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Group uses furlough day to protest cuts

Students for Quality Education lead demonstration around a nearly empty campus

By Suzanne Yada Staff Writer

Chouting protesters gripped Opicket signs that read "Education is not a perk for the rich," "Where's the funding?" and "Higher education is a public in-

Classes may have been canceled Tuesday, but up to 300 students and faculty showed up to school anyway to protest the reason behind those cancellations, said representatives of the on-campus group Students for Quality Education.

The group organized the "WTF? Rally" against the California State University budget cuts on SJSU's first campus-wide furlough day, said Andrae Macapinlac, vice president of Students for Quality Education.

According to the organization's flyer, the letters WTF could be used for many phrases related to the budget cuts such as "Where's the funding?" and "Why the furlough?"

Furlough days mean that most SJSU employees are required to take certain days off without pay,

forcing campus to shut down.

"I would have had four classes today if it weren't for the furlough," said Mitchell Colbert, a senior political science major who spoke at the rally.

Colbert said he is preparing to study abroad in Germany, but the furloughs have delayed progress in his German language course.

"How can we, as Americans, be taken seriously when we go to other countries if we won't actually educate our own populace?" Colbert said. "It's outrageous."

California lawmakers slashed the CSU budget by \$584 million, and SJSU is facing a \$42 million shortfall, said President Jon Whitmore during an Aug. 20 news conference with student media.

Students for Quality Education held a similar protest against the budget cuts Sept. 9, but the turnout was around 65.

Macapinlac said the numbers were much bigger for this march, because the organization had more time to make calls, alert the media and recruit volunteers to spread

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Students listen to the representatives of Students for Quality Education in front of Tower Hall on Tuesday.

The days of metal keys are numbered on some SJSU campus buildings

By Ryan Fernandez Staff Writer

o increase campus security, 1 the Boccardo Business Center and 27 other buildings on campus are having their exterior doors refitted with an automated electronic access system.

Instead of using metal keys to lock and unlock doors, David Buchmann, lead locksmith for facilities development and operations, said the system will rely on electronic card keys to allow registered users access to buildings outside of normal operating hours and during weekends.

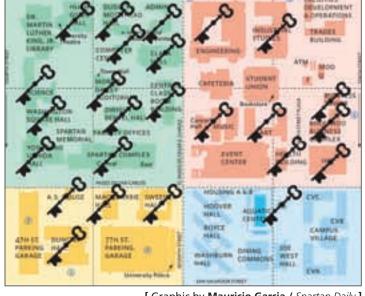
"It'll be more safe to be on campus at night, that way, people who aren't students can't come in." said Mayra Garcia, a sophomore occupational therapy major.

Buchmann said the card keys were "smart cards" that use radio frequency identification tags to broadcast information to a receiver near the door.

Freshman nursing major Joseph Almazan said he thinks it's good that SJSU is using electron-

"I don't see a downside to it," he said.

The refits began earlier this spring, said locksmith Richard Best, but no official date has been set for the changeover. He said it



marked by a key. Map courtesy of the SJSU Web site.

[Graphic by Mauricio Garcia / Spartan Daily] Some of the buildings that are having their exterior doors refitted with an electronic access system are

may be in October or November.

"We still working the bugs out," he said. "And we're waiting for people to come pick up their

According to an e-mail by Anton Kashiri, associate vice president of facilities development and operations, the automated system will allow the doors of the retrofitted buildings to be locked from a single location in case of an emergency.

All 28 buildings will remain unlocked from 6:30 a.m. to 10

p.m., Monday through Friday, according to the e-mail, but the system will make sure those buildings are secured at all other times.

Kashiri's e-mail also stated that the system will allow the University Police Department to keep track of who enters the buildings using a card key.

UPD Sgt. Michael Santos said the department will attempt to contact anyone who is discovered or reported to be in a building

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University workshop details plan for surviving an active shooter attack

By My Nguyen Staff Writer

Earthquakes ... duck under

a table, check. Fires ... retreat to predeterined location, check.

Hailing bullets ...?

Ten students and faculty members attended an active shooter presentation in Clark Hall on Wednesday.

ALICE, which stands for Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter and Evacuate, is a program designed to educate students, faculty and staff on what an active shooter is and what they can do if ever in a situation with one, said Kenneth Lott, a university police officer and project coordinator.

An active shooter is someone, or a number of individuals, who have entered an environment with the intention to kill people, Lott said.

"ALICE training is to give students, faculty and staff, who will be the ones involved in an active shooter situation, tips to survive the situation," he said.

The program started more than a year ago, Lott said. Nine University Police Department Officers are trained to be AL-ICE instructors, he said.

Sophomore biology major

"It's an interesting topic, and it's a scary thought, so it's good to be prepared if something happens."

> **Ashley Perelra** Sophomore, Biology

Ashley Pereira said she attended the presentation because she wanted to know what to do if a violent intruder targeted cam-

"It's an interesting topic, and it's a scary thought, so it's good to be prepared if something happens," she said.

Undeclared freshman Jocelyn Varela said she attended the presentation because the topic of campus shooting is interesting and important.

"I thought it was very informative," she said. "I got a lot of details I wouldn't have thought on my own. The presentation was not very long, and you get good information within the time amount."

The reasons behind attacks vary from situation to situation, Lott said.

An active shooter can be someone with sociological issues and are off his or her medication, depressed because of a loss or have been bullied and are at the end of his or her rope, he said.

An active shooter can strike anywhere, Lott said.

An active shooter tends to target places with a large potential body count because he or she wants to take as many lives as he or she can, he said.

Students should be alert of their surroundings, Lott said. Take a look around class-

rooms and the campus to plan exit routes, he said.

Lott said to report any weird or suspicious activities on campus, because the UPD cannot be everywhere.

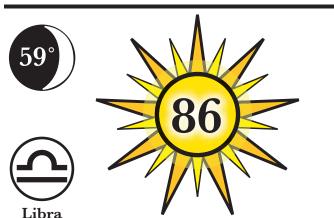
Students can anonymously report to the UPD or to the My Safe Campus Web site, he said.

