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Associated Students General Election: March 21 and 22

IMPACT party hits the campaign beat

By Jena Torres

DAILY STAFF WRITER

Candidates from the new IMPACT party were joined by Wild 94.9 FM near the Student Union Amphitheater on Thursday, greeting students by asking, "Hi, you're voting, right?"

The radio station was brought out by the party to help

get the word out to students that they are running in the Associated Students General Election on March 21 and 22.

The party, whose acronym stands for Innovative Members Promoting Advocacy, Change and Trust, were urging students to vote "No" on both the proposed bylaws and the proposed recreation center measure.

Corina Herrera, who is running for vice president, said the way the bylaws were presented was inappropriate.

Instead of presenting an amended version of the old bylaws, as should be done, Herrera said, a completely new packet was presented by her Spartan Party opponent, Akbar Shetty, who is currently the A.S.

director of governing affairs.

Maribel Martinez, the IMPACT presidential candidate who is also a member of the A.S. rules committee, said she was handed the stack of bylaws five minutes before she was supposed to vote on them.

"I would have liked to go through and analyze it," Martinez said. "I voted against it."

She said the new bylaws allow the president to appoint three members to the A.S. board of directors, which leads to an unbalanced system.

Julie Rieken, the party's candidate for controller, agreed with Martinez that the bylaws were presented inappropriately, and said members were not given enough time to fully read them.

"The A.S. directors and officers didn't even get the bylaws until they voted," Rieken said. "You have to read them word for word."

She said she was also concerned about the parking structure for the new Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Joint Library.

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Spartans fall in WAC tourney

DAILY STAFF REPORT

Senior guard Billy Landram knew going into Thursday's Western Athletic Conference tournament game that the Spartan basketball team would be at a disadvantage.

He was right.

San Jose State University's basketball season ended with a 64-53 loss at the hands of the University of Tulsa on the Golden Hurricane's home floor in the opening round of the Western Athletic Conference tournament.

"It's going to be tough with the big crowd," Landram said earlier in the week.

If Tulsa's home crowd of 7,255 was harsh, David Shelton and Marcus Hill just

made things worse.

Hill and Shelton poured in 18 points apiece as the Golden Hurricane (20-10) bounced the Spartans (14-14) out of the WAC tournament and sent SJSU home after the first-round for the second year in a row.

With the win, Tulsa advances to the second round of the tournament to face the University of Texas-El Paso, which squeaked past Southern Methodist University 74-70 earlier in the day.

The winner of the tournament, which concludes Saturday in Tulsa, Okla., earns an automatic bid into the field of 64 teams for the National Collegiate Athletic Association

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THE ECOLOGY OF STEINBECK

Davis professor discusses how author's work relates to Mother Earth

By Kevin Higuchi

DAILY STAFF WRITER

San Jose State University students had a chance to learn about Louis Owens' views on John Steinbeck's role as an early ecologist and how he compared to other modernist writers Wednesday in the Engineering Auditorium.

"You always look at Steinbeck in a sappy way, he removed the emotion by looking at him (Steinbeck) and comparing him to other authors and how he took it a step further," said senior English major Peter Malae.

From the Salinas Valley, Owens, a professor of English and Native American studies

