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**ACADEMICS**

**Chemistry student receives prestigious award**

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Brian Castellano, a senior chemistry major, never expected to win a prestigious award that will help him throughout graduate school.

"I was ecstatic (when I found out I won around December 2012)," he said. "I was on the sixth floor in Duncan Hall and I was screaming while other people were taking finals," he said.

Castellano won the Gilliam Fellowship for Advanced Study, which awarded him \$46,500 a year for four

years to attend graduate school.

"I knew I put a lot of work into the application, but coming from SJSU and comparing myself to people at other universities was very intimidating," he said.

According to Julio Soto, professor of biological sciences, the Gilliam Fellowship is, "the most prestigious pre-doctoral fellowship for students interested in pursuing biomedical degrees."

Castellano said the award he received will help pay for his first four years of graduate school, and the remaining money is his stipend

for the year which is broken up into specific categories.

He said one of the prerequisites to be eligible to apply for this fellowship was to be part of a Howard Hughes Medical Institute summer program.

According to Soto, who was the summer program director at SJSU, "the program funded research opportunities for undergraduates, curriculum development of biology courses and the hiring of a tenure-track faculty member."

Soto said Castellano's role in this program was an undergraduate re-

searcher.

The fellowship is only available to students in the program who were "nominated by a funded site program director," and he was the one who nominated Castellano, according to Soto.

Castellano said the summer program gave him experience in presenting his research and helped expose him to more science.

Daryl Eggers, Ph.D. and associate professor of chemistry said, "It's like a dream come true for anyone

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**SOFTBALL**

**Spartans shut out Santa Clara, 4-0**



Spartans Vanessa House and Michelle Cox celebrate their victory over the Santa Clara Broncos yesterday at SJSU Field. **Zach Toberman / Spartan Daily**

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**FEATURE**

**Local arcade player aims to become a fighting game legend**

By **Anthony Nguyen**  
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Most people don't see fighting games as a competitive sport in the same league as first-person shooter games or massive online battle arenas.

Julio Fuentes is making a name for himself throughout multiple tournaments. His game is Super Street Fighter IV and he has been training to be one of the best Northern California players.

When he started to play in these fighting game tournaments, his friend taught him the ropes.

"I got involved because a friend of mine took me to the arcade and he happened to play Street Fighter III: Third Strike," Fuentes said. "I was absolutely hooked from that point on and have competed in the fighting game scene ever since."

Street Fighter IV is a two-player fighting game that you can duke out by doing flashy combos.

Fuentes started out as a radio,

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**BRAIN RESEARCH**

**Obama calls for funding for brain science initiative**

By **Christi Parsons**  
McClatchy Tribune

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama is asking Congress to approve \$110 million in new spending for research on the human brain, an investment he said would benefit not just science but the economy.

"Ideas are what power our economy," Obama said Tuesday in announcing the proposal. "When we invest in the best ideas before anybody else does, our businesses and our workers can make the best products and deliver the best services before anybody else."

The "BRAIN" initiative — for Brain Research through Advancing Innovative Neurotechnologies — would start with \$110 million in the budget for fiscal year 2014 that Obama plans to unveil next week.

House Majority Leader Eric Cantor, R-Va., said in a statement that the project "is exactly the type of research we should



President Barack Obama listens as NIH director Francis S. Collins gives remarks during the announcement of the administration's BRAIN (Brain Research through Advancing Innovative Neurotechnologies) Initiative in the East Room of the White House, Tuesday, April 2, 2013 in Washington, D.C. **Molly Riley / MCT**

be funding," but called for funds already allocated to be diverted to pay for it.

The National Institutes of Health has the discretion to redirect other funds to support such a project. White House aides declined to say whether the president would order federal officials to do that.

As he offered the first glimpse of his proposed budget, Obama also acknowledged the difficulty ahead in the effort to pass it.

"Of course, none of this will be easy," he told an audience in the East Room of the White House. "If it was, we would already know everything there was about how the brain works, and presumably my life would be simpler here. It could

explain all kinds of things that go on in Washington."

The long-term goal of the BRAIN initiative is to help researchers find new ways to treat, cure and prevent brain disorders such as Alzheimer's and epilepsy, according to a White House release. The project would speed up development and application of new technologies for mapping the brain and showing how brain cells and neural circuits operate. In addition to devoting new money to research, the administration would support a working group led by leading researchers.

Obama said he also would direct an administration commission on bioethics to "make sure all of the research is being done in a responsible way."

**INTERNATIONAL**

**North Korea vows to expand nuclear arsenal, signaling end of talks**

By **Jung-Yoon Choi and Paul Richter**  
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SEOUL, South Korea — Escalating the stakes of a standoff with Washington and its allies, North Korea is signaling that it will abandon two decades of negotiations to constrain its nuclear program and will close the door on any deal over its atomic weapons and production facilities.

The regime said Tuesday that it would expand all parts of its nuclear arsenal, including reactivating a plutonium-producing reactor complex at Yongbyon that it shut in 2007 as part of a disarmament agreement. Although restarting the Soviet-era facilities could take six months or longer, the announcement sparked concern from world leaders about a miscalculation that could lead to military confrontation.

North Korea also said it would bolster its "nuclear armed forces in both quantity and in quality." The statement came two days after its untested young

**Nuclear threats are not a game.**

Ban Ki-moon  
United Nations Secretary General

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## Fuentes: Says he credits Student Union arcade for gaming wins

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television and film major, but his dream career is to be a sound designer.

"I love working with audio and hopefully one day, I'll be part of a sound design team for a film or video game," Fuentes said. "That would be super cool."

It seemed like a good step for Fuentes, who wants to train to get better at Street Fighter and to join the gamer scene where he can meet new people who share the same interest.

His new experience in fighting games led him to be a tournament player and has a big fighting game family as well.