If an active shooter is on campus and students face a lockdown, they should find a hidden location and barricade themselves in the room, Lott

Students should find protection and stay quiet, he said.

They should not group together, but spread themselves

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Slideshow: students swim for pancakes at the Aquatic



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BREAKFAST SWIM: Samuel Sowko, a sophomore mechanical engineering major (front), junior business major Julie Wyan, and Anna Town, a junior athletic training major, at the "Swim for Pancakes" contest at the Aquatic Center on Friday.

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Teachers also played a big role, Macapinlac said, by telling classes about the rally and attending the march themselves.

Political science lecturer Sabrina Pinnell held up a sign that read, "Don't blink — lecturer about to disappear."

She said she feared for her job and all the other part-time lec-

"This is a hard place to work to begin with, and its (layoffs are) just going to make it worse," she said. "If I were a probationary faculty member considering teaching here, I wouldn't do it."

Even though Macapinlac said it was the biggest turnout in a long time for a Students for Quality Education event, others said there should have been more people at the march.

"Anyone that lives in San

Jose or lives on campus should be out here, and obviously not that many people are out here," said Lauren Dubay, a junior industrial design major, referring to the lack of people on campus because of the furloughs. "But if we did it on a school day, that would defeat the purpose because we would be skipping

The protest began with a rally in front of Campus Village to bring the message to a few people who remained on campus, Macapinlac said.

The group then marched through the campus and out to the streets along the perimeter of school, chanting slogans such as "F-U — fund universities" and singing lines such as "I don't know what I've been told, these budget cuts are getting old."

Karl Toepfer, dean of humanities and the arts, said he saw the protest but thought there were more strategic ways of getting

the kids and people working after hours safe," Buchmann said.

He said work on the project began last year in response to potential terrorist threats such as school shootings.

"The funding has been approved for some time," he said. "But we only started working last year because of domestic terrorism."

Students and university employees who require a card key must first submit a request form in advance and will receive a card key after having their picture taken at the facilities development and operations lock shop, Buch-

"State legislators may well be aware of discontent or unhappiness with decisions they've made," he said. "But I don't know it would change their mind to hear simple discontent. Something else has to change."

Toepfer said he wasn't sure who the intended audience for the rally was.

"Those responsible for the cuts are not here, and they need to hear the message," he said.

But sophomore nursing major Karishma Bendale said she wanted to hear what the speakers had to say, even though she is usually not interested in politics.

"It's affecting me and everyone I know," she said. "It's going to affect the state and the coun-

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mann said.

Until the system is finalized, Buchmann said people should keep their physical keys.

Buchmann said the doors will still have physical overrides, but only UPD would have access to

He said they would have to make small cosmetic changes to the doors but were focused on making the refits as unobtrusive as possible.

"It was a unique challenge powering some of these locks, since some buildings didn't have the infrastructure we needed,"

Ticktock, climate clock could be a San Jose landmark

By My Nguyen Staff Writer

SJSU is carrying out its commitment of sustainability by joining the Climate Clock Initiative, according to an SJSU news re-

Barbara Goldstein, San Jose public art director, said the initiative utilizes public art and measurement technology to display climate data.

"The Climate Clock Initiative is a project to create an artwork that will demonstrate climate change and help people understand how their actions can have an impact on sustainability," she said.

Graduate students from the Computer Arts Design Research and Education Laboratory (CAD-RE) for new media in SJSU's school of art and design will assist artists in developing the artwork, Goldstein said.

Danielle Siembieda, a master's student in digital media, said she submitted a proposal to the initia-

"If the Climate Clock Initiative comes to fruition, it will put San Jose on the map with an iconic landmark that monitors climate change," she said. "Hopefully the initiative will continue to different cities across the globe."

Joel Slayton, director and pro-

fessor of digital media art, said the clock will measure climate change, and the data will be used to influence individual behavior.

The Climate Clock will be placed at San Jose Diridon Station, where Caltrain, Amtrak, light rail and buses run, according to a Sept. 9 news release sent by Pat Lopes Harris, director of media relations at SJSU.

BART and high-speed rail will also serve Diridon in the near future, which makes the station the largest ground transportation hub in Northern California, according to the news release.

An international jury will select three artist-led teams who will put forward its designs, said Slayton.

"The teams will be working with a high-profile science and technology advisory committee to determine appropriate data resources," he said.

The three finalists selected include Usman Haque and Robert Davis, Chico MacMurtie, Amorphic Robot Works and Freya Bardell and Brian Howe and Brent Bucknum, according to a news release sent by Economic Development Officer Steven Brewster.

Slayton said the number of graduate students who will assist the artists is still undetermined, but CADRE will mediate the interactions between students, faculty and artists.

"A primary feature of the initiative is to enable a sustainable project design approach for a project with a 100 year duration cycle," he said. "Students and faculty will support this effort through research and development."

The artists' projects will be in development in academic school year 2010-11, Goldstein said.

"What's in development now is the artists have developed teams that will work with students at SJSU," she said.

The artists will come to SJSU in January for preliminary meetings with CADRE, Goldstein

According to the news release, each team will work on the research and development of its design for three months. An international jury will then decide on the final design of the Climate Clock.

Climate change is a complex issue for people to understand, Goldstein said.

She also said artists have the ability to explain things in terms that people can understand.

"The idea is if artists can develop a project that takes this complicated issue and make it interactive, then people will have a much better grasp of what the issues are," she said.

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after hours and determine what his or her business is.

Santos said individuals without a card key will be asked to leave and may be subject to criminal charges, depending on the circumstances.

"It'll be up to the officer's discretion," he said.

Sgt. Santos advised card key holders not to allow anyone in who does not already possess a

"Our biggest thing is to keep

If students are able to con-

tact the police, they should

provide clear, accurate infor-

mation to authorities as quick-

suspect information, weapons,

direction of travel, medical

needs and call back number,"

Do not hang up unless instructed or because of safety

Lott said if it comes down

"Act as a team and make

to nothing else but to confront

a total commitment without

hesitation," according to the

instructional video shown at

the shooter — fight back.