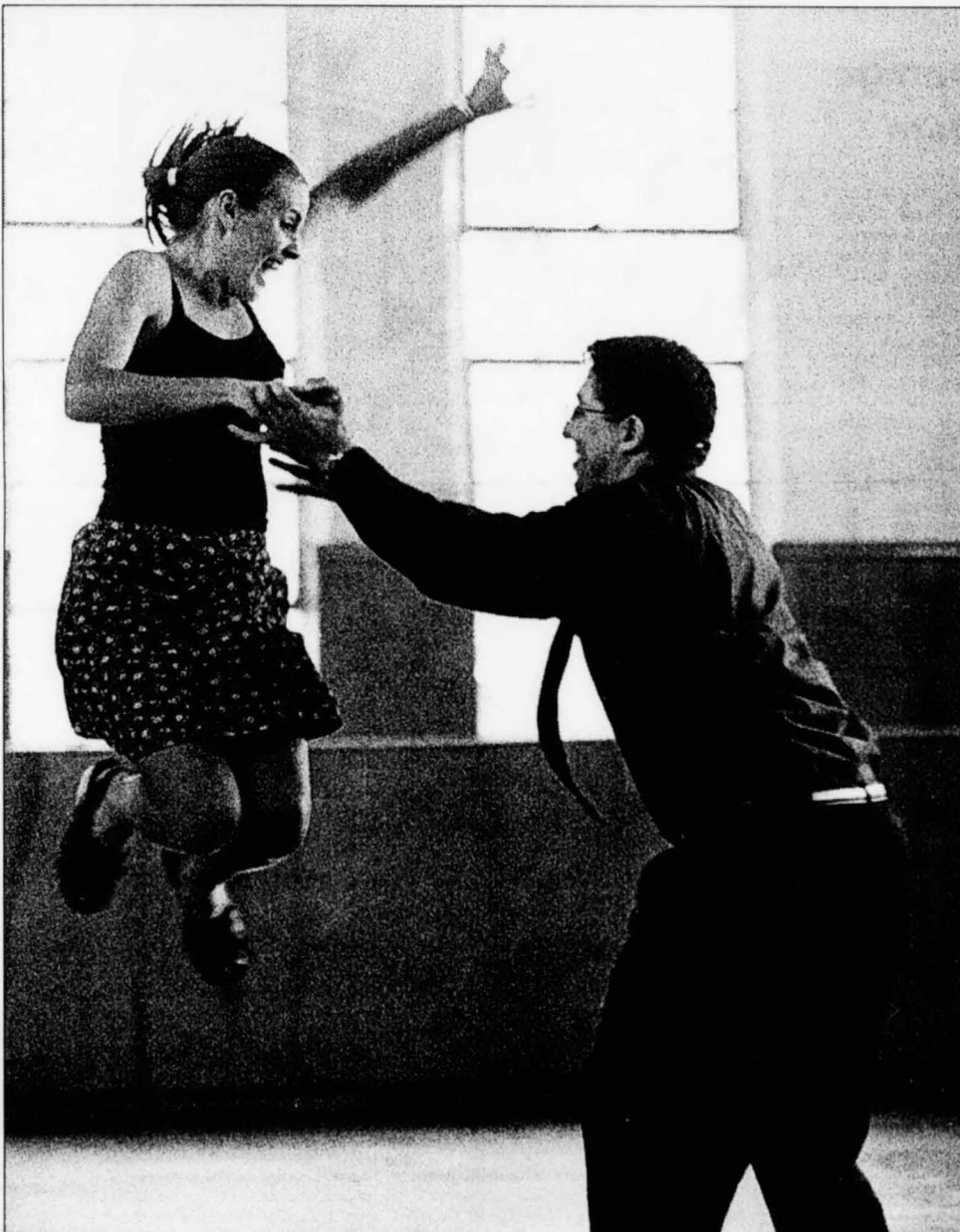
at UC Davis, is one of the leading scholars on modernist writing, Steinbeck's work and Native American literature, said Professor Gail Jardine, a lecturer in the American Studies program at SJSU.

Owens' lecture went in depth on Steinbeck's work and how it related to deep ecology, which tells about our responsibility as humans to respect the rights of the earth and give back what we take from it.

He also compared Steinbeck's work to authors such as T.S. Eliot, and how Steinbeck's work went a step beyond other modernists by

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Jumpin' and jivin'



Mark Kocina / Daily Staff

Epifanio Carroasco tosses Kate McGarr during their test Thursday for HuP 45A: Beginning Lindy and Swing. The class meets from 1:30 p.m. to 2:20 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays in SPXE, Room 89.

Fair to teach healthy eating

By Karen Kabiling

DAILY STAFF WRITER

Many college students are notorious for being fast-food junkies.

Some say it's the lack of time.

Patricia Medina said it's nearly impossible to balance going to college and having a nutritious diet.

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"Right now ... it's (nutrition) not as important," said Medina, a junior majoring in occupational therapy. "It's neglected because we have so many other responsibilities."

Students will have the opportunity to shed light on their problems during the fourth annual Health Fair, scheduled from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday at the Student Union.

San Jose State University's Nutrition Education Action Team is sponsoring the Health Fair to commemorate March as National Nutrition Awareness Month.

NEAT, a student-run organization sponsored by the Student Health Center, aims to teach various nutrition topics such as body image, eating disorders, fad diets, general nutrition and sports nutrition at the fair, said Shoshanna Orzech, the presentation coordinator of NEAT.

