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## Arch needs helping hand



[ Dave Cabebe / Spartan Daily ]

Students continue to ride their skateboards and bikes along Cesar Chavez Memorial Arch walkway.

By Husain Sumra  
Staff Writer

university to do all the work.

The Cesar Chavez Memorial Arch will need the help of students to be better maintained, said the associate vice president of facilities development and operations.

"We really hope the students will help us by not rollerblading across there and riding their bicycles across there, so we can properly maintain the facility," Anton Kashiri said.

He said students should not expect the

"It's all teamwork," he said.

Undeclared sophomore Rayane Abi Abdoud said the monument was beautiful when it was first built.

"It's dirty," she said.

Abi Abdoud also said that currently, the monument isn't visually appealing.

"It's not something I like looking at when I'm walking around," she said.

The tiles are cleaned about every 90 days, said John Skyberg, the director of facilities management and construction services.

"As soon as you clean them, the next day they look just as dirty," he said.

Skyberg said the tiles get dirty quickly because of spilled food and beverages, and students not dismounting their bicycles or skateboards.

"This is a dismount zone," Skyberg said. "Dismount."

"People don't obey it," said Sachin Kharady, a senior computer science major. "They just made it, and it's already getting ruined."

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## Car thefts leave drivers searching for security

By Kyle Szymanski  
Staff Writer

recovered in separate spots around San Jose, Santos said.

University Police made two arrests Friday in the Seventh Street garage for taking a vehicle without the owner's consent and being in possession of burglary tools, said University Police Department Sgt. Michael Santos.

Edgar Jimenez, 19, and Jose Valverde Jr., 18, both of San Jose, were arrested after a UPD officer conducting foot patrol in the Fourth Street garage came upon a suspicious van driving into the garage that was reported stolen from San Jose that same morning, Santos said.

Santos said UPD does not know if Friday's incident was connected to the recent increase in vehicle thefts from SJSU parking garages.

Four vehicle thefts have occurred in the Fourth and 10th Street garages since the beginning of the Fall 2009 semester, according to a Sept. 30 press release from the University Police Department.

All four vehicles were 1990s Hondas and Acuras, Santos said.

"Thieves are looking for cars that can be easily stolen," Santos said.

Three of the vehicles have been

The first theft occurred when a two-door 1991 Honda Accord was stolen on Sept. 16 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. from the 10th Street garage, Santos said.

The second and third thefts occurred on Sept. 25 and Sept. 28 from the Fourth Street garage, Santos said.

In these incidents, a 1990 two-door Acura Integra and a 1996 two-door Acura Integra were stolen, Santos said.

The 1990 Acura was stolen between the hours of 2 p.m. and 5 p.m., and the 1996 Acura Integra was stolen between 3:40 p.m. and 5:20 p.m., Santos said.

The final theft occurred on Sept. 28 in the 10th Street garage, where a 1990 four-door Honda Accord was stolen between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 9:20 a.m., Santos said.

Senior kinesiology major John Nguyen said he thinks UPD should increase patrols in the areas of the thefts.

"They should have some more security guards," Nguyen said. "They should be securing the

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## SJSU Asian-American group comes out

By Jhenene Louis  
Staff Writer

Tri Trinh, a senior recreation and leisure studies major and president of the queer and Asian club said, "We want to raise awareness."

There are different hardships for different ethnic groups, Trinh said.

"There is a different way of coming out, especially in the Asian community," Trinh said. "This place is a safe space for people to discuss their stories and also allows them to be vulnerable."

Wednesday was cultural sharing day, Trinh said.

The meeting started with an ice breaker that allowed everyone to in-

roduce themselves, and share some things unique about their families and backgrounds.

Crystal Nguyen, vice president of the queer and Asian club, explained to the group the process of an Asian wedding and the importance it is to her family.

"A lot of the things that we talk about are not accepted by our parents," said Nguyen, a computer engineering major. "My parents are first generation. I have not come out to them yet. Our families plan our

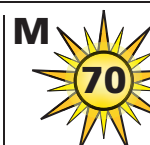
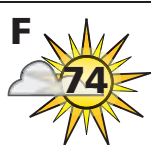
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• "Paranormal Activity" could soon lurk its way into theaters nationwide

## Correction

Wednesday's article about the play "The Colored Museum" incorrectly listed the name of the theater. The play will be presented in the University Theatre and the play runs from Friday, Saturday, Wednesday, Thursday, Oct. 16 and 17. Curtain time is 7 p.m. each day.

## SJSU master's student creates a pronounced success with Web site

By Husain Sumra  
Staff Writer

When SJSU student Pinky Thakkar came to the Bay Area in 1998, she couldn't pronounce "San Jose."

"I kept butchering everybody's names, because I didn't know half of the names," said Thakkar, a master's student in robotics.

She said she created the Web site PronounceNames as a way to help herself and other people correctly pronounce names.

She said the Web site is user generated, so people can submit their own names and how to pronounce them as well.

Users can also record their voices directly to the Web site as long as they have a working microphone, Vesuna said.

Thakkar said there are three steps to submitting a name to the Web site.

She said a user must first describe the name and how it sounds.

After that, she said that users must spell out the name phonetically.

Lastly, she said users must describe the origin, history, gender and whether it is the first or last name.

She said she arrived in the Bay Area from India, where she earned a bachelor's degree in computer engineering from the University of Mumbai.

Her family was supportive of her move to the United States, she said.

"My family was very excited," she said.

She said her dad was in the United States from '74 to '75



[Michelle Gachet / Spartan Daily]  
Pinky Thakkar

but moved back to take care of his parents.

She said he had some words for her before she left.

"(America is) full of opportunities," she said.

She said her family has seen her Web site but didn't care for it until friends and neighbors told them about it.

Thakkar said there's a different mindset in India.

"You haven't done something until the whole world tells you you've done something," she said.

The Web site launched in 2006 and started out with a couple hits a day, Thakkar said.

"Twenty five was a big day," she said.

She said she now receives more than 4,000 hits a day.

Junior kinesiology major Christian Rivera said it's great for students to have achievements outside of schoolwork.

"They're going beyond the boundaries of school and accomplishing their own things," Rivera said.

Now, Thakkar said she has a

team of six volunteers throughout the world helping her run the Web site.

She said her life has only changed in one way.

"Working more hours," Thakkar said.

She said she wakes up and works on her other business, 360 Biometrics, a company that sells fingerprint and facial recognition hardware, and works on PronounceNames during her breaks.

"I don't think I could do anything like that," senior accounting major Jonathan Liu said.

Thakkar said she devotes time at night to PronounceNames in between everything else.

"Before I spent half an hour a day, now I work three or four hours a day on the Web site," she said.

Thakkar said she is also working on her thesis on robotics in between running 360 Biometrics and PronounceNames.

"It's extraordinary," said Joseph Nguyen, a sophomore computer science major. "It's hard just to learn and maintaining a business at the same time."

She said that initially she was the only one who worked on the site, but eventually volunteers such as longtime friend Cyrus Vesuna and her brother helped her.

"We used to work together back in India," Vesuna said.

He said he went to Houston and moved to the Bay Area to look for a job.

Thakkar said the two bounce ideas off of each other.

"He's really been a soundboard for me," she said.



Alan Soldofsky (right), an English and comparative literature professor and speaker of the event, answers a question from an audience member about the poet Kenneth Rexroth at the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Library in Room 225 on Tuesday.

## San Francisco poet sparked West Coast literary culture

By Kyle Szymanski  
Staff Writer

"The State is the organization of the evil instincts of mankind," wrote poet Kenneth Rexroth in the poem "The Phoenix and the Tortoise."

Rexroth was remembered by Alan Soldofsky, director of the creative writing program at SJSU, as a poet who laid the groundwork for the San Francisco Poetry Renaissance during a Soul of the People presentation Tuesday night.

Soldofsky chronicled the complete life of Rexroth in front of about 30 people in Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Library.

"Rexroth saw himself as a vanguard of a cultural revolution," Soldofsky said.

