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Faculty, students question chief administrator

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During Chancellor Timothy P. White's visit to San Jose State University on Sept. 6, faculty, staff and students were allowed to voice their opinions and concerns about the California State University system through an open forum and socialize with him during a game of Quidditch in the afternoon.

In January, White visited SJSU to primarily discuss the online learning initiative with Udacity, however, this time around, his visit was part of a 23-campus tour, according to Pat Lopes Harris, director of media relations.

"I committed in January to visit all 23 campuses in my first year," White said at the forum. "I blurted it out without thinking about the logistics."

According to White, SJSU is campus 14 and the tour will finish in November.

Kell Fujimoto, California Faculty Association Chapter President, had an opportunity to address White during the forum about the 2013-14 salary re-opener negotiations, which provides a salary increase to employees.

Fujimoto said the CFA requested to meet with White individually but was unable to get the time due to his tight schedule, which they found reasonable.

"We were able to re-negotiate some of the salary since the CSU has gotten an increase in revenue due to Proposition 30 and based on that the Chancellor has set aside about \$16 million for faculty salaries," Fujimoto said.

Based on the money that has been set aside, faculty has received a slight increase in their base salary, which comes to about \$960 a year, according to Fujimoto.

"I wouldn't quite consider it a raise but it's definitely welcome because we have not received a raise for the past six years," he said.

During the academic year of 2006-07, Fujimoto said there was a decrease in revenue and over the years there continued to be a decrease due to economic factors, causing their previous contract to receive an increase to be voided.

According to White, for the first time in six years, there has been \$125 million added to the CSU budget by the state of California but the CSU system is still under-resourced.

With that \$125 million, White said he decided he needed to do three things: acknowledge hard-working employees, increase funded enrollment on campuses and increase technology for student success.

Gary Daniels, president of Epsilon Mu Chapter Alpha Phi Alpha and senior political science major said at the forum that he was concerned about the

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CAMPUS IMAGE

Chancellor swoops through campus



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Chancellor Timothy White poses with a broom in hand with the official SJSU Quidditch team on the A.S. lawn after his open forum on Friday, Sept. 6, 2013.

TECHNOLOGY

Game Development Club launches first challenge of the Fall semester

By Michael Chen
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The SJSU Game Development Club launched its first game challenge of the Fall semester on Thursday night.

More than 40 students flocked into room 241 of the Art building to participate in a development competition in creating thought-provoking video games.

The Game Development Club is a student-run organization where the club environment should provide a "fun, educational and social experience for members" and is a haven for students who like to design games, according to a club representative.

Angelica Cabanlit, a senior communications major and treasurer of the club, said the goal is to "develop teamwork and building skills that are necessary in the gaming, art and computer industry now."

The club lists game challenges as competitions where developers must

design games around a predetermined theme with past challenges that include Pong, Platformer, Juicy and Two-player.

According to Gavin Higham, club president and a junior computer science major, challenges typically last about a month and recognition is given to the winner at the end of the competition.

Higham announced that the theme for the evening was dubbed, "Whatever can go wrong will go wrong."

Higham said that in each challenge, developers are expected to team up and brainstorm ideas for original games that adhere to certain specifications. Some specifications may include co-op play for the two-player challenge and making a game as flashy as possible without inducing a seizure in the Juicy challenge.

In this challenge, students are tasked with creating a game that throws the player off. According to Higham, a student might develop a tennis game where

the racket randomly breaks. The theme is designed as an exercise to stimulate creativity.

Students from various majors, ranging from computer engineering to mass communications formed into teams to kick off the first game challenge. Students were allowed to either form their own teams or be randomly placed in one, according to Cabanlit.

This semester the club will switch between game development and game playing nights with occasional program tutorials, according to the club's schedule.

Higham said he believes that game development is "a step beyond film."

"It's everything you've got in film," he said. "You've got music, scenes, character, story and setting."

Luis Martinez, a freshman computer science major, said it was a good opportunity to "collaborate with other people."

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EDUCATION

Congressman Honda tours program affected by budget cuts

By Jenny Bennett
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Congressman Mike Honda toured the Minority Access to Research Careers program in Duncan Hall Sept. 5.

MARC is a Ph.D. preparatory program designed to increase the number of highly trained underrepresented students who earn Ph.D. or MD/PhDs in the biomedical and behavioral sciences, according to the MARC program website.

Honda came to San Jose State to see first-hand the programs that have been affected by sequestration.

"It was great visiting San Jose State University today," Honda said, "and seeing firsthand the work that MARC students are doing in the biomedical field."

SJSU received \$1.4 million in funding from the National Institutes of Health in 2013, according to information provided by MARC program director Leslee Parr.

The National Institutes of Health budget was cut 5 percent from sequestration, which resulted in a 54 percent cut in the budget for

the MARC program, Parr said.

"We got hit really hard with the sequester," Parr said. "We lost five student positions and all the operational costs."

The program previously offered 14 student positions and can now only offer nine positions, according to Parr.

Parr managed to have the budget keep 10 students in the program for the fall, she said.

"Two will graduate at the end of the semester," Parr said, "and we'll bring one in."

The program is allowed to have nine students, but she said she didn't want to kick anyone out.

Honda visited two research labs where MARC students presented their research to him.

Vanessa Jimenez, a junior systems physiology major, was the first to present her research to Honda.

Jimenez said she would "like to go to Stanford to get an MD/PhD."

"I was going to be affected (by the cuts) because they weren't going to be able to fund our tuition 100 percent this semester," Jimenez said. "Parr was able to submit some of her resources to help us get that covered."

Parr said she gave her own money to help students in the program pay for tuition. "We only have 60 percent of their tuition now," she said. "So I gave up my summer salary to get them up to 100 percent just for this semester, so that they can get it together to get the other 40 percent."

Jimenez said she probably would not have been able to go to school if Parr had not supported the program.

Students in the program are financially supported and receive mentored research experience, according to Parr.

Miri VanHoven, assistant professor in the department of biological sciences, runs the lab where Jimenez and other students in the MARC program do research.

"I'm very happy to have (Congressman Honda) here," VanHoven said. "We know he understands."

She said that without the MARC program, the students would be working at McDonalds.

After visiting the research labs, Honda met with students, faculty and alumni of the MARC program.

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Senior Jacqueline Pyle shows her research to Congressman Mike Honda Thursday Sept. 5, 2013 in Duncan Hall. The congressman came to San Jose State University to see how sequestration cuts have affected the MARC program.

ANNIVERSARY

MLK Library celebration brings community together

By Leeta-Rose Ballester
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Community members from all walks of life, including city leaders, students and people pushing shopping carts, came together over coffee and pastries to celebrate the 10-year anniversary of the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Library and the unveiling of a time capsule.

King Library is the first and only of its kind in the nation – a joint collaboration between the university and the city library system, according to Jill Bourne, director of libraries for San Jose.

“This library truly is a cornerstone of San Jose,” she said. “This library provides something for everyone.”

