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What's at stake in the redesign?

Editor's note: SJSU's Redesign Task Force returns from a retreat where members discussed how this university's curriculum will be shaped in the future. We start our examination of the colleges with the college of engineering.

With more males than any other SJSU college. The college of engineering is serious about recruiting women into its program. "We are doing an aggressive outreach by trying to obtain grants to recruit women and also putting prop-

osals on the table regarding working with kindergarten through 12th grades to raise interest of women students," Associate Dean of Engineering Kuci-Wu Tsai said. "We now have more female teachers within the college who act as role models to attract women engineers. We're putting in a lot of effort into changing the situation, not gradually, but as fast as we can." Graduation rates as a whole have suffered a 4.6 percent loss during the

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previous academic year resulting from a 100 decrease of baccalaureate degrees. A home page and a video tape have been created and there is an active Adopt-A-School program where student and faculty volunteers speak at area schools. "The new facilities that were finished in 1988 opened the engineering enrollment cap, which resulted in increased enrollment," Tsai said. "In the years following, the graduation rate skyrocketed and now it is on the

decline which was to be expected." The college will promote itself to local high schools on Feb. 28 for the SJSU College of Engineering Outreach Day which will include presentations about how engineering can improve the quality of life for all of us. "The goal is to do an aggressive outreach program to promote not only the college of engineering, but SJSU as a whole," Tsai said. "It has been working so far so we will continue with our efforts."

By Terri Milner

Enrollment in college: 3167
Number of departments: 9
Aerospace Engineering
Chemical Engineering
Civil Engineering & Applied Mechanics
Computer Engineering
Electrical Engineering
General Engineering
Industrial & Sys Engineering
Materials Engineering
Mechanical Engineering
Tenured professors: 45
Probationary: 16
Total: 61
Faculty/Student ratio: 15.43
Ethnic breakdown
African American: 149

Hispanic: 305
Asian: 1,587
Am. Indian/Alaskan: 8
Filipino: 255
Pacific Islander: 16
white: 813
Gender breakdown
Female: 488
Male: 2,958
Accredited
Aerospace, Computer, Electrical, Industrial, Materials Engineering until 1999/00
Mechanical, Chemical Engineering until 1996/97

Spirited rally sells college to youth



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Left: Ricky C. of the San Jose rock group ID rocks the house as hundreds of sixth to eighth graders attended the "College: Making It Happen" kick-off rally in the Student Union on

Saturday. Xavier "The X-Man" Soriano from WYLD 107.7, SJSU President Robert Caret, San Jose city council members and television news reporters spoke at the event.

By Doug Burkhardt
Spartan Daily Staff Writer

David Pandori may not have received the same surge from the crowd as Xavier "The X-Man," Soriano, disk jockey from WYLD 107.7, but his message was heard just the same.

"It was a high-energy crowd," said David Ocampo, an San Jose State University advertising major. "(Pandori) was cool. He got into the spirit of the event which is unique for a council member. They're usually so straight forward."

"I have no intention of giving a long, boring speech," said Pandori before the rally. Pandori, who represents SJSU and the downtown business district, said it is important to grab the attention of young students and point them in the right direction.

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Making college happen for teens

By Mark Steidel
Spartan Daily Staff Writer

"College Is Da' Bomb." "I'm Going To College."

These were just a couple of the many signs that more than 600 San Jose junior high and high school students waved Saturday at the first "College: Making It Happen" kick-off rally at SJSU.

The rally, which was held in the Student Union Loma Prieta Ballroom, is SJSU's contribution to College Awareness Month. It is sponsored by SJSU's Pre-College Program, a cooperative effort incorporating the College Readiness Program, San Jose California Student

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Festival honors new year

Tet celebration at county fairgrounds

By Andy W. Ho
Spartan Daily Staff Writer

A lively atmosphere was the order of the day at the Vietnamese New Year Tet Friendship Festival on Saturday at the Santa Clara County Fairgrounds. Thousands were in attendance to help celebrate the Year of the Ox.

Hundreds of vendors hawked their wares, everything from designer sunglasses to Internet access. Food stands filled the air with mouthwatering smells. Asian food wasn't the only cuisine offered. Shish kebabs fought for space with pepper-steak sandwich shops.

Along with stands selling products, services and food came informational tables staffed by local news stations, veterans' charities and the San Jose Fire Department, among others.

The San Jose Fire Department was distributing brochures on fire prevention in both English and Vietnamese to attendees. Firefighter Eric Giordano said that the purpose of their presence was to be seen.

"Getting out literature to one or two is better than none," he said.

Revelers who stood out from the pack were women who wore traditional Vietnamese dresses—long, colorful one-pieces slit high up the thigh and worn over similar slacks. Elizabeth Webster said that her dress was made by a friend. She thought the festival was "pretty good" and said: "I wish I was here earlier for the parade."

Julia Ha, a resident of the Bay Area, said she came home from University of California Davis to be with her family for the New Year. "I'm enjoying the sights and sounds," she said.

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City divided over theater

By Aaron Williams
Spartan Daily Senior Staff Writer

The controversy over the Jose Theater, one of San Jose's first vaudeville venues, is raising the question of whether to preserve the past or move into the future.

Designated a City of San Jose Historic Landmark on April 16, 1991, the Jose closed two weeks later after the owners were unwilling to foot the \$1 million bill to retrofit the building to meet earthquake codes. Now a battle rages as just what to do with the aging building.

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Artist illustrated valley

By Gloria Magaña
Spartan Daily Staff Writer

San Jose artist Margaret O'Keefe, who died in January, revived a part of history by capturing through her paintings what the Santa Clara Valley was like before its transformation into the Silicon Valley. She was a witness to a time period that can never again be recaptured.