Attendee Phil Swany said he enjoyed the presentation.

"I will probably do a little more research, because it kind of peaked my interest," Swany said.

Rexroth is widely considered an influential and early champion of younger Bay Area poets who led the San Francisco Poetry Renaissance of the 1950s, Soldofsky said.

The San Francisco Renaissance is the name given to the emergence of writers and artists in the Bay Area at the end of World War II, according to the Academy of American Poets Web site.

This time period was when a variety of different communities moved to San Francisco following World War II in search of remnants of the bohemian culture in America, according to the Academy of American Poets Web site.

"He gives us our West Coast literary culture, bringing that DNA from the WPA (Works Progress Administration) years forward into the present," Soldofsky said. "I can't imagine Rexroth not being able to bring that love of California landscape that epitomized his work for the WPA into the life of the California culture renaissance."

Rexroth went on to introduce the world to the Beat Movement by hosting young poets such as Jack Spicer, William Everson and Gary Snyder during weekly poetry readings, Soldofsky said.

Beat poetry was a kind of poetry that spoke out against conformity and conservatism of the 1950s, according to the Utah Valley State College Web site. This poetry was the material that inspired the Beat Generation.

The Beat Generation was a subculture that emerged during the 1950s that rejected posses-

sions, regular work and traditional dress in favor of communal living, psychedelic drugs and anarchism, according to Princeton University's lexical database of English.

Rexroth's most prominent poetry reading event took place in San Francisco in 1955, Soldofsky said.

This event, called the Six Gallery Reading, introduced the world to the Beat Generation and also to many young poets such as Allen Ginsberg and Gary Snyder, Soldofsky said.

"He had an intuitive flash of insight," Soldofsky said. "He thought there was a spectacular chance of a cultural revolution, and he was going to lead it."

Prior to leading the San Francisco Renaissance, Rexroth worked for the Federal Writers' Project of the Works Progress Administration.

The Federal Writers' Project was created in 1935 as part of the United States Work Progress Administration to provide employment for historians, teachers, writers, librarians, and other white-collar workers, according to the Library of Congress Web site.

While working for the Federal Writers' Project, Rexroth created sectional guidebooks that chronicled the scenic resources of California, Soldofsky said.

Much of the material used for the books sprang from Rexroth's personal experiences.

After being expelled from high school at age 16, Rexroth toured the world while creating and translating poems about his experience, Soldofsky said.

During the 1970s, Rexroth's poetry took on an erotic theme, which has added to his legacy, Soldofsky said.

Some of his later works included "The Silver Swan" and "On Flower Wreath Hill."

"He was kind of known as a dirty old man," Soldofsky said.

Poet John Reed said he was impressed by the presentation.

"I have been interested in Rexroth for a long time," Reed said. "I first encountered his work in 'One-hundred Poems for the Chinese.' It was interesting to get the background that I did not have."

The Soul of the People presentations, which took place from Sept. 12 to Tuesday, was held in conjunction with "Soul of a People: Writing America's Story," a new TV documentary on the Federal Writers' Project that will be broadcast in early fall on the Smithsonian Channel, according to the San Jose Public Library Web site.

## CLUB

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lives because of our future. They go by what they think is traditional."

Matthew Cadena, treasurer of the club, leads the group by ensuring the confidentiality in the room, and encouraging everyone to share and to feel comfortable in their environment.

"This club creates a safe space, and I feel more of a sense of community here,"

said Cadena, a senior meteorology major.

There are a lot of clubs on campus that cater to gay, lesbian and transgender individuals, but none specifically to the Asian community, Trinh said.

"As much as we are a queer and Asian group, it's not exclusive," Cadena said. "We want to be informative and educate more people about our culture. We really encourage anyone who wants to come to show up."

Alex Lin, a senior interior

design major, said, "I feel like I can identify with this club, because the members all have the same similar backgrounds as I do."

People who are supportive of gay rights are definitely welcome, Lin said.

"The whole mission of San Jose State is to bring students together and be inclusive," Trinh said. "We are students, and we all like to go to football games and participate in school activities. This is a safe space, and everyone is welcome."

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area a lot better. A lot of small things already happen."

Santos said students should lock their doors and windows and use theft deterrent devices to ward off thefts.

"If a car has a Club-type device or an alarm they'll just move on and steal one that doesn't," Santos said.

Pamela Clay, a graduate student in geology, said she is

taking precautionary measures to prevent her car from being stolen.

"I put a Club on my car, and I make sure to keep things out of the windows and put everything in the trunk," Clay said. "I think that reduces your risk significantly, but it would be nice to see more patrols around the parking lots, especially at night."

Santos said UPD has increased patrols in the area of the thefts and is working with other agencies to prevent further incidents.

Students should also keep valuable items out of sight, be aware of their surroundings and report suspicious people tampering with vehicles or loitering in the garages, according to the Sept. 30 press release.

Senior microbiology major Terry Shiehu said he thinks cameras should be set up in the Fourth Street garage where he parks his car.

"I've always found it weird that there are no cameras in here," Shiehu said.

## CBO says health care bill costs \$829 billion over decade

WASHINGTON (AP) — Health care legislation drafted by a key Senate committee would expand coverage to 94 percent of the eligible population at a 10-year cost of \$829 billion, congressional budget experts said Wednesday in a preliminary estimate.

The Congressional Budget Office added that the measure would reduce federal deficits by \$81 billion over a decade and probably lead to "continued reductions in federal budget deficits" in the years beyond.

The report paves the way for the Senate Finance Committee to vote as early as Fri-

day on the legislation, which is largely in line with President Barack Obama's call for the most sweeping overhaul of the nation's health care system in a half-century.

Sen. Max Baucus, D-Mont., the committee chairman and principal architect of the measure, hailed the budget report.

"This legislation, I believe, is a smart investment on our federal balance sheet. It's an even smarter investment for American families, businesses and our economy," he said on the Senate floor.

The committee Baucus chairs is the fifth and last of the congressional panels to debate

health care. The Senate Finance version has a decided middle-of-the-road flavor, shunning any provision for the government to sell insurance in competition with private industry.

Nor does it require businesses to offer coverage to their workers, although large firms that do not would be required to offset the cost of any government subsidies going to those employees.

The measure would require that millions of Americans purchase private insurance for the first time, and would set up a new marketplace where policies would be available.

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# Fixing a thicket

## A professor's mission to return campus garden to native roots

By Jill Abell  
Staff Writer

For the hummingbirds that dance about the flora, the squirrels that hide their acorns amid the deer grasses and the sunlight that flashes through the expansive branches of white California buckeye trees — the SJSU botany garden has been nature's secret since the 1980s.

A collection of 42 families and 91 species of native California plants is almost hidden behind a solid wall of white fence and is closed-off by a holly bush hedge in front of Duncan Hall, said Nishanta Rajakaruna, an assistant professor of biological sciences.

A GIS map — a geographic information system that integrates hardware, software and data for managing all forms of geographically identified information — is being created to identify all the plants in the botany garden, Rajakaruna said.

"You can click on that plant, and it will open up a location in the garden as well as give you a link to the description so you can find out its common name, the scientific name, what family it belongs to and where it belongs in California," he said.

They want to put up a sign that every plant is tagged, because some plants were stolen last year, he said.

"We're going to have a map here with little brochures so people can do self-guided walks," he said.

The tour will highlight a species, provide all the information about the species and then patrons can go on the SJSU Botany Garden Web site for more information, he said.

### Newcomer brings new life

After arriving at SJSU in August 2008 as a new assistant professor to the College of Science, Rajakaruna said he immediately began to gather students, organizations, professors and anyone in the community interested in cleaning up the botany garden.

He said he thought it would be a collection of several native plants that people could visit and learn from, but instead it was overrun by a few native plants.

"The garden was not quite what I envisioned a botany garden to be," he said.

The botany garden has been a subject of sporadic attention at SJSU ever since it was first created in the 1980s, he said.