**He's the type (of player) that wants to give the audience a show.**

Brian Lee

"The fighting game community is like one big family and we're very welcoming to new talent coming into the scene," Fuentes said.

"I always try to get my friends to play the game and come out to tournament events and have fun," he said. "It's not just competition all

the time, we like to hang out and have a good time too. In the end, we're all just having fun playing fighting games."

The Student Union arcade has brought him to waste his quarters to play a few rounds with opponents, and he has found a few friends to build his knowledge about certain types of matchups. He often battled against Nestor Cayanan, who he plays at the Student Union to hone their skills before a tournament.

"Julio is a player that is very good at playing to his strengths and covering his weaknesses," Cayanan said. "He's also very good at rushing you down, giving you little time to do your game plan, and forcing you to deal with his game plan. He's also very good with little technical nuances within the game."

It seemed like a next neutral step for Fuentes to complete with high skill level players in tournaments.

"My first fighting game tournament was the NorCal Regional 2007 at Sunnyvale Golf and it was an amazing experience," Fuentes said.

"I was competing in Street Fighter III: 3rd Strike at the time, but the tournament also featured Marvel vs. Capcom 2 and Tekken 5," he said. "I don't remember being nervous, it was probably because I knew I had no chance of winning at the time."

After he went to his first tournament he wanted to get better and train harder for

the next event.

Julio said the key to winning was to know more about a matchup before a tournament.

"I practice almost every day thanks to the arcade at San Jose State," Fuentes stated. "I would say overall I'm there at least two hours a day, but I'll easily clock up to six to 10 hours of practice during the weekend."

At the arcade he practices with his friend Brian Lee, who is often his training buddy.

"I met Brian Lee at the arcade at San Jose State, but I didn't become close friends with him until I got to know him personally at this one tournament in San Francisco," Fuentes said. "We play pretty frequently, somewhere between one to three sessions a week."

"He's a great training partner and always keeps me in check," Fuentes said.

Lee said that Fuentes is one of the best players that comes to the arcade.

"He's the type (of player) that wants to give the audience a show," Lee said. "He plays for the love of the character staying true to Yun, even after the 'nerf' got redesigned with less power."

Julio and two other players joined up for a team tournament. It was a hyped match between different teams in that tournament.

"NorCal Battle Royale was a regional team tournament for Street Fighter IV," Fuen-



Julio Fuentes competes in the finals of a Street Fighter 4 tournament held at Hacker Dojo in Mountain View on March 24. **Raphael Kluzniok / Spartan Daily**

tes said. "In order to make the team you had to attend the qualifier in your region and compete in a round robin tournament," Fuentes said.

Fuentes represented SouthBay Team A with his teammates Kelvin "Noej" Jeon and Anthony "Crackfiend" Nguyen. The team was sent

to the loser bracket by NorthBay Team A, but they made it out to face NorthBay Team A again.

"Long story short, we beat NorthBay Team A two sets straight, sending them to losers bracket and then eliminating them," he said.

"We were screaming be-

cause we actually won the tournament, and to top things off we had about 500-plus dollars to split between the three of us," Fuentes said.

"It was a pretty good day and I couldn't have done it without my teammates."

Anthony Nguyen is a *Spartan Daily* staff writer.

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PROFILE

## Riana Byrd swats away complacency as she sets school records

By Anthony Nguyen  
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An up-and-coming freshmen basketball player has a lot of determination and it shows in the way she repeatedly denies the opposition.

Riana Byrd, an engineering major, set the school record for most blocked shots in a season with 64 and was the first Spartan in 23 years to average a double-double with 11.4 points and 10.9 rebounds per game, according to SJSU Athletics.

She also won multiple awards in her freshmen season and is the most highly decorated freshman in San Jose State's 17 years in the Western Athletic Conference, earning All-Freshman Team, All-Defensive Team and third team All-WAC honors, according to SJSU Athletics.

Byrd said her conditioning and stamina were vital to her success this past season.

"I definitely think I am in the best shape that I ever been in my life," she said. "Especially having only seven people with a lot of minutes you've got to play. I feel that I am at the best

game that I have played in my life and I feel really good about it."

Byrd said that she was excited she won multiple awards, especially since she said she didn't expect it.

"I knew that I could possibly get it, but I didn't think out of everybody it would be me," she said. "It was actually surprising for me."

Byrd said that she noticed her quickness has been improving, as well as her moves down in the post.

"(My) post-moves...have really gotten better," she said.

She also said she throws off opponents by not relying on going to her right side.

"I can use my right hand, I never used my right hand before," she said.

Byrd said she feels she has leveled-up her game, but she still wants to continue to train hard to improve and be as great as she can be.

"I can always take my game to another level," she said. "I'm always looking to just take that completely to another level everyday."

Byrd, a Walnut Creek native, said she chose SJSU because it is the best school for her major and she loves the coaching staff.

"Well, this is the only school I did an official visit to and when I came here, I really liked the school," she said. "I love the coaching staff and it's the best school for my major, engineering, so I was like 'this is perfect.' It's close enough to home and it's a perfect location for me."

Byrd believes that the team is in a good position to make some noise next season.

"I think we're going to do really (well), especially in the Mountain West," she said. "We get to start fresh and we get to come in with a new reputation. Everybody's re-



Riana Byrd secures a rebound during the Spartans' 70-51 victory against the San Francisco State Gators on Nov. 9, 2012. Byrd led the team in rebounding and was second in scoring on the season. Raphael Kluzniok / Spartan Daily

**She'll definitely be the leader for us, coming back with a lot of experience and a lot of success.**

Tim La Kose  
Head coach

turning, so we'll already have the chemistry there and we'll just be improving from where we are now, rather than starting all over."

Head coach Tim La Kose said Byrd was not overwhelmed like many freshmen players and her strong work ethic contributed to her performance last season.

"Through hard work she quickly grew into a really important (player) for us," La Kose said. "I think she

got better each day and each game. I think she was the top freshman in the conference."