Through her eyes and through the instrumental movement of her pencil and paintbrush, she recorded a part of history. Her paintings capture the plight of laborers and the methodical routine they followed during the harvesting of the apricots in the 1930's when agriculture dominated the valley.

O'Keefe was born in May 17, 1909 and was the only child of John and Margaret O'Keefe.

She was raised by her father after her mother's early death. O'Keefe never married and lived in the

same house since her childhood on South 16th Street until her death.

Second cousin Jane Adams, one of O'Keefe's few relatives, said, "as a young girl she was very shy and preferred to draw. By the age of ten her drawings were fully developed."

Recognizing early on what she loved and wanted to do, O'Keefe's passion for art drew her to the California School of Fine Arts in San Francisco, now known as the Art Institute, which she attended in the 1930s.

"Her cousins used to laugh at her because they could not understand why she did not want to do something that would be more productive like become a teacher," Adams said. The cousins had attended San Jose State Teachers College, which later on became San Jose University, where they studied to teachers.

Adams found an essay written in 1959 by O'Keefe in which O'Keefe recalls her cousins'

remarks, "I feel sorry for them because I am doing something I love."

Her father was very supportive and at times, according to Adams, modeled for O'Keefe's drawings. The passion she felt for her work was reflected through the energy and time she put into studying the subjects she painted. She took a job as a laborer just to be closer to her subjects.

Gene VanNatta, a friend of 22 years and the executive director of the San Jose Art League, said, "Maggie was an independent artist who followed her own dream and philosophy unlike many other artists who rely on other artists for inspiration. She was unwilling to follow whatever was current or trendy."

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Senior guard Kari Steele follows her father and brothers into the family sport — basketball



Executives in CSU system should receive higher wages

The CSU system — long considered the bridesmaid to the UC system in the marriage between California and higher education — doesn't pay its top executives very much in comparison to other university officials in the country.

A December 1996 William M. Mercer report disclosed that the average CSU president makes \$141,305 — 30.5 percent less than the \$184,415 the average university president makes. But if the CSU wants to lend some credibility to itself or its graduates, it needs to quit offering sub-par wages and sub-par benefits for its executives.

UC chancellors on average make almost

\$65,000 more than our CSU presidents. That doesn't even include the benefit packages the UC chancellors get: an option of an executive automobile, a monthly allowance or reimbursement of expenses for travel and entertainment, and a corporate credit card for charging legitimate university expenses.

What does our own President Robert Caret get? \$1,500 a month for housing a family in the Bay Area.

We all know that \$1,500 is barely enough for a two-bedroom apartment in the Silicon Valley. It's no wonder the CSU system believes top executives are willing to turn down an offer to work in California.

Editorial

Over the last decade, the quality of both the CSUs and UCs has been decreasing in comparison to the higher education system's in other states. North Carolina, Texas, Michigan, Arizona and New York are all beginning to surpass California in terms of quality, higher education systems.

If those states are paying their college presidents and top executives more money to live in a state with a lower cost of living, it is no wonder California has a difficult time attracting and retaining the best and bright-

est. Now we have to ask ourselves if the degradation in the quality of a California education is due to the state's inability to attract the best education executives or is it that the executives are not producing once they get here.

We choose the former.

University executives have led schools through the recession with reasonable success. When fee increases drove students out of the classrooms, executives managed to keep programs that matter without sacrificing the entire budget.

Now that the state is seeing more tax revenue from a growing economy, we think it's

about time those executives get rewarded for their work during the tough times.

However, before we start handing out pay raises and perks to university presidents and CSU executives, there are a few other things that need to be addressed first.

Students' fees could be decreased by 10 percent, to give us a small break after the years of fee increases.

More money should be put into class offerings so that there aren't hundreds of students who can't get classes they need.

Then after students' needs are met, the executives could get some sort of a pay raise.

Legalizing prostitution will eventually save taxpayers money

When I watch television and see hardworking sex workers being arrested for trying to earn a living, it saddens me. We can pay men hundreds of dollars so they can fight each other, but women get punished for causing enjoyment to another human.

Let's deal with it, and legalize it.

Legalizing prostitution would put an end to the vicious cycle that has a convicted prostitute spending only a weekend in jail and then having to work harder to pay off the court fees. It will also give police more time to focus on more serious crimes.

The San Francisco Task Force on Prostitution found that taxpayers in the City were paying more than \$7.6 million annually in prostitution-related cases. This money could be going to social and educational programs that can help put an end to prostitution.

Some say prostitution is unsafe and immoral. But if a woman can decide to have an abortion, which gives her the right over her own organs, then she should be able to use them to survive. If she wants to use her body for sex, let her.

Remember, sex is not against the law — just the payment for the service.

So money isn't the issue, it's morality.

Two strangers meet at a nightclub and later have sex. Some say this is immoral, but they don't go to jail.

But it isn't a morality issue, it's a public health and safety issue.

It is commonly assumed that prostitutes spread STDs such as HIV and herpes at a higher rate than the general public. However, there has been no evidence to show that prostitutes have a higher rate of HIV or the spread of diseases. In fact, prostitutes are more educated in the area of safe sex than most other sexually active persons. In the state of California, a person convicted of prostitution is required to be tested for AIDS.

In a society fascinated by sex and sex appeal, it's strange how we can arrest people for using their body to earn a living. So let's arrest Cindy Crawford and Marky Mark for using their bodies to make millions.