"Someone like me comes in and gets everybody excited, and it gets going for five years, then it falls apart and then it starts again," Rajakaruna said. "It's been going through these ups and downs for a while now.

"Once we got this started we had people coming out of multiple departments and organizations to help out."

Together with the Environmental Resource Center, Rajakaruna said they hope to begin

a green movement on campus — to replace all non-native trees that are being cut down on campus with native trees.

Celis said members of the Environmental Resource Center have plans to replace campus lawns with native grasses such as the California fescue.

"Not sure if it will be replaced, because they said it's just a requirement to fill units," she said. "I wish they would, it would be a really cool project."

Botany technician Cross said native plants are drought resistant and require a lot less maintenance.

"Between biology and environmental studies there's a push to keep a balance," she said. "There's so much concrete that it's nice to have public gardens, especially with native species. By developing green areas within the city, we might be able to preserve areas in the city."

Native plants in their native environments are easily sustained, Bryant said.

"If you want a garden that involves low water, low pesticides, low upkeep — use native flora," he said.

### Rocky beginnings

"The botany garden was once overgrown and really a place for debauchery and homelessness," said Jessica Celis, an environmental studies major and co-manager of upkeep for



the botany garden.

As managers of the garden, Celis and Janis Strommen, a junior environmental studies major, maintain the botany garden with weekly weeding projects and general attendance to the garden.

"The botany garden is important in the way that it's hands-on," Strommen said. "I can apply what I learn in class to the garden."

The plants, skills, knowledge and manpower to restore the botany garden were provided by California Native Plant Society, Our City

Environmental studies major Jessica Hunt said her message for students is to encourage them to use native plants and preserve the environment.

"California is probably the most diverse place, botanically speaking, and I think it's a shame to be a Californian and not to kind of value the heritage we have," Rajakaruna said.

A 2002 study by University of California Berkeley's Jepson Flora Project estimated 5,047 native plant species in California.

### Native plants

Cross said her background in landscaping, combined with her knowledge of propagating native plants, gives her the ability to help students and replicate native nature in the garden in an aesthetically pleasing way.

Several plants in the botany garden were used by Native Americans for medicine, food and weapons, Rajakaruna said.

Rajakaruna said the term "native" should be used loosely because native plants such as flannel bush can also be found in Arizona.

"Plants in California can creep in and across political boundaries — biologically it's the same area," he said.

Other native plants such as the California buckeye are referred to as endemic — restricted to state boundaries, Rajakaruna said.

Native Americans used the fruit of the California buckeye to stupefy fish by crushing the nut and scattering them into a stream. The poison causes the fish to float up to the surface, making it easier to catch them, Rajakaruna said.

Several of the native plants are still used today, such as jojoba, he said.

Ninety percent of jojoba harvested is used by the cosmetics industry to make waxes, candles, detergents, emulsifiers, and bases for creams and ointments, according to the SJSU Biology Web site.

### Problem plants

"I learned in environmental restoration class that San Jose was all wetlands,"

Strommen said. "Concrete and buildings took over wetlands so we had to make drains for the grass or else water would just sit on top, drown the grass and it would die."

She said the lawns on campus use a lot of water that was produced by San Jose's natural wetlands before urban landscaping covered it with cement.

"Non-native plants are a lot of maintenance," Cross said. "Just because they're non-native doesn't mean they're a bad species, although trees of heaven along the highway go everywhere — in lawns and such."

Tree of heaven is a rapid-growing deciduous tree that thrives in poor soil and tolerates pollution, according to University of Georgia's Center for Invasive Species and Ecosystem Health.

Tree of heaven is a prolific seed producer, grows rapidly, forms thickets, dense stands, and can overrun native vegetation, according to the Georgia center.

### Plans for the garden

A holly hedge, a non-native species, that surrounds two sides of the garden needs to be removed, so it will not interfere with the native flora, Celis said.

Another improvement is to incorporate an irrigation system, Strommen said.

After replacing the solid, white fence that makes the botany garden almost invisible with a rod iron fence, the SJSU community will be able to look into the garden as they walk by, Rajakaruna said.

"Having a native plant garden that flows with the seasonal changes is a great way for people to understand that things are dynamic and that things do change," he said.



Behind a sign some students may overlook Jessica Hunt, a junior environmental studies major, and Jessica Celis, a junior environmental studies major, tend to the garden on Wednesday.  
[ Michelle Gachet / Spartan Daily ]

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assistant professor of biological sciences

Forest, California Botanical Society and SJSU students and faculty, Rajakaruna said.

Chapter council chair of Santa Clara Valley of the California Native Plant Society Kevin Bryant said he enjoys seeing the energy of students and other helpers being used in the garden.

"One of the greatest accomplishments was to see that spark," he said.

Bryant said the California Native Plant Society has been involved with the garden since the beginning, and recently Rajakaruna asked the society to team up with SJSU to clean up the overgrown garden.

"The plants in the botany garden have a relationship with the insects that are going to only pollinate that one flower," said Jennifer Cross, botany technician for the College of Science. "To have a plot of land in a bunch of cement, to have native plants — it's such a little bit of nature in a little bit of a concrete jungle."

The botany garden is not just about plants but also about the interactions between all native species such as birds, beetles and wasps that are solely attracted to native plants, Cross said.

After the cleanup the garden was featured in the "2009 Going Native Garden Tour," a free guide through native gardens in Santa Clara Valley and the San Francisco Bay Area, Rajakaruna said.

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# San Jose's 100 years of radio honored with exhibit



[ Michelle Gachet / Spartan Daily ]

Jason Black walks by the "This is San Jose Calling" exhibit at the Fourth Street Windows Gallery.

By Amber Simons  
Staff Writer

"Charles Herrold was the first to broadcast on a regular basis to a known audience," SJSU professor Mike Adams said. "You can go into KSJS on any certain shift and hear the same thing."

The first regular radio broadcast began in downtown San Jose in 1909.

"It's wonderful, it gives us more identity for San Jose State," senior theatre major Ovan Chan said.

Now, 100 years later, History San Jose and KCBS Radio celebrated the success with a gallery, "This is San Jose Calling," at San Jose City Hall, according to the window display.

The window display is located in the Fourth Street Windows Gallery on Fourth Street between Santa Clara and San Fernando Streets.

The display features information, photographs and artifacts about San Jose's radio broadcast past.

"It's pretty cool," said Chrystofer Garcia, a sophomore civil engineering major, about Herrold and his students. "It's nice knowing some history."

### The First Radio Broadcast

In 1909, "Doc" Herrold and his students from the Herrold College of Wireless and Engineering made history in downtown San Jose by successfully completing the first radio broadcast in America.

Herrold broadcasted from his college, located in the Garden City Bank Building at First and San Fernando Streets, according to the downtown San Jose Web site.

"They were doing 100 years ago what my students, doing your fellow students are doing today," said Adams, a radio, television and film professor.

"This is San Jose Calling" started when Herrold's class utilized "radiotelephony" to speak into a microphone, according to the History San Jose Web site, and within a couple of years it became the first regularly scheduled radio music and news broadcast on air.

It was first assumed that "radiotelephony," wireless transmissions would replace the "wired tele-

phone," but instead, Herrold and his students used the new technology to pioneer broadcasting, according to the exhibit at City Hall.

"Herrold's greatest achievement was that he started a broadcast station," Adams said. "He could play records, do news, broadcast live music, talk and even took telephone requests."

The broadcasts worked partly because his students were in college radio, and he wanted to give his students something to do, Adams said.

Prior to this discovery by Herrold and his students, the only sounds people heard on the wireless was Morse code, according to the display.

In 1921, a Radio Corporation of America historian, George Clark, dismissed all first broadcaster claims prior to 1920, because "ordinary citizens" could not buy radios until later, according to the Charles Herrold Web site that was created by Professor Adams and Professor Gordon Greb.

Therefore, Clark believed men such as Herrold were not really broadcasters, because their audiences were amateurs, not "citizens," according to the Charles Herrold Web site.

Herrold and his students weren't alone in broadcasting.