"We teach these topics to sororities, resident dorm halls, classrooms and sports teams in an informal interactive way," said Orzech, who is also a nutri-

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Aaron Buchanan, an engineer at Lockheed Martin, talks with computer engineering major Charles Nwachukwu during the career fair held Wednesday at the Event Center.



Kristopher Gainey / Daily Staff

Fair draws swarm of job seekers

By J.E. Espino

DAILY STAFF WRITER

The Event Center was a beehive of activity Thursday as crowds of students swarmed in for the Summer and Internship Job Fair held between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

The honey: high-technology companies.

Among the busiest tables were Cisco, Hewlett Packard and Siemens Information and Communication Network.

A crowd of 35 San Jose State University students appeared to be waiting to meet the Symbol Technology and Child Development Center employers. It was, however, a single line to the Hewlett Packard table.

Ronnie Alteros, a junior majoring in computer engineering who stood in the Hewlett

Packard line, said that although Hewlett Packard was not one of his top three choices for an internship, he wanted to talk to the recruiters because the company was stable and productive.

He said his top three choices were SGI, Juniper, and Cadence Design Systems, Inc.

Altero said he felt especially encouraged by the SGI recruiter.

"She actually gave me an optimistic view about working there," he said.

Robert Benitez, a senior majoring in arts, on the other hand, was having a difficult time finding tables offering internships in his field of study.

"A lot of companies are catering toward the business, engineering and computer science majors," he said. "It makes me kind of wish that I hadn't

stopped majoring in computer science because the job market is bigger."

This summer may be Benitez's last chance to gain experience before he graduates.

"Right now I feel I'm fighting for any kind of position that might help me build my resume," he said.

One of the companies at which he was going to try to get an internship was Cyber camp.com.

"Cybercamp seems to offer a lot of opportunities in programming and art," Benitez said.

Jeff Kendrick, a management information systems major, said he was interested in a Web-development internship.

Two of the companies he was looking at were LoudCloud and Knight Ridder.

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Letters

False stereotypes get in the way of true image

Women in need can find support in Christianity

I was rather disappointed by the perverted and false view of Christianity put forth by Jake Huether in his March 1 letter to the editor arguing against the support of women who are facing a crisis pregnancy.

Christianity, by definition, is about being like Jesus Christ, as he is portrayed in the Gospel of John, chapter eight.

Christianity is never about condemning. No matter what poor choices a woman has made in her past, Christians are called to bring practical help, forgiveness and truth to such situations.

Huether also wrote, "Christians do not offer genuine financial help to deter abortion."

This statement is, quite simply, false.

Many Christian organizations offer practical help to a woman facing a crisis pregnancy. The Juan Diego Society has been doing this in San Jose for the past 15 years. A woman who is facing a crisis pregnancy needs only to call them to receive help.

As a Catholic Christian, I stand ready, through my support of the Juan Diego Society, to help any woman here at San Jose State University facing a crisis pregnancy.

I challenge all Christians on campus to join me in this effort so we may stop throwing stones and start being the hands and feet of Christ.

John Wilhelmsson
graduate student
philosophy

Media lose their courage and turn mainstream

The Spartan Daily may deflect an ample portion of guilt by association, but as coach of the audacious San Jose State University women's rugby team and a career journalist, I have sensational and shocking news for folks in the mainstream media.

You have lost the courage to challenge conventional mores. You're buying prepackaged goods.

You seek the respect of those in ivory towers; even by sometimes-negatively reporting, you honor the status quo.

It is hard news if it affects our lives. A certain degree of titillation and escapism is healthy.

So, too, to keep our bearings, is an editorial balance between perceived conservatism and liberalism.

But idolatry has eaten the shrinking brain of an undernourished media.

The media, alas, are preoccupied with celebrity, idolatry, brand names, money, tradition and caution.

War and famine aside, I could challenge the media to take a stand against smaller targets, such as the elimination of combustible engines; or, assail the marketplace for manufacturing unnecessary goods, from back-scratchers and designer sneakers to monster homes and big hats.

But that would take, really, too much courage for the mainstream media.

Karl Laucher
coach
SJSU women's rugby

Look at the picture on the right. See how my hair kind of sticks up and I have that goatee that makes me look older?

Now take a closer look. Look at how I have that smirk on my face. That is my smile.

No teeth showing. No dimples. No squinted eyes — just a slight rise of the lips.