"Identify yourself, location,

ly as possible, Lott said.

reasons, he said.

the presentation.

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out, he said.

Lott said to use whatever you can against the shooter,

If students are able to evacuate, they should get out, Lott

such as books, laptops and cell

He also said to stay in motion and find protection.

"Make yourself a hard target versus a soft target," he said. Put distance between you

"pingpong," he said. Lott said police officers miss

and the shooter and act like a

80 percent of their shots. An unskilled shooter will not be able to accurately shoot

a moving object, he said. In '93 a disgruntled employee stormed into the president's office, Lott said.

The receptionist called the UPD and when the police engaged with the employee, the employee pulled a pistol on a

cop, but misfired, he said.

This is the closest to an active shooter situation SJSU has had, he said.

To prepare for the possibility of an active shooter, SJSU has implemented programs such as campus exercises and localized training activities within UPD, San Jose Police Department, San Jose Fire Department and American Medial Response,

A.L.I.C.E was implemented because the phenomena of active shooters in school and society, especially after the Virginia Tech incident, have become more prevalent around the country, he said.

"It's a chaotic situation, but if you have a plan or thought about it at some point, it's not going to be foreign to you," he

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With video camera in hand, Daniel Khawaja, a sophomore computer engineering major, (right) and Aja McCoy, a junior theatre arts digital media major, eagerly wait in Clark Hall to be the first group to check in for SJSU's "Campus MovieFest."

August closing of SJSU Osher chapter sends seniors elsewhere to continue education

By Kyle Szymanski Staff Writer

Adults over the age of 50 have had to go elsewhere to enjoy a formal learning experience since the San Jose State chapter of the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute closed its doors in August, following budget cuts by SJSU.

"The Osher Foundation was a wonderful partner, but unfortunately the program was not selfsustaining, so it was agreed that we should end it in August," said Pat Lopes Harris, director of media relations at SJSU.

The institute was a unique program that had college-level courses without the homework or credit requirements to people older than the age of 50, said former institute faculty member Art Boudreault.

"The closure of the Osher Institute is a big loss for our community and the university, in part because it's one of the few institutions that really links the campus to community," political science Professor Terry Christensen said.

Christensen said he often served as a guest lecturer for some of the classes.

At the time of its closure, the institute had a record 500 students

enrolled, Boudreault said.

"As an occasional lecturer for the program, I was always impressed by their engagement and enthusiasm and the life knowledge they brought to every subject," Christensen said. "Speaking to them was always both a challenge and a pleasure."

The institute offered an array of general interest classes that included the History of Morgan Hill, Jews 'N Jazz, Memoir Writing and Ten Discoveries that Rewrote History, according to its Web site.

The institute also hosted various field trips and held classes that promoted outdoor exercise, said Mark Novak, dean of international and extended studies.

"I am very disappointed that the center of college learning in San Jose was so quick to cancel this program," Boudreault said. "Money is not my issue. It is satisfaction in seeing writers publish their memoirs as a result of my

The program was funded primarily through grants from The Bernard Osher Foundation, which seeks to improve the quality of life through support for higher education and the arts, according to its

Students also paid an annual \$25 fee, Novak said.

During the 2008-09 year, the foundation helped fund the institute by donating \$100,000 to help support its operation, Harris said.

When SJSU was unable to provide the remaining money to fund the program, the institute was closed, according to a letter sent to all current institute members last summer.

"It was an excellent program," Novak said. "It's just the finances are oftentimes the thing that determines the success of the program. It's unfortunate."

The institute had reached the required 500 members needed to receive the first million dollar grant when the program was closed, Boudreault said.

It was preparing a member outreach to find the second 500 members required to receive the second million dollar grant, he

The institute also has local programs at Santa Clara University, CSU East Bay and San Francisco

thinks closing the program was

one of the dumbest things SJSU

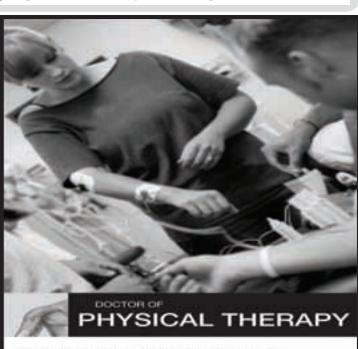
State, Novak said. Former institute faculty member Kay Kleinerman said she

has ever done, and said she hopes the university will replace it.

"I hope San Jose State will see the wisdom in replacing the program and really serving the community," Kleinerman said. "It's a community that is so desirous of continued education. I think it would be a mistake to ignore this community."



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[Photo courtesy of Pink's official Web site]

strummed her acoustic guitar.

Throughout the performance

For instance, she paused in the

she managed to walk the line be-

tween ego-driven pop star and

middle of "I Don't Believe You"

and asked, "Ever wonder what

performers are thinking while

playing? I was just thinking, how

does Dolly Parton fit her boobs

my left were bursting out of their

matching Crocs by the time Pink

began "Get This Party Started"

with almost as much intensity as

the rotund 40-something lady in

For the finale, Pink stepped

out in nothing but some well-

placed silver strings and was spun into the air on a pink sheet, ac-

companied by four trapeze artists

song was because I was mesmer-

ized by the hovering contraption

that whisked Pink throughout the

arena, dipped her into a large toy

box, lifted her back out complete-

ly soaked and spun her around so that she sprinkled her adoring

fans below in sparkling droplets.

tour together is like a spontane-

ous Vegas wedding - it seemed

like a good idea at the time, but

Pink and the Tings Tings on

I have no idea what the finale

fluttering around her.

The gaggle of six year olds to

behind her guitar?"

the front row.

down-to-earth, average chick.

Pink performes a trapeze act during her Funhouse Tour.