Sybil True Herrold, Charles Herrold's wife, was the first woman disc jockey in America. Her broadcasts ran on the station weekly on Wednesday nights, according to the exhibit.

Herrold was on the air every day between 1909 and 1917, broadcasting music and information to an audience of experimenters who listened on homemade crystal radios, according to the Charles Herrold Web site.

In order to broadcast, Herrold created the "arc fone," a water-cooled carbon microphone, according to the Charles Herrold Web site.

We have given wireless phone concerts to amateur wireless men throughout Santa Clara Valley, Herrold wrote in a notarized statement published in the 1910 catalogue of the Electro Importing Company, as stated on the Charles

Herrold Web site.

When the station created by Herrold and his engineering students began, it was simply named "This is San Jose Calling," but in 1921, when radio licenses were issued, Herrold assigned the station the call letters of KQW, according to the KCBS Web site.

Then, in 1949, CBS purchased the station and changed the call letters to KCBS, according to the KCBS Web site.

News radio began in 1968 when KQW, now known as KCBS, became the first all news radio station in Northern California, according to the History San Jose Web site.

### Radio at SJSU Today

"It definitely makes a lot of sense (that radio broadcast began in San Jose), this being the technological epicenter of the United States," said Peter Stoia, a senior radio, television and film major.

SJSU's independent radio station KSJS is completely student-run and operated, said Ramon Johnson, KSJS public affairs director.

And it is located just a few blocks away from where radio broadcasting began, he said.

Johnson said he tries to make KSJS relevant to San Jose and the nation, and that KSJS offers airwaves to those who can't get their message out on their own.

KSJS is a noncommercial radio station that broadcasts 24 hours a day, every day, on 90.5 FM and the Internet, according to the KSJS Web site.

KSJS went on the air in February 1963, according to the KSJS Web site.

### Charles Herrold

Jordan Fondren, a senior musical theatre major, said she had never heard about Herrold before.

"Talk about blowing your mind," she said. "I just don't think (Herrold's story) comes up as much, but I think it should."

Herrold was born in 1875 in the Midwest, but grew up in San Jose, according to the Charles Herrold Web site.

The exhibit on Fourth Street shows that Herrold attended San Jose High School and then Stanford University.

## CHAVEZ

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Abi Abdoud said she thinks students walking, skateboarding or bicycling through the monument shouldn't matter.

"They should be able to keep up with that," she said.

Neil Dey, a junior mechanical engineering major, said students should go through the monument without their bicycles.

"That's just, like, laziness," Dey said.

Skyberg said certain parts of the monument will be fixed in the future, such as the cracked portrait of Mahatma Gandhi.

"The four paintings are temporary," he said. "We're working with the artists right now to finalize them into a mosaic."

Skyberg said each painting will be turned into a glass mosaic.

That improvement isn't the only one either, he said.

Skyberg said there will be a slogan used by Cesar Chavez sandblasted onto the north side of the monument, and that they will also install a plaque that lists the donors who funded the monument.

He said none of the improvements will be paid for by the university, but by a fundraising group

that has worked on raising money for the monument for the past eight years.

"They are continuing to raise funds for the maintenance of it," he said.

Skyberg said the university tries to get fundraising groups to pay for the maintenance for all art pieces that come to campus.

He said the fundraising group hit a roadblock with the slump in the economy, but that they've raised enough money and have a timetable for completion.

"We anticipate the completion of this by the start of the spring semester," he said.

Kashiri said funds raised for specific projects are earmarked.

"If the money was raised for the fountain you must spend it on the fountain," he said.

The fountain next to the monument wasn't working in the beginning of the semester, because the service door was frozen shut, Skyberg said.

He said his team hadn't gotten to the fountain until now, because they had prioritized preparing classrooms and buildings.

"Other than visual, students don't get any effect from a fountain," he said.

The Cesar Chavez Memorial Arch was unveiled on Sept. 4, 2008 and was erected to pay homage to Cesar Chavez.



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The mural of Mahatma Gandhi on the Cesar Chavez Memorial Arch is torn on the lower right corner.

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# CampusVoices

Feature and Photos by Jennifer Hadley

## What is one thing you recommend other students do before they graduate from college?

**Justin Yip**  
Senior, English



"I would say streaking on campus is pretty good for a one-time experience. If you're not bold enough to do that, I think joining a fraternity is pretty good. It's a good way to network socially, you know, make some bros that you might have for lifetime."

**Yannick Mbakop**  
Junior, Chemical Engineering



"Get involved to any type of club — go to the Career Center, you know, attend a resume workshop. That (will) definitely help you out by the time you graduate."

**Jade Lopez**  
Sophomore, Chemistry



"Just step out of the box and try something new 'cause I definitely think that you'll meet people that you wish you met earlier, but you meet them at the right point of your life."

**Da'Jha Sims**  
Freshman, Psychology



"Make sure you're taking all the right classes, because you'll feel very dumb if by the end when it's time to graduate, you haven't took the right classes and can't graduate."

**Jacob Wihl**  
Sophomore, Mechanical Engineering



"Fulfill your potential. Take your education seriously. That way you're actually knowledgeable in your field by the time you graduate."

**Sun Wong**  
Sophomore, Civil Engineering



"Go skydiving, because by the time they graduate, they're gonna be like all fat and unfit, so you should do fun stuff before you get too old."

## Sudanese billionaire condemns Guinea shootings, Madagascar coup

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (AP) — The Sudanese billionaire behind a lucrative prize to promote leadership in Africa on Monday condemned the killing of pro-democracy protesters in Guinea.

Mo Ibrahim was speaking at the launch of his foundation's 2009 Index of African Governance, which tracks development on the continent.

He said the shooting of 157 people by troops in "cold blood" at a rally in Guinea last week was unacceptable.

Ibrahim also called for African leaders to "stand firm" against those who seize power and then try to legitimize their rule by holding elections.

Capt. Moussa "Dadis" Camara seized control of Guinea in December 2008. Elections are to be held in the West African country in January 2010. Camara initially said he would not run, but recently indicated that he may have changed his mind.

Ibrahim also referred to Madagascar, where a military-backed

politician toppled an elected president in March and is also promising elections.

Guinea is placed 44th out of 53 countries in the index, while Madagascar ranks 13th. The index does not reflect the effect of this year's coups in both countries.

For the first time, the index now covers all 53 African countries. It was launched in 2007, and the ranking is based on a number of indicators including security,

crime, corruption, health and education.

The 2009 index is based on latest available data, which is mainly from last year and has a margin of error of 6 points.

Ibrahim acknowledged that data collection in Africa was inadequate and that statistical offices need to be strengthened. He also said the 2009 index does not reflect the effect of the global financial crisis.

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Review: Naglee Park Garage

## High-priced wiener comes up short



By Alicia Johnson  
Staff Writer

Nestled in a 7-Eleven parking lot across the street from campus on East San Carlos Street is a cute restaurant called Naglee Park Garage.

I must admit in advance that my palate exceeds the average college student's budget — therefore this review is not about eating on a dime.

I have stuck my head in the doors of Naglee Park Garage several times but until Tuesday night, I could only afford to eat at Supreme Dog, the neighboring eatery in which the restaurant shares its heated outdoor area.

This night, for whatever reason, I spared \$19.61 on a luxurious dinner and a beer ... or two.

When I walked into the lightly dimmed restaurant Lupe, a funky server with a magenta faux hawk, greeted me.

Old-school soul music played in the background — The Whispers' "And the Beat Goes on." The theme continued for most of my experience there.

You may be too young to know that song, and I suppose I should be too, except for the fact that I am the proud owner of my parents' old vinyl collection.

I quickly got the feeling that this was the kind of place where for one meal, the Naglee Park neighborhood sucked it up and mingled with SJSU students.

The restaurant's interior was small but comforting, seating a little more than 30 people.

[Alicia Johnson / Spartan Daily]

Exposed beams supported the ceiling and old bicycles hung on the brick walls.

