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A.S. election winners announced, spots vacant

by Julie Tran
Staff Writer

The new Associated Students board of director candidates were announced Thursday with nine positions filled for the 2012 - 2013 academic year while seven positions still remain unfilled.

According to the A.S. website, Calvin Worsnup and Lori Salazar received the titles of president and vice president, respectively.

For Leroy Madarang, current controller of A.S., he felt that the voter turnout could have been better in terms of the number of student participants.

"The numbers were affected due to the unfavorable weather we had last week," he said.

One of the responsibilities of the controller in A.S. is being in charge of maintaining the budget within the organization.

However, Madarang has hope for the newly elected candidates for the upcoming school year and believes

that these additions will execute fresh ideas.

In a past email from Salazar, who currently serves as the director of university affairs, she hopes to increase involvement with the A.S. board and the university.

"I believe that if our involvement increases, not only students have more of an understanding of what A.S. does but (they) will be able to join together and form events and projects to continue the growth of SJSU," Salazar stated.

As of today, there are seven vacant positions that will be filled by appointment, include director of business affairs, director of community and environmental affairs, director of external affairs, director of internal affairs, director of faculty affairs, director of university advising and director of student resource affairs.

To apply for any of the seven vacant positions, go to the Associated Students website at as.sjsu.edu and click on the "jobs" tab to fill out an online application.



U.S. Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano visited San Jose State University for a discussion with students about cybersecurity at the SJSU Engineering Building,

Room 189, yesterday morning while protesters chanted outside. She also discussed an increase in careers in her department. Photo by Stan Olszewski / Spartan Daily

Secretary of Homeland Security visits SJSU

Janet Napolitano claims more steps need to be taken in cybersecurity

by Alyxandra Goodwin
Staff Writer

Secretary of Homeland Security Janet Napolitano spoke to students yesterday to discuss cybersecurity and students' future in this field.

As students' lives become more closely entwined with the Internet, Napolitano said students may find themselves with opportunities in areas of the nation's online defenses.

Napolitano, the third Secretary of Homeland Security, was appointed by President Obama in 2009 and as our future becomes so closely related to technology, her concern is the need for a stronger security for our future.

"To minimize the risks of a successful cyberattack we need everyone," Napolitano said. "The cyberdomain has become inseparable from our daily lives."

In her keynote speech, Napolitano talked about what her department does. She said the Department of Homeland Security is nine years old and her main point was that it is still growing.

"We see these opportunities not only as promising careers but to contribute to something larger — safety and security of the country," Napolitano said.

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However, she never gave clear specifics as to what these opportunities would be.

"I think she was a little vague on what she's going to do to combat (cyberthreats)," said Jeff Aronhalt, a junior computer engineering major.

Aronhalt expected the discussion to be more technical and felt like some of her points did not connect.

"She talked about 'See Something, Say Something'

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Info derived from Associated Students Election Schedule

Former mayors level with beloved political science professor

by Boris Slager
Staff Writer

Terry Christensen, a professor at SJSU for 42 years, mediated his last Don Edwards Lecture last night in the Engineering building in Room 189.

Christensen, a professor in political science, will be retiring at the end of the semester.

The lecture series was founded in 1995 and Christensen said he has been at the forefront since the beginning.

"I've really loved managing this program," he said.

The lecture series will continue after he retires and will be headed by James Brent, the department chair of political science who has been shadowing Christensen.

"(Brent) will be ready," Christensen said.

The lecture's name comes from former Senator Don Edwards, who represented the area for 32 years from 1963 to 1995, according to the brochure handed out at the event.

There were about 220 people at the event and the room was filled to capacity.

"Professor Christensen is a great guy and I am happy to participate in this event."

-Susan Hammer, former mayor of San Jose

Christensen said the event gets its funding from the SJSU Tower Foundation and from sponsors like PG&E and private donors as well.

"We are long supporters (of the event) and we are proud of it," said Kara Lomax from PG&E.

Edwards was selected because he supported civil rights and the rights of disadvantaged individuals, according to the brochure.

"(Edwards) was a hero of mine," Christensen said.

Since this is Christensen's last lecture he said it was extra special that he was able to pick the speakers.

The speakers were four former mayors of San Jose and the current mayor of San Jose. The mayors were Norman Mineta, who was elected in 1971; Janet Gray Hayes, who was elected in 1974; Susan Hammer, who was elected in

1990; Ron Gonzales, who was elected in 1998 and reelected in 2002 and current Mayor Chuck Reed, according to the brochure.

"(Christensen) is the dean of local politics," said SJSU President Mohammad Qayoumi when introducing Christensen and the speakers.

Christensen said he picked these people because his focus at SJSU during his teaching career has been local politics.

"Professor Christensen is a great guy and I am happy to participate in this event," said former Mayor Hammer.

Julian Pizano, a senior political science major, said that he was most excited to hear Christensen talk to the mayors.

The event was held in question and answer format where Christensen

asked the questions and the mayors answered depending on their expertise.

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'Unity House' builds LGBT community in Joe West

by Nina Tabios
Staff Writer

Next fall, Joe West Hall is converting its 12th floor into Unity House, a floor community that provides an atmosphere for LGBTQIA (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Intersex, Queer and/or Ally) students.

Unity House's first resident adviser, Amarissa Mathews, said that the floor is a place where everyone can go and express themselves however they want, whether it be gender, sexuality, religion, culture or political views.

"Especially in the LGBT and ally community, people are being judged



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left and right for whatever identity they choose," she said. "I feel this floor is going to create a safe space for these people to express themselves."

Mathews, a sophomore communication studies major, already has one year of experience as an R.A. and said

in one year, she saw conflicts that arose from diversity.

"I've had LGBT friends that live in various different spaces on campuses who have approached me and tell me about people that don't want to live with them for their identity," she said.

"They heard about Unity House and they were excited that there was a place where they can live where they know people would be more accepting of them and that they would be able to bond with."

Unity House is part of SJSU's new themed-communities housing, which includes other floors in Campus Village buildings B and C that place an emphasis on a certain major, such as art, engineering and social justice.

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Bowen resigns, Tuite named SJSU interim director of athletics

by Scott Semmler
Sports Editor

Deputy director of SJSU Athletics Marie Tuite has been named the interim director of athletics following the resignation of Tom Bowen on Saturday.

Bowen was named the new athletic director at the University of Memphis on Monday after reportedly becoming a serious candidate late last week.

He was introduced as incoming athletic director at the University of Memphis at a Monday press conference but he will officially take office on June 18.

Bowen had also been considered for the same job at the University of Central Florida in January but ultimately chose to stay with SJSU.

He has been the athletic director at SJSU since 2004 after holding the positions of executive director of the 49ers Foundation and director of community affairs with the San Francisco 49ers in the past.

SJSU Athletics is currently pursuing a membership in the Mountain West Conference (MWC) after spending the last 16 years with the Western Athletic Conference (WAC), according to the San Jose Mercury News.

Since Bowen was hired by SJSU, there have been 10 coaching changes in Spartan Athletics, as well as an up-and-coming football program led by SJSU head coach Mike MacIntyre.