Review: Concert

Pink's circus romps into town for Funhouse Tour

By Jill AbellStaff Writer

Pink rose out of a massive toy box and was hoisted onto the stage wearing a shiny-red, leopard-print sarong in the middle of the HP Pavilion on Thursday.

The Ting Tings, Pink's opening act, left a bitter taste of British alternative pop in my mouth.

Song one and song two into its performance — the lyrics were indecipherable, thus do not deserve names — left the audience with little entertainment. Eyes wandered in every other direction but the stage.

Katie White and Jules de Martino complete the English alternative duo band with White as vocals and guitar, and Martino as drummer, guitar and back-up singer. By the third song "Keep Your Head," they managed to draw the audience back.

It was probably because of-White's wind-up toy dance moves combined with her Lady Gaga status outfit. She looked like she stepped out of the movie "Zenon: Girl of the 21st Century" with her hot pink, lime green and silver spandex, paired with a tuft of blonde hair jutting out awkwardly to the side.

The next song "We Started Nothing" was a six-minute disaster. Six-dollar Miller Light could not have drowned out the rapid fire repetition of the line "I started nothing, I wish I didn't."

I wish they started nothing.

The final song "Shut up and Let me Go" received a huge response from the crowd. Soccer moms and six year olds squealed and bounced about in the joy that comes with well-known tracks.

The real show began after the Ting Tings scurried off the stage and Pink ignited the HP Pavilion.

Mimes and creepy clowns fluttered about the circus-themed stage, complete with slides and string-lights that created an acidtrip-like vibe.

The audience belted out songs such as, "Just like a Pill" and "Hazard to Myself," as the show spiraled into awesome with each middle finger from Pink and a ballsy dance sequence.

Pink borrowed Divinyl's hit "I Touch Myself," which sent the crowd into a hysterical frenzy.

She was sprawled out on a red couch as six arms appeared around her — she looked like a perverted version of a multi-armed god — that were groping and caressing her lady parts.

By the next songs "You and Your Hand" and "So What," the stadium appeared to be at maximum capacity as the stage lights shut off and Pink's dancers erupted in a flashlight dance.

Then Pink told the audience to "channel your inner sad clown" as she sat with fellow guitarists, violinists and back-up singers and

More than 2,000 cyclists ride out into the night for San Jose Bike Party's monthly adventure

By Amber Simons
Staff Writer

A cool night wind blew the smell of cigarettes, marijuana and beer combined with the sounds of horns honking, bells ringing and people yelling, "Bike Party," — signaling the beginning of the long ride.

This was the scene Friday night during the San Jose Bike Party, a 24-mile ride around Mountain View.

More than 2,000 cyclists showed up for the long ride, pedaling hard on the specified route, according to the San Jose Bike Party's Web site.

San Jose Bike Party takes place once a month at a location that is shown on the Bike Party Web site. The next ride is scheduled for Oct. 16, on the second year anniversary of Bike Party, according to the Web site.

The route was well-organized with people at each turn directing and handing out route maps.

"It was definitely my favorite Bike Party ever," said Zachary Pallin, a senior political science major.

Pallin said it was the first San Jose Bike Party ride outside of San Jose, and he thought it was good to expand the group's horizons.

Pallin also said he enjoyed



route, according to the San Jose A cyclist dresses in spirit of the cross-dressing theme.

the longer ride that came with the change of location.

"The police were really nice and helpful ... they guided riders through the route," Pallin said.

The local police blocked off roads, protected riders from cars, directed cycle traffic and watched for lawbreakers.

Pallin is a San Jose Bike Party bicycle information resource director. He said he is one of the volunteers who assist with the planning and running of the rides.

The volunteers have to test ride each trail before the actual night of the ride to plan for obstacles. The theme of the night was cross-dressing and most of the riders did not dress for this one, although there were some who went all out.

One man dressed like a woman, wearing a blonde pigtailed wig, a skirt and a short top that looked more like a brathan a shirt. Although dressing up is not a requirement, there are rules for the ride.

According to the San Jose Bike Party Web site, there are eight rules for riders during the event — staying in the right lane when possible, picking up your trash, stopping at red lights, riding straight, rolling past conflict, leaving no one behind, riding sober and making some noise.

Unfortunately, at least four of these rules were broken along

the way

People drank in public, rode drunk, littered and rolled through red lights — despite the disappointed remarks from those who did care about the rules and followed them.

Pallin said information officers encourage people to stop at red lights, direct people into regrouping areas and collect donations at the rides.

Although some people did break rules, the majority of riders seemed to get along and had an enjoyable ride, sharing stories and conversation.

Bikers danced along the road to various types of music played from the backs of other rider's bikes.

There were a few stops along the ride where people took a break, ate or drank and chilled out with their fellow cyclists.

"It's amazing," said Masha Kouzmenko, a junior business marketing major.

"I've never seen this many people gathered together just to ride a bike," she said. "I love riding my bike and it's great meeting new people who love the same passion as me — riding bikes."

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Cyclists ride into the night Friday for San Jose Bike Party.





Spartans claim victory with goal in final minutes

By Jill Abell Staff Writer

The SJSU women's soccer team found late magic for the second straight game by scoring the winning goal in the final minutes of the second half to defeat Notre Dame de Namur 1-0 at Spartan Stadium on Tuesday night.

In the 85th minute, senior midfielder Hallsie Pacheco received a pass off a corner kick from midfielder Shanelle Furner and managed to slide in a goal just inside the right corner of the goal post, causing the crowd to roar.

"It was so exciting," Pacheco said. "I was just in the right place at the right time, and Shanelle (Furner) had an awesome corner kick. I ran to the near post and that's where it was."

The Spartans' victory against the Argonauts gave them their fourth straight nonconference win, matching their longest nonconference win streak.

"If we win one more game (in a row), we're pretty much making history," Pacheco said.

Head coach Jeff Leightman said the Spartans' spirit was reignited after the winning goal, and they finished the game in dominant fashion.

"I actually thought the best we

played was right after we scored," Leightman said. "We finally were playing at pace again, with movement and playing to feet, and we nearly got the second goal. That was finally when we woke up and played at pace."