La Kose said Byrd has a lot of strength in rebounding and thinks her overall game is constantly getting stronger.

Byrd has a knack for the ball and she's good around the basket, in terms of scoring and defending, La Kose said.

La Kose had also said he had a really good time watching her block shots

and all the other things she did to help the team.

"She'll definitely be the leader for us, coming back with a lot of experience and lot a success," he said. "We're looking forward to building on that and I think the best thing about Riana is not only does she love the game, but she really loves to improve and I think she's excited about how good she can be."

Anthony Nguyen is a Spartan Daily staff writer.

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## Foreign policy: United Nations secretary says claims are troubling

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leader, Kim Jong Un, described North Korea's nuclear weapons program as a "treasure" that would not be abandoned or traded "for billions of dollars."

United Nations Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon, a former South Korean foreign minister, said he was "deeply troubled" that the crisis has "gone too far." He called for urgent talks with North Korea.

"Things must begin to calm down," Ban said. "There is no need for (North Korea) to be on a collision course with the international community. Nuclear threats are not a game."

U.S. Secretary of State John F. Kerry, after meeting South Korea's foreign minister at the State Department, said it would be a "provocative act" for the North to restart its nuclear reactor, which produces spent material that can be reprocessed into nuclear bomb fuel.

"The bottom line is very simply that what Kim Jong Un has been choosing to do is provocative, it is dangerous, reckless, and the United States will not accept (North Korea) as a nuclear state," he said.

Kerry will visit Tokyo, Seoul and Beijing next week in a trip aimed at persuading China to sharpen pressure on its neighbor and ally, officials say.

A Chinese foreign ministry spokesman, Hong Lei, said Beijing regretted North Korea's latest move and called for restraint from all sides.

Increasingly bellicose threats by Pyongyang in the weeks since it conducted its third and most powerful underground nuclear test in February have raised tensions in Northeast Asia to their highest levels in years.

Tuesday's announcement about the reactor heightened the potential danger by suggesting that North Korea intends to expand its nuclear arsenal and make its infrastructure permanent. "We will act on this without delay," a spokesman for the North Korean General Department of Atomic Energy said.

Although brinkmanship and bluster are hallmarks of Pyongyang's negotiating strategy, disarmament experts and regional observers are more worried now because of the relative inexperience of North Korea's leader, who took over after the death of his father, Kim Jong Il, in December 2011.

"Kim Jong Il, for all his faults, turned out to be very savvy about just how far he could go," said Scott Snyder, a Korea specialist at the non-

partisan Council on Foreign Relations in Washington. "I'm not sure Kim Jong Un has that sense. He is on the verge of becoming Public Enemy No. 1, and that could be a fatal mistake."

Shi Yinhong, a professor of international relations at People's University in Beijing, warned that "this is one of the most dangerous moments since 1953," when hostilities in the Korean War ended.

"For decades, they've always suggested they were open to the possibilities that the nuclear facilities could be traded away," said Jon Wolfsthal, a former Obama administration official now at the Monterey Institute for International Studies. "Now they're saying, 'These are the crown jewels, and they're not going away.'"

**Kim Jong II, for all his faults, turned out to be very savvy about just how far he could go...**

Scott Snyder  
Korea specialist

Wolfsthal predicted that the White House would not make diplomatic concessions or shift policy in response to the threats. But if Pyongyang starts moving troops or weapons to directly threaten U.S. bases or allies, or begins selling nuclear weapons or technology to Iran or other potential adversaries, that would change. If the nuclear program "begins to metastasize, all bets are off," he said.

North Korea has insisted that it is acting in self-defense. It has accused Washington of using annual military exercises with South Korean forces as a pretext for war, and it has blamed the West for imposing additional international U.N. sanctions after it carried out its last nuclear test.

In response to the sanctions, North Korea has vowed to attack the United States and its military bases, canceled the 1953 armistice that ended the Korean War and closed telephone hotlines with South Korea that were set up to lower the risk of military misjudgment.

The Pentagon continued to beef up defenses in the region Tuesday. A military

official said that the U.S. Pacific Command would move the guided missile destroyer McCain off the coast of Japan and that a second destroyer, the Decatur, which was due to return to San Diego, was being held in the western Pacific to provide "added ballistic missile defense coverage."

The North's reactor at Yongbyon, about 60 miles north of Pyongyang, is believed to have provided fissile material for six to eight nuclear bombs. It was closed in July 2007 as part of a disarmament-for-aid deal with the United States and five other nations. As part of the agreement, the State Department removed North Korea from the list of countries that sponsor terrorism.

Although a uranium enrichment facility was revealed in 2010, U.S. officials are unsure whether North Korea used highly enriched uranium for nuclear fuel in the latest underground test. Tests in 2006 and 2009 relied on plutonium from Yongbyon. If it used plutonium again in February, it may be running low on bomb fuel and decided to restart the Yongbyon reactor to produce more.

North Korea destroyed a 60-foot cooling tower at Yongbyon in 2008. Experts say rebuilding the tower is not difficult, but other parts of the complex may be more problematic.

Joseph DeTrani, a former U.S. envoy to the international negotiations with North Korea, said it would require "a lot of effort and a possibly a few years" to restart the reactor. Experts say that if reactivated, the reactor could make one bomb's worth of plutonium a year.

Amid the tension with Pyongyang, the United States also is facing concerns with its regional allies. South Korean officials are pressing Washington for permission to develop a domestic nuclear fuel program rather than have the U.S. supply it with fuel and technology.

Seoul insists that its program would be for strictly civil purposes, but observers fear such a move could set off nuclear proliferation in East Asia and the Middle East, as well as lead to pressure inside South Korea for a weapons program free of American control.

Early Wednesday, meanwhile, South Korean workers were barred for the first time since 2009 from the Kaesong industrial park, operated jointly by the North and South just above the demilitarized zone. The North had threatened late last month to shut the park.