"I am grateful and indebted to the student-athletes, coaches, athletics staff, Spartan Foundation members, faculty, community leaders and Spartan fans who made the last seven-and-one-half years a journey that I will always remember," Bowen said in a statement on Monday. "Former SJSU President Don Kassing gave me the opportunity to build a program as the athletics director. Phenom-

enal people embraced our culture of champions and joined me in challenges and initiatives that resulted in amazing changes at San José State. These changes and growth need to continue."

Tuite is very excited to continue the success Bowen developed while at SJSU.

"I'm excited and honored that President Qayoumi has asked me to serve as interim athletics director," Tuite said. "I love San Jose State University, and I strongly believe in the foundation we have created. Tom Bowen did a remarkable job of developing and managing the framework that promotes San Jose State to be

a successful NCAA Football Bowl Subdivision program. My task, along with our coaches, staff, student-athletes and supporters is to continue the momentum established during Tom's tenure."

Tuite has been with SJSU since 2010 as the deputy director and chief operating officer of SJSU Athletics, in which she oversaw all internal components and affairs of Spartan Athletics.

She most recently spent time working in the athletics department of both Seattle University and the University of Washington in the 18 years prior to becoming an employee at SJSU, and she was named

the 2012 Tribute to Women and Industry (TWIN) Award Winner in March 2012, which honors women who demonstrate excellence in executive-level positions.

Tuite and John Poch, deputy director of SJSU Athletics, are presumably candidates to become the permanent athletic director at SJSU, although a national search for Bowen's replacement will be conducted this summer, according to SJSU Athletics.

SJSU Athletics held a department-wide meeting yesterday afternoon to discuss the future of athletics at SJSU.

Information from SJSU Athletics contributed to this story.

Fight to the top: Spartan boxer wins collegiate welterweight championship

by Rebecca Duran
Staff Writer

Soft-spoken and mild-mannered, Oscar Gomez doesn't initially give the impression of being a boxer.

It's not until you talk with him that you learn he has won the National Collegiate Boxing Association national championship.

Gomez, a junior mechanical engineering major, won in the welterweight division, a weight division of 147 pounds, and is SJSU's third national champion in four years.

"I used to get into a lot of street fights back in high school," Gomez said.

He said he became a fan of the game "Fight Night Round 3," a boxing video game, and decided he wanted to begin boxing when he was 17.

However, Gomez said he learned that he would have to come in every day for a year before he would have his first fight.

"I just really committed myself to doing that," he said. "Ever since then I've been just trying to work my hardest."

Gomez's coach Candelario "Candy" Lopez said this has been Gomez's fourth year in the club, and has seen him progress in leaps and bounds.

"Oscar doesn't brag and isn't macho. People won't notice him until he's in the ring," Lopez said.

Gomez said he used to be nervous going into fights and it would affect his performance.

Gomez said the more he fought he became more confident in his abilities.

He said his coaches have worked on minor improvements that really helped him step up his game.

Teammate and club president Gabriel Sanchez has known Gomez the entire time he's been in the club and was apart

of his journey through nationals.

"We've gone into the ring and beat each other up," Sanchez said.

Sanchez said ever since Gomez placed third in regionals, he has been all about getting him ready.

He said there were very few fights this season and he went to University of San Francisco to try to qualify for regionals.

"Nobody wanted to fight Oscar," Sanchez said.

Gomez said he then fought Christian Cruz from UCLA.

"Oscar's just a full-force kind of guy, and he'll punch the entire time," Sanchez said.

Sanchez said there were three-round fights, and Gomez moved on to the semi-finals where he was matched up against an opponent from the Air Force Academy.

"The guys boxed with more technicality, and they gave it to the guy from the Air Force Academy," Sanchez said.

Sanchez said Gomez had the opportunity to fight for third place, which allowed him to still qualify for finals.

He said Gomez had to fight against the UCLA opponent, Cruz, once again.

"He was ecstatic. He was so juiced for this fight," Sanchez said. "He had one of the best fights of his life."

Sanchez said he was landing everything and moving the right way.

He said Gomez qualified as the third seed for nationals and was the only boxer from SJSU to do so.

Sanchez said Gomez asked him to go with him to Colorado for the national tournament.

He said he was worried about the effects of high altitude on the body, especially with a sport like boxing, so it was important for him to be acting coach and support Gomez.



SJSU junior mechanical engineering major and boxer Oscar Gomez warms up before practice by shadowboxing at the San Jose Police Activities League yesterday. Gomez is SJSU's third national champion in four years. Photo by Raphael Kluzniok / Spartan Daily

The beginning of the journey didn't start very smoothly.

Sanchez said the morning of his and Gomez's flight to Colorado Springs, Colo., Sanchez could not reach Gomez over the phone until close to the fight.

Gomez said the scale first showed he was 149 pounds the night before the tournament.

However, the morning of the tournament, Gomez weighed in at 150 pounds.

"The rule is that you can't be two pounds over the weight limit, or you get disqualified," Gomez said.

Sanchez said the coaches and the opponent voted to allow

Gomez to sweat off the weight, with only an hour and half until the tournament.

"Right then and there, I put on my sauna suit and I jumped rope for about 45 minutes," he said.

Gomez said he felt weak after, but was relieved that he weighed in at 147.9 pounds.

Gomez, as a third seed from the West Coast, said he got matched with the first seed from the East Coast, Justin Maio.

Sanchez said that Gomez received a 4-1 vote, winning the fight.

Gomez said he fought Luis Quiles from the University of

West Virginia in the second fight.

"Oscar had to do a lot of chasing," Sanchez said.

He said Gomez boxed him in a corner and unleashed a lot of punches on the guy and got to move on to the final round.

Sanchez said he fought with Gomez to help him simulate the style of fighting his Navy Academy opponent, R.J. Garcia, would use.

"He was almost fighting someone my size and with my style," Sanchez said.

Sanchez said after the third round, they waited for the decision.

He said they announced the winner from the right corner and Gomez was the winner.

"I feel like I can handle the situation better now," Gomez said.

They hugged each other as they celebrated, being the only people from SJSU.

Gomez said he was grateful for Sanchez coming with him and wouldn't have won without him.

He said he doesn't like to think ahead, but just wants to keep on fighting and do another tournament soon.

"He was the ultimate underdog," Sanchez said.

UNITY HOUSE: Opens Fall 2012

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Stephanie Hubbard, associate director of residential life, said Unity House especially addresses the needs of the school's transgender students.

"I work with students that have a variety of different, special considerations, and many transgender students come to me asking what kind of environment they can live in on campus," she said.

Hubbard said transgender students are typically offered the option of living on the co-ed floor in CVB, but Unity House gives first-year transgender students the option of living in the regular dorms.

"One of the challenges of a transgender student is that you may be fine with living with someone else, but some people still may have some questions or uncertainties about what it means to live with someone who is transgender," she said. "We are trying to create community that is welcoming and accepting of those students."

Mathews said that R.A.s of the themed communities go through some extra training so they can address issues that may arise with their floor — one particular issue for the Unity House is diversity acceptance.

"There's pros and cons to having a floor of LGBT youth," she said. "The pros being the stronger sense of community and safety. But at the same time, the con with any kind of minority is when you put them together in one place to live, there's always this one chance that they become a bigger target. But part of our training is learning how to combat that."

