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Greeks push for housing permits

By Christine Glarrow
Daily Staff Writer

Greek organizations face complex criteria to attain housing in downtown San Jose.

Ken Podgorssek, a member of the board of the United Neighborhood Coalition, said it's difficult to convert any house into a fraternity or sorority house, as it must meet certain zoning laws.

All Greek housing established after 2000 are required to get a conditional-use permit, which has to be renewed on a regular basis, Podgorssek said.

Thus far, Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity, Kappa Delta sorority and Beta Theta Pi fraternity must have a conditional-use permit.

The permit deals with the "conditions placed on use of the property, (including) restrictions insuring a good healthy neighborhood environment," Podgorssek said.

In addition to following certain rules regarding quiet hours and the use of alcohol, fraternities and sororities must be recognized by and in good standing with SJSU in order to be approved for housing and obtain a conditional use permit, Podgorssek said.

If standards are not met and the permit is violated, it can be revoked, suspended or modified, according permit guidelines.

The permit process costs around \$3,000, Podgorssek said.

"It is not a simple process to get a new Greek

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Benjamin Favela / Senior Staff Photographer

Seth Hemmelgarn, a copy editor at the San Jose Mercury News, has been renting a studio apartment at 295 E. San Fernando St. for the past two years. The large Victorian house where he lives was just bought by the Beta Theta Pi fraternity and many of his neighbors fear eviction.

Groups raise eating disorder awareness

By Lauren Bosch
Daily Staff Writer

Students at San Jose State University will have an opportunity to learn about eating disorders this week, with different seminars and tests starting Monday and ending Wednesday.

February, National Eating Disorders Awareness month, serves as a time when many universities around the country put on events to educate their students. The idea is to prevent disorders and recognize those students who may be suffering or on their way to suffering from these diseases.

"Traditionally, the population that is most influenced with this disease is college students," said Kati Fosselius, a graduate student studying nutrition and food science and a member of the Nutritional Education Action Team. "I think it's important to

have these events because there are students who are dealing with this or who know friends that are suffering from this, too."

Eating Disorders Awareness week has been going at SJSU for three years, said Carina Esteban, a psychologist and co-planner of the events. Each year, the groups involved in planning, Counseling Services, the Student Health Center and the Women's Resource Center, decide on the topics and activities that will take place on campus.

This weeks events will include three seminars, including "Do athletes really have eating disorders?," "Everything you wanted to know about eating disorders but were afraid to ask," and "Your body on eating disorders." Each presentation will be held in the Student Union and presented from noon to 1 p.m. each day.

Students will also have the opportunity to take

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Social Security rally held in downtown S.J. Some fear youth apathy

By Traci Newell
Daily Staff Writer

A small crowd gathered at the Plaza de Cesar Chavez in downtown San Jose on Monday to discuss and educate the community about Social Security in the United States.

There was a break in the stormy weather and the sun shone bright as the disc jockey blared hip-hop music to try to attract people walking around downtown.

The rally was put together by Americans Uniting America, a group that is responding to the recent political division that some citizens are facing in the United States.

The public meeting included three speakers who gave a view on different aspects of the Social Security dilemma.

"I think there is a crisis in the United States," said Alessandra Harris, the president of Americans Uniting America. "The problem isn't that Social Security is going to bankrupt in a few years. The crisis is that young Americans don't know and don't care about the issues."

Harris went on to say the reason they are having this public forum is to spread the word and educate the public about all aspects of Social Security.

Wally Ederight, a volunteer with the AARP, spoke first on what Social Security is.

"Social Security is merely the foundation of the pillars of retirement," Ederight said.

He said the problem is not as immediate as the Bush administration is making it seem. He said the system should be fully supported for the next 42 years.

In addition to handing out an

informational packet on Social Security, Ederight pointed out how privatization has not worked in other countries, such as Chile and Great Britain.

Robert Baker, a lawyer, spoke next and focused on how society would deal with privatization.

"What person in their 20s is going to have the discipline to really invest consistently in the type of plan that it would take to have a retirement such as (the one) Social Security provides today?" Robert Baker said.

He also said privatization will put the money citizen's make into the stock market, which is unstable.

Harris said because of the money being invested in the stock market, the people who make more money will have more of a benefit from the system, unlike the Social Security plan the United States currently has.

"It makes me think about my kids," said Martha Davidson, who was in the audience. "What's the point of having kids if we don't protect them?"

Baker said they tried to invite someone from the Chamber of Commerce to come and speak for privatization but they did not get a response.

The speakers encouraged audience members to write their senators or congressmen regarding how they feel and to ask some of the unanswered questions that the speakers posed at the rally.

Harris said Americans Uniting America will hold a conference call with Rock the Vote and AARP on Tuesday, when they will discuss having events on local college campuses.