Bourne said that more than 26 million people have visited the library since it opened in 2003 due to its unique standing as a public and university library.

Steve Zirkle, a community member, said the library plays a vital role in his life, in part because he doesn't own a computer.

“I come to the library every day,” he said. “It's always been a significant part of my life and this library is the best thing San Jose ever built.”

As library staff opened the time capsule, spectators that had packed into the Fourth Street



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SJSU Library Dean Ruth Kifer (L) and San Jose Public Library Director Jill Bourne (R) open a time capsule from 1970 at the MLK Library's 10 year anniversary celebration on Sept. 5.

entrance of the library leaned in and a rustle of excitement stirred.

Bourne asked the crowd what they thought might

be in it, but reminded them that librarians were the ones who had filled it at the 1970 opening of the old library.

Inside the rusted rectangular box were news clippings, a library studies student's master thesis from 1968, a photo

of former librarian Geraldine Murney, a tape reel and a letter from then-mayor Ron James to the future mayor.

Sandra Stewart, acting division manager for San Jose public libraries, said she had personally called James and invited him to the ceremony.

“I thought it would be surreal for him to be there,” Stewart said.

James smiled when the letter was pulled from the aged box.

Stewart laughed and said that when James wrote the letter, she imagined that he thought we would have flying cars by now.

The paper had disintegrated over time but a re-creation of the letter is available for viewing on the library's website.

Amy Dunning, library archivist, said the time capsule had been unearthed accidentally during a street-widening project, only to be reburied and then dug up again when the King Library was erected.

“The time capsule has been residing in the California Room,” Dunning said, “and has been waiting for an event like this.”

Janet Thorsrud, commissioner of early care and education for the library system, commended the contributions the library has made to the community as a whole.

“Bring in the community and bring in the students and everybody wins,” she said. “This is one of the few places where this has been done and it has worked beautifully.”

Ruth Kifer, dean of the university library, said when she first came to San Jose and saw King Library, she knew she wanted to be a part of the team.

“After 10 years, I am still excited and very proud,” Kifer said. “It took a lot of hard work. It took a lot of commitment and love.”

Addressing the crowd, SJSU President Mohammad Qayoumi called the library a bold and innovative project that was designed to inspire learners of all kinds.

“We were able to create something together that we couldn't individually,” he said. “This is a celebration of partnerships we can all be proud of.”

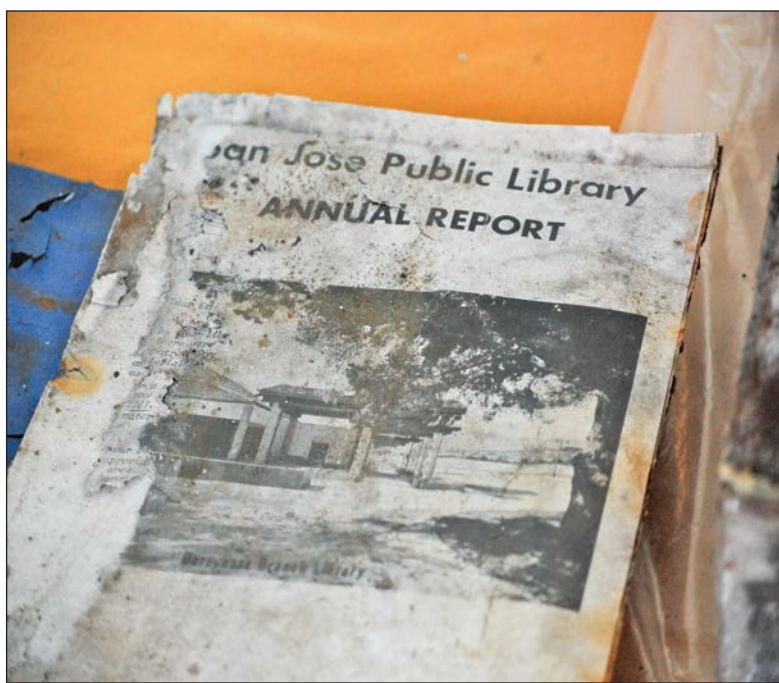
Mayor Chuck Reed took the microphone next and joked about showing up to “take the credit for the hard work” that others carried out a decade ago.

He said that SJSU is the driving force behind Silicon Valley.

“We're proud to be the capital of Silicon Valley,” he said, “but we couldn't do it without the graduates of San Jose State.”

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The time capsule's items included:



- A letter written by then-mayor Ron James to the future mayor of San Jose. At the time he wrote it, he never expected to be alive when it was unearthed.
- A tape reel from an April, 1970 interview with a librarian about the “new” library. This was one of the first recordings from local radio station KBAY after its Bay Area inception.
- Newspaper clippings exclaiming the pride of the city when the former main library was built.
- A photo of librarian Geraldine Nurney who had dedicated 27 years of service. She helped open eight public library branches during her tenure.
- The master's thesis of a SJSU library science student. The thesis is all about the history of San Jose libraries and was penned in 1968.

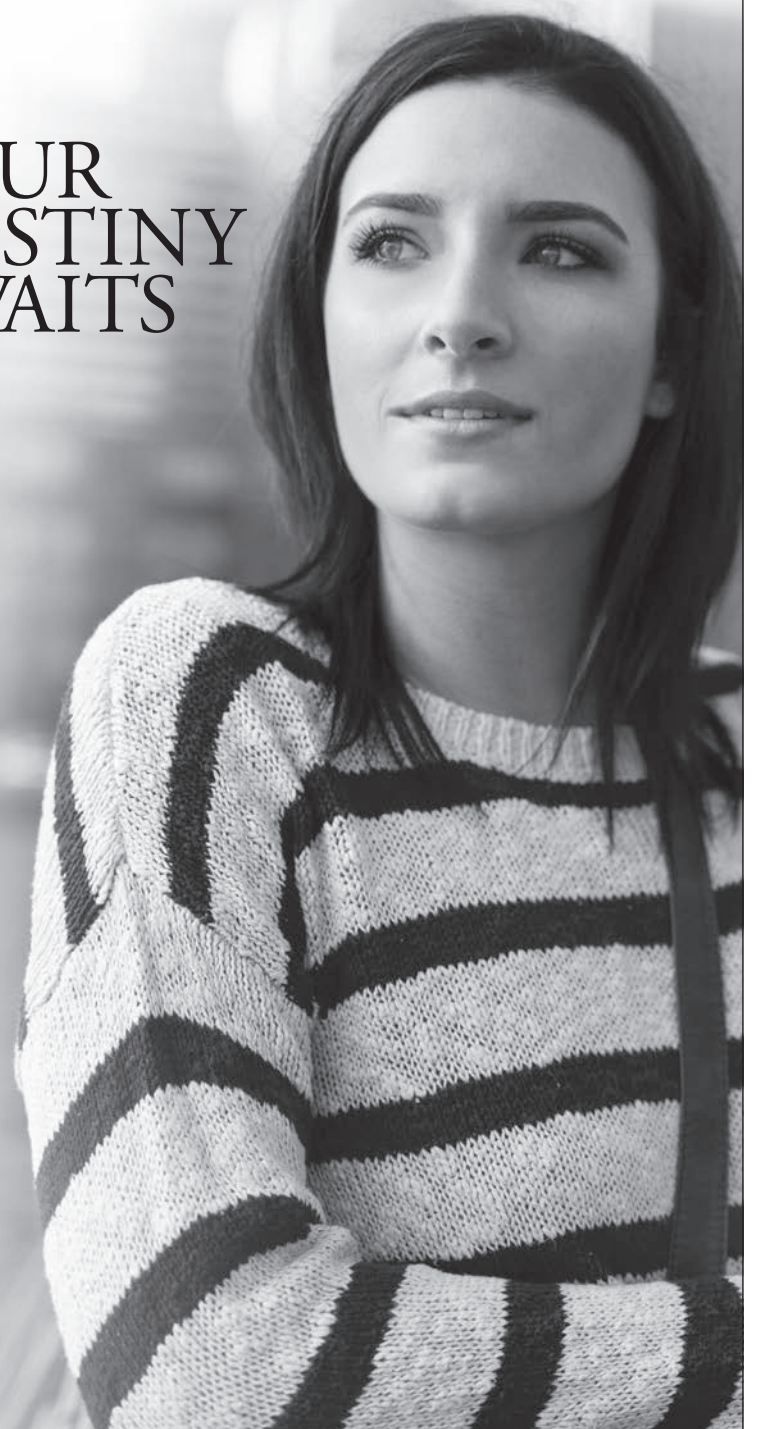
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HISTORY