Unity House is set up so students can connect with faculty members as well as student groups and campus resources such as the LGBT Resource Center, Women's Resource Center and the Mosaic Cross Cultural Center, according to the housing website.

"It'll provide a space that they can feel is theirs," Hubbard said. "To be able to live in a community with other folks that are like you is helpful with the community that supports you."

Freshman mathematics major Michael Spain said when he moved into the dorms he wasn't expecting his roommate to be gay.

"I'll admit, it did bother me at first," he said. "But after I got to know him and his personality, all that uneasiness I felt around him disappeared."

Mathews also is working on ally programs that teach

diversity acceptance and how to be an ally to different diversity groups, something she worked on in her first year as an R.A., but witnessed some opposition.

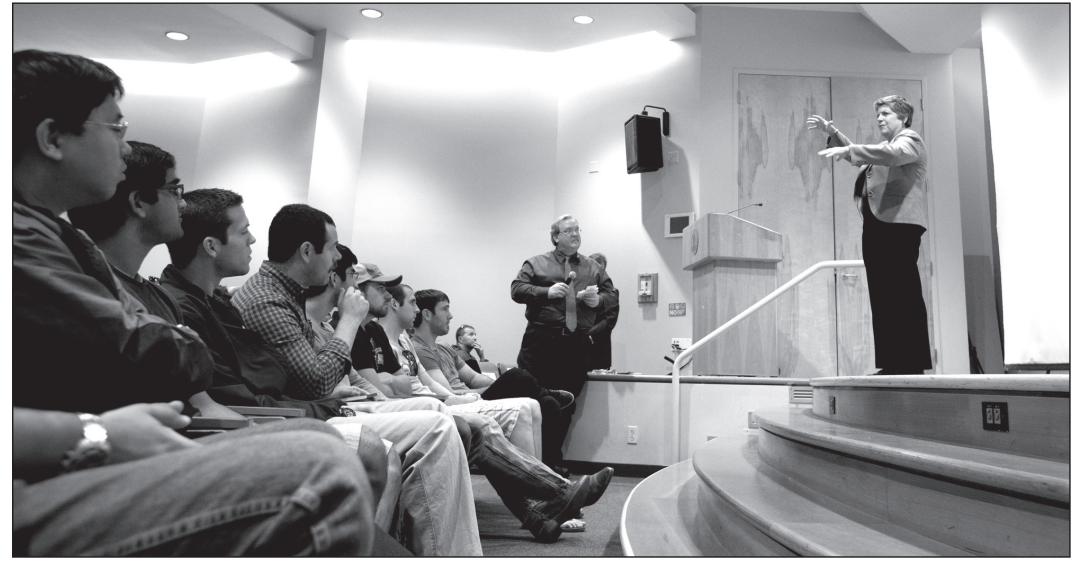
"It made me realize that not everyone is open to challenging themselves," she said. "People can get aggressive and defensive and I feel like that's my biggest challenge, is to raise awareness and challenge people without making them defensive or angry or making my floor a target."

Mathews, along with members of the LGBT Resource Center, hosted a table this past Saturday at Admitted Spartan Day and said around 30 students came up to the table and expressed interest in signing up to live in Unity House.

"We had one transgender man come up to us and say he was so excited that we had this," she said. "He said that he was unsure if he wanted to live on campus because of his identity."

With a number of programs in the works to build community and raise awareness for residents, Hubbard believes Unity House will provide students a steady support system and will be a strong community in Joe West.

"It's a community that's built for them," Mathews said.



U.S. Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano addresses the audience in Engineering Building Room 189. Her visit to SJSU was part of a campus lecture series. She also visited the University of California Los Angeles. Photo by Stan Olszewski / Spartan Daily

SECRETARY: Bipartisan bill discussed

FROM PAGE 1

and its connection to cybersecurity, but I didn't really see it," Aronhalt said.

The "If You See Something, Say Something" campaign was developed after the 9/11 attacks and Napolitano gave the example of a citizen seeing a suspiciously parked truck and reporting it to authorities.

The result of this report was that authorities were able to effectively stop an act of terrorism, Napolitano said.

Napolitano said this translates into the cybersystem because of how connected individuals are to the system, making each person a watchman over their cyberusage.

"It definitely opened up your eyes to the security issue we have in the cybersystem," said John Krupka, a junior engineering major.

Krupka said the field Napolitano was speaking about is something he would be interested in and felt her speech was to pump up students and recruit them.

Napolitano extensively talked about students in this

workforce.

"I think it's safe to say about San Jose State that Silicon Valley would not look the same without the students here," Napolitano said.

She mentioned multiple times that because the department is looking to expand, they need students in all disciplines.

"We need students," Napolitano said. "We need young people who really understand this technology who are creative and innovative."

Napolitano then took questions from the audience.

An audience member asked about cybersecurity and its relation to privacy and Napolitano addressed that content of what is in the cybersystem is not the concern.

"We have a president-appointed privacy officer constantly looking at what kind of information we need," Napolitano said. "We're not looking at content at all. The individual messages that users have on their accounts are of no interest to us."

Napolitano addressed statements about cybersecurity and

how it needs to be monitored by all users. She explained more about the Cybersecurity Act of 2012, a bipartisan bill put forth by Senators Dianne Feinstein, Joe Lieberman, Susan Collins and Jay Rockefeller.

Napolitano said the bill would "remove barriers of information sharing in order that we may quickly respond to any cyberthreat or intrusion."

The act says there will be competitions held to recruit "talented individuals to work in federal agencies, state and local government agencies, and the private sector to perform duties relating to the security of the federal information infrastructure or the national information infrastructure."

She made it clear the goal of this bill and her speech was to show that there are opportunities in her department to increase cybersecurity.

Midway through the event there was the faint chant of protesters, but that did not stop the presentation.

The secretary's stop at SJSU was part of her campus lecture series that continued at UCLA the same day.

