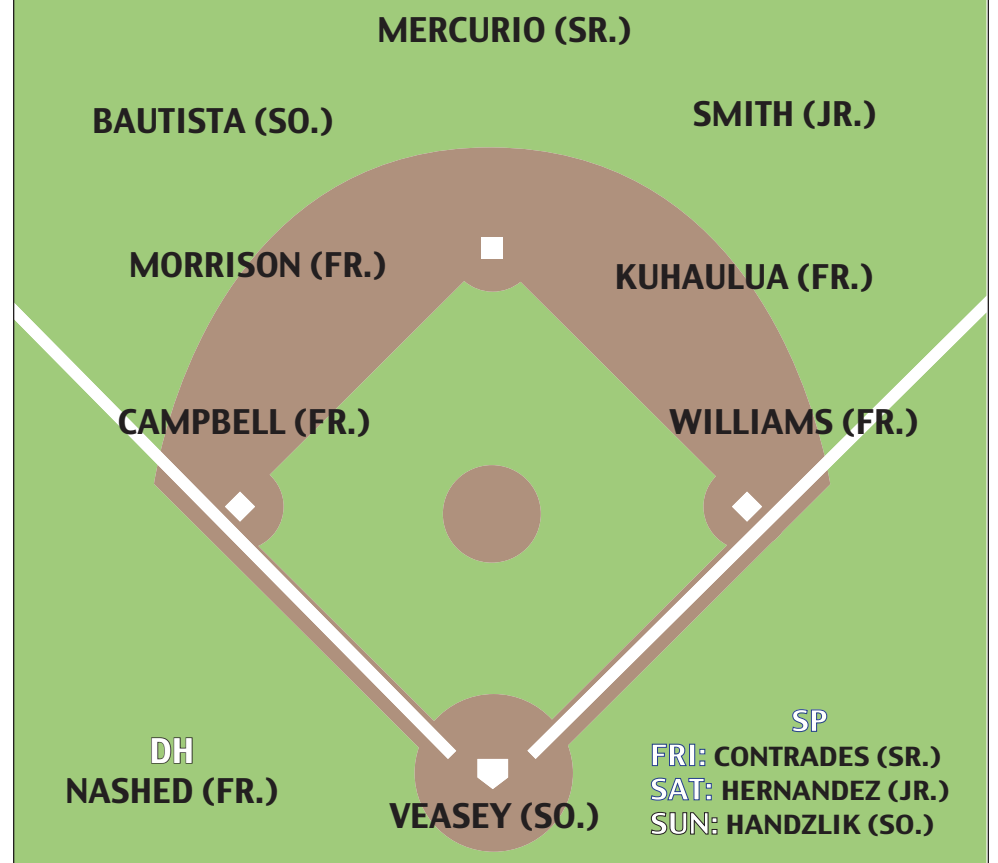
The bullpen doesn't have a set closer yet, but Richard led the team last year with five saves and will certainly be in the mix again.

The team is optimistic about the future but not necessarily expecting first place after a 10-20 conference record last year.

"I think everybody's good in the Mountain West," Nakama said. "Hopefully we can catch up this year and next year with some experience and be able to compete a little bit."

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2015 Spartan Baseball Projected Starters



Infographic by Jonathan Wold

Spartans' comeback falls short in loss to Wolfpack



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Senior forward Jaleel Williams surveys the floor with teammate Rashad Muhammad looking on in the Spartans' 60-57 loss to Nevada on Saturday in the SJSU Event center.

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The Spartans fought back from an early deficit against the Nevada Wolfpack before falling 60-57 in a close finish on Saturday at the Event Center.

Freshman guard Darryl Gaynor II scored a game-high 25 points for the Spartans and fellow sophomore guard Rashad Muhammad added 10 points after going scoreless in the first half.

The Spartans were slow out of the gate and fell behind by as much as 13 in the first half when the score was 21-8 with seven minutes left.

Nevada dominated the glass in the first period, outrebounding the Spartans 31 to 11 including 14 offensive rebounds leading to 11 second chance points.