I approached the register without looking at the menu — I was lucky there wasn't a huge line behind me. After ordering, I was instructed to grab from the assortment of silverware in the Ball jars lining the register.

To my surprise, Lupe asked if I had ridden my bike to dinner. Confused by the question, I answered "no," and to my regret found out Naglee Park Garage has "Two Dollar, Two Wheels Tuesdays," a special where your first two pints are just \$2 each if you arrive on your bicycle.

Lupe leaned over close and told me if you ride your bike, "Secretly all your beers are \$2."

Besides that, nothing was a secret at Naglee Park Garage, so I took a seat right at the bar where I could sit with the locals and watch the chef cook my meal.

I missed their Oktoberfest event, where Naglee Park Garage featured German beer, but I did come in time to experience the German menu.

The restaurant serves small, tapas-like meals. Main dishes and sides are ordered and priced separately.

I ordered the "Spaten basted sausages, with caramelized onion and mustard," and

They were out of the "Apfelstrudel" portion of the menu — it sucked.

The food was greasy — pleasing, but greasy.

The spaten-basted sausages were boiled and tasted similar to regular hot dogs.

My palate is also experienced enough to recognize the difference between an authentic, gourmet sausage and something that is packaged and can be purchased at Restaurant Depot. Unfortunately, these were two big-ass hot dogs.

I must say that the sweet caramelized onions and tangy gourmet mustard worked well with the sausage.

I ordered a Boont Amber Ale, which was served in a Ball jar. It was light enough to tie all of the flavors together.

A better name for the potato pancakes would have been, "overcooked, mini, shredded hash browns," because that's exactly what they were. Lucky for Naglee Park Garage, I like my hash browns overcooked, so I asked for a side of sour cream and dug into the burnt edges first.

What I ordered from the German menu didn't work out, but I would go back, because I caught myself eyeing the burger the woman sitting next to me had ordered.

Naglee Park Garage is the type of restaurant that I would take family who was visiting from out of town, or a date — if I liked him. But if I were looking for something to fit my college recession budget, I'd probably pass.

"Potato Pancake."

Review: Whip It

## Drew Barrymore whips out a winner with 'Whip It'

By Angela Marino  
Staff Writer

A bright green blur passes the track as the famous move, the whip, catapults the jammer to the front of the pack to score for the team.

The movie "Whip It" is a typical movie about an underdog who becomes a hero, although not everything works out for the main character — intriguing in Hollywood's happy ending craze.

The movie's comical satire and wit was entertaining.

"Whip It" follows a young girl named Bliss Cavendar from Bodeen, Texas. Bliss struggles to find something she is good at while desperately trying to get out of her small hometown.

The movie is Drew Barrymore's directorial debut. She filmed it with sarcastic humor and a relatable character stuck in the midst of awkward, outcast teenage phase.

Moviegoers will be able to relate to the main character, Bliss "Babe Ruthless" Cavendar (played by Ellen Page) through her journey of self-discovery, parental obligation and first love.

Barrymore captures the sport of roller derby outside of its typical stereotype of tattooed, go-nowhere-fast women. She sees roller derby teams as a family of women who empower each other on and off the derby track.

Lorenza "Frida Khill\*ya" Campos, a referee for the Silicon Valley Roller Girls, said she has been part of the team for 16 months.

"My cousin actually started the team back in 2007," she said. "She told me to come in and decided to become a ref."

Campos said interested participants don't have to have any skating background.

"I didn't have any skating experience — the last time I was on skates was fourth grade," she said.

The Silicon Valley Roller Girls offers a boot camp that welcomes all willing participants. The coaches teach the

girls how to fall, how to crouch in the correct position, how to perform whips and how to hit opponents, Campos said.

Before seeing "Whip It" I did not understand the game of roller derby, but this movie explains exactly how points are scored in this full-contact sport.

Points are earned by the jammer, who is usually differentiated by the rest of the team by a star on her helmet. The jammer starts at the back of the group then skates to the front of

the pack and the team earns points for the number of opponents' teammates the jammer passes.

The jammer must pass the blockers, who are legally able to use brutal force to stop the jammer from making points. This fierce competition usually results in hip checks and plenty of elbows to the stomach.

Julianne "Bitch Puddin" Premos said she has been on the team for about a year.

"I got interested when I saw the Bay City Bombers play up here one time, then a few years later I saw a San Francisco team play on a flat track," she said. "I thought, 'I have to try this.'"

The Silicon Valley Roller Girls is split up into two teams — Dot.Kamikazes and Killabytes, each made up of 50 girls, Premos said. The extra girls are used in case of injuries.

Both Premos and Campos said the movie accurately portrayed the game of roller derby.

"The only difference is that the movie showed a bank track competition, and we are flat track in competitions," Campos said. "The movie was very accurate about the aggression and intense competition in roller derby."

"Whip It" was an entertaining two hours that provided insight into a sport that I probably would have never found on my own.

I couldn't imagine strapping on my skates and being whipped past ten girls to make points for my team. The movie has given me a new found respect for roller derby teams.

## 'Wrath' radio



The theater troupe "Eyes of the Hungry Cast" perform a drama of "The Grapes of Wrath" on Tuesday.

By Ben Cadena  
Staff Writer

To an audience of 75 Tuesday in King Library, Associate Professor Matt Spangler and a troupe of student radio broadcast actors, delivered a half-hour of dialogue from Steinbeck's novel of hard times in the Great Depression.

"The story line is simply people leaving a problem, people traveling to a new place, and people going through new stuff upon their arrival," Spangler said.

The eight performers lined up in front of music stands and read their lines as guitarist Scott Perry played blues and bluegrass, finger picking tunes and sounds of the

road.

"I used Kyle Swany as Tom Joad, the protagonist in the novel who escaped the miseries of the Dust Bowl in Oklahoma and emigrated through Route 66 to the sunny shores of California," Spangler said.

The part gave Swany pause, he said.

"It is really humbling, even though we didn't go through this kind of deprivation, but to get an inkling of the experience of the Dust Bowl refugees makes us not take anything for granted today — not our food, jobs or the roof over our heads," Swany said.

Swany, a television, radio, film and theatre major who had been

in Spangler's communications studies class, previously played the lead in the San Jose stage play of "The Kite Runner."

The scenes of immigrant frustration also affected Tara Khazaneh-Darlou, a senior communication studies major who played a young mother on the road.

Irate in the back seat of an old, rundown jalopy barely creaking along, Khazaneh-Darlou yelled repeatedly at the top of her lungs, "This baby wants a glass of water."

As Perry's guitar emitted the squeal of tires, his hissing thump signaled the death throes of an overheating car engine.

After the performance, Kha-

zaneh-Darlou said, "My mother and father coming from Iran in 1985 know more about immigration than I, and had surely suffered similar experiences as those of the Great Depression."

Spangler's part as a conniving gas station attendant called for him to badger Joad into buying a useless tire for \$4. As Joad, Swany's refusal was plainspoken.

Spangler said that by creating the live depiction he hoped to give students a taste of the period and pique their interest in the past.

A grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities helped Spangler produce the adaptation, according to King librarian Paul Kauppila.

### 90.5 KSJS Top 10

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Artist	Song
1. Mexican Institute of Sound	Cumbia
2. Pilar Diaz	Cultura En Estyle

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Artist	Song
1. Wallpaper	I Got Soul, I'm So Wasted
2. Discovery	I Want You Back

Jazz

Artist	Song
1. James Carter	Heaven On Earth
2. Chris Pasin	Detour Ahead

Sub Rock

Artist	Song
1. Kittie	Whiskey Love Song
2. Imogen Heap	Swoon

Urban

Artist	Song
1. A&E (Masta Ace & Ed O.G.)	Little Young
2. Felt (Murs & Slug)	Protagonists



[ Kirsten Aguilar / Spartan Daily ]

The SJSU student section looks on during the Spartans' 24-14 loss to Utah on Sept. 12. The homecoming game against the University of Idaho will start at 5 p.m. on Saturday.