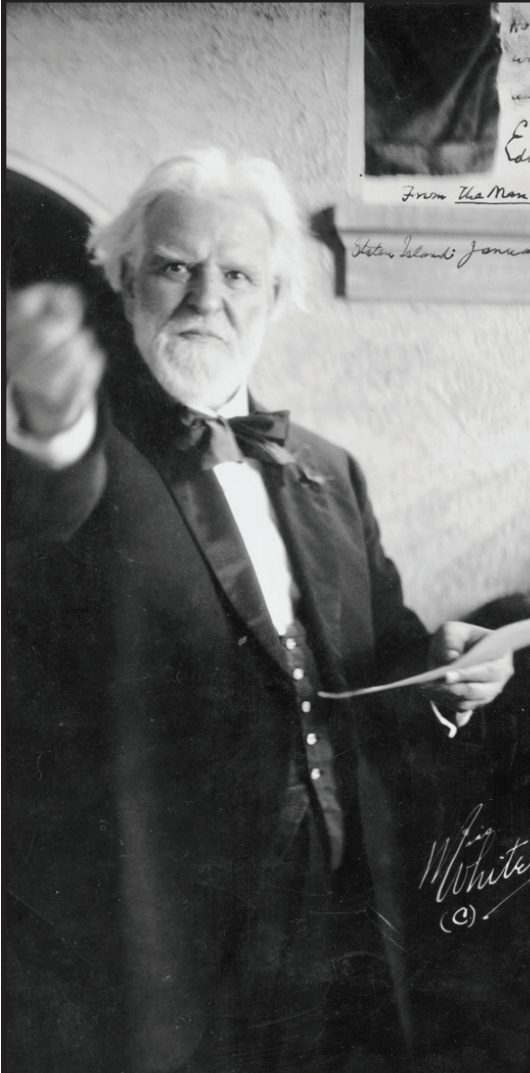


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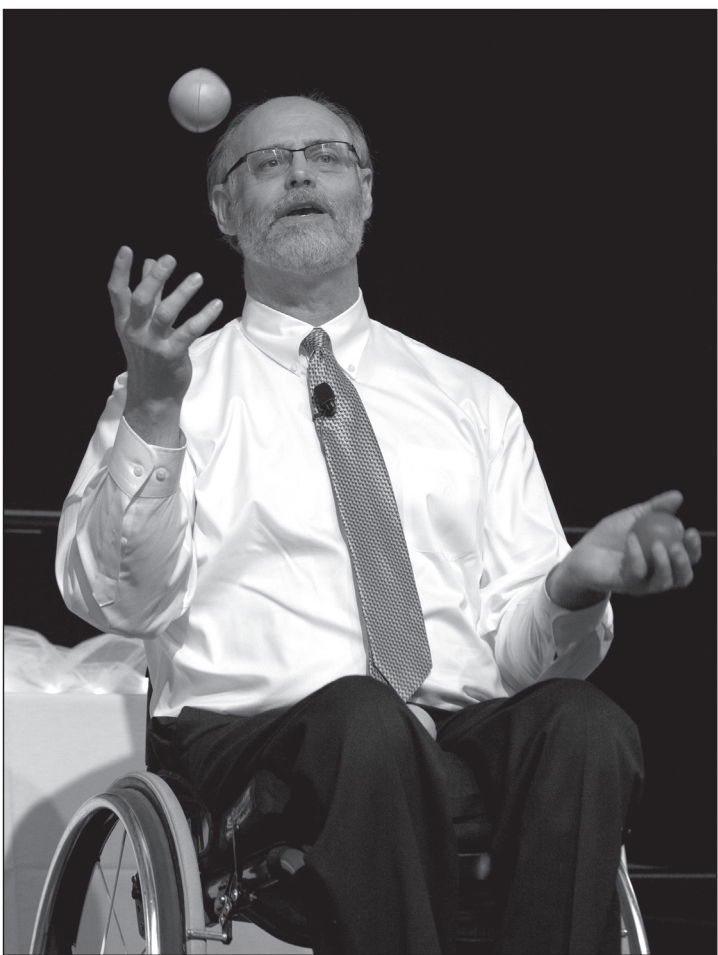
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Students experience transformations through their disabilities



Keynote speaker Gary Karp juggles during his presentation at Transformations: The 33rd Annual Gala Scholarship Fundraiser and Awards Ceremony in Barrett Ballroom, Thursday. Photo by Raphael Kluzniok / Spartan Daily

by Ty Hargrove
Staff Writer

According to Destinie Rawlings, a sophomore occupational therapy major, the Disability Resource Center has been the best thing that has happened to her since coming to SJSU.

"Before the DRC, I would be miserable in my classes ... I would struggle with my work and participating in group activities," she said.

The 33rd annual Gala Scholarship Fundraiser and Awards Ceremony, titled "Transformations," put on by the center — which symbolized the growth of students with disabilities, according to Cindy Marota, interim director of the center — took place Thursday in the Barrett Ballroom.

Rawlings, who is hearing impaired, was among those honored.

Rawlings received an outstanding leadership scholarship award and the Donna Ellis Outstanding student award for her willingness to help others and for her assiduous work as a student leader at the DRC.

According to Rawlings, she uses her disability as an agent of change and believes that there is nothing wrong with being disabled.

Rawlings has participated in a series of community service events where she speaks to others about her disability and how she has persevered despite her challenges.

"I don't focus on what I can't do ... I focus more on what I can do to better myself," Rawlings said.

The center provides a number of resources to students that make their classes more accommodating, according to Rawlings.

"The DRC provides me with a captioner and a note taker if I need one," she said. "A captioner is the person who types what the professor is saying."

According to Rawlings, the center also provides her with a device called an ALD (Assistive Listening Device), which helps her hear in class when students are talking over the professor.

During the event, Jabari Carr, a sophomore behavioral

"I don't think that anyone really has disabilities ... you just need extra help in a certain category."

-Jabari Carr, sophomore behavioral science major

science major who is also a student athlete, gave a speech about his transformation and how his learning disability has not stopped him from pursuing his dreams of graduating from college and being a professional football player.

"The fact that I am here today, speaking to you, is evidence of my most fundamental transformation," Carr said.

Growing up, Carr said he faced a lot of challenges and sometimes felt like giving up.

"I was often made fun of by

my peers, this weakened my confidence," he said. "I started to feel that I did not have the ability that my fellow classmates had when it came to my education."

The word disability is just a label that society has put on people, according to Carr.

"I don't think that anyone really has disabilities ... you just need extra help in a certain category," he said.

According to Carr, early in the fall semester of his first year at SJSU he often made visits to the Disability Resource Center.

"The staff at the DRC became like a second family ... I could pop in at any time and just have a nice conversation with anyone in the office," he said.

According to Carr, the center taught him that his goals are something that he could reach and, with their support, he could do anything that he set his mind to.

"I have learned the true value of working hard and the feeling of being proud of what I am capable of," he said.

Location key to green benefits of electric vehicles

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LOS ANGELES—Apparently, location, location, location is the latest twist on electric vehicles and the environment: Whether an electric car such as the Nissan Leaf protects the atmosphere from greenhouse gases depends on where it's charged, according to a new study.

Such a car is no better than a standard gasoline-powered subcompact such as a Hyundai Elantra in cities such as Denver and Wichita, but far exceeds even the best hybrids in Southern California.

That's the findings of a study of electricity generation, greenhouse gas emissions and electric vehicles by the Union of

Concerned Scientists.

The variations in how beneficial an electric vehicle is for reducing pollution that causes global warming result from regional differences in how electricity is generated.

The scientific organization, which is a vocal proponent for federal requirements mandating increased fuel efficiency in vehicles, said in regions covering 45 percent of the nation's population, "electricity is generated with a larger share of cleaner energy resources — such as renewables and natural gas — meaning that EVs produce lower global warming emissions than

even the most efficient gasoline hybrids."

But in regions where coal still makes up a large percentage of the electricity grid mix, the most efficient gasoline-powered hybrid vehicles will yield lower global warming emissions than an electric vehicle.

However, electric vehicles tend to reduce oil consumption in nearly all regions, the group said.

The Union of Concerned Scientists also said that electric vehicle drivers can save \$750 to \$1,200 a year compared with operating an average new compact gasoline

vehicle with a fuel economy rating of 27 miles per gallon that is fueled with gasoline at \$3.50 per gallon.

The savings depend on how much a local utility charges for electricity and that varies widely between regions. Regardless of location, that range — of savings requires charging on the lowest-cost electricity plan and that may require a switch from their current rate plan to the most advantageous one — often limiting time of use to night hours — offered by their utility. The group noted that that was especially important in California.