"Even though we are a small crowd, we are going to make a difference," Harris said.

Exchange students find home at SJSU

By Marsea Nelson
Daily Staff Writer

When an international student thinks of cities in the United States, San Jose is probably not one of the first that comes to mind.

Yet, about 1,400 exchange students are currently studying at San Jose State University, said Louis Gecenok, an adviser for the International Programs and Services Office.

Leann Cherkasky-Makhni, the director of the International House, said that over the years, students who have lived in the house have come from 95 different countries.

"A lot of students come here because this is Silicon Valley. Some students come here because they have family," Cherkasky-Makhni said. "Then there's word of mouth."

Gecenok said SJSU's Engineering department is a big draw for many international students.

"Our Engineering school is very highly rated and they have access to internships in all of the leading companies in the industry," Gecenok said. "There are top-rated schools in other parts of the country where there is no proximity to the industry that parallels



Brian Connelly / Daily Staff

Samuel Ducroquet, left, a senior majoring in political science, takes a study break and chats with Jessica Karlsson, a junior majoring in political science. The two live in the International House on 11th Street. Ducroquet is an exchange student from France and Karlsson is originally from Sweden.

the student's studies and, for that reason, those students, in a sense, really miss out on something."

Robert Self-Pierson, an international student from England,

however, said he did not know that San Jose was in Silicon Valley until after he applied.

"I had friends who'd come over and done the exchange from

back home," Self-Pierson said. "They'd come from California and they said how nice it was."

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Opposing Views: Should individuals be prosecuted for file-sharing?

YES *File-sharing is no different from stealing.*

When someone downloads a music file or a movie file off of Kazaa, Morpheus or whatever file-sharing program the individual has selected from the ever-enabling Internet, that person is breaking the law. Period. And they can and should be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

Despite it being very difficult to defend the film and recording industries, considering a movie costs nearly \$10 and a new compact disc can cost nearly \$20, stealing is not the answer.

When you're sitting in your bedroom on your computer, it's so easy to simply point and click and save yourself a trip to the record store to get that Hendrix album. It seems like all you've done is save yourself some money. It's like jaywalking — no one is really affected. The only losers are the big industry conglomerates. And who cares about the big conglomerates? You're sticking it to The Man, right?

Wrong.

To be fair, the recording industry has had declining CD sales in recent years because of illegal downloading and that does equate to profit losses for the big conglomerates.



JOE SHREVE

In the film industry, problems have risen with copies of unreleased movies finding their way to file-sharing programs.

When you download music and movies from the Internet without paying for it, you are sticking it to small-business owners, industry employees and artists far more than you could ever stick it to The Man.

When a corporation's profits begin to fall, people's jobs start to disappear. And rest assured, the CEOs will not be camping in their Mercedes and eating caviar out of the

can. As usual, it is the people in the lower echelons that feel the job losses the worst.

If there's no profit to be made in recording or filmmaking, artists will also be negatively affected. When an artist records a song, he or she is making a product that is for sale. When you make copies, you are stealing that product, as well as the royalties the artist deserves for creating that product in the first place. If the artist sees no gains from recording, then what's the motivation if they can't make a living off of it?

Copyright laws exist to protect artists by ensuring that their work remains under their control and cannot be copied without permission.

The Recording Industry Association of America and the Motion Picture Association of America have both tried to stem the tide of illegal file-sharing through several well-publicized lawsuits.

In the last two years, several individuals, including many college students, were sued for illegally sharing more than 1,000 music files.

There have been efforts to create legitimate means for file-sharing, most notably with the music store offered by Apple via the iTunes program and with a new fee-paying version of Napster.

The problem lies in the fact that gaining access to the technology to download is incredibly easy to do, the risks seem so small and the sense that file-sharing doesn't feel like stealing at all. And if it doesn't feel like stealing, why should it stop? Because it is wrong, that's why.

Joe Shreve is a Spartan Daily staff writer.



Illustration by Alan Bayudan

NO *Prosecution should be the last resort for file-sharing.*

You probably prefer or at least have tried some other peer-to-peer software: BitTorrent, Kazaa, Grokster, G2, Limewire, or Morpheus, which boasts of being able to search all of the mentioned networks.

Let's make it clear without going deep into the legal issues. There is nothing criminal in the file-sharing technologies themselves or in the process of sharing.

Suppose I have written a song or shot a movie and want to share my masterpiece with the world. The First Amendment guarantees that the world and I should have no problems.

Trouble begins when I share somebody else's work without asking permission. When "Oops! ... I Did It Again" travels from my computer to another secret admirer of Britney Spears, both of us violate copyright law by committing an unauthorized copying.