Legalization would not only be saving taxpayers money but would be aiding prostitutes as well. Sex workers would be required to register with the state and be checked weekly for infections. There would be controlled areas and regulations for these women to follow. This would give less power to their pimps, who tend to cause harm to prostitutes.

It doesn't matter what our morals or beliefs are, we can't force them on others. Regardless of if we like it, prostitution is going to be around for a long time, and unless we do something to help these people, it's only going to get worse.

It's not like they are hurting anybody. These are two consenting adults who are fully aware of what they are doing.

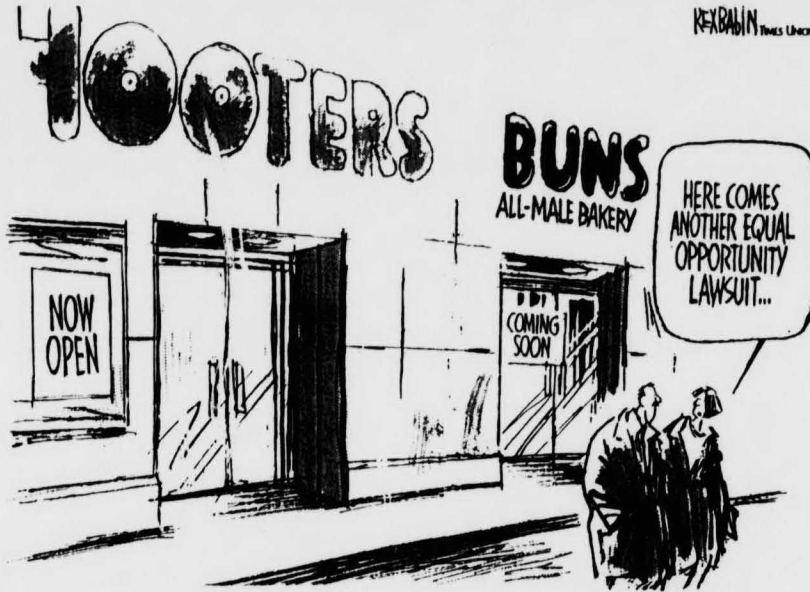
If a woman wants to have sex to earn a living, more power to her. A woman should have the right to choose. The government has no right to involve itself in the rights of hardworking citizens.

Let her do her thing. Legalize it.

Tricia Herrera is a Spartan Daily Staff Writer.



WRITER'S FORUM
By Tricia Herrera



Marijuana may help provide people with temporary relief

Proposition 215 made a clear win on election day a few months ago. The win, 56 percent to 44 percent.

The proposition states it is now legal in California to use marijuana for medicinal purposes.

A similar Proposition 200 passed in Arizona before hitting it big in sunny California.

Why did it take so long to pass when the very use of the drug could have saved millions of people?

Why are we as Americans afraid to prescribe a drug that our ancestors used without shame? It seems to be an endless war.

Arizona law permits the use of heroin, LSD and methamphetamine, as long as a user gets the prescriptions from two doctors.

How did the use of marijuana become legal?

Well, a group of California doctors got together and filed a suit claiming that their rights to prescribe certain drugs to their patients were being infringed upon.

So now the drug is sold to people with several illnesses, including to anyone with migraine headaches.

However, the use of the drug is not popular with a lot of U.S. voters. In fact, polls reveal no sign that Americans want to legalize marijuana or any other drug.

The proposition has come to anger groups like the Partnership for a Drug-Free America, which states that marijuana use among teen-agers has been on a steady increase.

The California law has no age restrictions, which makes it easier for some to use.

For nearly 30 years, the American government has listed marijuana as a "Schedule I" drug, a category which means a substance that has no real medical value.

Marijuana is not completely a risk-free drug. Its smoke does contain some carcinogens, but it is a lot less than most prescribed drugs.

Because people can puff one at a time, they can monitor the smoke level to relieve their own pain; basically, they can control how much they smoke or inhale. The use of marijuana provides a great advantage where prescription drugs may offer temporary relief. The use of marijuana lets people respond directly to their symptoms.

Does that mean that the legalization of marijuana for medicinal purposes is a good idea? No, not really, because despite what activists say, there is no real proof that smoking pot is the most effective treatment for any illness.

Whatever the battle may seem to be, Americans will have to take a step toward deciding whether it's good for us. The sooner we decide, the less of an issue Prop. 215 will be.

Puna Nair is a Spartan Daily Staff Writer.



WRITER'S FORUM
By Puna Nair

The judicial system can't be trusted

Now that white America has gotten the verdict it wanted on O.J. Simpson, we can finally rest and forget about racial differences in thinking, right? Wrong.

All the verdict has done is illustrate the need for further understanding between people of color and the majority.

Simply put, the verdict placated the angry white person, while giving people of color more of a reason not to trust the judicial system in this country.

The system, which has been the bane of many people of color over its 200-plus years, found a black man innocent of killing two white people. Because white folks were mad, O.J. was tried again, this time he lost most, if not all, of his money.

Before I start getting hate mail from you, let me state clearly: O.J. Simpson may have killed Nicole Brown Simpson and Ronald Goldman. I wasn't there, so I don't know.

What I do believe is that O.J. Simpson did lie during his civil trial. I believe he lied about hitting Nicole, about owning the shoes, about a lot of things.

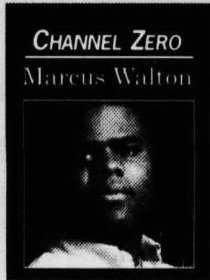
I believe something else, too: None of you were at Nicole Brown Simpson's place the night of the murders, either. None of you were there during the police investigation, and none of you know if O.J. murdered those people.

All we have is circumstantial evidence and a racist detective on a shady police force.