During the first half, goalkeeper Nina Butera did not face a shot on net. The Spartans had four shots on goal which were all saved by Argonaut goalie Kelsey Baxter.

The Argonauts came out of half time with an intensity that was missing from both teams in the first half, yet they only managed two shots.

Less than three minutes into the second half, Argonaut forward K.C. O'Shea charged at the net from outside the box and ripped a shot that bounced off the post. The rebound ricocheted to sophomore Argonaut midfielder Samantha Paetz, whose shot was saved by Butera.

Spartan forward Emmy Belding missed several opportunities to score. In the 63rd minute, freshman midfielder Shannon Righetti passed to Belding, who was right next to the net, but her shot was saved by Baxter.

Belding missed two more opportunities 10 minutes later when her initial shot was saved by Baxter, and then kicked out of bounds



[Photos by Christian Garrucho / Contributing Photographer]

Forward Michelle Haughey, No. 24, looks up field in the Spartans' 1-0 win over Notre Dame de Namur on Tuesday.

by a defender. The proceeding throw-in to Belding resulted in a shot at the upper-left corner that was saved again by Baxter.

Butera, the reigning Western Athletic Conference Defensive Player of the Year, saved two shots to mark her second shutout of 2009 and seventh of her career, moving her into a second-place tie for all-time shutouts.

"Nina's really stepped it up this year," junior center back Brittany Boehm said. "Her confidence level and her fitness level have gone up tremendously over the years that I have played with her. She has definitely stepped it up, and she's definitely a leader on the field."

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Spartan midfielder Kelsey Lord, No. 14, tries to dribble the ball past Argonauts defender Kimberly Wilhite.

SJSU Soccer Statistics

Player	Games Played	Goals	Assists	Points
Emmy Belding	8	4	0	8
Roxy Kamal	8	2	4	8
Hallsie Pacheco	8	3	0	6
Kelsey Lord	8	2	2	6
Katie Knopp	7	2	0	4
Katie Bonadies	7	1	1	3

SJSU linebacker Jones honored for charitable and community service

By Ryan Buchan Senior Staff Writer

SJSU senior linebacker Travis Jones was one of 22 college football players and one of 11 NCAA Football Bowl Subdivision players named to the All State American Football Coaches Association Good Works Team on Tuesday.

"Lawrence (Fan, SJŚU sports information director,) sat me in his office and said 'You remember that award you were nominated for? You are one of the 11," Jones said. "I was just kind of shocked and I was so honored at the same time.

" ... I did not think I could win this award. I was not striving to win this award. I was just doing the right thing."

The team is comprised of 22 players who show the true spirit of teamwork and charity to society through commendable acts of kindness and community service, according to the SJSU athletics Web site.

The Spartan starting linebacker has helped at the local Second Harvest Food Bank, visited elementary

schools to read to kids and encouraged them to stay

He is the vice president of the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.

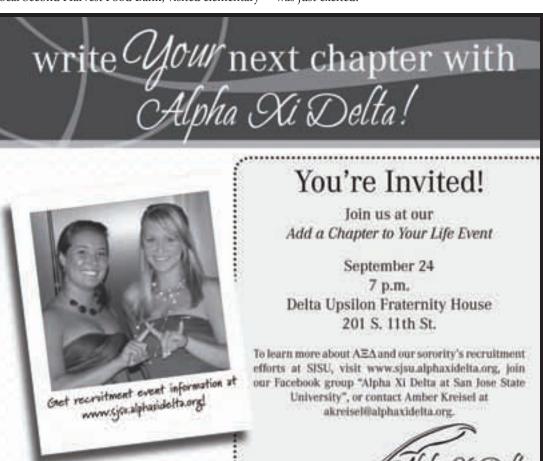
Jones is the first Spartan to be named to the team, and the first player from the Western Athletic Conference to be named since 2001.

"To be the only player from a school that is not a BCS school is an incredible honor," SJSU head coach Dick Tomey said. "And to be in a group of 11 that includes the caliber of players those guys are ... is such a tremendous honor."

Also on the list is Florida quaterback Tim Tebow who won the Heisman Trophy for the 2007 season and has helped the Gators win two national championships.

Jones said he knew he was going to receive the award a week ago and kept it a secret until Tuesday.

"It wasn't fun (keeping it secret)," Jones said. "I could not tell my mom and dad for a couple of days. I couldn't tell my girlfriend. I could not tell anybody. ... When it finally came out this morning I was just excited."





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SJSU judo club to host U.S. Open Championships

By Amber Simons
Staff Writer

Marti Malloy, captain of the SJSU judo club, said she is going into the U.S. Open Championships this weekend with one thing in mind.

"This weekend I'm looking forward to getting my first gold medal at the U.S. Open," said Malloy, a senior advertising major who has been practicing judo for 17 years. "I took two bronzes and two silvers. I've never won it, so this year I'm going to win it — on our home turf."

Sixteen SJSU students will be competing in the 2009 Senior U.S. Open Championships that will be held tomorrow and Saturday at the San Jose McEnery Convention Center.

Thirty years after the first U.S. Open, San Jose will once again welcome athletes from at least 20 nations to compete in one of the premier international events in North America, according to the USA Judo Web site.

Malloy will be fighting in the 57kg weight class. "Me and Jeff (Fong) recently competed in the world championships, and the training for that was really intense," Malloy said. "We're still in shape from the prior training, and then we just basically maintain that training all the way through. I didn't have to start from scratch like you usually do."

Jeff Fong, a senior political science major, said he's looking forward to the championships, and he is fighting in the 66kg weight class.

"I medaled last year, and that was the first time I medaled at this tournament, so just to do at least as good or better," said Fong, who has been practicing judo for nine years.

In preparation for the Senior U.S. Open, the

members of the SJSU judo club have been working tirelessly, assistant coach Jose Bencosme said.

"We practice six days a week, always, in this combination of actual judo practice and running and weight lifting," Fong said.