## SJSU prepares for conference opener against improved Idaho squad

By Ryan Buchan  
Senior Staff Writer

This Saturday the Spartans play the Idaho Vandals, a team they have defeated in their four previous contests and have not lost to since 1998.

"If you are playing Idaho looking for the team you played last year, they are not there," SJSU head coach Dick Tomey said. "I don't think there is a question they are the most improved team in the league. They are a very tough out-fit right now."

The Vandals have started this season winning four of five games, their best start since 1994.

Two of those wins were against

Colorado State and Northern Illinois, teams that appeared in a bowl game last season.

Last week, Idaho came back from being down by 13 to defeat Colorado State 31-29.

"What I liked is our team did what it took to get the job done," Idaho head coach Robb Akey said during a Western Athletic Conference teleconference Monday. "Our team has been responding to diversity better, and this is the first time we have come from behind. I think it was a good step forward, but we still have a lot work."

Vandal quarterback Nathan Enderle has thrown for 1,293 yards, eight touchdowns and three interceptions this season.

"They're getting tremendous play from their quarterback Nate Enderle who has grown tremendously as a quarterback," Tomey said. "He has played for them for two years and he continues to get better and better."

The Spartans' leading passer Jordan La Secla has thrown for 612 yards, four touchdowns and three interceptions.

La Secla is expected to start Saturday.

Spartan wide receiver Kevin Jurovich said he is proud of La Secla's perseverance.

"Last season he was right in the mix to start, and I think he ended up having two pass attempts the whole year. ... That is difficult for

somebody," Jurovich said. "Imagine doing your job every day and when it comes down to showing what you can do, you don't get the chance to show what you can do."

"You can either handle it and be frustrated, and say 'The coach is not giving me a fair shot.' He didn't do any of that, he came to practice every day and he worked hard."

The Vandals have the second best run defense in the conference, allowing opponents to run for 109.4 yards per game.

The Spartans have the second worst rushing offense in the WAC.

SJSU got a spark in its run attack in its last game, as Lamon Muldrow ran for 184 yards and a touchdown against Cal Poly.

"When Pat (Perry) was not full speed and Brandon (Rutley) went down, there was an opportunity for him, and he did what all good football players do when they get an opportunity," Tomey said. "The door was open for him, and he just jumped through the door and knocked it down."

The Spartans come into the game after having a week off.

"Them having a bye last week concerns me," Akey said. "They probably have some guys feeling

pretty good and spent extra time looking at us."

The Vandals have won their only conference game this year, beating New Mexico State 21-6 in each team's season opener.

The Spartans finished their nonconference schedule with a 1-3 record and will start conference play against the Vandals.

"Probably our biggest team goal is to win the Western Athletic Conference," Jurovich said. "We want to start conference play strong. We get a chance to play one of the best teams in our conference, and I think it is a good way to make a statement."

### History of Homecoming

Year	Opponent	Score	Season W-L
2000	UTEP	30-47 Loss	7-5
2001	SMU	17-24 Loss	3-9
2002	Boise State	8-45 Loss	6-7
2003	SMU	31-14 Win	3-8
2004	UTEP	20-38 Loss	2-9
2005	Hawaii	38-45 Loss	3-8
2006	Utah State	21-14 Win	9-4
2007	Idaho	28-20 Win	5-7
2008	Utah State	30-7 Win	6-6

### Predictions for the Homecoming game

The Spartans will suffer their first loss against Idaho since 1998. SJSU head coach Dick Tomey said the Spartans have not played well enough this season to beat Idaho, and I don't think they are going to change. The Vandals have confidence this year and their playmakers have stepped when they needed to step up. The Spartans have fought at times, but when they've needed to come through in the clutch they have failed.

**Idaho 27 SJSU 17**  
Ryan Buchan, Senior Staff Writer

The Spartans developed some much-needed confidence in their 19-9 win against Cal Poly last week, but Idaho is no longer the bottom-feeding team of the Western Athletic Conference. The Vandals are off to their best start in 15 years, and they have a passing attack that is ranked 20th in the nation, which will give the Spartans' defense fits. Lamon Muldrow will continue to lead the Spartans on offense, but he won't be as effective as he was last week. Look for the Vandals to rack up more than 30 points for their fourth consecutive game.

**Idaho 31 SJSU 21**  
Kyle Szymanski, Staff Writer

The Idaho Vandals are 0-41 when held to under 20 points since 2001. The Spartans' defense is going to have to limit the Vandals' offense if the Spartans want to win this game. The Vandals have scored more than 30 points in their last three games, as they've cruised to a 4-1 start. If the Spartans' offense can't control the ball and keep their defense off the field, it may just get vandalized by Idaho.

**Idaho 37 SJSU 20**  
Husain Sumra, Staff Writer

The Vandals have gotten significantly better this year, while the Spartans have treaded water. Last year's win over Idaho came by a measly six points. Just by looking at the stats and the rosters, it looks like the Spartans are going to get creamed. But there is one major advantage for the Spartans — home field. SJSU has played much better at Spartan Stadium, and that trend will continue. The Spartans will beat a better team on Saturday.

**SJSU 20 Idaho: 14**  
Adam Murphy, Sports Editor

The performance of SJSU quarterback Jordan La Secla will decide who is victorious in this game. If he can torch an Idaho secondary that allows 242 yards per game through the air, then the Spartans will win this game. If the Vandals can force La Secla into turnovers and create short fields for their solid offense, then the Vandals will win this game. I predict wide receivers Kevin Jurovich and Marquis Avery will each catch touchdown passes and the Spartans will edge Idaho.

**SJSU 23 Idaho 20**  
Joey Akeley, Sports Editor

# Season Update: Spartans off to slow start

## Game 1: Trojans ground attack stifles Spartans in 56-3 blowout

By Joey Akeley  
Sports Editor

In his first start as the USC quarterback, Matt Barkley spent much of the game handing the ball off to his running backs.

It proved to be a wise strategy. The Trojans ran the ball 45 times for 342 yards and six touchdowns in their 56-3 route over the Spartans in Los Angeles.

Kyle Reed started the game at quarterback for the Spartans and led a first quarter scoring drive that gave SJSU a 3-0 lead.

But the offense would not score again, and only gained 121 yards — 499 yards less than the Trojans total of 620 yards.

Kevin Jurovich had 64 receiving yards with a game-high five receptions, and running back Patrick Perry had 48 yards rushing.



[ Chad Ziemendorf / Spartan Daily ]

**SJSU wide receiver Josh Harrison, No. 1, gets smashed by two USC defenders as the Trojans shut out the Spartans for the final three quarters of the game.**



[ Joe Proudman / Spartan Daily ]

**SJSU quarterback Jordan La Secla stiff-arms a Mustangs defender during the Spartans' 19-9 win on Sept. 26. La Secla threw for 172 yards and two touchdowns in his second collegiate start.**

## Game 2: Utes outlast Spartans 24-14 with dominate fourth quarter push



[ Kirsten Aguilar / Spartan Daily ]

**SJSU wide receiver Kevin Jurovich, No. 6, tries to catch quarterback Jordan La Secla's pass in the end zone against Utah. The pass would fall incomplete. Jurovich had seven catches and 113 yards receiving in the game.**

Utah outscored SJSU 17-7 in the fourth quarter en route to a 24-14 victory at Spartan Stadium on Sept. 12.

Utah wide receiver Jereme Brooks' 51-yard go-ahead touchdown catch on the third play of the fourth quarter gave the Utes a lead they would never relinquish.

Quarterback Jordan La Secla, who did not start and still threw for 242 yards, found Marquis Avery for a 1-yard touchdown that cut the Utes lead to 21-14 with five minutes to go.

The touchdown pass was the first La Secla had thrown in more than two years.

La Secla was named the starter after his performance against the Utes.

The Utes milked the clock on their next drive, kicking a field goal with 13 seconds left.

Utah got off to a hot start, marching 77 yards down the field before scoring a touchdown.

Kevin Jurovich had a game-high seven catches and 113 yards receiving.