It is possible that O.J. killed them, and it is possible that he didn't.

What white people fail to realize is that when it comes to the law dealing with people of color, most of the time we get the short end of the stick.

Now that a black man was able to buy his freedom,



CHANNEL ZERO
Marcus Walton

Now that a black man was able to buy his freedom, white America wants us to cry and scream about injustice.

white America wants us to cry and scream about injustice. Not a chance.

When 14-year-old Emmitt Till was lynched and castrated for whistling at a white woman in Mississippi, white America said, "He shouldn't be whistling at no white woman."

When Los Angeles police officers beat the holy hell out of Rodney King, White America said, "He should have followed the officers' orders."

When black people get arrested for possessing crack cocaine and get a harsher sentence than a white person with powder cocaine, white America says, "Crack kills." As if powder cocaine doesn't.

Now that a black man may have killed two white people and gotten away with it, white America screams bloody murder and wonders why people of color aren't shedding any tears.

Figure it out. I am extremely sorry that those two people died. For them and their families, I am sad.

But to ask me to be disappointed because a person of color beat a justice system that wears its racism on its sleeve, is just plain stupid.

Until we finally get equitable sentences for all criminals, regardless of their race, until the judicial system stops allowing the rich to buy their freedom and until the police forces of this country stop filling their ranks with racist officers, I will not be upset over an O.J. Simpson getting away with murder.

I can't be because I can't trust the system.

Marcus Walton is the Spartan Daily Managing Editor. His column appears every Monday.

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Academic Senate resolution concerns free speech rights of faculty, not students

I write to express my dismay over two major factual errors contained in the lead story "Senate to decide on political speech," by Mark Steidel.

First, the article incorrectly described the resolution that was adopted by the Senate.

The article incorrectly stated that the resolution concerned the free speech rights of students.

In reality, the resolution dealt with the free speech rights of faculty. In fact, an amendment to address the free speech rights of students was explicitly rejected by the Senate.

This amendment was rejected because students are not employees of the university, and thus their free speech rights have never been in jeopardy.

Second, the article stated that the "Senate will reconvene in early February and finalize some specifics" about the resolution.

Letter to the Editor

The Spartan Daily is a better paper than some of its critics give it credit for being. However, the failure to verify such basic ... aspects of the day's lead story gives strong ammunition to such critics.

This, too, is incorrect. The Senate adopted the resolution at its November 1996 meeting, and no further action is scheduled on this issue.

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However, the failure to verify such basic and fundamental aspects of the day's lead story gives strong ammunition to such critics.

Dr. James Brent
Academic Senator

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Run for Associated Students Government

A Candidate Information Session for those interested in running for Associated Students Government will be given by the A.S. Election Board. Application packets will be available at the Associated Students office. Call Alicia Restivo, chief elections officer, at 924-5955 for more information.

Jewish Student Union holds social meeting

The Jewish Student Union is holding a social meeting today at 6 p.m. in Pacheco Room in the Student Union.

Campus Campus Ministry offers Mass

Mass will be offered today by the Catholic Campus Ministry at 12:05 - 12:30 p.m. at the John XXIII Center across from the SJSU Theater. Call Ginny at 938-1610 for more information.

Study the Bible with CCM

There will be a Bible Study today conducted by the Catholic Campus Ministry from 3-4 p.m. at the John XXII across from the SJSU Theater. Call 938-1610 for more information.

Re-Entry Support Group offered

The Re-Entry Advisory Program is offering a Re-Entry Support Group today from 12:30-1:30 p.m. in Administration Room 201. For more information call Lynne at 924-5950.

Last day to register for Chicano Commencement

It will be the last day to register for the Chicano Commencement today at 6 p.m. in the Chicano Library Resource Center. Call Adrian at 924-6257 for more information.

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Spartan Daily Entertainment Editor

Rally

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Program, and the Upward Bound Project. The message of the rally was simple: college is the best gateway to opportunity.

This message was spread by the many guest speakers and local celebrities on hand. Xavier "The X-Man" Soriano from the radio station WYLD 107.7 was the master of ceremonies. Soriano, an SJSU alumnus, got the crowd pumped with his success story and set the raucous tone for the afternoon.

"It's very important for the youths to understand that a college education is the means to succeeding in anything," said Soriano. "A lot of these kids listen to the radio station (Wild 107.7), so if I can help out a little bit, then it means a lot."

"I'm out here to support the university in their efforts to bring more of these kids to think about college as an option for them."

Several other local celebrities shared their success stories as well. Len Ramirez of KPIX Channel 5 and Damian Trujillo of KNTV Channel 11 were raised in San Jose and shared their hardship stories with the crowd. Trujillo told crowd that his father

made him pick fruit all day throughout his youth, and his only escape to a better life was attending college.

"You'd better go to college," Trujillo warned the crowd, "because my father has plenty of jobs just waiting for you."

Singing sensation Angelina's ovation almost blew the roof off of the Loma Prieta Ballroom. Angelina is not only a successful recording artist, but a full-time student at Santa Clara University as well.

"I think this will definitely motivate these children to go to school," Angelina said about the event. "It's good to let them know that they have an option."

Several SJSU students participated in the rally. Four members of the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity performed a dance number and several SJSU athletes from the soccer and football teams spread the "stay in school" message as well.

"We're trying to get something across to the kids," said SJSU defensive back Ghalee J. Wadood, repre-

sented the football team. "We're going to let them have fun and try and put them in the right direction."

The rally seemed to do just that. The children seemed genuinely excited about school and the prospect of attending college.