Now, do you think I'm mean?

Ever since I was 17 years old — the age when I decided I wanted this goatee — people have been telling me that I look mean and that they are afraid to approach me.

Lately, however, I have met another stereotype: my style of clothing.

First off, let it be known that I find it very disturbing that when a person walks into a room, he or she is automatically stereotyped.

Think about it: When a person walks into a room, you automatically place that person into a group, either male or female. Then you decide whether you want to associate yourself with that person solely based on what they are wearing.

What is the first thing you think



of when you see a male who is wearing a blue baseball cap, semi-baggy jeans and a long buttoned shirt?

Do you think he is a thug?

Do you think he is going to attack you?

Some of you probably don't even want to communicate with that person.

What about when you see a male wearing a pair of black slacks, dress shoes, a blue dress shirt and a tie?

Do you associate him with the upper class?

Do you think he is part of the "high-tech working class?"

Is it someone you want to greet and shake hands with?

What about a guy who doesn't smile much — not because he isn't

happy, but because he chooses not to?

By now you probably think I'm crazy for bringing up such an odd topic, but this kind of stuff happens to me daily, and it drives me crazy.

On occasion, I'll walk around campus with a scowl on my face because I don't see a reason to smile. I'll be wearing a baseball cap, semi-baggy jeans and a buttoned shirt, and people will stare at me as if I'm going to snatch their purse or sneak up on them and demand that they fork over their possessions.

In other instances, they begin to walk fast, clutching their belongings tightly as they duck into the closest building trying to escape from what they have deemed a thug.

This type of behavior agitates me. These stereotypes are so far away from the truth, it is ridiculous.

More than half of the time, it is broad daylight and there are 30 other people around, why the hell would I attack you?

But it doesn't end there.

When I'm not wearing one of the aforementioned outfits, I'm usually walking around with that same

expression on my face while I wear a shirt and tie.

You wouldn't believe the difference in the reaction I get.

The same people who walked away from me, clutching their belongings and praying for their lives, were now saying "Hi" to me.

When I opened the door for a professor, as I always do for everyone, no matter what I'm wearing, she said, "Thanks, sir."

Sir? I'm only 20 years old. Just because I am wearing a tie, it doesn't mean that I should be called "sir."

You see, this is what I'm talking about.

I don't want special treatment because of my attire, nor do I want to be characterized as someone who is going to attack another person.

If were going to attack you, I'd be carrying around a weapon, not a pen and a stack of books.

Ben Aguirre Jr. is the Spartan Daily Sports Editor. "Annoyed" appears Fridays.

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information, call David Kaufman at 266-8946.

Leopard Circle African Music Society
Learn African and Caribbean drums and songs, 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. in the Music building, Room 186. For more information, call Julian Gerstin at 924-4660.

Nutrition Education Action Team (NEAT)
"Nutrition Issues for Today's College Student," part of the Fourth Annual NEAT Nutrition Awareness Month Health Fair, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Student Union. For more information, call Christina at 298-8596.

Muslim Students Association
SFSU Professor Zaid Ansari will discuss basic beliefs of Islam, 2 p.m. in the Costanoan room, located in the Student Union. For more information, call Faten Hijazi at 738-5940.

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Schools not liable for children, parents are

Everyone in high school or in elementary school can remember at least one peer who was constantly ridiculed because he/she didn't "fit in."

These people weren't wearing the latest gear from the shopping malls, their ears stuck out, their names were uncommon, they talked funny or they were simply different.

I'm sure as I'm writing this, a few names have popped inside your head.

I know I can think of a few names and faces.

To put it simply, they were outcasts or loners.

Yet, I think everyone was ridiculed at least once in his or her lifetime. It's just that others have had to bear the unfortunate and hurtful experience more often than others do.

In a recent poll conducted by CNN about student bullying, about 73 percent of the 44,331 people surveyed said that there were actions schools could take to stop the bullying.

I'm not quite sure I agree.

What exactly is a school going to do about a problem that has existed since schools began teaching math and English?

An ample dose of detention and after-school time wouldn't do anything to decrease the mocking.

Punishment such as this would only seem to fuel the fire that burns in those who seem to be lacking a loving and nurturing environment.

Let's not strike that match.

Perhaps discussions between students and teachers would somewhat lessen the effect, but of course, this would never completely stop the ridicule.