Bencosme, who is also fighting in the tournament, said the key for the SJSU judo club is being in shape and staying mentally strong.

"We've been doing a lot of drills, pushing them real hard, just making sure that each player has an individual strategy and we really tried to focus on that, " said Bencosme, who has been practicing judo for 20 years.

Allison Clifford, who will be fighting in the 78kg weight class on Friday, said she has been training in judo for six years and is looking forward to competing at the highest level.

"This is the biggest tournament in the United States, so I'm really looking forward to getting a couple good fights in on Friday," she said.

Clifford, a senior occupational therapy major, said she credits Bencosme for his training regi-

"Jose is the running king, so we've been running almost every day, six days a week," Clifford said. "We've been doing circuit training for weights and as far as judo, we are doing a lot of drills like transitions, like standing to grounds, and very intense fighting."

Clifford said the U.S. Open is one of the biggest events of the year because it includes international fighters

The open events will include senior elite (such as SJSU students), masters (ages 30 and older), kata (forms/techniques) divisions, and for the first time, a visually impaired division, according to the USA Judo Web site.



SJSU football team looks for first win against Cal Poly

By Ryan Buchan
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This Saturday, the Spartan football team's run defense will be tested by the rushing attack of Cal Poly.

Last week against Ohio, 239 of the Mustangs' 251 yards were earned on the ground.

SJSU head coach Dick Tomey said the Mustangs run a wishbone offense that is not commonly used in college football.

In two games, Cal Poly has averaged 248.5 yards rushing.

So far this season the Spartans have struggled stopping the run, ranking 117 out of 120 NCAA Football Bowl Subdivision teams.

Last week, SJSU allowed Stanford tailback Toby Gerhart to run for 94 yards in the first half and 113 total in the 42-17 Cardinal win.

"Basically it was a very disappointing evening for Spartan football in general," Tomey said. "I still insist this football team will be a good team before it's over, but I can't prove it right now."

The Spartans have not won a game this season and have been outscored 122-34.

"I know the team and myself are excited to get back on the field again to get our first win," SJSU senior linebacker Travis Jones said.

SJSU has never had a winning season after starting 0-3.

"We did not want to get off to an 0-3 start, and we definitely don't want to get off to an 0-4 start," SJSU wide receiver Jalal Beauchman said. "A win this week is a necessity if we want to keep our goals we set for this season." He added that the team's goals are to go to a bowl game, have a winning record and compete in the Western Athletic Conference.

This weekend, when the Spartans go to battle against the Football Championship Subdivision Mustangs, they will have to play past some injuries up front.

Defensive end Mohamed Marah will receive season-ending surgery after tearing his labrum in his shoulder, Tomey said. He said linebacker Ryno Gonzalez will be on the field, but he is still bothered by a foot injury.

On the offensive side of the ball, the Spartans will go into the game with the worst rushing attack in the NCAA Football Bowl Subdivision.

SJSU will have a different look since running back Lamon Muldrow is expected to see more playing time because of Patrick Perry's fumbles.

"We are not going to play backs that fumble." Tomey said. "You have to establish from the start that if backs fumble, they compromise their chances of playing. I believe in Pat Perry. I think he is a good player, but we want to send a message to the guys if you fumble the football ... that is going to cut into your playing time."

Perry has two fumbles this season, one against USC and the other against Stanford.

Last week, Muldrow came off the bench and rushed for 35 yards on five carries and a touchdown.

The Mustangs allowed Ohio to rush for a season high 186 yards last week. In Ohio's other two games, they did not run for more than 65 yards and are ranked No. 95 in the NCAA Football Bowl Subdivision in rushing for the season.

In 2006, the last time the Spartans started off 0-3, they won their next three games.

"If you hate losing bad enough, you will stop it," Tomey said. "If you hate your circumstance bad enough, you will do something





(Left) Allison Clifford (white robe) and Corwin Learned work on their ground skills during yesterday's judo practice. (Above) Robert Fehr (white robe) works on his judo throwing technique as he attempts to slam teammate Michael Eldred to the mat.





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Alexander Woon, president of the SJSU chapter of Students for Sensible Drug Policy, informs members Monday night about recent attempts to increase legislation on drugs and potential opportunities for increasing awareness.

Student group seeks campus drug policy reform

By Alicia Johnson Staff Writer

About 10 Students for Sensible Drug Policy members gathered in the Student Union Monday evening to discuss the war on drugs and their success in helping thousands of students with marijuana convictions obtain financial aid.

Students for Sensible Drug Policy is an international grass-roots network of students who are concerned about the impact drug abuse has on our communities, according to its Web site's mission statement — it has been active on SJSU's campus since Spring '09.

The group's goal is to spread awareness on the failed drug policies in the U.S. and to help students and minorities, who are affected by drug policies, said Alexander Woon, founder of the SJSU chapter.

In the past 11 years, 200,000 students were denied financial assistance in the United States, Woon said.

"It was unfair that rapists and murderers were able to get financial aid — it's pretty ridiculous," Woon said. "I'm tired of the amount of money that we're spending each year on the war on drugs. We're spending over \$50 billion a year fighting this — federally and locally."

According to the group's Web site, convicted murderers and rapists are eligible to continue receiving federal student loans and grants.

Kamal Boparai, a senior finance stu-

dent and group treasurer, said students should care about Students for Sensible Drug Policy because federal funds affect

Before Students for Sensible Drug Policy, students who had marijuana convictions were disqualified from receiving Federal Student Aid.

On Thursday Congress voted "on an amendment that would continue the harmful practice of denying financial aid to students with drug convictions," according to the group's Web site.

The aid elimination penalty was added as an amendment to the Higher Education act in 1998, according to the Web

"We made phone calls to our representatives, and we got it passed," Boparai said. "So at least people who were caught with marijuana are no longer disqualified from financial aid, but people who are selling marijuana are still (disqualified)."