From 1910 to 2013: An evolution of libraries

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The Martin Luther King Jr. Library isn't the first library to be on the corner of 4th Street and East San Fernando Street; it is just part of the evolution of a series of libraries.

Carnegie Library 1910:

- The first library to be at that location was the Carnegie Library, which was built around 1910.
- It was a small two-story brick building that served as the San Jose city library.
- It was bought by the university and turned into the campus library.
- The Carnegie site was ultimately torn down in the '50s to be replaced by a wing of the three-building "new library."

Wahlquist Library 1942:

- Construction of the Wahlquist Library, named after former SJSU president John T. Wahlquist, began in the '40s and was completed in the '60s.
- The Wahlquist Library was a hodgepodge of three mismatched buildings put together on the corner of 4th Street and East San Fernando Street.
- Wahlquist North (six floors) and Wahlquist South (two floors) were independent buildings before they were finally bridged together by Wahlquist Center (three floors) in the '60s.
- It was nicknamed "Sway Back Hall" because floor plans didn't match up, leaving a 3-inch difference between the sides and center of the building. A marble placed on the floor would roll to the center of the room.

Clark Hall 1981:

- As the school expanded, the Wahlquist Library's book collection grew to more than one million volumes.



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The Wahlquist Library was demolished in 2000 to make room for King Library.

- Clark Hall was built to house the overflow of books.
- When Clark Hall opened in the spring of 1981, it was the first building on the west coast with solar heating and cooling. It was so celebrated that Walter Mondale, vice president of the U.S. at the time, appeared at the ribbon-cutting ceremony.
- However, in the excitement of opening a state-of-the-art building, the mechanics of the heating/cooling system were set backwards so it would cool in the winter and heat in the summer.
- Librarians who worked at Clark Hall that semester claimed the temperature reached 120 degrees in the summer and in winter, it was freezing in the building.
- The only other library to be shared between a school and a city is in Switzerland.
- Construction of the library began because the city of San Jose had money for development, but no land. SJSU had land, but no money to build a new, much-needed library.
- The two came together to begin the MLK Library project at the turn of the 21st century.
- The project was not without its controversy though, as many groups opposed the new plans for a joint library.
- Groups such as Save Our University Library, comprised of several historians, argued that valuable and irreplaceable books that belonged exclusively to the university could be lost or thrown out in response to public library circulation demand.

Martin Luther King Jr. Library 2003:

- Martin Luther King Jr. Library is a revolutionary library because it is shared between the university and the city.

All information was provided by SJSU lecturer of history Eric Narveson, a published historian of the university campus.

COMMUNITY

San Jose Farmers' Market hosts 'Music and Market' event

By Jenny Bennett
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Live music and art welcomed patrons of the East Santa Clara Street Farmers' Market to the 'Music and Market' event held Wednesday Sept. 4.

The event featured local musicians and artists, with music beginning just after 6 p.m.

The event was the fourth of five special events to be held by the farmers' market, and was 'Arts and Makers' themed.

Solo performers Vincent Do and Tim Atlas performed acoustic guitar at the event.

Do is a senior marketing major at San Jose State.

Artist Will Moran of Empire Seven Studios painted a mural during the event, and chalk artists from Luna Park Chalk Art Festival decorated the pavement with colorful food-themed pieces.

San Jose resident Murphy Adams is a chalk artist with Luna Park Chalk Art Festival, and was one of the several chalk artists at the event.

Adams and other artists with the Luna Park Chalk Art Festival came to the 'Music and Market' event because "it was a cool event," she said, "and we've been involved with this community, so this seemed like a great opportunity to come out and do this."

Sports Basement provided a free bike valet at the event, and activities for kids were available, including a

bounce house and chalk. The special 'Music and Market' events were funded by a kickstarter campaign that launched in June, according to Sarah Trent, marketing and promotions specialist.

"If it wasn't for the kickstarter event we wouldn't be doing this" Market manager Moises Mena said.

There's definitely a huge interest from the local communities and all the neighbors in making sure that this market continues to be sustainable.

Moises Mena
Farmers' Market Manager

The Farmers' Market is operated by the Pacific Coast Farmers' Market Association and runs every Wednesday from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m., May 8 to Oct 23, according to Trent.

The special 'Music and Market' events are held on the first Wednesday of the month.

The market is now in its second season, Mena said.

He said the 'Music and Market' events bring more people to the market than on a regular day.

"When you look at the numbers compared to a regular day," he said, "it's over double."

At 6 p.m., just over 300 people had visited the market, he said.

The market is funded by a grant to bring healthy food to San Jose according to Maureen McCloskey, a marketing and promotions specialist with the Pacific Coast Farmers' Market Association.

According to McCloskey, The Pacific Coast Farmers' Market Association is the largest operator of certified farmers' markets in California.

Certified farmers' markets only offer California-grown products that are sold by the farmers that grew them.

"There's definitely a huge interest from the local communities and all the neighbors in making sure that this market continues to be sustainable," Mena said.

San Jose resident Sara Morales said she has attended the East Santa Clara St. Farmers' Market about five times.

"I'm always coming for the nectarines," she said.

Morales said she likes the 'Music and Market' events, but she mainly goes because of the farmers' market.