The discussions would only make the students recognize their harsh behavior, decreasing the taunts.

Yet, there are too many students and not enough teachers. Too many problems and not enough solutions. And too much anger and not enough love.

Nickelodeon and the Kaiser Family Foundation conducted a survey that polled 1,249 parents whose children ranged in age from 8 to 15 and 823 kids between the ages of 8 and 15.

In the age bracket of 8- to 11-year-olds, 74 percent of kids said bullying and teasing takes place more often than smoking, drugs, sex and drinking.

This makes sense.



RANT

In the 12- to 15-year-old age bracket, however, an overwhelming 86 percent of the people said the amount of ridicule still occurs more often than sex or drug abuse.

Furthermore, each group thought teasing was more of an issue than AIDS and racism and was a larger concern than the pressure to use drugs and alcohol or to have sex.

This somewhat surprises me because one would think that the pressure to engage in sexual activity or to abuse drugs would be greater.

I'm sure, however, it's not surprising to hear that in the latest high school shooting in Santee, Calif., freshman Charles Andrew Williams allegedly took the lives of two high school students after being ridiculed by his classmates.

Williams' fellow students constantly derided him because he had a high voice, his ears stuck out, and he was small and thin.

Perhaps if Williams hadn't felt like an outsider and wasn't made fun of, he wouldn't have acted out in a violent manner.

Or maybe if the school, as well as many other schools across this nation, addressed the issues of accepting people's differences, then something as horrifying as this wouldn't have happened.

This thought is ideal and not reality. It shouldn't be the school's responsibility.

Everything starts and ends with the parents.

Puberty, adolescence, growing up — whatever you want to call it — is just something that everyone goes through.

Asking schools to stop the bullying is a stretch. Asking them to help deter the ridicule is reasonable. Asking the parents to be aware is only sensible.

Tiffani Analla is the Spartan Daily Assistant A & E Editor. "Rant" appears Fridays.

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Today

School of Art and Design
Student galleries art exhibitions, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Art and Industrial Studies buildings. For more information, call John or Nicole at 924-4330.

Department of Foreign Languages
Food fair, plus books and ethnic food sale, 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the Sweeney Hall lobby, located on the first floor. For more information, call the department of foreign languages at 924-4602.

Clark Library
Book giveaway. Thousands of duplicate library books for free, by appointment at SJSU Senter Road storage facility, located at 1875 Senter Road, building B. For more information, call Celia Bakke at 924-2715.

Muslim Students Association
Salatul Juma' and Halaqa, "Friday Con-

gregational Prayer and Islamic Discussion," 1:15 p.m. in the Student Council Chambers, located in the Student Union. For more information, call Faten Hijazi at 738-5940 or visit the Web site at www.sjsu.edu/orgs/msa.

Counseling Services
Stress management workshop for SJSU students who experience academic difficulty, 11 a.m. to noon in the Administration building, Room 201. For more information, call Jill Steinberg at 924-5910.

Associated Students
Online scholarship applications at <http://scholarships.sjsu.edu>. For more information, call Maria Murphy at 924-6240.

Monday

SJSU Geology Club
Speaker: Kathleen Nicolli from Chevron Petroleum Technology Company, 12:30 p.m.

to 1:30 p.m. in Duncan Hall, Room 306. For more information, call Halle Morrison at 924-5232.

Nurses Christian Fellowship
Support group/meeting, 11 a.m. in the Montalvo room, located in the Student Union. For more information, call Diane Steimer at 279-6385.

MEChA Raza Day Committee
Everybody is welcome to our meetings to contribute ideas to a successful Raza Day for high school recruitment, college and career workshops, speakers and entertainment, 2:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. in the Chicano Resource Center, located in Modular A. For more information, call Antonio at (510) 715-6113.

Linguistics and Language Development Students Association (LLDSA)
Meeting, 1 p.m. in the Pacheco room, located in the Student Union. For more

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FAIR: High-tech job opportunities replace previous dot-com hiring boom

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"I was interested in Knight Ridder because of the propaganda and the convergence of propaganda and the Internet," he said.

Ronald Mateo, also an MIS major, said he was waiting at the Sun Microsystems, Inc. line because he needs to get experience.

"I just want to get my foot in the door," he said.

While Sun Microsystems, Inc. kept a permanent line of 25 students, JustAct's table was lucky to get 25 interested applicants during the fair.