### About Kaesong

- Kaesong Industrial Complex was begun in 2003 to foster North-South cooperation

- Includes more than 120 factories that employ more than 50,000 North Koreans and several hundred South Korean managers

- Financed largely by the South; South Korean firms pay more than \$80 million yearly in wages to North Koreans

- In 2012, factories made \$470 million in goods, the largest source of North-South trade

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Map of North Korea locating the Kaesong Industrial Complex; with facts about the complex and timeline of recent actions that have heightened tension between North and South Korea. MCT

## Exacerbating tensions

North Korea has barred South Koreans from crossing the border to work at the Kaesong Industrial Complex, the latest in a series of actions that have heightened tensions between the two nations.

### Recent actions

**Dec. 12, 2012** North Korea launches rocket; says it put a satellite in orbit

**Feb. 12, 2013** North conducts underground nuclear test

**March 11** U.S., South Korea begin yearly military drills

**March 19** U.S. flies B-52 bombers over South Korea

**March 27** Pyongyang closes military hotline with Seoul

**March 28** U.S. flies B-2 stealth bombers over South

**March 30** North states it is in "state of war" with South

**April 2** North says it will restart its Yongbyon nuclear reactor

**April 3** North bars workers from South from Kaesong plant

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## ONLINE DELIVERY

# Your Web product in a locker near you

By Joan Verdon  
McClatchy Tribune

Online retailers Walmart.com and Amazon.com are looking to extend their reach by putting delivery lockers in drugstores and convenience stores, and in chain stores like Staples, to meet customers' demands for faster access to online orders.

E-commerce giant Amazon has quietly been testing delivery lockers for about two years, primarily in Manhattan, Los Angeles, Washington, D.C., and Seattle. In March, Wal-Mart announced it was getting into the locker game for its online customers, and will start placing lockers in its own stores, and in other retail stores, beginning this summer.

For Amazon, the lockers are intended to make it more convenient for online customers to pick up packages at multiple locations, and to provide locations that are more secure than a stoop or the entranceway of an apartment building. Wal-Mart is testing lockers both to create more pickup locations, and to give customers a more convenient way to collect online orders at Walmart stores.

"This is all part of the race to be able to offer same-day delivery to cus-

tomers," said Neil Stern, senior partner at the retail consulting firm McMillanDoolittle. Lockers in multiple locations can shorten delivery times by allowing a truck to deliver a dozen or more packages to a single location in the same time it would take to deliver one package to an individual address.

Wal-Mart has an edge over Amazon, Stern said, because it already has more than 4,000 stores in the United States where it can install lockers. Amazon is renting space in 7-Elevens, and other neighborhood businesses, for its lockers. In New York City, it has placed lockers in a parking garage and several supermarkets in addition to 7-Eleven convenience stores and Rite Aid drugstores.

"They need to be places that are convenient to people," Stern said. "In the right neighborhoods."

Fresh Direct, the online grocery service, has used a similar strategy, placing cold storage lockers in apartment buildings, where orders can be delivered when the customer isn't home to accept them.

Wal-Mart said its lockers will give customers the option of picking up a package at a store without having to wait on line, or ask an employee for

assistance.

A Wal-Mart spokesman said that the company is not ready to reveal where the first lockers will be located. The company disclosed the locker plan at a media event last week where it discussed plans to grow its e-commerce business.

Amazon has kept quiet about its locker expansion, in part because of controversies over whether the e-commerce powerhouse should be required to collect sales taxes. Online retailers are required to pay state taxes if they have a physical presence in the state. Amazon is scheduled to begin collecting state tax in New Jersey in July, as part of a deal worked out with the state that included tax incentives to build a distribution warehouse in New Jersey.

Amazon is seeking to open many more distribution centers as part of its efforts to speed up delivery times. It has opened 35 distribution sites in the past two years.

Amazon has not responded to media inquiries about its lockers, not when the first lockers were spotted in Seattle two years ago, and not when the Wall Street Journal reported on the first New York City lockers in August. Amazon also did not respond to



Lockers for Amazon are located in a 7-Eleven in Hoboken, New Jersey, as part of a pilot program to provide faster delivery to customers and give a more secure location than leaving on a doorway. Other retailers such as Wal-Mart are looking at the locker delivery system as well. **MCT**

requests from The Record.

A spokeswoman for 7-Eleven said any information about lockers in 7-Eleven stores would have to come from Amazon.

At one 7-Eleven store in Hoboken, N.J., a 6-foot-wide bank of Amazon lockers, with about 40 drawers for holding packages, shares space with soda displays and racks of chips. Customers who ask for their packages to be delivered to the store receive an email with a password when the package is ready to be picked up. The password is entered in an ATM-like screen in the bank of lockers, causing the

drawer holding the package to swing open.

Henry Patel, owner of the 7-Eleven, said about 20 boxes a day are usually delivered to the lockers. He said having the lockers has been good for business because customers picking up packages usually buy something as well. He said customers use the lockers because they work nearby, and don't want to wait until they get home to get a delivery, or because they want packages delivered to a secure location. The lockers also are convenient, he said, because the 7-Eleven store is open 24 hours.

# Fellowship: Castellano will use grant for doctorate program

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who gets that scholarship."

According to Eggers, another program Castellano participated in was the National Institute of Health's Minority Access to Research Careers.

Castellano said he applied and got accepted into this program after the Howard Hughes Medical Institute program.

Both programs have similar goals in striving to get students into Ph.D. programs by making them strong candidates to get into top schools, according to Castellano.

"(The Minority Access to Research Careers program gives) support for supplies and conferences ... during my interviews on the East Coast, they helped me stay there," he said.

According to Castellano, he was not always a chemistry major, but that he started out as a nutrition major.

"I had to take a required (chemistry) course. I was dreading it - I hated chemistry in high school," he said. "When I took the class, the professor ... had such a passion for it that it kind of rubbed off on me."