Mena said the last 'Music and Market' event will be held Oct. 3, but the farmers' market will continue until Oct. 23.

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YOSEMITE

Graduate students aim to help firefighters predict danger



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Jon Contezac explains how terrain, fuel and weather drive fire behavior.

By Leeta-Rose Ballester
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SJSU students traveled to the Rim Fire in Yosemite to investigate the interaction between fire and weather behaviors.

Jon Contezac, a graduate research assistant for the university's fire weather research laboratory, said there are three drivers of fire behavior: terrain, fuel and weather.

"The weather is the main driver of the fire," he said. "As a fire gets larger it can impact the weather in certain ways and it can cre-

ate its own circulations and its own weather patterns."

Contezac said he and a team of students from the fire weather research laboratory have made four trips to the Rim Fire and plan to return to better understand how fire and weather coexist.

The Yosemite Rim Fire is the sixth-largest wildfire in California's history, according to the fire weather research lab.

"Fire weather is the extreme weather of California," he said. "We don't have tornadoes, but we have fire."

The team loaded their truck decked out with meteorology equipment and headed up to the scene of the massive fire, according to Contezac.

Daisuke Seto, a graduate research assistant, said the fire was so large that the smoke plume could be seen from Mt. Diablo in the Bay Area.

"The size of the fire inducing cloud is phenomenal," Seto said. "It's unreal."

He said driving toward evacuated towns was thrilling.

"We don't know what we're going to see," he said. "It's a privilege for us to be able to get close to the fire."

Contezac said one of the biggest challenges to their research, and for firefighters, is getting close enough due to the rugged, vast terrain.

He said access issues are perplexing but fun.

"It's like a puzzle when we get there," he said. "It's a national forest, it's on the perimeter of a national park and there's so many trees that it's hard to find a location that we can really get a good scan from."

He said their primary tool is the Lidar, which works similarly to a radar and has a scanning range of about nine and one half kilometers.

"We were scanning from about 10 kilometers almost the whole time," Contezac said. "It was just beyond our limit."

He said the Lidar transmits a laser pulse that bounces off aerosols in the air, sending back a scatter of light particles – similar to how police radar bounces off a speeder's car.

The "backscatter" is what is measured, according to Contezac.

In short, he said the Lidar "measures winds where people can't go" and can provide details about the direction of wind movement and location of smoke columns.

The team's long-term goal is to create a real-time data website to aid firefighters and other meteorologists.

"We want to collect this data to support the firefighters," Contezac said. "We can perform wind profiles with the Lidar."

Seto said a great example of how this data is useful is the recent Arizona wildfire, in which 19 firefighters died.

"That was because of a thunderstorm itself," he said. "We are capable of detecting a developing thunderstorm and might be able to give a heads-up to the firefighters."

Richard Bagley, a graduate research assistant, said doing field experiments and being close to the fire is exciting, but the main goal is to help people.

"Getting to be outdoors is a big deal," Bagley said. "But we're protecting people and property so it's good all around."

The Rim Fire is the second wildfire the team has been deployed to, according to Contezac, but they have been involved with a number of controlled field experiments around the country.

A past experiment in La Marque, Texas led to concern from city officials, he said.

"We were waiting for the right conditions," he said. "The city was concerned that if people saw scientists igniting fires in red-flag conditions that people would think 'Oh, anyone can light their field on fire, it's a good day for that.'"

Contezac said firefighters are always on hand just in case the fire escapes the team's "prescribed area."

Craig Clements, director of the fire weather research laboratory, said the program got its start in 2007 and specializes in fire atmospheric interactions.

He said the team is recruiting students who are interested in participating in hands-on paid research projects.

"We're a very active field research team," Clements said. "We're one of the most active in the U.S."

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Visit: Students in Minority Access to Research Careers share concerns during trip

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MARC Alumni Manuel Ahumada presented his research to Honda.

Ahumada worked on display technology during his time in the program.

He is now a Ph.D. student at Stanford, according to Parr.

After hearing the research from the students and alumni, Honda said, "More policy makers need to hear about these stories."

Parr said she was happy to have Honda tour the program.

"He's a senior member of the appropriations committee that decides how the money is appropriated," Parr said. "I hope he'll remember us when he gets back, and these success stories, and help restore some of our funding."

Jenny Bennett is a Spartan Daily staff writer.

Project: Gamers get serious about developing video games for future generations

FROM PAGE 1



Michael Chen | Spartan Daily

SJSU freshman computer science major Luis Martinez plays the 3DS in anticipation for the club's first game challenge Thursday night.

Martinez said he enjoys the challenge because everybody has similar interests and goals.

James Morgan, instructor for digital media art at SJSU and club adviser, said game challenges aren't only a chance for students to play games, but also a chance for students to step into the game industry.

Morgan said game development is "interdisciplinary" and sees the game industry "spreading out into other disciplines."

"This isn't preparing a project for a class," he said. "This is preparing a project for yourself."

Student game development teams have until Sept. 26 to complete their game chal-

lenge, during which they will showcase their game according to an announcement from Higham.

"It's not what degree you get nowadays, it's what's on your portfolio and the projects you've worked on that employers want to see," Cabanlit said. "They want to see what you've done, not what you're going to do."

All students, interested people and even alumni are welcome to attend the club. Cabanlit said there was "no membership fee" so students should feel free to join.

The club meets at 7:15 p.m. every Thursday night in room 241 of the Art building, Higham stated in an email.

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CRIME

Three suspects arrested for murder of Kimberly Chico

By Jeff Gonzalez
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San Jose Police Department officers arrested and charged three men on Aug. 2 for the murder of 19-year-old SJSU pre-nursing major Kimberly Chico.

The suspects have been identified as San Jose residents Johnny Lozano, 23, Caris Warren, 22 and Jessie Grant, 23, said Sgt. Heather Randol of the

Press Information Office at the San Jose Police Department.

The district attorney will charge the three suspects with murder and gang enhancement, Randol said.

Lozano was the first suspect to be arrested on Aug. 7 by a gang suppression unit officer during a pedestrian stop, said Sgt. Stewart Davies, an SJPD homicide detective.

Lozano had a loaded gun on his person when the officer questioned him and he was arrested for being a felon with a weapon, Davies said.

Further investigations by homicide detectives revealed a connection between Lozano and the murder of Chico, he said.

The other two suspects were then apprehended by the covert response unit after investigations led

authorities to connect them to the Aug. 2 homicide, Randol said.

Grant was arrested Aug. 27 and Warren was arrested on Aug. 29 after investigations led authorities to connect them to the August homicide, Davies said.

"We don't think there will be any more (suspects or arrests)," Davies said.

During a shootout at 1:20 a.m. in the downtown San Jose area around 3rd Street and San Salvador, Chico was hit by a stray bullet from a shootout nearby, Randol said.

He said the homicide detectives investigating

the murder determined that the shooting was gang related.