"It's been kind of motivating with all of the speakers," said 16-year-old Christian Vela of Independence High School. "It gives you something to shoot for."

After the rally, students could walk around the room and pick up information about the various schools and programs that set up booths. Several community colleges, such as DeAnza and Foothill, and universities, such as University of California, Berkeley and Santa Clara University, set up information booths. SJSU athletes also had a booth, where members of the various athletic programs on campus enthusiastically met with children and signed autographs.

O'Keefe

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Although O'Keefe did not follow the current trends, she was very knowledgeable of the changes that took place in the art industry. But she chose not to adopt them.

O'Keefe would volunteer at the

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"Young people need to know there is nothing they cannot do. I am here to reinforce that," said Pandori, a political science alumnus. "There is no misconception about changing peoples lives in a single day."

Pandori asked the audience if they wanted to attend University of California, Berkeley, Stanford University, UCLA or California State University, Fresno. Playing into his hands, the spectators murmured a collective boo for all the schools, until he mentioned SJSU — the crowd roared with excitement.

"I would just like to open their eyes to a great university that is in their own back yard," he said.

"He did a great job, but the important thing is he gave guidance to a lot of kids who have none," said university president Herbert Caret. "A lot of hard work and we went into this project and I'm sure the kids enjoyed it."

San Jose Art League, where her own art was exhibited or help other artists' exhibitions.

VanNatta said that O'Keefe was very intelligent and could carry a conversation on any topic. She was optimistic and her optimism manifested itself through her paintings.

Her life was not one of wealth and grandeur, although she had numerous exhibits through the Santa Clara Valley and had won several awards for her paintings. Adams says she sacrificed everything for art. O'Keefe's income consisted of a social security check and the occasional sale of a painting. She was very frugal but appreciated the finer things in life.

Bruce Gordon, a manager for the San Jose/Evergreen Community College District, talks with great fondness and admiration for O'Keefe.

"She lived life on her own terms, she always did what she wanted to do and remained true to herself," Gordon said.

He added that O'Keefe loved nature by putting blinders on when

the valley started to transform into asphalt and buildings. She wanted no part of this and stay focused on the beauty that still remained in the Santa Clara Valley.

Adams said that O'Keefe painted up until the age of 83. As she grew older she was unable to venture into the foothills and move around freely due to declining health. It was then that her paintings began to focus on things closer to home such as the irises that grew in the backyard, or the leaves of a squash that grew in a neighbor's yard.

George Rivera, assistant director and chief curator for the Triton Museum in Campbell, who knew O'Keefe since 1982 said, "She kept true to her own vision, I learned about strength through her, she believed in what she was doing."

Due to her dedication to the visual arts, a part of history will now be remembered. Her work will be exhibited at the San Jose Art League from March 4 through 30 at 482 Second St. in San Jose.

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College of Applied Science

Enrollment in college: 4,608
Number of departments: 11
 Administration of Justice
 Aviation
 Health Professions/Health Science
 Human Performance
 Journalism & Mass Communications
 Nursing
 Nutrition & Food Science
 Occupational Therapy
 Recreation & Leisure Studies
 Division of Technology
 All College
Tenured professors: 81
Probationary: 34
Total: 115
Faculty/Student ratio: 18.05
Ethnic breakdown
 African American: 273
 Hispanic: 625
 Asian: 835
 Am. Indian/Alaskan: 39
 Filipino: 447
 Pacific Islander: 28
 white: 2,133
 Unknown: 526
Gender breakdown
 Female: 2,955
 Male: 1,951
Accreditation
 All but aviation. Accreditation for the field at a 4-year level is fairly new.

The college of applied sciences and arts had plenty to brag about after the 1995-96 school year: It ranked second in degrees granted, had the highest percentage of majors and led five other colleges in overall GPA.

Michael Ego, dean of the college of applied sciences and arts, said that it didn't happen by accident.

"It's the composition of our academic programs," Ego said. "They're all professional programs. It's a built-in attraction to our academic programs. Students who come to SJSU know that its programs prepare them for professional fields."

Division of Technology Department Chair Richard Chung agrees. "Eighty-seven to 93 percent of division of technology students get job offers before they graduate," Chung said. "We are proud of our discipline because we retain and educate minorities and women technology professionals for the Silicon Valley."

Also offered by the college is the hospitality management program, an interdisciplinary offering. Hospitality management is one of the few programs at SJSU to be offered or taught by more than one college. The program is jointly offered by the college

of business and the college of applied sciences and arts. It's also one of the university's youngest. Director Kate Sullivan said there have been 120 graduates since its inception six years ago.

"I don't know of one student who isn't succeeding," Sullivan said. "The industry is exploding, especially in downtown San Jose, and our graduates are really sought after."

Ego said occupational therapy, another school within the college of applied sciences and arts, is also in high demand. SJSU is currently the only state university offering a program in occupational therapy.

Also unique to the college of applied sciences and arts is the Pacific Rim Institute. Founded in 1994, the institute gives SJSU the opportunity to recruit faculty and students from Pacific Rim countries, participate in exchange programs and international internship programs, and to form research collaborations.

SJSU is the only university on the West Coast offering a bachelor of science degree in advertising.

By Genoa Barrow

College of Education

Enrollment in college: 2,097
Number of departments: 3
 Educational Leadership & Development
 Special Education & Rehabilitation Services
 Teacher Education
Tenured professors: 38
Probationary: 17
Total: 55
Faculty/Student ratio: 16.31
Ethnic breakdown
 African American: 63
 Hispanic: 307
 Asian: 219
 Am. Indian/Alaskan: 17
 Filipino: 56
 Pacific Islander: 7
 white: 1,198
 Unknown: 268
Gender breakdown
 Female: 1,733
 Male: 402
Accredited
 Credential Programs until 1997/98
 Special Education until 2001/02

SJSU: College of Education offers baccalaureate degrees in special education and rehabilitation services and master's degrees in educational leadership and development, special education and rehabilitation services and teacher education.