He also said after seeing the nuances and beauty in chemistry and science in general, he fell in love with it.

"I not only liked it, but I

felt I had a lot of potential to grow with switching majors," Castellano said.

According to Karen Singmaster, professor of chemistry, "He's been a model student in terms of his depth of understanding of chemistry concepts and applying those concepts particularly in research."

Eggers said Castellano has been working in his research lab since the summer of 2010.

Castellano said he's trying to understand the "thermodynamics of water and how that contributes to binding systems ... the effects of water on protein folding" in the lab.

Eggers said he figured out Castellano was capable of working in his research lab early on.

"I knew pretty quickly that he was sharp ... He really understood the subtle details in the research," Eggers said.

Eggers also said after seeing Castellano's potential, he put him on an important project he was working on.

"We submitted a manuscript of his work to be published, hoping it'll be accepted (into a scientific journal) before he graduates," Eggers said.

According to Eggers, both his and Castellano's name is on the project and not many students can say they sub-

mitted work that may get published when they're undergrads.

"He did the research. That's one way he's proven himself to me academically in the research lab," Eggers said.

He also said Castellano spends a lot of his time in lab.

"He helps smooth over little things that are going on that I don't even know about in the lab setting ... he's a very valuable person to me in that regard," Eggers said. "I think the other students look up to him," Eggers said.

Sandra Gattas, a senior double major in biology and dance who also does research in Eggers' lab, said Castellano was like her mentor.

"I got accepted into the lab a year after he was ... he showed me around and was really welcoming and helpful," she said.

Gattas said Castellano's award shows how he's a strategic scientist who will go far with his research.

She also said although the scholarship is really competitive, she wasn't surprised when she heard he won.

Castellano said although SJSU has a strong education system and good research is conducted, it is not very well known.

"I think me receiving this (scholarship) helps validate (the idea that people from

university can succeed) ... we are on par and we do produce students that are strong and can compete with everyone else," he said.

According to Eggers, this fellowship makes schools take a second look at Castellano academically because SJSU isn't known as a research school.

Castellano, who will be graduating in May, said he is

still currently deciding where to go for graduate school.

He said he would like to focus his research specifically in stem cells.

The fellowship affects which lab he chooses to work in because if it's a lab that doesn't have much funding, he said he's bringing in his own money so it opens up that door.

"The faculty knows they

won't have to take money out of their grants to pay for him and he'll probably get his first choice," Eggers said.

Eggers said it means a lot to a graduate student to get to work with any professor they want.

"They're really going to fight over him, at least, I would," he said.

Stephanie Wong is a Spartan Daily staff writer.



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### FOOTBALL

## New coaching staff looks to tackle the challenge of change

By Vince Ei  
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When the San Jose State football team takes the field August 29 for its first game as members of the Mountain West Conference, it will debut a brand new coaching staff.

Former head coach Mike MacIntyre accepted the head coach position for the University of Colorado, Boulder last December and left big holes to fill as many of the 2012 coaching staff moved with him.

Athletic director Gene Bleymaier then hired Ron Caragher to take over.

Caragher had been the head coach of the University of San Diego where he replaced current San Francisco 49ers head coach Jim Harbaugh at the end of 2006.

"They've got to represent the program on and off the field, they've got to be good teachers with a sound understanding of the fundamentals of the position and the overall scheme, and then they have to have a passion for the game," Caragher said. "I think I got a really good group of men on the staff, so I'm real pleased."

Caragher hired nine assistant coaches, two of which, Terry Malley and Fred Guidici, are holdovers from the 2012 staff and will be familiar to the players, but for Caragher and the other seven new coaches, spring practices are a much needed transition period.

"What we're trying to do is ... get through the learning

curve as fast as we possibly can, to get the guys comfortable in the schemes so they can perform," said linebacker coach and defensive coordinator Kenwick Thompson.

Wide receiver coach Greg Lewis said things will start working out when that transition period ends.

"It's totally new to everybody but we're adjusting well and we're going in the right direction," he said.

Cornerback coach Donte Williams was concerned that it would be tough for the players to convert into a new system.

**I think I got a really good group of men on the staff, so I'm real pleased.**

Ron Caragher  
Head coach

"When you have a lot of success like they had last year ... and you get a whole new staff that comes in ... it's pretty much getting the kids to buy in to what we're trying to do," Williams said.

Offensive coordinator and quarterback coach Jimmie Dougherty's approach to deal with that is to use his playing experience when he said he



Head coach Ron Caragher talks with the media during a news conference at the Simpkins Stadium Center on Feb. 6. Caragher hired a total of nine assistant coaches to complete his coaching staff for the upcoming season. Kevin Johnson / Spartan Daily

played quarterback for the University of Missouri.

"I'm not that far removed from the game and I try to always keep in touch with what the players are going through and try to relate to them through that and not forget what it was like to be a player," Dougherty said.

The Spartans posted an 11-2 record last season, the team's best record since 1940, according to the San Jose Mercury News.

"The most challenging thing will probably be to put together another 11-win season because we got a big target on our backs now," said safety coach Joe Staab.

Media outlets from ESPN to the Mercury News hailed the 2012 season as the best ever for the Spartans and considered that squad to also be

the best in school history, but Dougherty said a challenge is to not revel in past accomplishments too long.

"Fighting complacency is a big thing ... sometimes when you taste success like these guys did last year, you can be satisfied, that's just human nature," Dougherty said. "Not accepting that and knowing there's brighter things, there's bigger things down the road, that's one of the things I'm looking forward to with this group."

The Western Athletic Conference, which the Spartans played in last season, is widely considered to be inferior to the Mountain West, but the coaching staff has confidence they will compete for the conference championship right away.

"Cohesively we got a great staff here getting an opportu-

nity to ... be in a situation where we're taking over a team that's ranked, and that's very exciting to me to catapult them to the next level," defensive line coach James Jones said.