Chico was not involved in the motivations of the shooters and has no link to the suspects, Randol said.

She said the "court process could take a while" depending on whether the defendants use their right to a speedy trial and many other variables.

Most murder cases do go to trial but they do not usually get resolved, said Amir Alem, supervising deputy district attorney of the gang unit.

It could take anywhere between months and years

before a case gets into a courtroom, Alem said.

"We still have discovery going on, evidence is still flowing in," he said.

The district attorney's gang unit will continue to build a case as the homicide investigation progresses, Alem said.

"It's a horrific set of facts, a completely innocent victim at the wrong place at the wrong time," he said.

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SECURITY

App puts campus safety at your fingertips

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A new campus safety smartphone application is available to SJSU students using Android or iOS operating systems.

BlueLight is the application that connects users to emergency contacts and is simple to use, according to developer Preet Anand.

"We're trying to make it as easy as possible for you to get help," Anand said.

Anand said users can input three emergency contacts and choose SJSU as their university during the set up process.

In order to use the app, students must put in phone numbers for those they would want to alert in an emergency.

Two large buttons appear on the screen when the app is opened, one that alerts contacts and one that calls the university police dispatcher, according to Anand.

He said it's the larger buttons and simplicity of the interface that set the app apart from his competitors.

"In an emergency, you have just seconds," he said. "You don't want to worry about your thumb hitting the wrong button."

If the user has listed mobile numbers in the contact list, those people are sent a link to Google maps with the phone's last known location using GPS, according to Anand.

At this point, Anand said, when the university police dispatcher is called it

will connect you directly in the same vein as calling 911.

He said he hopes to enable a GPS locator function with the school's police dispatch software in the future so that if a user doesn't answer a dispatcher's return phone, "they will know where you are with a touch of a button."

Anand said he was inspired to put safety in the hands of students as a freshman at Santa Clara University in 2006.

"I was at freshman orientation and they said that one in four females will face attack or assault by graduation," he said. "I heard that number, and I could not believe it."

He said that he worked on quite a few ideas to "put a dent in that number" before realizing that making a smartphone app could help more people.

Caitlin Valencica, a senior kinesiology major, said she believes an app like BlueLight is a good idea.

"The app is a cool idea considering how dangerous campus has become," Valencica said. "I think this would be helpful and since it gives your exact location it makes it easier for police to find you or even for your emergency contacts to know where to start looking for you."

Anand said he hopes students can find the app useful even when they are not at school because "lots of issues don't happen on campus."

"This offers a certain level of discretion to get out of sketchy situations," Anand said, comparing it to sending a text versus making a phone call.

He said if a person needed a ride home from a bad date or party, they could quietly alert friends or family on their contact list.

Patrick Loera, junior English major, said he hasn't felt the need to install a campus safety app but the ability to make a quick emergency call might be useful.

"Having UPD at the palm of your hand can be crucial sometimes," Loera said.

Since BlueLight's inception in April, students at more than 175 campuses have downloaded the app across the country, according to Anand.

Anand said that if a student is not close to a campus blue light phone in an emergency, having an emergency app could be important.

"The 70 feet it takes you to get to the phone could make all the difference," Anand said.

Leeta-Rose Ballester is a Spartan Daily staff writer.



SJSU Crime Log 9/3 - 9/8

The following items are selected from the University Police Department daily crime log.

- Sept 3** **Pi Kappa Alpha**
A report was made to campus police regarding personal belongings stolen from a bedroom.
- Sept 5** **South Second Street**
A police officer stopped a pedestrian. The person was found to have a warrant for their arrest out of Nevada for a parole violation in connection with manslaughter charges.
- Duncan Hall**
A person reported a stolen bicycle. There is no suspect.
- South Garage**
A police officer was flagged down in response to a vandalized vehicle.
- Sept 6** **King Library**
Officers were called to a "disturbance" between two people. One person was arrested for suspicion of a parole violation.
- Sept 8** **International Center**
Police responded to a bicycle theft in progress. No suspect was found and no property was taken.

Information compiled by Leeta-Rose Ballester from SJSU police department

Forum: Chancellor works hard then plays hard during visit

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lack of support shown to the SJSU African-American Studies department.

"This department was born out of the civil rights movement, it was intended to enhance African-American students' experience, provide institutional advocacy and a sense of belonging for African-American students," Daniels said. "Unfortunately, our department has been neglected and denied resources."

According to White, the issue with SJSU is finding out how to preserve the African-American Studies major.

"The campus is trying to find a way to manage through what would be a low number of students," he said. "A lesser campus would say, 'off with the heads, no more students in this major' and San Jose hasn't taken that equivalent."

White said the major and the minor will remain and there's no indicator that it will be going away unless students stop showing up.

Along with the African-American Studies department, other departments are also being harmed or "killed," according to Ruth Wilson, department chair of African-American Studies.

According to Wilson, SJSU is proud of the increasing diversity on campus and feels that ethnic study programs at SJSU and throughout the CSU system have contributed to the diversity, but most campuses don't have a vision toward what an "ethnicated" person is or what it means to develop an intelligent, conformed workforce.

One of the aspects that everyone needs

to keep in mind is that students are being educated, not trained, the chancellor said.

"A university community should be one to whom everybody with the intellect and willingness to work has an opportunity to be there and to be respected, to be listened to and to be learned from as well as learn from others," he said.

After the open forum, Daniels and first year graduate student and sociology major Diana Crumedy had the opportunity to talk with White one-on-one as he walked over to the Associated Students lawn where he was scheduled to play Quidditch at 3 p.m.

According to Matthew Martinez, vice president of the Quidditch club, SJSU is the only campus with a Quidditch club.

Before taking the field, White learned the rules of the game, was assigned goal keeper and made a few blocking saves.

"He looked like he was genuinely enjoying himself out there, which wasn't surprising but it was nice to see," Martinez said.

Life's a balance of play and work according to White, and he said it was great to see students enjoying themselves before having to get back to the books once the weekend came to an end.

"I'm serious about academics, but I'm also serious about student life and having fun," White said. "And we're having fun out here."

Sydney Reed and Tanya Mutz are Spartan Daily staff writers.

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NFL

Commentary: Analysis of week one in the NFL

By Nirmal Patel
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Week one of the NFL is in the books and there are already records being broken and Super Bowl predictions.

The defending Super Bowl champion Baltimore Ravens allowed the Denver Broncos' Peyton Manning to tie an NFL single game record by letting him pass for seven touchdowns passes.

Clearly, Baltimore does not have the same defensive intensity with players retiring, getting traded and moving via free agency this off-season. The way they performed on Thursday, it does not seem like they will even win the division. They will be lucky if they get a wild card spot.

As for the Broncos, they have added some key members on defense that they did not have last season. If the Broncos and Manning stay healthy and perform like they did on Thursday, expect them to be the AFC representative in the Super Bowl.