A San Francisco-based nonprofit organization offering eight-week unpaid internships, JustAct's focus is to educate young people on global issues, said Elaine Peterson, its director.

Interns gain experience organizing grass-roots movements and running workshops in justice issues, she said.

"We're not as busy as the corporations with the big money," Peterson said. "I think the students that come to these fairs are interested in getting paid for the internship, building their resumes."

"There's a lot of emphasis in our culture on finding the job that pays well so that you can live the good life, rather than working for social justice, where you can change conditions for everyone else."

Tom Cornehl, a Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. district manager, said he was having a quiet day in comparison to Wednesday's

Spring Career Job Fair.

He said Thursday's students were more interested in finding something to do during the summer, but that Wednesday's students and alumni had an interest in finding a job.

"They were looking at their future, were focused and had more of a goal in mind," he said.

The Triton Museum of Art's table did not attract a large crowd of students, either.

Jill Meyers, of the Santa Clara Museum, said her table was not as busy as her neighbor's, Samsung Semiconductor, Inc.

"I know that San Jose State is known for business and computer science," she said.

Internships at her company, exhibition, and administration departments, Meyers said most of the students approaching the table, however, were graphic arts majors.

"I'd love to see some students in education, library science or history," Meyers said.

Although Adrienne Bella is not majoring in any of those fields, the sophomore business major said she approached the table because she wanted to get experience in the workforce before she graduates. Companies such as Sun Microsystems are too competitive and would not give her enough experience, she said.

"Experience is what's going to get you a job," Bella said. "A museum of art would not be as hectic as working in a larger company. A position would probably be available there."

HEALTH: Greater knowledge of nutrition is goal

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tion food science major. Topics that are slated to be addressed at the health fair include food safety, vegetarian diet, healthy eating on campus, body image, fad diets and sports nutrition.

Oscar Battle Jr., the coordinator of Health Education at the Health Center, said the main purpose of the health fair is to create an increased understanding about nutrition to the student population.

The health fair will offer testing, information booths and exhibits ranging from the American Diabetes Association, the American Heart Association and the American Cancer Society, which will be providing blood pressure testing and cholesterol screening, Battle said.

"We want to provide the baseline data on issues," Battle said. "Once people learn, they can follow up with the services at the Health Center."

Battle said SJSU students need to be aware of food. Some others just aren't aware.

Dinesh Yaji said he didn't

"Food is a major source of information that all consumers need to become more aware of than in previous years."

Oscar Battle Jr., Health Education coordinator

know what a well-balanced diet is.

"I eat at Sbarro at least once, sometimes twice a week," said Yaji, a graduate student in the computer engineering department.

"Food is becoming a major source of information that all consumers need to become more aware of than in previous years," Battle said.

There has been a revolution during the past 15 years. Food is no longer the same and students need to be aware of how growing and production companies have changed in previous years, Battle said.

"Students can become nutritionists," Battle said.

Kathryn Sucher, a professor in the department of nutrition and food science,

said she thinks college students make unwise food choices either because they have no time to think about what they eat, or simply because they are unaware of health effects and diet.

"Even if they think they're healthy, they can pick up another useful piece of information," she said.

Neil Peart said he has no choice.

He said his diet consists of Burger King, Sbarro and Mexican food available at the Student Union.

The computer engineering major said his choices are limited because he lives on campus.

"I should give more emphasis on living a healthy lifestyle," Peart said. "But, it's too time consuming."

IMPACT: New A.S. party promises to fight for students

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"No students will be allowed to park there," Rieken said. "Our job would be to secure maybe one level for students. Our job would be to get in there and fight for it."

Rieken said the fact that the measure for a new recreation center doesn't limit the student fee increase also upsets her.

"We're not against the new rec center," she said. "It would be nice, but we want to make sure it's done in the right way."

Rieken said there should be a limit to the fee increase students would be subjected to, and it should be in writing.

"If it's not in writing, they can do what they want," Rieken said. "We want to make sure it's what the students want and need. If they would cap off the fee and put students on the committee, then I could see that they were looking out for the students' interests."

Rieken said the IMPACT party will work to be a better voice for students.

"We want to be more proactive than reactive," she said. "That's what our party is about, going to the students instead of them coming to us."

Officials confiscate copies of student newspaper

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A front-page photograph of a woman who may have lost a killing led East Los Angeles College officials to confiscate nearly all copies of the weekly campus newspaper.