## Game 3: Cardinal fly past Spartans 42-17

Stanford's Chris Owusu returned the opening kickoff for a touchdown, and the Cardinal never looked back in its 42-17 win over the Spartans on Sept. 19.

SJSU could never stop the Cardinal run game, which gashed the Spartans for 211 yards.

Cardinal running back Toby Gerhart rushed for 113 yards and two touchdowns, the second of which gave Stanford a 21-7 lead going into halftime.

Any second-half comeback attempt was lost when Cardinal cornerback Corey Gatewood intercepted SJSU quarterback Jordan La Secla's pass and returned it for a touchdown.

The Cardinal added to the lead when Richard Sherman returned a Philip Zavala punt 48 yards for a touchdown, giving the Cardinal a 42-10 lead.

Running back Lamond Murray's 14-yard touchdown run in the fourth quarter was the second rushing touchdown of the season for SJSU.

The 17 points for the Spartans was a season high.

La Secla threw for 155 yards and one touchdown in his first career start.

Wide receiver Kevin Jurovich had a game-high nine catches and 103 yards receiving for the Spartans.

The loss marked the third season in a row the Spartans lost to the Cardinal at Stanford Stadium.



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**SJSU place kicker Tyler Cope is pushed to the side.**

## Game 4: Spartans run over Mustangs 19-9

Going into the game with the worst run offense in college football, SJSU needed someone to provide a spark.

That's exactly what running back Lamond Murray provided.

Murray had 184 yards rushing and a touchdown as the Spartans scored 19 unanswered points to beat Cal Poly 19-9 on Sept. 26 at Spartan Stadium.

Quarterback Jordan La Secla threw two touchdown passes —

an 8-yard toss to wide receiver Jalal Beauchman in the second quarter and a 7-yard throw to wide receiver Marquis Avery in the third quarter.

The Spartans rushed for a season-high 242 yards as a team.

Cal Poly scored first when running back Jono Grayson scampered down the field for a 53-yard touchdown.

The Mustangs took a 9-0 lead on a 30-yard field goal in the second

quarter, but were shut out for the remainder of the game.

The Spartans blocked a field goal in the fourth quarter that would have cut their lead to one.

Wide receiver Kevin Jurovich had a game-high seven receptions and 108 yards receiving. It was the third 100 yard plus receiving game for Jurovich.

La Secla, who threw for 172 yards, earned his first win as a collegiate starting quarterback.

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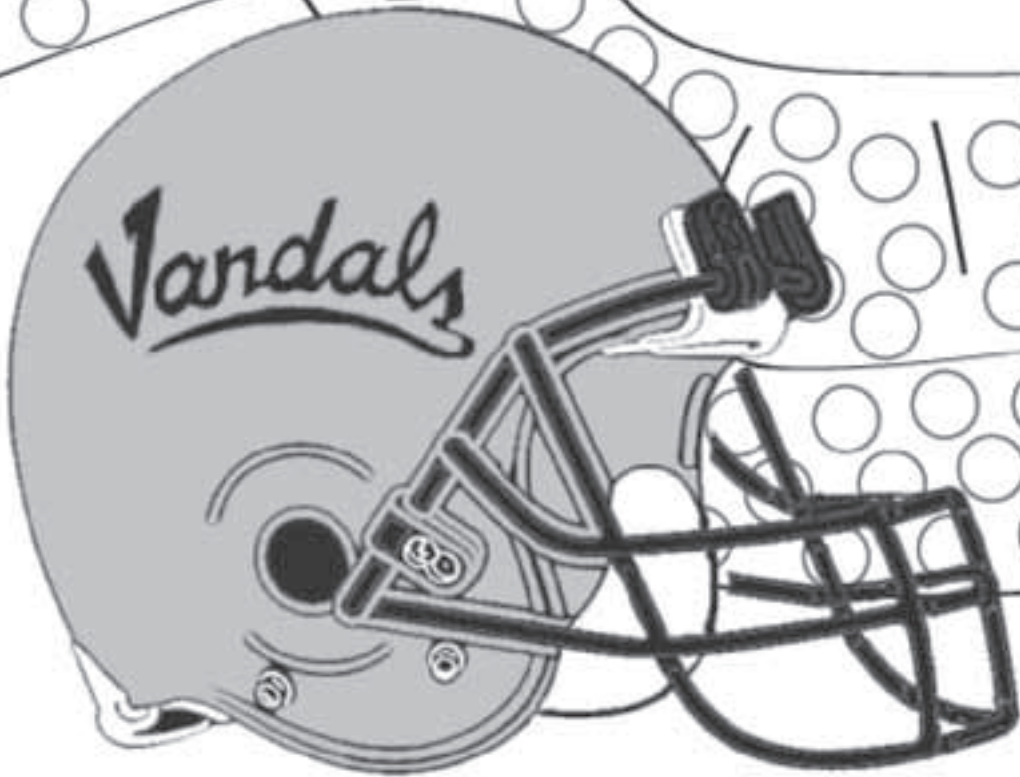
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# Social networking sites steal personal communication



**Angela Marino**  
Staff Writer

account, but I will wait as long as possible until that day comes.

Another social media outlet, Twitter, bothers me as well.

The idea that anyone would care that I am eating a sandwich at 1:30 p.m. is a concept I will never grasp.

The 140 characters that are allotted by Twitter to send a message usually contain no importance to tweet followers.

President Obama has a twitter account, but he tweets about issues.

He doesn't tweet about his diet or random people he sees on the street.

Twitter is even worse than Facebook, because it is full of jargon and dramatic exclamations that would be better left unsaid.

Social media is just another excuse for people to act like complete idiots without having to face constant scrutiny if their jokes or pictures are ridiculous.

President Obama does have a Facebook page, but he has supporters, not friends, and key events are listed on his wall that would benefit his supporters.

Social media has become the buffer between reality and cyber space.

It has created a blur between the two — like limbo.

Social media encourages useless and insignificant information.

Face to face communication is becoming obsolete.

I hate Facebook.

A poll was posted on Facebook on Sept. 26 titled "Should Obama be killed?"

The choices were "No," "Maybe," "Yes" and "Yes, if he cuts my health care."

Facebook did not create this poll.

The poll was created by a juvenile through an add-on application from the individual's Facebook profile, according to the British Web site Telegraph.co.uk.

After 731 people responded to the poll, it was discovered by Facebook officials and removed.

The responses were lost once the poll was removed.

This ridiculous question was disrespectful to our country's leader and the Facebook system.

Facebook created a network that should be used as a tool, not a weapon to cause havoc.

This is just another reason why I loathe social media networks.

The juvenile obviously has issues beyond too much free time.

Facebook has created a cowardly way to voice opinions.

I doubt the person who created the poll would stand out on the

sidewalk and ask people to answer the same question.

Social media trends have turned Facebook into a place without true consequences — although the individual who created the poll has been classified by the secret service as no major threat to the president.

I don't want to start a Facebook account, but I have heard numerous times that it is the new way to network and land a job.

I don't see the importance of clicking through photos of friends, and gazing at their fabulous lives full of social events and random occurrences.

Facebook has turned into the place to be versus an actual place in the world.

Some people spend hours surfing through profiles and feeling as though they are part of the world, but in reality they are seated in front of a computer screen.

I would rather go out in the world and meet people face to face, which is the old-school way of getting to know the world.

I'm positive that in the next few years I will be forced to put my cynical side away and create an

# Ruminations

illustration by Carl Evans



Being a nerd, I am adverse to most physical activity.

# Letter to the Editor

This letter is in response to "Whitmore talks budget cuts, fee increases at meeting" that was published on Sept. 21.

This is a response to a quote by senior marketing major Kyle Bokarizm from the article "Whitmore talks budget cuts, fee increases at meeting" from the Sept. 21 issue of the Spartan Daily.

"The furloughs and all the budget cuts, it's not them; it's the unions and all the other people higher up."