In addition to fighting the war on drugs, the SJSU chapter also hopes to implement the Good Samaritan Policy on

According to Students for Sensible Drug Policy's Web site, under the Good Samaritan Policy students who are underage are encouraged to call for medical help during an emergency related to alcohol or other drugs without fear of punishment.

Craig Negrete, vice president of Students for Sensible Drug Policy's SJSU chapter, said the Good Samaritan Policy is about saving lives, not about doing something illegal.

In order to implement the policy, the SISU club must approach the Student Senate. More than 80 universities already have it, including New Mexico, Negrete

Spencer Finkle, a junior liberal studies major, said he has been trying to get involved in a club for a while and it was the Good Samaritan Policy that convinced him Students for Sensible Drug Policy was the right one.

"I actually thought we had something like that on campus," Finkle said. "I think (students) can learn a lot ... if you have a friend that is overdosing — people are freaking out when that happens. Also, people are afraid to get into trouble. I think we need to lessen up the enforcement, and treat everything like a medical issue and get people some safety."

"Drug use has remained consistent no matter what law they pass, no matter how long they have been prohibited of use, and there are things that we can do to reduce the harms done by them, and helping save lives," Negrete said.

"I feel that people shouldn't be treated as criminals for doing nonviolent things ... it don't make sense to me that somebody who is being nonviolent and not harming someone else should go to jail and waste our money, especially with the situation that California is in," he said.

Late director hailed for breaking technological barriers

By Amber Simons Staff Writer

James Healey foresaw the importance in the future of technology while he was director of the San Jose School of Library and Information Science from 1985 until his retirement in 1993.

"He was way ahead of a lot of people," said Lorene Sisson, a librarian and former student of Healey's.

"There's a phrase they used in those days, and I'm not sure if they use it anymore," Sisson said after Healey died on July 20. "It's called 'change agent' — and he qualified."

He was born in 1931 and died at 78 years old, according to the library and information science department.

His death was a result of a long battle with cancer, according to the Library Journal's Web site.

When Healey taught, he stressed the value of technology to his students, having them read about ideas of new technological gadgets.

Sisson said she remembered an article Healey had her class read that stuck with her, about a society debating about the use of new tools that, in her opinion, were equivalent to iPods

She said they were pocket-sized things with wires that went around the neck into your pocket, and when they were worn the user could understand and speak other languages, communicating with anyone.

Sisson said she knew iPods were the tools of the future Healey had empha-

"He was thinking way ahead, and that kind of objection to progress he thought was absolutely stupid," she said.

Healey was also interested in breaking technological boundaries, said Bill Fisher, a professor of library and information science.

"Healey's major accomplishment at SJSU was getting our distance education program started by offering classes in the Southern California area," Fisher said. "He was also tenacious in overcoming both real and imaginary barriers to developing off-campus programs."

During his eight years at SJSU, Healey established a statewide library school in California and spearheaded

early efforts to launch the school's distance learning program, said Lisa Valdez, a grant and fundraising specialist.

Under Healey's leadership, the school built a computer lab with the latest computers and software, Valdez

Sisson said she remembered Healey as a very energetic person with a type-A

"He was a ball of energy," she said. Deborah Estreicher, a full-time librarian at the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Library and another former student of Healey's, said she agreed.

"He was so kind and encouraging, and I enjoyed his energy, I had a really good feeling about him," Estreicher said.

Healey was a believer in the strong future of technology and was opposed to any restriction on the use of tools that would lead to those advances, Sis-

"He was very interested in all the technologies that came out," she said.

Fisher said Healey's interest in technology had a lasting impact on the fu-

ture of the library program.

"Healey was very innovative and forward thinking in this regard," Fisher said. "Today our program is the largest of its kind in North America because of our distance education program and our emphasis on using technology to enhance the learning experience," he said. "Jim got this started, working with Serena Stanford, who was the dean/AVP for graduate studies and research at the time."

Fisher joined the faculty in Fall 1988, while Healey was director, and worked closely with him until Healey retired in 1993.

"I enjoyed working with Jim and valued his friendship beyond our working relationship," Fisher said. "He was also a mentor to me and gave me valuable advice over the years on a number of issues."

Healey was a moving force in the successful future of the library and informational science program, according to the department's newsletter.

"Today, the program is very innovative," said Sisson about the current library and informational science program. "And I think in a way he saw that

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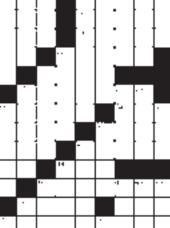
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Students are easy to bribe.

San Jose dumps the paper or plastic dilemma



Ryan Fernandez

Staff Writer

On Sept. 22, the question of "Paper or plastic?" was answered once and for all by the San Jose City Council.

The council's answer — "Nei-

According to an article published Sept. 22 on the San Jose Mercury News Web site, San Jose will become the largest city in the United States to ban the distribution of most plastic and paper shopping bags at retail outlets.

This ban will take effect in 2011, pending an environmental study and a final vote by the City

While all of this sounds good on the surface, I don't think this little prohibition is going to be very effective without the help of our neighboring cities.

You see, environmental problems have an annoying tendency to cross political boundaries, and those lines we draw on our maps just aren't enough to keep pollution out of our cities.

The smog we generate downtown doesn't sit there until it goes away, nor do the contaminants in our water magically dissipate at the city limits.

Aristotle once posited that nature abhors a vacuum.

Yes, I know this is not a treatise on thermodynamics, but the supposition still applies.

Even if San Jose becomes a bag-free zone, we're still going to get crap from Campbell, Milpitas, Santa Clara and all of our other neighbors.

Some of it will be blown in by the winds that come down from the hills and the bay. Some will come bobbing downstream along our creeks and rivers.

And of course, humans can't help but bring their own messes wherever they go.

Case in point, while San Jose's retailers may not be carrying single-use plastic bags for much longer, that doesn't mean that shops and markets everywhere else in the Bay Area won't be,

As much as it pains my municipal pride to admit, I do shop outside the city limits.

"This new city ordinance won't be anything more than a gesture unless we can get our neighboring cities to help us out with bans of their own."