The New England Patriots are undoubtedly not the same team they were a few years ago. They barely passed the Buffalo Bills. T

he Bills are not a threat to make the playoffs this year with a starting rookie behind them, so Brady's bunch will need to improve.

The "WHO DAT" New Orleans Saints faced off against Matt Ryan and the Atlanta Falcons. This was a close game until the final seconds but the Saints came out victorious behind Drew Brees 350+ yards passing.

These two teams may just battle with each other in the chase to grab a wild card spot as both teams are proven to reach the post season. If the Saints can beef up the defensive intensity they will probably be a favorite heading into the playoffs.

The Tennessee Titans played the Pittsburgh Steelers. "Big" Ben

Roethlisberger just did not seem like himself, and the Steelers' offense struggled as a result, scoring only nine points and losing their first season opener since 2003, according to ESPN.

The Titans can push for a playoff run, but behind an inexperienced quarterback, a deep playoff run is unlikely.

The New York Jets went head-to-head with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers for a wild finish in New Jersey.

Geno Smith had a great start in his first career NFL game with the injury to Mark Sanchez, but the Jets' lack of playmakers on both sides of the ball will hinder their chance to win games this season.

The Kansas City Chiefs were all over the Jacksonville Jaguars. Alex Smith threw for two touchdowns and the Chiefs' defense played outstanding. Andy Reid wins his first game as the Chiefs' head coach 28-2, but Kansas City has a lot more to prove before they can be considered a playoff team.

The Seattle Seahawks made a fourth quarter comeback against the Carolina Panthers in a defensive struggle.

Russell Wilson probably got hit more than any other during the start of his career, but the Seahawks' line needs to manage to buy him more time so he can be effective.

The Seahawks will certainly be a playoff team, but will compete with San Francisco to win the division, otherwise they will fall to a wild card seed.

The Chicago Bears matched up against the Cincinnati Bengals in a game that ended up being an aerial assault.

Andy Dalton and Jay Cutler both threw for over 250+ yards. The ground game was not there for either team, but both teams had a receiver with more than 100 yards.

Both teams finished 10-6 last season, and the Bengals made the playoffs. Look for them to return with Dalton and Green improving, and look for the Bears to fight for a wild card spot in a tough NFC north division.

The Miami Dolphins defeated the Cleveland Browns 23-10. While the Browns are still a few years out from the playoffs, the Dolphins look to improve off their 7-9 record from last season to make a playoff push.

The league's reigning MVP Adrian Peterson and his Minnesota Vikings fell short against Reggie Bush and the Detroit Lions 34-24. Peterson scored on his first play from scrimmage of the season despite the loss, and if he stays healthy the Vikings will ride him back into the playoffs this season.

If Bush can stay consistent in both receiving and running, the Lions should have a better season than 2012.

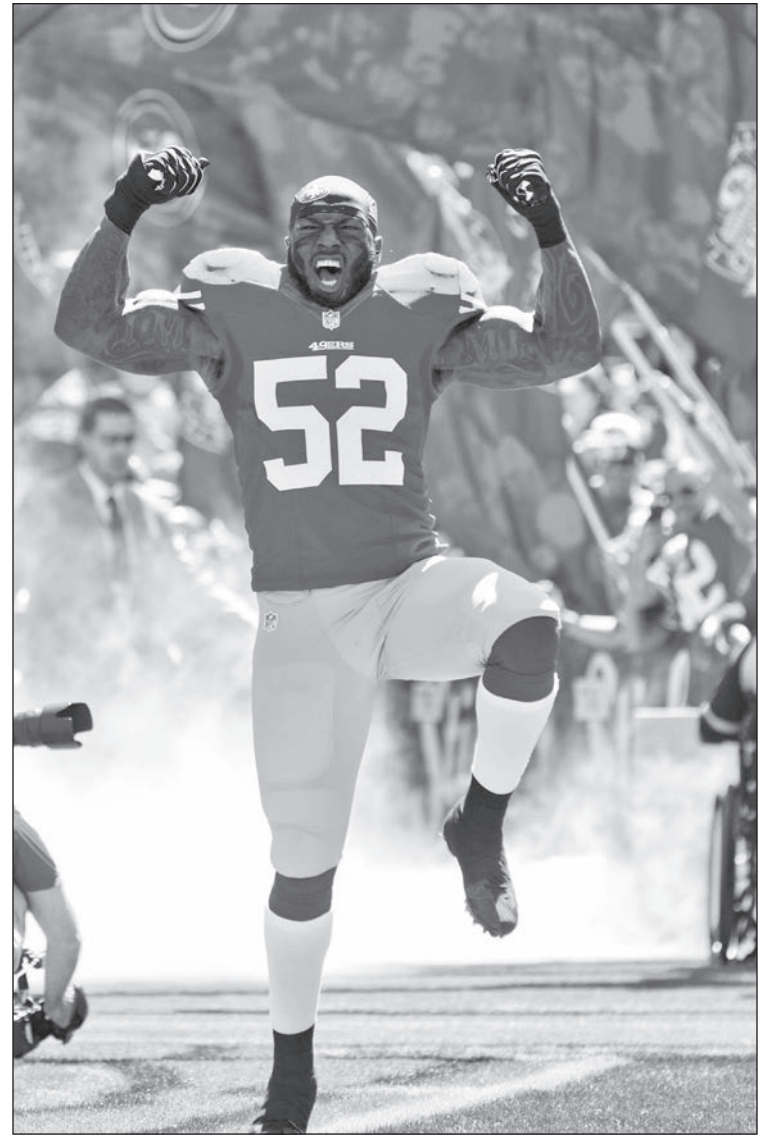
The Oakland Raiders gave Andrew Luck and the Indianapolis Colts a bit of a scare, but fell short in the final minute.

The Raiders played better than everyone's expectations, but the playoffs are a long shot. Rookie quarterback Terrell Pryor rushed for more than 100 yards and passed for more than 200 yards, and is a player to watch this season.

The Colts will look to get past the first round of the playoffs this year, which may be a tough road with Houston in their division and with new faces on the defensive side of the ball.

America's football team, the Dallas Cowboys, came out 1-0 against the New York Giants in a sloppy divisional rivalry.

Last season it was the Giants who made the playoffs, but this year if Tony Romo can have a healthy group



Hector Amezcua | Sacramento Bee | MCT
San Francisco 49ers Linebacker Patrick Willis (52) is introduced during the San Francisco 49ers home opener against the Green Bay Packers at Candlestick Park in California, on Sunday, September 8.

on offense the Cowboys have a shot to win the competitive NFC east, which is a toss up at this point.

The Arizona Cardinals played the St. Louis Rams and both teams put on a show. It was the Rams that came out victorious 27-24.

Having two teams that will certainly make the playoffs in the division (San Francisco and Seattle) the Rams or Cardinals would have to sneak into the last wild card spot, and have a little bit of luck on their side to do it.

The San Francisco 49ers barely edged out the Green Bay Packers in a tightly contested matchup, 34-28.