Jones said his job is to do all he can to be sure that the players are ready for the next challenge that lies ahead.

"I press the guys for performance," Jones said. "I want them to operate prepared, have all the information so that when they go into the games ... they're the most prepared unit in the country."

Williams said there is a high level of competition at the cornerback position, and he currently has five players in which he feels confident in giving a starting spot.

"I definitely want to be not only the best secondary this school has ever had, but I

want to be the best secondary in the nation," he said.

Now that spring practices are over, the coaches will no longer have the same level of interaction and they can only hope they made the most of that transition period with the players, Thompson said.

"We want them to be productive citizens," Thompson said. "I feel like football teaches the lessons of life, so therefore we're trying to prepare these guys to be successful in whatever they decide to do."

He added that the players will be held to a high standard in all aspects of life both on and off the field.

Williams said of the players on the team, "Not only do I represent them, but they represent me."

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## UNIVERSAL Sudoku Puzzle

Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9 inclusively.

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DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★★★★

SOLUTION:

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### PREVIOUS PUZZLE ANSWER

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## Today's Crossword Puzzle Universal Crossword

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### ACROSS

- 1 Not likely to bite
- 5 Bahrain big shot
- 9 Playing marble
- 14 Early Biblical victim
- 15 Minute amount
- 16 Super conclusion?
- 17 Cause of a big splash
- 19 On the ocean blue
- 20 Where research is done
- 21 New newt
- 22 Awe
- 24 Accumulates
- 26 Check information
- 27 Abbr. on a business card
- 28 Toward the stern
- 29 Inquires
- 33 Amateurs
- 36 Looney Tunes animator
- 37 Dishware
- 38 Copier paper order
- 39 PC shortcut
- 40 Ballet outfit
- 41 Elbow bone
- 42 Sheltered, nautically
- 43 Felt nostalgic
- 44 Sweeping story
- 45 '60s counterculture hallucinogen
- 46 Voice derision
- 47 Loathe
- 49 Part of a deli
- 53 Political power structure
- 56 Colonial insect
- 57 Org. for doctors
- 58 Hurricane winds
- 59 Abdominoplasty, familiarly
- 62 Greeting in Honolulu
- 63 Black and white
- 64 Fencer's blade
- 65 Boxing ring boundaries
- 66 Bank deposit?
- 67 Require
- 3 the keel
- 4 "Purlie" star Moore
- 5 1889 tower designer
- 6 Casts off skin
- 7 "Who am I judge?"
- 8 Machine gun setting
- 9 Modify appropriately
- 10 Instinctive response
- 11 Semicircular church area
- 12 Titleist perches
- 13 Timeline divisions
- 18 Some survey responses
- 23 Passover ball
- 25 Antacid target
- 28 Moved like a pitched softball
- 30 Dodge socially
- 31 Windy day toy
- 32 Eyed tuber
- 33 Quiz choice, perhaps
- 34 Cry out sharply, as a dog
- 35 Certain
- 36 They're high-toned
- 39 Famous falcon's home
- 43 Inclined to sulk
- 46 Bit of repartee
- 48 \_\_\_ of expertise
- 49 Desert dweller
- 50 Brown shade
- 51 Host
- 52 Did a fall chore
- 53 Off in the distance
- 54 Sport played in a pool
- 55 Stage accessory
- 60 Canton bordering Lake Lucerne
- 61 Caesar's X

## Voting rights law needs to be expanded, not reduced

The 1965 Voting Rights Act reigns as a piece of historic legislation during the civil rights movement that sought the end of discriminatory voting practices.

Today, Section 5 of that legislation may face changes.

Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act requires that certain jurisdictions with a history of discrimination cannot make changes to voting laws without preclearance or review through the Department of Justice or a U.S. Attorney General.

In February, the Supreme Court heard oral arguments in the case of Shelby County Alabama v. Holder in which Shelby County claimed that Section 5 singles out particular states, counties or towns with a history of discrimination and the law does not take into account the progress and changes that have been made within the country and those states, counties and towns to no longer need a law that calls for review of voting law changes.

In part, Shelby County is correct.

It does not make sense to single out certain states in 2013 based on the discrimination of the past.

One could argue that these states have learned their lesson and discrimination is no longer an issue in those particular states, however, let us not forget that despite 'how far we have come', this country has a long, deep history, present and possible future with discrimination.

One would have to be living under a rock or in complete privilege to say that discrimination no longer exists.

The answer is not to decide against Section 5 because it targets specific states.

The answer is to expand it to all states. The reality is, any state can discriminate by changing its voting laws.

The Supreme Court is to decide on this in June.

All of the states targeted by this section were members of the former Confederacy.

Other states that are affected include: California, Alaska, Arizona, Michigan, New Hampshire, New York and South Dakota.

All 50 states should be held to the same standards.

Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act, unlike many laws, had an expiration date and when it was put into effect in 1965, it was expected to expire in 1970 but with continued discrimination it was renewed for five more years and more states were added to the list.

In 1975 it was renewed again for seven more years due to language discrimination and states again were added.

In 1982 it was extended again for 25 years and once again in 2006 Congress extended Section 5 for 25 years, to expire in 2031.

Therefore, we are here today, 18 years before the expiration date, awaiting a Supreme Court decision on whether Section 5 needs to be renewed or removed and whether Congress had the right to renew it again.

As the years passed, the discrimination was present but it changed.

For example, the discrimination changed from race to language discrimination.

Discrimination will remain present and because of that Section 5 is a needed law.



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Discrimination is a foundation on which this country was built, and I don't expect it to go away.

If Congress saw fit the need to extend it four times as a means of combating continued discrimination, clearly the law is needed and should remain in effect with no expiration date.

Discrimination in this country has changed from the blunt laws of segregation

and transformed to the more clandestine methods such as requiring a driver's license or government ID to vote and gerrymandering to exclude those of a specific class.