And yes, I do bring my purchases home in disposable plastic and paper shopping bags.

But no, I don't just throw them out — not until they're stretched and torn beyond all

I mean, come on, does anyone actually throw these bags out after only one use?

I have no doubt that these bags are every bit the ecological menace that environmentalists portray them to be — terribly polluting to produce, threatening wildlife, choking waterways and eventually ending up in that garbage island in the middle of

the Pacific. This new city ordinance won't be anything more than a gesture unless we can get our neighboring cities to help us out with bans of their own.

With that in mind, it was a good sign that elected officials from cities such as Santa Clara and Campbell gave their support to the City Council, because I consider this bag ban a microcosm of the greater struggles we have to face with the environment and the economy.

Let's hope that San Jose — or Santa Clara County, at least stays eco-friendly because environmental awareness is no longer the domain of any singular entity, whether it's a person, an organization or a city.

It never should have been in the first place.

Ryan Fernandez is a Spartan Daily staff writer.

Vanity's way of finding itself — again



Innocence is dead.

The human ego is driven by narcissism, which drives today's leaders.

That was a mouthful, let's start at the beginning.

When our mothers squeezed us into the big, bad world, we became self-aware.

As infants, our egos were tiny — almost nonexistent. We were open to new things and new experiences. We were introduced to a new world, willing and eager to learn and absorb.

Stereotypes, prejudice, chauvinism, intolerance — such evils did not exist through innocent, baby eyes. We were in a state of ignorant bliss.

As our baby minds developed into big adult brains with the help of home life, school life, work and even our dear friend, the media — the idea of the "self" began to crys-

Then the real world took over. Our childhood dreams were somehow lost among the chaos and rigors of daily

The ego was battered and molded by influences barely under our control.

We became so absorbed in our work-driven society that some of us now forget to question ourselves.

Am I happy?

Is this worth it?

Does any of this sound fa-

I'm not trying to be all spiritual or religious, but nobody wakes up in the morning and says, "I want to feel like crap

Everyone's extreme, overarching goal is most likely happiness — or should be whatever the definition of that might be. Or maybe it's surviving the "Hellfire Challenge" at Smoke Eaters.

Sometimes I think of the time from birth to high school graduation as a Mondo car wash. Some people get premium, some get basic and some get pummeled with buckets of infested, pond water.

George Burns, American actor, comedian and writer, said, "Happiness is having a than in knowing and disciplinlarge, loving, caring, close-knit ing themselves, according to family in another city."

According to The Beatles song, "Happiness is a Warm

The personal definition of happiness will constantly change. What matters is that we are looking for it. I sometimes wonder if we have stopped looking for our own definition of happiness.

I am obviously included in the "we" I've been throwing

I, too, find myself obsessed with work, school and petty nonsense. I find it easier to get stuck on negative comments and the negative things that happen to me.

I am sometimes convinced that everything bad only happens to me, and that none of it is my fault whatsoever — it's obviously everyone else's.

This inflated ego or vanity is

directly linked to narcissism.

This generation — my generation — seems to feed off

Just like Oscar Wilde's character in "The Portrait of Dorian Gray," Dorian Gray and the Greek god Narcissus, although both fictional characters, died of vanity and pushed away all those who tried to

Vanity, self-obsession, egotism — these traits seem to be the pillars of the majority of today's leaders in business and politics.

Let's admit it, attention is

By instilling fear and doubt in others, leaders satisfy their guiltiest pleasure — feeling superior.

Narcissists are often more interested in controlling others the Harvard Business School

In essence, narcissistic leaders feed off incessant atten-

It is our job to question such leaders.

Inflated egos and institutions under narcissistic control are like a cancer for the people stuck under their power-hungry foot. For those in control, it is more like crack cocaine.

Think about what makes you happy and aim your narcissism in that direction. Try sympathy versus blame. Remember your innocence and the little things that were once important to you.

I guess my point is, stop and smell the roses. Maybe I didn't need that whole spiel to

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How first-year college blues may lead to depression



Stephanie Vallejo

Bird's The Word

Seven empty bathroom stalls stared back at me in Dwight Bentel Hall.

Two questions popped into my head. Which is the cleanest? Which

has been used the least? After two minutes of making

a decision, I realized how much control I really have in my life.

If I wanted to stop writing this column, I could just get up and If I wanted to share a soda

with a friend who has mono, I could openly oblige. And if I was tired of dealing

with everyday stress, I could take my own life. According to the Suicide.org

Web site, suicide is the second leading cause of death among college students. The main reason why students

decide to take their own life is untreated depression, states the Web site. When I was a freshman, I

spent a great deal of time by my-

I tried to make friends in my classes, but since I was a commuter, I usually went home after my last class.

Not to mention I had threeto-four hour gaps between two

I didn't know how to schedule my time, and I figured I could make friends with those who were in the same boat.

That hardly ever happened. SISU, I looked forward to leav- college. ing school, because I had no one to hang out with on campus.

My friends from high school had conflicting schedules, and my boyfriend was at a different school.

It was a classic case of being a freshman.

During my gaps I would spend hours on a computer at Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Library or nap in my car.

Eventually, I began having a mild case of depression.

It never came to the point where I was so unhappy that I wanted to end my life, but after two years of loneliness, I really wanted to quit school.

By the time I joined an extracurricular activity — aka the Spartan Daily — I learned to be more involved with school.

I made more friends and I chose to stay on campus as opposed to leaving right after class.

Looking back, I wasted a lot of time by myself when I could have made a few friends.

Wherever you are right now, take a look around.

On a campus of almost 30,000 students, there should be at least one person within a five foot ra-

Making friends can be tough, especially when you're new to San Jose, or it's your first semester

Remember, life is full of decisions. It was my choice to be For my first two years at anti-social my first two years in

> Picking a bathroom stall is like making the choice to keep your life under your control.

No matter which one you choose, it's still going to be your

Stephanie Vallejo is the Spartan Daily opinion editor. "Bird's The Word" appears every Thursday.

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