"It pays for California EV

owners to learn about the different kinds of rate plans their local utility has to offer when plugging in their vehicle at home. They may be leaving hundreds of dollars per year in savings on the table," said Don Anair, the report's author and senior engineer for UCS's Clean Vehicles Program.

When it comes to pollution, charging an EV in the cleanest electricity regions, which include California, New York (excluding Long Island), the Pacific Northwest and parts of Alaska, yields global warming emissions equivalent to a gasoline-powered vehicle achieving over 70 mpg.



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LECTURE: Don Edwards honored

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One of the questions posed by Christensen was that with San Jose being so diverse, why does it get along better than other cities with a diverse population?

"When a city leads, all other organizations follow, and we still have a lot of work to do," said former Mayor Gonzales.

Hammer attributed the city's success in this area to the district elections which

allows all of the different ethnic backgrounds to have a voice in government.

Christensen asked if the former mayors foresee a potential crisis regarding the employee pension issue currently being fought.

"We had lots of money and the city was thriving," Hammer said.

Gonzales agreed with Hammer and thought it was unwise to skimp when it came to the police and fire

departments. He then made reference to 9/11 and how no one thought about how much money those firefighters were getting when they ran into a building that was collapsing.

In Edward's absence his son, Judge Leonard Edwards, read a note in which he said his father was honored to be associated with the event.

"I want to thank Terry Christensen," Edwards said in the note. "He's had a positive impact on SJSU."



San José's former Mayor Norm Mineta jokes about some of the trials of being mayor. Former Mayor Janet Gray Hayes said that to be mayor, one must have strong kidneys. Photo by Sierra Duren / Spartan Daily

Electronic Privacy Information Center demands probe of Google

McClatchy Tribune
Wire Service

SAN FRANCISCO — Privacy watchdogs are urging the nation's top law enforcer to launch a new investigation into Google Inc. after the Federal Communications Commission did not find evidence that the Mountain View, Calif., company broke eavesdropping laws in collecting Internet data from millions of unknowing U.S. households.

The Electronic Privacy Information Center, or EPIC, the Washington advocacy group that filed the original complaint with the FCC over Google's controversial data-collection practices, sent a letter Monday to U.S. Attorney General Eric H. Holder Jr. calling the FCC's probe insufficient.

"By the agency's own admission, the investigation conducted was inadequate and did not address the applicability of federal wiretapping law to Google's interception of emails, user names, passwords, browsing histories and other personal information," EPIC's Executive Director Marc Rotenberg

wrote. "Given the inadequacy of the FCC's investigation and the law enforcement responsibilities of the attorney general, EPIC urges you to investigate Google's collection of personal Wi-Fi data from residential networks."

Rep. Edward J. Markey, D-Mass., senior member of the House Energy and Commerce Committee, called for Congress to hold a hearing "to get to the bottom of this serious situation."

"The circumstances surrounding Google's surreptitious siphoning of personal information leave many unanswered questions," he said Monday.

The FCC said late Friday that it would fine Google \$25,000 for obstructing its investigation of the search giant's Street View service. Privacy advocates dismissed the proposed penalty as negligible for a company that had nearly \$38 billion in revenue last year and stands accused of snooping on people's private information and stonewalling investigators.

As part of its Street View project, Google sent specially

equipped cars into U.S. streets to snap photos of homes and buildings in an ambitious attempt to map the country, block by block. But from May 2007 to May 2010, Google also collected sensitive information from unencrypted home wireless networks, including emails, passwords and search histories.

News of Google's snooping caused an uproar when it was disclosed in 2010, leading the FCC to launch its investigation. But in announcing its proposed fine last week, the agency said it did not find proof that Google broke the federal communications law that bans electronic eavesdropping.

The FCC said its probe ran into two insurmountable hurdles: There is no precedent to apply the FCC law to unprotected Wi-Fi networks, and the agency did not uncover enough evidence that Google had violated federal rules.

Google, which has apologized for the data collection, denied the FCC's assertion that it did not cooperate with the agency. It has 30 days from the FCC's April 13 report to contest or pay the proposed fine.

"We disagree with the FCC's characterization of our cooperation in their investigation and will be filing a response," a Google spokeswoman wrote in an emailed statement.

Ryan Calo, director of privacy at Stanford's Center for Internet and Society, called the proposed \$25,000 fine a "slap on the pinkie."

"Google's Street View cars drove right over consumers' personal privacy while cruising city streets and neighborhoods. Consumers saw their Wi-Fi morph into 'spy-fi,'" said Markey, who was one of three House members who pressed Google in 2010 for details about its collection of Wi-Fi information.

Sen. Richard Blumenthal, D-Conn., who as Connecticut attorney general in 2010 went to court to try to force Google to turn over consumer data it had collected as part of its Street View service, also called on the Justice Department and states' attorneys general to investigate.

"Google's failure to initially cooperate undermines their claim and federal agencies' conclusions that they violated no federal laws," Blumenthal said.

FCC Chairman Julius Genachowski had no comment, a spokeswoman said.

Connecticut and several other states launched their own inquiry in July 2010. That inquiry is still under way, said a spokeswoman for Connecticut Attorney General George Jepsen. Blumenthal said he would continue his efforts to update federal laws to cover modern digital communication.

The Street View controversy is just one of several privacy flaps in the U.S. and overseas to raise questions about Google's treatment of the voluminous data it collects on consumers around the globe. Some analysts said a 25-page order from the FCC criticizing Google for delaying and impeding its investigation by not complying with requests for information or access to employees could sow seeds of doubt with consumers and hurt Google's public image.

"Everybody believed them when they said this was all a mistake. Now the report from the FCC is raising questions about why Google might be uncooperative," said Greg Sterling, an analyst at Opus Research. "For those

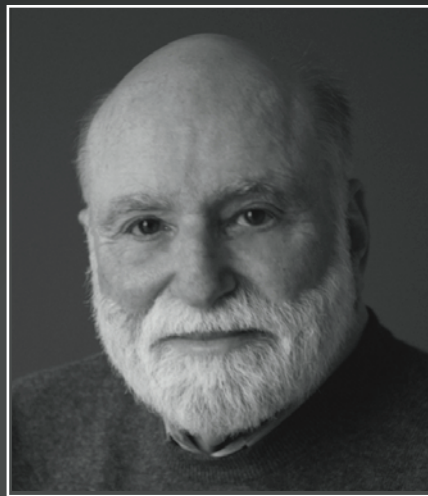
that are inclined to see Google as a malevolent force, this just plays into that perception. For those who haven't made up their mind about Google, this is probably going to erode the benefit of the doubt."

The FCC investigation began in 2010. At the time, an agency official wrote on the FCC's blog that the collection of millions of consumers' personal information "clearly infringes on consumer privacy."

According to the FCC, starting in May 2007, Google collected highly sensitive personal information from unencrypted wireless networks while its vehicles took pictures for Street View, which displays the pictures in Google Maps. Google said it stopped collecting the information in May 2010.

Google at first denied it was collecting the data, then said it had captured only fragments of people's online communications. In October 2010 it admitted it had collected and stored entire emails, text messages and passwords. Google maintains that the data collection was inadvertent and that it stopped collecting the data as soon as it found out.