I can think of people I know who don't have an ID and who wouldn't be able to vote because they haven't had the time or money to get one, and they deserve the right to vote because they are citizens.

The driver's license argument is one of fear of fraud. However, by requiring an ID, people can be excluded based on class.

That is another form of discrimination and a method that is worth being reviewed through the Section 5 law despite the state in which the discrimination takes place.

**One would have to be living under a rock or in complete privilege to say that discrimination no longer exists.**

Those particular restrictions may not raise a red flag because the exclusion isn't as blunt as racial discrimination, but the prejudice is very much alive and should not be tolerated.

Some may argue that because the essential piece of the Voting Rights Act is Section 2, which legislates against discriminatory practices, such as literacy tests, there is no need for certain states to have to adhere to the Justice Department when a change is to be made, but the need for review is constitutional.

Extending and expanding Section 5 would create a checks and balances system within the states in terms of voting laws.

If every state needs approval before changing voting laws, they may second guess or really think through the laws before they present them.

Not only is this a historical law that came about in the civil rights time period — after blood, sweat and tears were shed for equality in this country — the principles within the law need to remain in effect because no matter how far this country may think it has come, the truth is that discrimination still exists and will always exist.

Discrimination changes form, and because of this, this law must remain intact to ensure the people that their right to vote will not be robbed from them due to bigotry and ignorance.

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## ADHD scourge needs more attention

The problem of Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder is reportedly at an all-time high.

Just this week, the Atlantic Wire and the New York Times reported on a study that said that 11 percent of all children and 20 percent of all high school boys are



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diagnosed with ADHD, usually defined as a mental and neurobehavioral disorder, and characterized as some combination of attention difficulties, hyperactivity and impulsiveness.

This, of course, means more prescribed drugs with happy-sounding names, such as Wellbutrin, Concerta, or Adderall, each with their own unique zombifying effects that suck the life out of children.

But instead of only symptomatic treatment, I doubt any real change will happen.

I worry about three things: What these numbers mean? Why there is a spike in these numbers? What we can do, if anything, to reduce them?

The Times article addresses several reasons why numbers have grown — Partly that there is no definitive test to define ADHD, only a subjective series of questioning that is skipped often due to "time constraints and pressures from parents," — and that said mild symptoms are rapidly diagnosed, according to a neurologist interviewed.

The article goes on to trash this study — citing historical figures of ADHD rates around 3 to 7 percent, and most vehemently saying that 1 in 5 high school boys could not actually be hyperactive.

But despite this inaccuracy in numbers, there is some speculation that ADHD rates have grown regardless.

Some say it's due to pressures from doctors who receive kickbacks from many drug manufacturers, some of which are reporting their highest profit margins ever.

That may be one aspect, but I think it's a lot less vicious than that.

I've worked with children in various venues, from resident camp counselor to classroom teacher, with children as young as 7 and as old as 17.

Never once did I think to myself, "This child's behavior is too wild, let's drug 'im up!"

Instead, I did what professionals would recommend, regardless of pharmacologically prescribed medications.

I don't deny the advances of psychiatry in improving our society, but I think listening to the child is more important.

At the kids' camp that I've volunteered at for the past nine years, I've received at least a dozen campers whose parents decided to "experiment" with what their children were like without behavior medication. And though they were sometimes difficult, they were free, wild and actually able to do what they wanted.

One camper told me his brain felt shut off, and the only time it was active was the brief one-hour period from when he woke up to where the medicine kicked in.

I don't advocate that every ADHD patient go off their meds, but patient care and true contextualization of the disorder at hand is what needs to be done.

Part of this means examinations of diet, environment and the larger context of society.

Most neurological disorders have a strong genetic component, but I think the other factors are equally important.

One target I believe is highly at play is diet. The Foods Standards Agency, the United Kingdom's equivalent to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, released data in 2008 that showed a negative effect from food colorings and sodium benzoate, a preservative found in ice cream, sodas, pickles and salsa. As a result of this, the FSA urges food manufacturers to clearly label food colorings such as Yellow No. 5 and Yellow No. 6.

Just as any concerned parent should be avoiding foods with high fructose corn syrup, which inhibits our body's ability to feel full, these things should be avoided, too.

Because many of these children indicated in the survey data are inevitably also overweight or obese — as many as 64 percent of all Americans are overweight or obese — a wholly healthy diet consisting of whole grains, mixed proteins, leafy vegetables and seasonal fruits is recommended. This would potentially kill both vicious things with one stone.

Similarly, environmental factors, such as air pollution, household toxins, or regional climate, might also play a key factor — many physical anthropologists who study environment as a determining factor of survival have investigated how climate changes the people within each society. I would love to see this kind of research done with ADHD to see if there is any conclusive evidence.

Finally, there is looming crisis of high school and college students peddling ADHD medicine as a kind of study drug. Adderall, while proven effective for those with the neurological disorder, has become a prevalent recreational drug. This abuse happens on every campus, including SJSU.

Profits for drug companies will always be more important to them than the people who use their medicines, because they run a business. They accept what they've become, a mechanized arm in a pharmacological industrial complex.

Our world, either with a great drug-abuse problem or behavioral disorder crisis, needs attention. Only if we more holistically diagnose, change kids' diets, and fight student drug abuse then we might actually be able to not only understand what we're dealing with and effectively shrink ADHD.

That's when will we get a handle on this.

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REVIEW

## The Blue Man Group delivers colorful performance

By Christina Molina  
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Arguably one of the most riveting and flamboyant acts to appear at the San Jose Center for the Performing Arts, the Blue Man Group painted the stage Tuesday evening for the opening of their six-day visit to the South Bay.

The colorful trio – and I mean that figuratively and literally – didn't utter a single word throughout their entire show, but still managed to keep the crowd in full attentiveness during their hour-and-a-half performance.

The Blue Man Group originates from New York, with innovative, bald individuals destined to entertain in the upmost, creative way.