Basic teaching credentials offered in the college prepare students for service as teachers in elementary and secondary schools. The teacher education department had 136 students receive their credentials last year.

"Our program is nationally accredited and state accredited," said Susan Myers, associate dean of the college of education. "We are the 12th largest teacher preparation school in the state, including private schools."

A master's degree in education is required for many positions in education and related fields, and SJSU's college of education graduated 189 students with master's degrees last year. Students can receive a master's degree in many specializations, with

the instructional technology and speech pathology and audiology programs leading the pack.

Although the college has the third smallest amount of undergraduates of the eight SJSU colleges, its graduate program is the largest. This means that the college provides SJSU with a considerable amount of revenue from the high cost of graduate programs.

By Mark Steidel

College of Science

Enrollment in college: 2,440
Number of departments: 7
 Biological Sciences
 Chemistry
 Geology
 Mathematics & Computer Science
 Meteorology
 Moss Landing Marine Laboratory
 Physics
Tenured professors: 121
Probationary: 23
Total: 144
Faculty/Student ratio: 17.64
Ethnic breakdown
 African American: 75
 Hispanic: 199
 Asian: 1,109
 Am. Indian/Alaskan: 18
 Filipino: 144
 Pacific Islander: 14
 white: 788
 Unknown: 291
Gender breakdown
 Female: 1,145
 Male: 1,193
Accredited:
 Chemistry last reviewed 1992/93
 Math & Comp Sci-comp until 1996/97

The college of science at SJSU is made up of eight schools: biological science, chemistry, environmental earth science, geology, mathematics and computer science, meteorology, natural science, and physics.

"I love the college of science. I think we're a strong college, and we have rigorous programs for our majors," said Dr. Gerry Selter, dean of the college of science.

According to Selter the college of science is a service-based college by providing classes for students in other colleges. For example students who want to receive teaching credentials for single subjects such as chemistry, are taught their subject in the chemistry department.

"Science and math teachers at other universities are taught through the college of education, ours are taught by science and math professors in the college of science," said Selter. "We think that's quite a plus."

The college also provides special programs where students are able to study marine biology and oceanography at the Moss Landing Marine

Laboratory which is located in the fishing community of Moss Landing on Monterey Bay.

A survey, released in November, by the Consortium on Oceanographic Research and Education ranked the laboratory the highest in several major categories. The laboratory is ranked number one in teaching load of graduate students and second in federal dollars earned per faculty member.

Among the categories in which the Moss is ranked highest were, number one in teaching load of graduate students and second in federal dollars earned per faculty member, exceeded only by the Monterey Bay Aquarium Research Institute.

"The researchers out there are world class," said Selter.

By Larry Hernandez

Library Sciences

Enrollment in college: 244
Number of departments: 1
 Library & Information Science
Tenured professors: 7
Probationary: 4
Total: 11
Faculty/Student ratio: 10.61
Ethnic breakdown
 African American: 10
 Hispanic: 21
 Asian: 25
 Am. Indian/Alaskan: 1
 Filipino: 1
 Pacific Islander: 0
 white: 163
 Unknown: 52
Gender breakdown
 Female: 211
 Male: 62
Accredited: NA

The proposed recommendations by SJSU's Redesign Task Force may give the school of library and information science a home.

"I think the proposal will be beneficial for the college. We will have a chance to form more committees and meet more colleagues," said Linda Main, associate professor in the division of library science.

Main also suggested the move will not have a great effect. The only difference now is that they will be reporting to dean of the college of social sciences and communication.

"The 150 students in our program won't even notice the difference," said Main.

This school is very unique. The school is the only one in California accredited by the American Library Association. However, University of California, Berkeley may offer a similar program next semester said Main.

San Jose State University has been offering the degree since 1954.

Students involved in the program are beginning to get in touch with the Internet. They are learning how to create their own web sites. This may be an area where students from outside the major may benefit by taking a couple of undergraduate classes offered by the department.

The program has seen a steady amount of people enrolled in the graduate program. According to Main there has never been a drastic change since she her 11 years of teaching at SJSU.

Over 300 students are also involved in a partnership Real Time Video Networking program with California State University, Fullerton where students from both campuses attend teleconference classes.

These classes are conducted at SJSU and students in this program receive degrees from SJSU. The program allows SJSU faculty to lecture at Cal State Fullerton.

By Vic Ribeiro

College of Business

Enrollment in college: 3,993
Number of departments: 5
 Business
 Business Education
 Accounting & Finance
 Marketing, MIS & Decision Sciences
 Organization & Management
Tenured professors: 68
Probationary: 11
Total: 79
Faculty/Student ratio: 23.21
Ethnic breakdown
 African American: 186
 Hispanic: 496
 Asian: 1,636
 Am. Indian/Alaskan: 24
 Filipino: 219
 Pacific Islander: 22
 white: 1,252
 Unknown: 374
Gender breakdown
 Female: 2,209
 Male: 2,000
Accredited
 College of Business until 2005/06

The college of business at SJSU is satisfied with the no-touch policy proposed by the university's Redesign Task Force.

With the exception of some faculty members talking about the possibility of bringing in majors such as economics, public relations and advertising, they said they are happy with the proposal.

Marketing/MIS Professor Nancie Fimbel, who is a member of the task force, as well as her colleagues did not express disapproval.