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Senate falls short in vote on 'Buffett Rule'

McClatchy Tribune Wire Service

WASHINGTON — The "Buffett Rule" — the Democratic-authored effort to impose a minimum tax on millionaires — is probably dead for awhile, fatally wounded by a largely partisan Senate vote Monday.

The 51 to 45 procedural vote failed by 9 votes, since 60 are needed to cut off debate.

But both sides scored political points. Democrats painted the higher tax as a fairness issue. Republicans countered that higher taxes would stymie the already sluggish economy.

Monday's drama, the day before the filing deadline for federal income tax returns, was the opening round of what promises to be a week of congressional maneuvering for advantage on the tax issue. The House of Representatives is expected to vote later this week on a Republican-backed plan to give small businesses a tax break.

No proposal, though, has been as incendiary as the "rule" named for Warren Buffett, the billionaire investor who last year said his secretary pays taxes at a higher rate than he does.

With a strong push from President Barack Obama, Democrats want to end that disparity by generally imposing at least a 30 percent tax on millionaires — more than twice the rate that presumptive Republican presidential nominee Mitt Romney, a multimillionaire, paid in 2010.

"It's an important message for Washington to be able to send to middle-class taxpay-

ers as they sit down to pay their taxes," said Sen. Sheldon Whitehouse, D-R.I., the Senate bill's chief author.

Liberal groups were adamant that the Senate vote was an important political demarcation line.

"The Buffett Rule, if enacted, would mean that Wall Street CEOs and big oil executives would not pay lower taxes than their secretaries and chauffeurs. This is a no-brainer. The senators who oppose this minimal standard have shred all sense of decency," said Robert Borosage, co-director of the liberal Campaign for America's Future. "Only the corrupt or the morally bankrupt could vote to protect the ability of the richest Americans to pay a lower rate of taxes than the rest of us."

Republicans, though, insisted that the tax was little more than a ploy that few voters cared about. Romney has proposed a 20 percent across-the-board cut in all marginal income tax rates, and congressional Republicans are exploring ways to overhaul the entire tax code.

"The bill is a political gimmick that's supposed to distract Americans from the president's miserable record instead of solving problems," said Sen. John Barrasso, R-Wyo., chairman of the Senate Republican Policy Committee.

No such sweeping steps are likely to pass Congress before the November elections. Instead, Congress is likely to take a series of votes aimed at illustrating each party's position in hopes that the voters will give them a mandate for their approach.

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Physical education cuts by CSU are a lazy solution



by Raphael Kluzniok
Staff Photographer

If the purpose of college is to educate for a better future, then cutting activities classes is counter productive.

If our university took the health of our student body seriously, they would provide us the educational tools and opportunities we need to live healthy lifestyles, and not cut the only thing on campus making us healthier.

We are all aware of the university's continued efforts to cut costs and balance the budget. One of the many cost cutting proposals being considered by the university is the elimination of all physical activities classes at SJSU, potentially making us the only CSU to not offer these courses, according to a petition started by the SJSU kinesiology department.

According to a study on college physical education by the School of Applied Physiology, Georgia Institute of Technology, "Required physical education is necessary because it impacts all segments of the college population, reaching the sedentary as well as the active students."

I am in a physical activities class and I love it. You may have seen us, a mob of 20-plus joggers, taking up the whole sidewalk, swallowing unsuspecting pedestrians as they talk on the phone.

Twice a week we meet and jog around campus. We get funny looks, some people stare, but it doesn't matter because while others stress, we are taking time to better ourselves.

I have always been a runner, but I have not always had the time to run.

I competed in the mile and two mile in high school, but as the realities and stresses of grown up life grew heavier, my physical activity dwindled.

Thanks to the structure of my activity class, I have run more regularly this semester than any time since high school track and field.

Some argue that these courses are not necessary because students will still have access to the Event Center and intramurals.

True, the equipment is all there, ready to be used, but what happens when no one comes to use it? Or worse, a horde of untrained do-it-yourselfers out injuring themselves and others?

Our problem with fitness is not access, it's regiment.

The kinesiology department claims nearly 5,000 students

currently partake in activities courses.

If these cuts become reality, does anyone believe we will suddenly see 5,000 students working out on their own on campus?

Activities courses provide the structure, support and camaraderie that build good fitness habits.

By giving exercise an academic value, these classes challenge students to adhere to and complete a more active semester.

The two units of required physical activity give students a chance to have new experiences, be active, improve themselves and potentially change the rest of their lives.

Like most people, I struggle with the commitment and determination it takes to maintain a long-term athletic lifestyle. More days than I care to admit, I wander into Yoshihiro Uchida Hall, tired, lazy, not wanting to run.

But every time I leave with a smile, stress relieved, optimistic toward the day.

I have come to count on the two hours I spend each week jogging with my class as a refuge from the stresses of college life. It is a commitment I cannot ignore, a lesson in building a

Mitt Romney is the right choice for America



by Greg Nelson
Staff Writer

As the 2012 elections draw ever closer, the Democratic Party is growing more confident that Obama can win a second term.

Although Obama has fulfilled few of his promises he swore on while he was campaigning in 2008, the Republican Party can't seem to bring out someone who could easily oppose him.

Fortunately, there's still Mitt Romney in the race who seems quite sane and his nomination seems to be in the bag unless he does something really stupid.

There are plenty of big issues, but probably the most worrisome for the country as a whole is the mountain of debt we've dug ourselves into.

No matter whose fault it is, it's pretty obvious that Obama isn't doing enough with the debt except for making it worse, as it has risen more than \$4 trillion since he took office, according to CBS News.

Romney seems to have a good mind for spending. When he became the governor of Massachusetts, he inherited

a huge debt from his predecessor but still managed to balance the budget, and he did it without raising taxes.

By the end of his term, he had taken the state from billions in deficit to billions in surplus.

In fact, he balanced the budget every year he was in office and left the state with a surplus, again, without raising taxes.

He has a good mind for numbers — for money — and appears to understand at least what's needed to get this country out of debt.

Romney was able to balance the budget simply by cutting spending, eliminating corporate tax loopholes and increasing user fees for services only for citizens that wanted to do something extravagant and expensive, such as boating, hunting and having golf licenses. Other things now with user fees include court filings and taking the bar exam.

He seems to be more of a traditional republican, which is far more than could be said about John McCain.

Romney's not a Christian, as many republican candidates claim to be, but at least he's honest about it.

I'm not a follower or even a fan of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints,

but that doesn't mean I would mind a Mormon running the country.

We've never had one as president before, and Mormons are usually giving and loving, as that is what their doctrine requires of them.

The Mormons' treatment of women leaves a bit to be desired, but that seems to mostly be the polygamist sects.

"He has a good mind for numbers — for money — and appears to understand at least what's needed to get this country out of debt."

He's not perfect, obviously. There have been some questions about animal cruelty with him and his family traveling with their dog in a cage on the roof of their car, which ended in a disgusting manner.

This issue sounds more like poor judgment with an animal rather than any actual malevolence on his part, despite what animal rights activists are crying about.