The Packers did not seem to find their running game against the 49ers first ranked defense, but both teams were able to pass the ball effectively.

If the 49ers can stay healthy they will be the NFC representatives in the Super Bowl for a few good reasons.

Last season the 49ers proved that Colin Kaepernick could do it all, with a strong arm and the read option, this offense is scary with Kaepernick under center.

Both teams are playoff-bound. Look for a rematch in January.

Nirmal Patel is a Spartan Daily staff writer.

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- ACROSS**
- 1 Do a post-mowing chore
 - 5 King with a golden touch
 - 10 Snake dancers of the South-west
 - 14 Visa alternative, informally
 - 15 In a state of combustion
 - 16 Warm up the crowd
 - 17 "Yikes!" to a poet
 - 20 Appropriate
 - 21 Money maker
 - 22 Go with great haste
 - 23 Ruminant's mouthful
 - 26 "Despite that ..."
 - 27 "Friendly" attachment
 - 30 Food company
 - 32 Welcoming garland
 - 34 Fraudulently alter
 - 36 Low points on graphs
 - 39 Word with "coach" or "home"
 - 40 Cry before a disappearance, to a poet
 - 42 Small Indian drum
 - 44 It's disappeared in vain?
 - 45 Nod of the
- DOWN**
- 1 Indian princes
 - 2 Pioneering pilot Earhart
 - 3 Baseball Hall of "Wee"
 - 4 Public art show
 - 5 Damage or deface
 - 6 "And's" or
 - 7 Fuzzy hangups
 - 8 An orderly grouping
 - 9 Become enraged
 - 10 Word before and after "against"
 - 11 Light musical production
 - 12 Miles ___ hour
 - 13 Successful candidates
 - 18 Abbr. for those who didn't make the list
 - 19 Seals in a sepulcher
 - 24 Elbow-joint bone
 - 25 Thaw, as a windshield
 - 28 Pigeon sound
 - 29 Legendary Bobby on skates
 - 31 Mosey along
 - 33 PR concern
 - 35 Plant bulbs
 - 37 Afghani neighbor
 - 38 Decorate with ornaments
 - 40 Acquitted
 - 41 Well-ventilated
 - 42 Schoolyard game
 - 43 African snake
 - 46 Tabby's mate
 - 49 Make rise, as bread
 - 50 Have in mind
 - 51 Infinitesimal
 - 54 Campbell or Judd
 - 56 "Silent" president
 - 59 Smaller in amount
 - 60 Urban pollution
 - 62 Second letter from Greece
 - 63 "Attack, dog!"
 - 64 Shoguns' capital
 - 65 Serpent's pigeon?
 - 66 Eternally, to poets

Head Coach Ron Caragher (middle) and team will charge into Minnesota to play the Golden Gophers on September 21.

COACH'S CORNER

After bye, Spartans travel to hose the Gophers

By Justin Malki
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Head Coach Ron Caragher was proud of the way the offense moved the ball up and down the field against such a stout defense, but said they missed too many chances to capitalize against one of the nation's top teams.

"We played some good football at times, but it wasn't good enough. It's all about getting better as the season goes along," Caragher said.

The Spartans coming off a tough loss to No. 4 Stanford still have plenty of work to do, with plenty of time to practice with two weeks until Minnesota. Caragher spoke in front of the media on Sept. 9 at San Jose State for his weekly press conference.

"I felt very encouraged. I thought our guys played pretty well in the trenches and on the defensive line," Caragher said.

Senior Linebacker Keith Smith led the Spartans in tackles for the second consecutive week and although the Spartans didn't manage a sack all night, they kept consistent pressure on the Stanford quarterback, which was encouraging for Coach Caragher.

"I went into that game knowing and believing we could win that football game and that's what I wanted to do." "Our goal was to slay the giant ... but it didn't happen this time," Caragher said.

The Spartans looked outmatched on Saturday night against the Stanford defense as David Fales threw for a career-low 216 passing yards. He

finished the night 29 of 43 with 1 TD and 1 INT.

"You've got to just nickel and dime them," Fales said. "They'll take away the big plays. That's their defense, and they do a good job."

After a second straight week of getting the offense off to a slow start, Fales, Simpson, Grigsby and the rest of the gang will use the bye week and try to find that same magical offense that finished 30th in the Football Bowl Subdivision (FBS) in total yards per game (446.2) just a season ago, according to ESPN.

Coach Caragher expressed his thoughts about an early bye week and said that the team is looking forward to four tough days of practice before they start game-planning for Minnesota.

"Another big physical team that

had a successful 2012 season ... and another one that we are looking forward to," Caragher said.

Keith Smith, Christian Tago and the Spartan defense will look to get on track with two weeks of practice before they match up against a tough Minnesota team that averages 281.5 yard per game on the ground this season, ranking 19th in the FBS according to ESPN.

The Spartans will face off against the Golden Gophers on Saturday, September 21 at 11 a.m. CT/9 a.m. PT.

This will be one of seven nationally televised games this year for the Spartans, which is huge for the San Jose State Football Program in terms of viewers and exposure.

The game will air on either ESPN or ESPN 2, it is still undetermined



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which channel it will be.

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War, what is it good for?

“Pearl Harbor was not an act of war, just a limited air strike with no boots on the ground.”

I read that on a meme today and while most would agree it is completely false, it caused me to pause.

When the U.S. aids countries suffering from civil war or maniacal leadership by way of dropping bombs, how much are we really helping?

Punishing Syrian President Bashar Al-Assad for using chemical weapons on civilians by launching weapons upon Syria seems pointless.

Assad's regime would likely counterpoint with retaliation aimed at the people of Syria after such an attack.



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Our continuous status of “being in conflict” cannot persist.

Catapulting missiles is war; let's call a spade a spade.

The U.S. is on the verge of intervening in Syria, pending approval from Congress.

President Obama doesn't have to seek congressional approval, but the consequences of taking action in Syria are so grave that he is rightfully acting with much deliberation.

Air strikes will inevitably lead to unintended deaths.

Arming rebel factions runs the high risk of weapons falling into the hands of extremists.

War is an insanely convo-

luted notion when you have no idea who the enemy is.

The civil war in Syria is marked by a confusing assemblage of players.

Mark Fisher of the Washington Post explained this point well, saying, delivering weapons “would ultimately empower jihadists and worsen rebel in-fighting, probably leading to lots of chaos.”

Beyond the scramble of power inside Syria lies giant outside sources.

One of America's largest, previous enemies – Russia – has stated strong opposition to U.S. involvement in Syria's civil war.

Since Syria began its uprising against Assad in 2011, Russia has blocked any United Nations involvement, peaceful or otherwise.

It ain't because they believe

all countries should remain autonomous.

The stakes are high for Russia.

Russian access to ports in Syria is a physical and mental place of power that extends past the borders of their own country.

Syria is Russia's last foreign military base, conveniently placed amidst a collection of turbulent nations in need of firearms and other assorted dangerous goodies.