Unlike the last two years, the college is beginning to get a healthier number of applicants into the school.

"Enrollment has increased by more than 7 percent this past fall semester," said Associate Dean Curtis Cook. The college is one of the biggest on the campus with more than 4,400 students enrolled.

There is an increasing demand for management information system courses, which is problematic for students because of the number of facul-

ty who can accommodate the increase.

Students who relied heavily in an accounting concentration have changed over to MIS, which accounts for the increase of students into the concentration. MIS is where students can learn about the booming Internet industry.

The increase of new applicants coming into the school has made the Business Student Advising Center much more important. BSAC is counseling center independent from the university where students receive step-by-step guidance in their major from professional counselors.

"We not only help business students with their major, but we also help them figure out how to complete their general education courses," said Head BSAC Advisor Bruce Cravitz who has been in 1994.

The business college is comprised of three departments and they also offer a graduate program.

By Vic Ribeiro

College of Social Work

Enrollment in college: 582
Number of departments: 4
 African American Studies
 Mexican American Studies
 Social Work
 Urban & Regional Planning
Tenured professors: 19
Probationary: 6
Total: 25
Faculty/Student ratio: 16.68
Ethnic breakdown
 African American: 55
 Hispanic: 146
 Asian: 113
 Am. Indian/Alaskan: 3
 Filipino: 17
 Pacific Islander: 4
 White: 181
Gender breakdown
 Female: 418
 Male: 150
Accredited
 Urban & Reg. Planning until 1998/99
 Social Work until 1998/99

The recommendations of the Redesign Task Force has sparked a conflict between the college of social work and the administration of justice department.

Under the recommended plan, administration of justice would be forced to move to the new college of social work. The faculty of the department voted unanimously to remain in the college of applied arts and sciences.

"We are very pleased with our present college, and wish to remain where we are," said Inger Sagatun-Edwards, chair of the administration of justice department.

Since administration of justice has approximately 650 undergraduates, it receives plenty of funding. It is no wonder then that the college of social work, the smallest school at SJSU with an equally tiny budget, is happy to see them come. This merger will help add to the small facilities of the school, which in turn will accommo-

date more students.

Even though the college of social work would benefit from the new proposal, they don't want to inconvenience another department.

"I don't want people coming if they don't want to be here," said Sylvia Andrews-Rodriguez, dean of the college of social work.

Regardless if the recommendation passes, the college has seen increased enrollment in classes. Cobie Harris, chair of the African American Studies department, said he feels the new plan would further enhance the value of students by making them more aware of diverse cultures.

If the review is approved, the new college of social work won't be transformed overnight. The implementation is gradual and could last from two to five years.

By Ronda Sluder

College of Human Arts

Enrollment in college: 1,319
Number of departments: 9
 Art & Design
 Creative Arts
 English
 Foreign Languages
 Humanities
 Linguistics & Language Development
 Music
 Philosophy
 Theatre Arts
Tenured professors: 126
Probationary: 35
Total: 161
Faculty/Student ratio: 17.19
Ethnic breakdown
 African American: 128
 Hispanic: 525
 Asian: 576
 Am. Indian/Alaskan: 27
 Filipino: 149
 Pacific Islander: 14
 white: 1,623
 Unknown: 471
Gender breakdown
 Female: 2,041
 Male: 1,472
Accredited
 Art & Design until 1999/00
 Dance until 1997/98
 Music until 2001/02
 Theater Arts until 1996/97

The College of Humanities and Arts at SJSU provides a sanctuary for students who wish to avoid the high-tech curriculum associated with the computer industry.

The college has everything from comparative religious studies to foreign language studies and the theatre arts.

Christian Jochim, the program's coordinator, said his department teaches the approximately 700 students to understand the different philosophies of the religions all over the world, while developing a professional discipline that prepare them for the future.

Another branch of the college with an international connection is the foreign language department, which consists of about 400 students. The department features 11 languages, including Chinese, Hebrew, Portuguese, and Spanish — the most popular subject in the department.

"A lot of the students go on to become teachers or they incorporate their bilingualism into a job with a corporation (or) ... into government jobs where they work interpreting or translating," said Laura Runner, a senior Spanish major.

Those with a flair for the artistic might opt for the art and design

department, which develops graduates with skills that are applicable in the real world.

Rebecca Hall, a graduate of the art and design department, currently works at the San Jose Mercury News as a page designer. Hall says that her stay at SJSU helped prepare her in some ways for her professional life, but didn't prepare her for the serious deadline pressure involved with working at a major metropolitan daily newspaper. After adjusting to the daily pressures of her position, Hall says she now loves her job.

By Dennis Knight

College of Social Science

Enrollment in college: 2,915
Number of Departments: 9
 Anthropology
 Communication Studies
 Economics
 Geography and Environment
 History
 Political Science
 Psychology
 Social Science
 Sociology
Tenured professors: 90
Probationary: 36
Total: 126
Faculty/Student ratio: 20.81
Ethnic breakdown
 African American: 167
 Hispanic: 497
 Asian: 273
 Am. Indian/Alaskan: 27
 Filipino: 103
 Pacific Islander: 19
 white: 1,216
 Unknown: 345
Gender breakdown:
 Female: 1,812
 Male: 1,317
Accredited
 Political Science-Public Administration until 2002/03

Cultural Pluralism. Women's Studies. Although conservatives may dismiss these programs as the "politically correct bandwagon", the chair of the social science department Lois Helmbold explains these programs existed before there was a bandwagon or the backlash that attempts to discredit them.

"Regardless of one's major, everyone needs to know about their fellow human persons," Helmbold said.