What began as a theatrical attraction in big cities such as New York, Boston and Chicago has now transformed into a global phenomenon, with the show having been extended to fabulous Las Vegas at the Venetian Hotel and Resort, Orlando, Tokyo and many European cities.

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It has now embarked on its first national tour here in the states and Canada,

and if last night's show is any consolation for what the Blue Man Group is capable of doing with its performances, no audience member in the world will be left disappointed.

Unless you were to watch a trailer of what the show actually entailed, it would be impossible to guess what the Blue Man Group is really all about. But I'll admit, that kind of uncertainty only enhanced my interest.

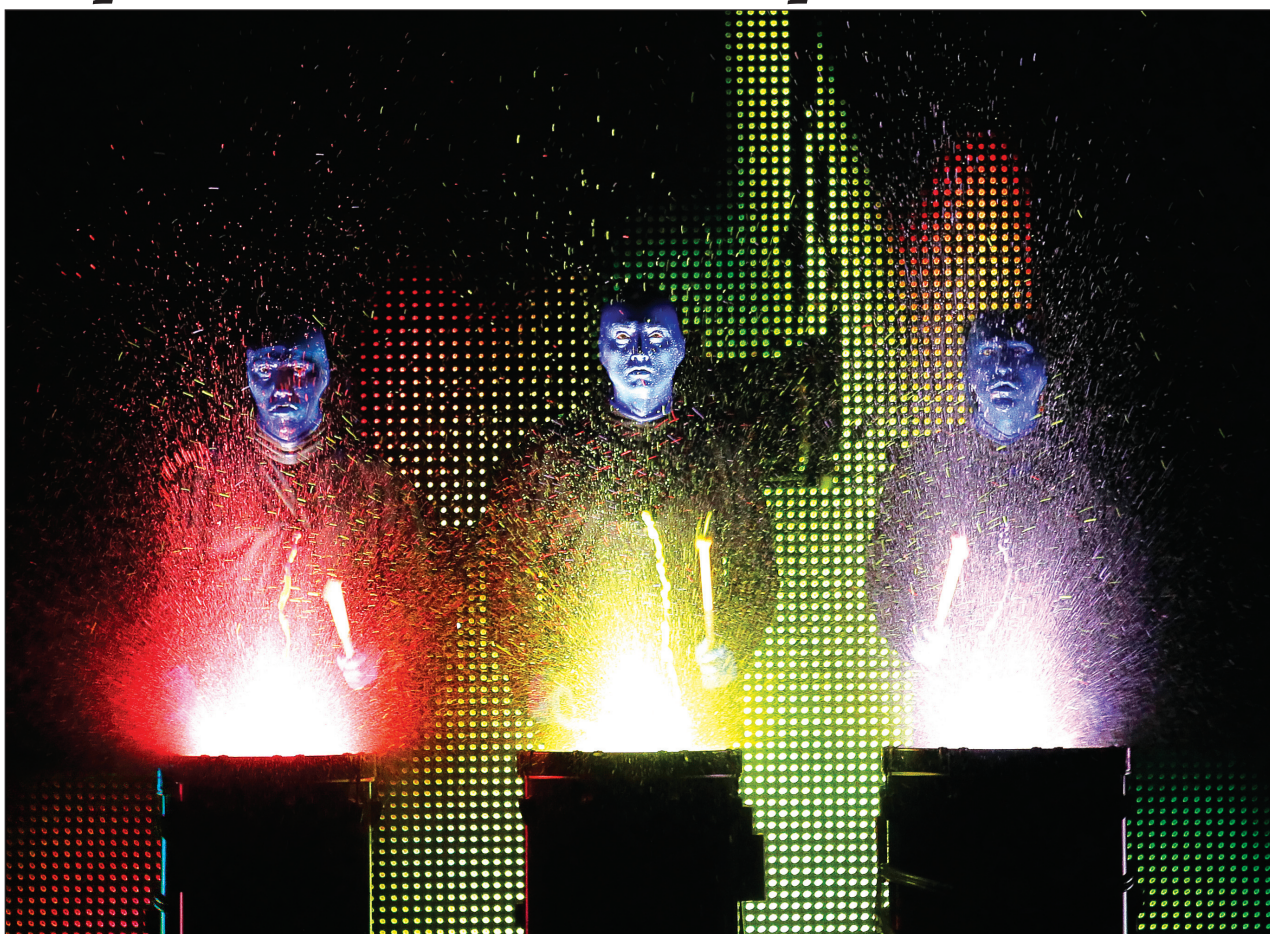
The show opened with a mini monologue – a moving marquee, actually – that had the audience read and utter silly sentences, a smart and engaging way to simmer down the near sold out theater.

All I was thinking while the people around me yelled out what the moving sign told them to say was 'what a genius way to get everyone frolicking in the aisles to sit down before the lights dim.'

Then came the thunderous drums and lights out – the show began and with sounds, lighting, and props, the three blue men delivered a performance of epic proportions.

There was a wide range of age groups in attendance, and had the seats not been assigned I may have chosen to not be surrounded by children, but their enthusiasm reminded me what the Blue Man Group was trying to accomplish: solid entertainment for the whole family.

Its tough to accurately depict who the Blue Man Group is as well as what they do without giving away segments of its show.



Top: The Blue Man Group play drums with paint during one of their performances. Bottom: Glowing inflatable props are tossed around amongst audience members at a Blue Man Group show. Photos courtesy of Blue Man Group

What I can say – better yet, what I am willing to say – is they combine humorous skits with audience engagements, booming live music and radiant lights and paints to create a show that will have you on your feet for a standing ovation.

This blue spectacle will be reappearing for an evening show today and tomorrow, and will be treating Blue Man Group enthusiasts to two shows per day, one afternoon and one evening performance, on both Saturday and Sunday.

Christina Molina is the Spartan Daily A&E editor.



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