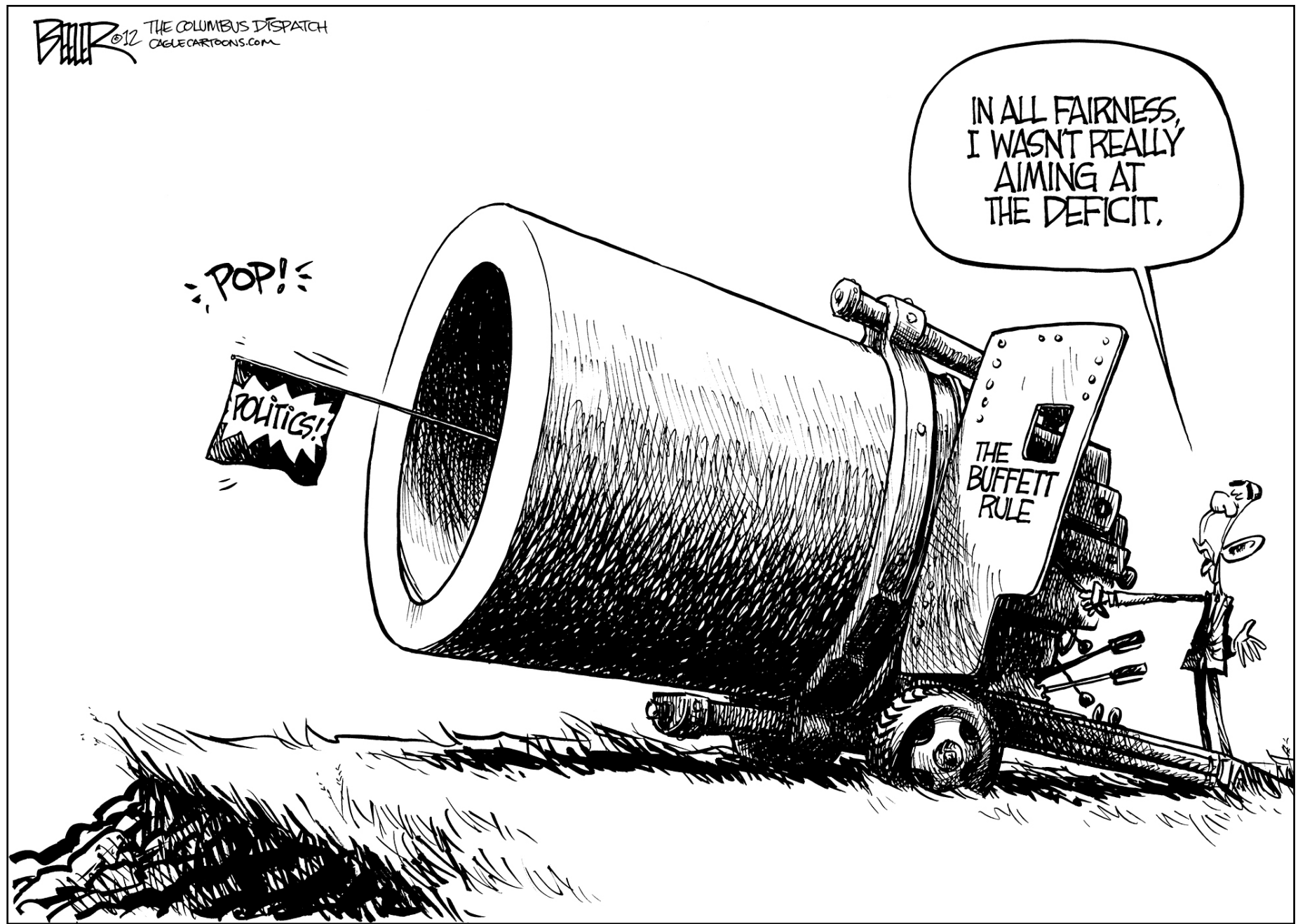
Obama has not kept his promises, and he said if he didn't get what he set out to get done he'd have a one-term presidency.

Obama has not gotten done what he said he would, such as universal health care and shutting down Guantanamo Bay, so let's boot him out like he said and try someone new.

He seemed to do well running Massachusetts, and I think he should be given a chance to run the country — he may just surprise us.

Us conservatives need to stop relying on losers such as McCain and Gingrich, who don't even understand our values and issues, and get a real conservative in the office.

Romney may not be the perfect example, but he's as close as we're going to get for a while.



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FEATURES

Keep on truckin': Food trucks deliver flavor to San Jose

by Nina Tabios
Staff Writer

Much like music, clothing and hobbies, food is another field in which trends are quick to come and go.

For a time, frozen yogurt (froyo) experienced a brief popularity streak, then cupcakes were the hot commodity shortly after.

However, unlike the 15-minute fame of froyo and cupcakes, food trucks have seen a popularity spike in the last few years, which seems to become the new avenue for up-and-coming food entrepreneurs.

Ryan Sebastian, founder of the ice-cream-karaoke-truck Treatbot and coordinator of food event Moveable Feast, said the establishment of the truck was a "joke that turned into a real business."

"When we started seriously looking at it, no one was putting any serious effort into bringing what we call a gourmet food truck down here in San Jose," he said.

Treatbot made its debut in 2010 and while it has gained popularity mostly through generous helpings of savory ice cream flavors, the truck also partially lives off its novelty karaoke feature.

"We decided let's build something that was prude and honest, in the material and in what we sell," Sebastian said. "You see what you get. There's no tricks; there's no surprises. You get karaoke and ice cream, and I've seen people appreciate that."

Sebastian said trucks have become popular for two reasons: technology and the recession.

He said before Twitter and Facebook, people couldn't find the locations of the trucks.

"If we weren't in a recession, people might think they were too good to eat food from a truck," he said. "People want to get a good deal. It's not like the food is cheap, but for the quality you get it is a good offer."

With names like Truckin' Sweet, Won of a Kind, Curry Up Now and Chairman Bao, food trucks have created a notoriety for being clever and innovative, especially when it comes to their food.

"A successful food truck is going to have a focus," Sebastian said. "Every food truck has to have a killer item that's going to stand out. They have to have that one item that makes people follow them on Twitter or Facebook. If you're a jack-of-all-trades but a master at none, you're going to have a hard time in the food truck business."

Trucks such as MoGo BBQ feature Korean food served with Mexican-inspired dishes — tacos, burritos and quesadillas are some of their most popular items with the meat consisting of bulgogi, a Korean-style marinated beef, and condiments like kimchi, which is spicy pickled cabbage.



Patrons gravitate to An The Go, Curry Up Now and The Chairman, food trucks that specialize in Asian-fusion street cuisine at Moveable Feast in Willow Glen on Friday. Photo by Nina Tabios / Spartan Daily

"I love tacos, and I love Korean food," said sophomore art major Christian Cruz, "How could I say no to that?"

While some trucks are known for combining different cuisines, some trucks exist simply because the food they feature is rare among restaurants.

Cynthia Gong of Yumsilog, a Filipino food truck, said she started her truck because a friend suggested that she do so.

"One day we were craving sisig, but we didn't know any restaurants that served it," Gong said. "And my friend said why don't I start a food truck. So I did."

Gong's sisig silog, a traditional Filipino dish of spicy and sour marinated pork paired with a fried egg and garlic-fried rice, is one of her signature items at Yumsilog.

Fortunately for Gong, Yumsilog started at a time when the food truck business was booming and earned its popularity through food events like Moveable Feast.