"At this point, the newspapers are being held on the advice of the Sheriff's Department and our legal counsel," dean of student development Daniel Ornelas said Wednesday.

Seizure of 4,000 copies of the East Los Angeles College Campus News was ordered because of a photograph showing the face of a possible witness to Monday's campus parking lot killing of student Joseph Robert Gallegos, 20.

One of three front-page photos published Wednesday shows deputies surrounding Gallegos' fiancée. In the background of the grainy photo is the partly concealed face of another student who told a Campus News reporter that she saw the shoot-

ing but didn't want to be interviewed.

Campus News staffers believe the student told authorities she feared that having her picture in the paper could place her in danger. After consulting with attorneys and investigators, Ornelas seized most of the newspapers.

"The Sheriff's Department said the newspaper may jeopardize their investigation," Ornelas said. "The shooter is still out there and has not been apprehended yet."

The Sheriff's Department disputed that it called for pulling the paper from the stands.

The action infuriated reporters, editors and the college journalism professor.

"The (college) district does not have the right to pull an edition because they don't like something in it," Professor Jean Stapleton said. "This is a prior restraint issue."

WAC: Four Spartans play last game

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tion tournament, which begins March 15.

Tulsa, which earned an at-large bid into the tournament a year ago, took control of the game behind a second-half scoring attack by Shelton and Kevin Johnson.

Already facing a 32-26 deficit at halftime, the Spartans were held to three baskets in the first 11 minutes of the second half, as Tulsa pushed its lead to 20 points.

Later, Landram hit a three-pointer to bring the Spartans within 10. The Spartans then used a 10-0 run to make the score 56-47 with 3:53 remaining to play.

The offense would continue for SJSU, allowing it to come to within seven, 58-51, but the team failed to complete the comeback.

Darnell Williams, playing in the final game of his SJSU career, led the Spartans in scoring with 14 points while fellow senior Cory Powell added 10. Williams and Powell had nearly identical numbers in other categories.

Each had nine rebounds and an assist, while Williams had three blocked shots, and Powell swatted two.

Two other Spartans also concluded their stints at SJSU. Landram and guard Mike Garrett ended their Spartan basketball days with 9 points each.

Table with 2 columns: Team and Score. Includes SJSU (53) and TULSA (64) with detailed player statistics.

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relating it to the earth and writing with various comparisons to issues in life.

"I thought I would tire from his writing, but I keep coming back," Owens said. "He tricks you with his writing. It's easy on the surface, then you realize other things in his writing."

The lecture covered a lot of Steinbeck's material, which made it hard to digest everything Owens said.

"The lecture was good, but only when he talked about the books I've read," said sophomore Stephanie Cisneros, a computer science major. "I caught little glimpses throughout the lecture."

Owens also covered subjects regarding his views on Earth and its inalienable rights.

He said the process of preserving the earth for the future generations is about the belief that Earth has its own rights.

"It is important to remember that the earth doesn't exist for us," Owens said.

According to Jardine, Owens said the relationship between humans and the earth is about responsibility because we are connected to it.

As well as his lecture, Owens also spoke to the American Dreams and Nature and World Cultures Humanities courses, Jardine said.

During the classes, Owens focused more on the American issues and the "American Dream."

He spoke about the Bureau of Indian Affairs and how the government runs it, Jardine said.

The bureau recognizes American Indians and tribes and authenticates them.

Owens said tribes today await authentication from those who took over their land and oppress them.

Owens also contrasted the difference between American Indian and European thought, and according to Jardine, Owens spoke about American Indians having been on this land for 10,000 years efficiently without polluting the land.

He said the Europeans took from the earth and left once the resources had been exhausted.

Owens said this "endless supply and exhaustion," is based on taking and then moving on.

Jardine said her students were receptive and interested about what they could do to stop this way of thinking.

Owens said we have the opportunity to teach future generations about our responsibility to respect the earth's rights.

He said he was impressed with the amount of students who came to see him speak.

Jardine said he felt SJSU was the most interesting and diverse campus in America and was excited for the future seeing the mix of so many cultures in one place.

The event was hosted by the Steinbeck Center, which is open to the public and has many resources on Steinbeck's work, said Katie Rodger, the acting director for the Center for Steinbeck Studies.

The center was founded by Martha Heasley Cox and is located in the modules next to the Business buildings.

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