Wolfpack junior forward AJ West, one of 18 players in the nation averaging a double-double, finished with 12 rebounds in the first half alone.

"In the first half they just outworked us, we just didn't settle in, putting a body on them and just boxing them out," Gaynor said. "They wanted it more than us in the first half, so we made an adjustment coming into the second half."

The Spartans were able to find momentum early in the second period after West picked up his third foul and went to the bench.

In West's absence, the Spartans scored seven points in 96 seconds, taking their first lead of the night at 32-31.

"That definitely felt like that was a spark seeing he was killing us on the glass and he was a big offensive force for them," Muhammad said. "So we knew when he was out we had more room to attack, to get to the paint and finish more without that big body being there."

Nevada regained the lead shortly af-

terward and lived at the line for most of the half, shooting 24 free throws and making 15.

The Spartans were able to cut the lead down to one after a Gaynor free throw with 2:02 remaining in the contest but missed key shots and struggled from the line.

"We didn't make free throws down the stretch, we had our opportunities to make our free throws and we didn't take care of the ball down the stretch," Head Coach Dave Wojcik said. "We had crucial turnovers there and we didn't make plays defensively, rebounding the ball to be honest with you."

Scoring off the bench was an issue for the Spartans, one that has plagued them all season.

The second unit scored seven points total in the game, with four coming from freshman guard Danny Mahoney.

Mahoney, Brandon Mitchell and Ryan Singer were the only bench players who played.

San Jose State's starters were forced to play heavy minutes once again due to lack of depth on the bench.

Muhammad played the entire game, forward Jaleel Williams played 37 minutes and Gaynor played 30.

With a rematch against Wyoming looming next Saturday, the Spartans will learn from their mistakes by being more prepared to deal with clock management in the final seconds.

"Our game plan of course is to win the game," Gaynor said. "But coming into the next game we need to focus on our rebounding and we need to cut down on turnovers in order to win the game down the stretch if it's a close game like this."

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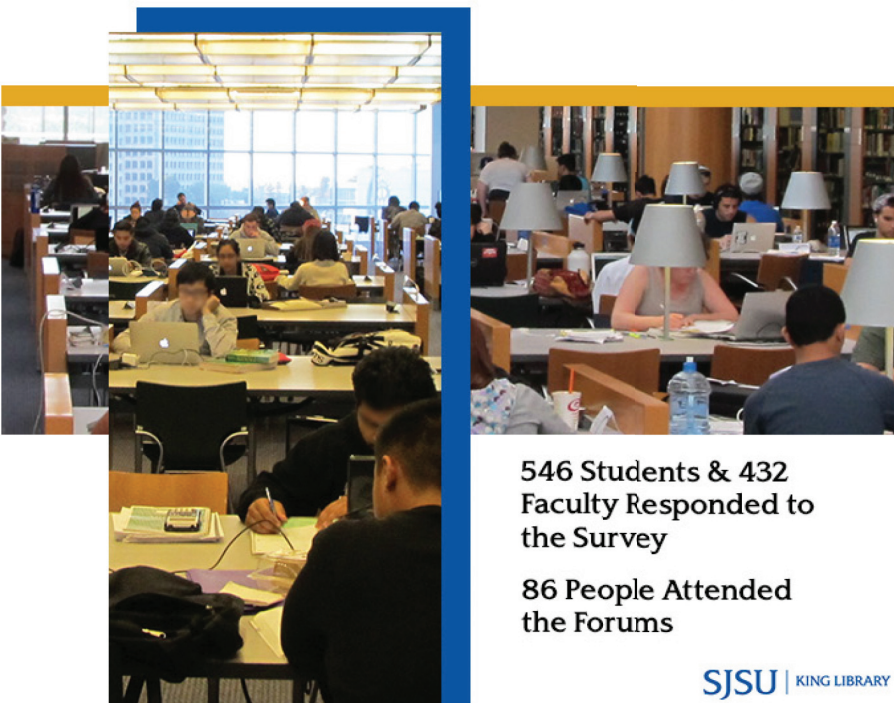
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