Moveable Feast is a social gathering where a handful of food trucks are invited to park in a vacant space, usually a parking lot, and where people have access to the large variety that food trucks have to offer.

"It's been fun to see parking lots in San Jose turning into these special community stations," Sebastian said. "People plan their weeks around this event."

Last Friday, colorful trucks lined up along the parking lot at Curtner and Canoas Garden avenues, with hundreds of people perched on buckets, huddling together trying to block the wind from their faces.

Sophomore kinesiology major Megan Green Who was enjoying a bánh mì sandwich from Vietnamese street food truck, O Mi Ninja SJ, said she always tries to come every week.

"There usually is a new truck that I haven't tried yet, and I want to try them all."

Sebastian said food events are organized so people have access to the immense variety that food trucks offer, but they also allow trucks to park and serve food without having to worry about complaints from property owners.

"It was easier for us to get customers and gain exposure from food events like Moveable Feast," Gong said. "It's not easy to just pull up to a curb and serve food, especially in San Jose. Permits and licenses are harder to purchase — they're more streamlined."

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— Megan Green
Sophomore kinesiology

really expensive. It's an opportunity to incubate those businesses."

In an age where technology keeps people constantly updated with what's new and trendy, young entrepreneurs are forced to come up with ideas that transcend the traditional, a concept that directly applies to food and food trucks.

Ryan Agabao coordinates Food Social, a food event where entrepreneurs showcase their food concepts in hopes of creating enough exposure and revenue to purchase a truck.

He said these events not only give opportunities to new food businesses, but also give life to the community and bring neighborhoods together.

"It gives people a chance to get together and meet new people they haven't met before," he said. "That's our biggest push for Food Social. It's a food event, but it's also a social gathering, a social mixer."

Gong said that while a healthy competition does exist between trucks, there is still a mutual respect.

"We even have a Facebook group page where we help each other, give each other advice," she said.

The food truck community's main prerogative is to provide a variety of quality food to people for an inexpensive price, but it has expanded to so much more.

"Food is an important part of every culture and it's one of the things that's really exciting about San Jose," Horwedel said. "There's a great diversity of culture and this is just one more opportunity to showcase what great variety of food choices there are."



Louisiana Territory's chicken and sausage gumbo, covers a bed of rice with a few slices of bread to sop up the spicy, smoky stew. Photo by Nina Tabios / Spartan Daily

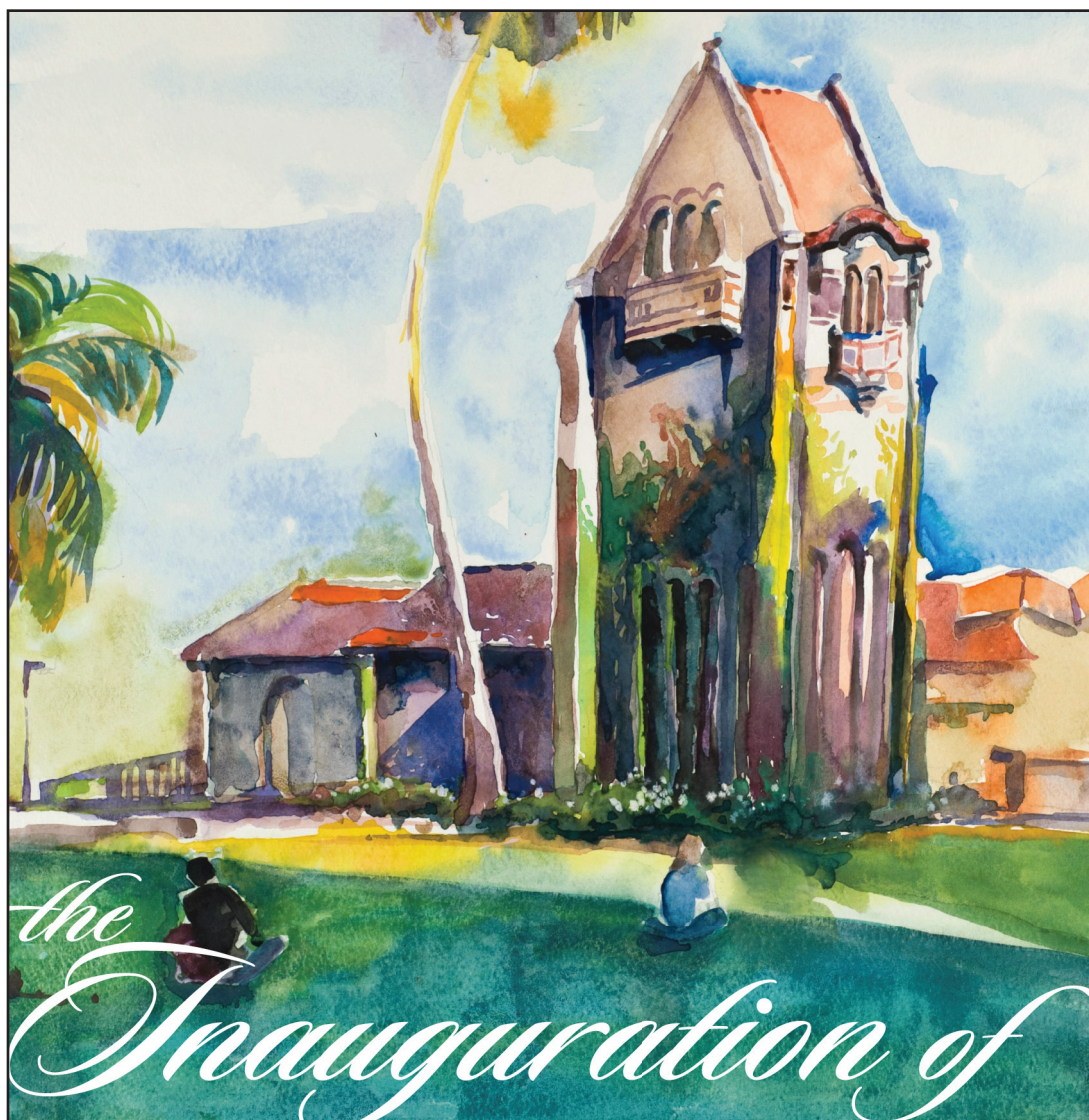
According to Susan Walsh, senior planner at the City of San Jose planning division, the current permit for food trucks adheres to regulating them on private property and ensuring that the property owners grant permission for the truck to park there.

Joe Horwedel, director of planning, building and code enforcement for San Jose, said the department hasn't looked at food truck regulation for about 20 years because the rules were written for the vending trucks, or "roach coaches," that would show up for only 15 minutes and then disappear.

"The trucks that run today don't really fit into the city's rules," Horwedel said.

he said the department wants to change those rules this year and change the regulations to legalize a "simple permit," which would allow trucks to park at a given location for a couple of hours.

"We see it as an opportunity to bring more food choices into areas where maybe a traditional restaurant doesn't work," he said. "It's an opportunity for small business operators to try out their restaurant concepts and to hone it before they can commit to a specific brick-and-mortar location, which can be



"Given the tumultuous and fast-paced environment that we live in, anticipating the future is increasingly difficult. All we can say with confidence is that change is constant, endemic and necessary. The best way to predict the university's future is to create it ourselves."

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