It is a candy store of opportunity for the country that used to be a super-power, and Russia will not let go of their relationship with Assad without a fight.

When Obama asked Russia to reduce its stock of nuclear weapons back in June, it became obvious to me that we were much closer to going into Syria.

Of course Russia refused Obama's version of these cuts and we walked away as “frenemies” once more.

If we make a move into Syria, whether on the ground or in the air, the thin line we walk with Russia is bound to snap.

It wasn't that long ago when children in U.S. schools had air raid drills, cowering under desks as sirens blared.

Our nation shouldn't make choices solely on possible threats, but avoiding another Cold War, or World War III for that matter, should be at the top of our to-do list.

And then, we have Iran, who also depends on Syria for its own weapons trade needs.

The U.S. and Iran are not exactly best friends either.

The most compelling reason to go into Syria is to help the citizens.

Disturbing images of people shot by their own government in the streets or those killed with chemical agents are incredibly haunting.

Shivers go up my spine when I think of the pain Syrian civilians endure.

More than two million people have fled the country, half of them being children, according to Los Angeles Times.

Of course these numbers, pictures and people cannot be ignored.

It pains me to say we shouldn't march into Syria today to take down Assad, but another way to help must be found.

Syria's neighbors, Turkey, Lebanon, Iraq and Jordan, will likely feel a heavy burden placed on them as civilians flee and take up camp within their borders.

I believe the best option at this point would be to assist those countries and the refugees with serious humanitarian aid.

Not the kind where everyone writes a check to some organization today and forgets later on, but real shelter with

adequate food and water.

Basic human necessities are cheaper than blowing up towns.

Looking at the 1999 air-strike in Kosovo, we have close to a mirror situation – atrocious acts against humanity, a president hard-pressed to make the right decision and Russia blockading U.N. action.

According to Noam Chomsky, political commentator, logician and linguist, the Kosovo bombings cost “billions of dollars” while \$37.9 million was allocated for the “civilian operation.”

Besides, if we took part in removing Assad, who would replace him?

A scuffle for control between rebel forces would lead to more deaths and violence in the streets.

I don't purport to have all the answers, and I am certainly not a military strategist, but creating a safe haven for women, children and men faced with mayhem should be our ultimate goal.

Perhaps we could leave “the bad guys” behind in Syria, and let them sort it out. Perhaps we could leave “the bad guys” behind in Syria, and let them sort it out.

Leeta-Rose Ballester is a Spartan Daily staff writer. This is a special appearance of “Textbooks & Tantrums” which usually runs on the first and third Tuesday of the month.

Letters to the Editor

At San Jose State University, there is a vast array of world cultures. As a freshman coming from a moderately diverse region in Sacramento, I'm pleased to see the variety in the way people think, act and express themselves on campus.

While walking to class on the first day of school, I saw people of every background, ethnicity, religion, gender and sexual orientation. There may be trends in certain clothing and hairstyle, but everyone is unique in their own way here at SJSU.

On my right a group of women are speaking Mandarin; on my left there's an old man instructing his grandchild in Urdu how to kick a ball; in front of me there are a group of guys teaching some Britons about popular California slang; behind me there is a Muslim woman dressed in a beautiful green headscarf, walking to her next class.

The possibilities for learning about world cultures here at San Jose State University are endless. There are numerous ways to get involved with these different people; clubs like the Filipino Student Collaborative or the Sikh Students Association give us the chance to learn about one another. Always be proud of your culture, Spartans, but never be afraid to learn about the cultures of others.

Benjamin Saubolle-Camacho
Freshman

VOLUME IS A VIRTUE

BY ANDREW FORGY

Looking back, Miley wasn't that bad

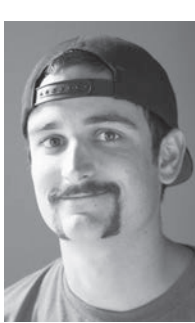
“Rock music was never written for or performed for conservative taste.” This famous quote by legendary guitarist Frank Zappa in the 1960s holds true through the generations of music, and even more so now.

From Elvis Presley's fast moving hips to Jim Morrison's rebellious television debut antics. Rage Against The Machine's protests on live television to Lady Gaga's, well almost everything she does. Live music performance is meant to entertain, inspire and even shock us and there is no greater or infamous platform to do so than the MTV Video Music Awards.

This year the VMA's did not disappoint, featuring new music from Katy Perry, Lady Gaga and Bruno Mars; while also showcasing an epic performance by Justin Timberlake and an epically short appearance by N'Sync (followed by a sad last hope note by JC Chasez).

The 2013 VMA's had no shortage of talent-heavy performances, but it wouldn't be the MTV VMA's without a little shock, and who better to take the cake for biggest WTF moment than Hannah Montana herself, Miley Cyrus.

Yes, we all know what happened, it was the most Tweeted and talked about event in recent times, even more than the Syria



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situation, but that is another column in itself.

We know how Miley looked like a spastic Care Bear with her less than flattering outfit, singing off-key and “twerking” with a guy in a Beetlejuice outfit who is easily old enough to be her dad, but really, was it that bad?

Going back to a time long before most of us walked this planet, there was a certain young girl who pushed her artistic style in ways that the public did not necessarily agree with. The year was 1984 and her name was Madonna.

At the 1984 VMA's Madonna was set to perform her then new single “Like a Virgin.” Now, producers should have known that a song like this could possibly go south, but Madonna shocked viewers with a risqué performance in a wedding dress that made men across the country over the age of 12 sweat in their La-Z-Boy recliners.

This spark of artistic perception mixed with the shock and awe style marketing would continue to build through the years of the VMA's.

The 1990's would see more rebellion through the likes of Howard Stern's “Ass Man,” Nirvana's “Rape Me,” tease and Lil Kim's multiple not-so-church-appropriate outfits. Artist after artist would push the

envelope and create waves across the media, making it more difficult for the next performer to step it up and make their mark.

The turn of the century was a time for growth in the music industry. The way people listen to their music, the way artists market themselves and even style of music were all growing at a fast pace; and nobody wanted to prove more that she was growing than Britney Spears.

At the 2000 VMA's, Britney Spears parted with her southern good girl image to perform a scandalous bit, starting off in business attire and stripping into a flesh-colored outfit. Spears would further push the limits in 2001 wearing less clothing, and a few years later at the 2003 VMA's by ending her performance with a three-way make out session with Christina Aguilera and the legend herself, Madonna. All of these groundbreaking performances can be viewed on Youtube, if you dare.

Music and live performances have never been something that everyone can agree on. Though most of these performances completely floored conservative audiences across the board, especially in the case of Disney-loving Miley Cyrus fans, pushing the envelope at VMA's has boosted the careers of artists. So really, was it that bad?

Andrew Forgy is a Spartan Daily staff writer. “Volume is a Virtue” appears every second and fourth Tuesday of the month.

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