I disagree with the portion of this student's statement that makes it sound like the unions of the California State University are to blame for the furloughs and budget cuts. The California State University Employees Union does not make decisions concerning the budget of the CSU.

If you are looking to point fingers, you should point them to the correct people: (1) our chancellor and the board of trustees for not

usurping their leadership role in fighting for proper funding of our institution and (2) the governor and legislature for their continued underfunding of the CSU. CSU employees that accepted furloughs through a Democratic vote conducted by their respective unions, has allowed a percentage of salary dollars to be diverted from their pockets to other places in the CSU budget, to save as many services and course offerings as possible for students.

Furloughs were deemed necessary with you students in mind. What would the scenario look like had the CSU implemented layoffs for all employees? Our campus itself would have seen a huge decrease in course offerings than what is now offered, and vital services would have been severely cut, more than what is cut now.

If I cannot extend the services that I have given in previous years, don't be upset at me and think that I am selfish and have no concern for students. Students have and will always be important to me. I still continue to go above and beyond helping my students, even in the midst of furloughs.

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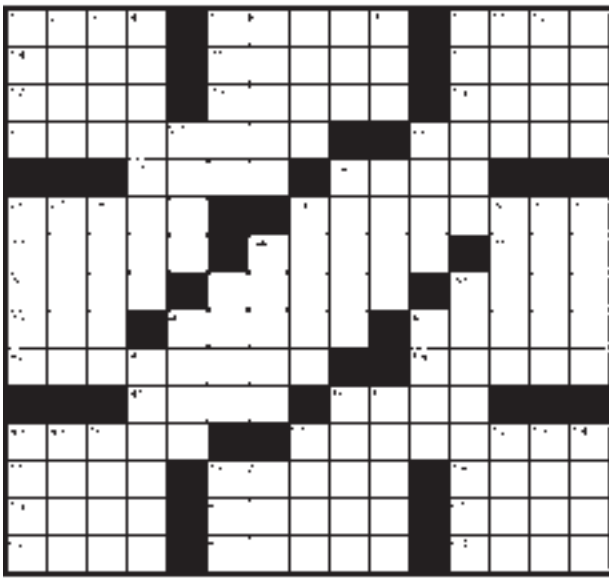
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# S.F.'s prince charming runs for governor



**Jhenene Louis**  
Staff Writer

On top of being handsome, intelligent and an activist for human rights, he is now running for governor.

Yes!  
It is true — the youngest mayor in San Francisco history, Gavin Newsom, announced on April 21 that he has decided to run for governor of California.

OK, call me biased toward my hometown, but I was ecstatic to hear that Newsom is running.

I admit that I'm not a political person, but I do try and keep up with what's going on with California.

Newsom is the perfect candidate for the position. He's open-minded and cares about the community.

I did not go to the best high school. It was located on Third Street in San Francisco — some might even say in a dangerous neighborhood.

Newsom came to our school and talked to us about the importance of education, especially for underprivileged students.

He greeted everyone he could, and luckily I was one that the students he had greeted.

His words were genuine and not like other politicians who seem phony and careless.

He said, "Your voice does matter. Why waste it?"

At the time, I was a junior in high school, unsure of what I wanted to do after college. I figured I would just get a full-time job, but in a sense, his words swayed my decision.

Newsom is unprejudiced, and that's what California needs —

someone who is tolerant and can fit the needs of all races, backgrounds and gender orientations.

Newsom is a prominent opponent of Proposition 8, which bans same-sex marriages.

He also participated in the 2008 San Francisco Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender Pride Parade.

In 2004, Newsom told the San Francisco county clerk to issue marriage licenses to all same-sex couples.

Newsom formed a program called "Healthy San Francisco" that has enrolled 38,000 uninsured San Franciscans for health insurance.

San Francisco is the first and only city in America with universal health care.

According to Gavin Newsom's Web site, this program delivered quality care for one-third the cost of traditional insurance.

Newsom would be perfect as governor, not just because of his innovative thinking, but because he believes in human rights and equality.

Former President Bill Clinton will be endorsing Newsom's campaign.

San Francisco is one of the most diverse cities in the world, and Newsom has only made this city more appealing with his ideas.

If he can change San Francisco for the better in just a matter of years, imagine what he could do for the entire state of California.

President Obama embodies change and new ideas, and Newsom should be second to none.

It's time for "The Terminator" to step down, and let a real leader start a revolution.

**Did you know ...**

... tomorrow is "Comb Your Hair Like Gavin Newsom Day"?

It will also be his 42nd birthday.

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## Recall: Buying Daiso products requires bravery



**Stephanie Vallejo**  
Bird's The Word

When I want to buy quality products, I don't drive to the dollar store.

But for cheap kitchen essentials and quick Christmas gifts, I have shopped at the dollar store's Asian accomplice — Daiso Japan.

On Tuesday, there was a recall for a variety of wooden toys that could potentially be choking hazards to young children.

Some small purses, children's jewelry and pen cases were also recalled because of a violation of lead paint and phthalate limits, according to the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission.

There have not been any reported incidents so far, but it is recommended to take recalled products away from children as soon as possible.

I had bought a few toys from Daiso for my 2-year-old godson — I can't remember if they are part of the recall — but now I'm worried that all of its products are dangerous.

When I moved out of my parent's house last year, I went to Daiso to buy pots, pans, silverware and all the other household amenities needed for my new apartment.

Needless to say, the products lasted about three uses before they crapped out.

The small frying pan was big enough to fit one slice of Spam, and the dish sponges lost their ability to scrub.

After I used the frying pan, remnants of its black surface scraped off and magnetically attached to my food.

It scared me to think I was eating Spam seasoned with frying pan gunk.

Daiso Japan products were a big hit with my friends in high school when a store opened at Eastridge Mall in San Jose.

It was like the dollar store hit the jackpot, and we were reaping all the benefits.

Obviously, cheap thrills are not always a good thing.

The recalled products were sold from \$1 to \$4 at the 11 California Daiso stores from March 2008 through May 2009.

Consumers will get a full refund for their products if they contact Daiso.

So I called them, because I had a few questions of my own.

First, I asked, how did these products find their way to consumer shelves without proper approval?

It took four people to tell me that they didn't know if Daiso needed approval before putting products on their shelves.

And the person who would know the answer was not available to comment.

This is a bad sign.

If this is how Daiso plans to deal with the recall of its products, what's the point of ever going there again with the slim chance your purchase could harm you?

Quality over quantity is the biggest issue here.

For those who see themselves as picky, give yourself a pat on the back.

You have probably avoided buying a smiley-faced stuffed animal you could choke on.

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

## Ruminations

illustration by Carl Evans



**Sometimes, I wonder whether my grammar needs work.**

## Letter to the Editor

This letter is in response to "A dark prediction emerges about Rio and 2016 Olympics" that was published Tuesday.

What Adam Murphy has shown in his recent article that paints Brazil as a dangerous country — unfit to host the Olympics — is a blatant act of prejudice. We are all mature enough to realize that even the U.S. is faced with rampant violence, poverty and joblessness. Other countries may have more of this problem, but they also are unlike the U.S., which imposes its wealth globally.

Brazil is not an underdeveloped country. In fact, Sao Paulo — Brazil's largest city — is in the top 10 largest cities in the world. Curitiba is of Brazil's greenest cit-

ies and one of the best infrastructure projects in the world. Additionally, Brazilian President Lula has been working increasingly on redeveloping the favelas in Rio de Janeiro and other cities. Brazil's future does not depend on how it will quell its violence, but how it will stand up to more internationally engaged countries, such as the U.S., who will makes things difficult for Brazil to succeed economically in the global market.

Murphy's editorial is untrustworthy in that it uses outdated statistics and the prejudiced notion that a country can-

not be civilized if there is violence. If it were true that Brazil was unfit to host the Olympics because of its violence, then the U.S. is similarly troubled; it is engaged in two wars overseas, riddled with violent nationalists groups calling for Obama to step down and covered with impoverished areas like Alameda County, East Los Angeles, the Appalachian Mountains and Washington DC.

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