The cultural program minor is part of the social science department which is itself part of the college of social sciences.

The college includes geography and environmental studies, history, sociology, psychology, anthropology, economics, political science and communication studies.

Acting Associate Dean of the college David Schwarz said, "an attention to human beings," links the many departments and disciplines assembled under the umbrella of the social sciences.

The brochure for the college echoes his observation "The college of social sciences offers students the opportunity to study human behavior, past and present, in its many forms: individual, in groups, and in national and international settings."

Yet, on the eve of the recommendations of the Redesign Task Force, the future of programs like cultural pluralism is uncertain.

Helmbold expressed frustration that as issues of race, and gender and sexual orientation have grown in prominence the university has backslid from its commitment to explore these issues.

"The issue is not of location; it is lack of resources," Helmbold said.

By Devin Fehely

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On one side is the Preservation Action Council of San Jose, which supports retrofitting and restoring the Second Street building. On the other side is the San Jose's Redevelopment Agency, which wants to gut the interior for first floor shops and second floor housing while restoring the facade and lobby.

Karita Hummer of the preservation council said the Redevelopment Agency planned to restore the theater but funds for the work dried up. When funds became available again the plans were never discussed further.

"It's a low blow that a public agency can negotiate a city landmark," Hummer said. "It seems inappropriate. I'm not saying explicitly (that there were some shady dealings) but the way it was done (leaves some questions)."

The position of the agency is that basically no one wanted the building and the owners wanted to do something with the property. The owners and agency have plans calling for businesses on the ground floor with housing upstairs. The facade and lobby of the Jose would be restored and kept intact.

"The Jose (theater) is an antiquated building," said Doug Gazek of the Redevelopment Agency. "We would

have listened (to anyone who wanted to restore it) but no one came up and said we can use this."

Hummer claims that there are several groups that would love to have the theater, including El Teatro Vision and El Teatro Campesino.

Gazek refutes this claim saying that El Teatro Campesino said they would like to use the building but that the inside would have to be gutted and totally redone.

"They expressed interest but not in the shape it is today," he said. "The size of the stage, the shape of the theater were developed for the vaudeville era."

He added that the current interior configuration just doesn't play well for modern theater.

Hummer claims the move is purely an economic one with no thought for the history and culture of downtown San Jose.

"Economics and history must go hand in hand," she said. "There are other places where housing could go."

She said that once the Jose is gone it's gone for good.

In an attempt to gain public support, the preservation council held a sidewalk rally in front of the Jose Friday at noon. Thirty people listened to several speeches, a poetry reading and two musicians.

John DiVincenzi, Professor of Art

Emeritus at SJSU, said the Jose is a cultural landmark and represents what San Jose once was.

"It represented an era in San Jose of architectural merit that is important to hold on to.... Holding on to the facade isn't enough. It's trite," he said.

Feelings about the Jose run so deep that local musician Johnny "Gitar" Guterrez even wrote a song called the "Ballad of Jose Theater."

The song mentions some of the great vaudeville acts, such as Al Jolson and Harry Houdini, who played at the Jose. He sings, "Friends of Jose Theater! For our future let's save the past! For our future generations/ Time is running out fast."

Local trumpeter Bob Frazier played two Louis Armstrong songs, "What a Wonderful World" and "Hello Dolly", then spoke to the crowd about a future without places like the Jose.

"If you don't preserve places like this you get L.A.... A place devoid of humanness, a place devoid of the arts," Frazier said.

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A San Jose Buddhist Youth Association dragon gets ready to grab a dollar bill from a Vietnamese toddler during Year of the Ox celebrations at the Santa Clara

County Fairgrounds on Sunday afternoon. The giving of money to the dragon is considered by some to ensure good luck in the coming year.

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Daryl Nguyen and Cathy Dumo weren't as impressed. The two walked from nearby "for the food."

"It's the same thing every year," Nguyen said. Dumo agreed.

Police were present to make sure the festival stayed safe.

Santa Clara County Sheriff's

Deputy Cohen did not report any problems and was pleased by the lack of trouble. "It's a marvelous, marvelous day," he said.

The Year of the Ox is the second in the 12-year cycle which comprises the Asian lunar calendar. The animals in order are: rat, ox, tiger, hare, dragon, serpent, horse, goat, monkey, rooster, dog and hog.

Those born in the Year of the Ox include those born, according to the Western calendar, 1997, 1985, 1973, 1961 and 1949. Some old wives tales claim that those born in the cycle of the ox, are destined for a tough life. The same tale claims that those in the ox cycle have characteristics that include patience and industriousness.

Batterer may get partial custody

SAN JOSE, Calif. (AP) — A man convicted of beating his wife and currently jailed for violating a restraining order has won a referee's recommendation he be given half-time custody of his children.

The case, say advocates for battered women, show that laws in California and many other states must change.

The latest case to arouse the ire of advocates involves Kristine Fisher, who married at 16, bore two boys and

a girl, and says she endured beatings and threats for many years.

"He threw a knife at me holding our 3-week-old son," Fisher, now a 24-year-old college student and volunteer for battered women's causes, told the San Francisco Examiner.

The violence has come to include her children, she says.

When her then-husband started going after the children, she kicked him out of their San Jose house in 1994. He was jailed and convicted for

misdeemeanor battery. His threats to kill his wife and children drove them into hiding, according to a sheriff's report that called him dangerous.

Now Fisher's ex-husband has won a Santa Clara County family court assessor's recommendation that he be granted half-time custody of their children — despite behavior that sent him back to jail Thursday for violating his restraining order and failing to take a required domestic violence training program.

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