By the way, there should be no illusion that something different happens when we copy compact discs borrowed from a library or friends.

From a legal perspective, we commit the very same thing, for which the federal law provides severe penalties.

In terms of common sense, is there a living music fan on Earth who has never copied a song from a CD or LP, or a cassette or from Grandpa's reel? If any of us has done it once, we are all criminals.

USA Today, referring to online tracking firm Bay TSP, states that the eDonkey/Overnet network alone has 2.5 million daily users. Imagine how many people all over the world copy music, films, software and what not from each other's computers using other networks. Prosecution of them all seems to be an unrealistic task.

What can stop them, or at least make file-sharing more responsible, is awareness. Something that will help people to understand that the cost of a CD includes the hard work of many people, and that it's not a bad idea to support your favorite artist by buying his or her CD.

It makes more sense to educate people than to authoritatively prohibit them from doing something. And there is probably only way to make intellectual property socially important — to start explaining its value to the people beginning from a very young age.

Rather than spend money on showy FBI raids, the government should invest in copyright education in schools and colleges. Chances are that more people will reconsider their attitude to unauthorized copying.

If instead of complaining about rampant piracy on the world scale, companies start investing into copyright promotion, more people will probably start thinking that copyright is worth respecting.

There is nothing like a good advertising campaign. If advertising can make people join the army, quit smoking or buy an iPod, there's a possibility it can contribute to the growth of respect for copyright as well.

Unless a serious campaign has been undertaken to promote copyright awareness on the national level, the idea of prosecution of file-sharers seems a premature decision.

Both laws and technologies should work for people, not against them.



SERGEY LOGINOV

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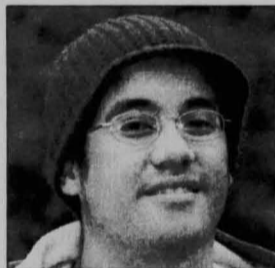
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"Yes. It's a copyright thing, so you can't just transfer files without the artist's permission."

Calvin Wang
senior,
business management



"No. I don't think they should because file-sharing is used to test out music. If it's good we'll buy it."

Neil Nallas
freshman,
undeclared



"No. If I have a CD, I don't think there's a difference if I share it in person or on the Web."

Aaron Schneikert
junior,
human resources



"No. Art appreciation should not be limited by the pocketbook of corporate America."

Sumit Mahawar
sophomore,
film and business



"No. The government should get the sites that offer free music, not the people."

Jorge Cruz
senior,
music



"No. If something is online, then people think it's OK."

Karyna Fraser
senior,
music

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GUEST COLUMN

Computer chips need to stay out of water

The next time you sit down at your computer, consider how old it is. Studies estimate that 315 to 600 million desktops and laptop computers in the United States will soon be obsolete.

Where do these computers go when they die? Discarded computers and other electronic devices such as cell phones and televisions are called "e-waste," which is the largest growing portion of America's total waste. E-waste poses particular problems to humans when it is discarded in landfills because the chemicals seep into the ground, contaminating the water supply with lead, cadmium, mercury and other heavy metals that are extremely hazardous to our health.

People do not often consider the fact computers and drinking water have anything in common. However, they actually have a dangerous connection.

At San Jose State University, many computers are purchased by students and by the university for use in the computer labs and school and faculty offices. Therefore, SJSU students should be particularly concerned about the environmental risks of e-waste. To protect the quality of drinking water, students need to start paying attention.

There are people in Silicon Valley concerned about

this issue. An environmental justice group in San Jose called the Silicon Valley Toxics Coalition released a "computer report card" that rates all computer corporations on their computer take-back policies. Computer take-back policies are like free delivery in reverse. They make it much easier for the average computer user to recycle old computers and decrease the chances that computers will be dumped on the side of the street to go out with the trash. Unfortunately, not all computer corporations have take-back policies or, if they do, they charge extra for the service.

In addition, students at other universities are using their unique potential to advocate for corporate responsibility through their university's purchasing power. At Georgetown University in Washington, D.C., students rallied to support a computer take-back program that focused on Dell Computers, the industry leader. The students circulated a petition to send to the CEO of Dell. Similarly, in December 2003, more than 150 student organizations from all 50 states placed an ad in Mr. Dell's hometown paper, the Austin Chronicle, asking for responsible take-back policies. This student pressure contributed to a decision on behalf of Dell to change its act. It has gone from being the company with the worst recycling record to the

company with the best record, and will now pick up your computer from your home for free. However, giving Dell the prize is like calling McDonald's a leader in vegetarian cuisine. Dell still has a long way to go in terms of environmental responsibility.

SJSU does purchase Dell computers, but also purchases computers from companies with worse recycling records. SJSU students are in an important position to pressure the administration to support computer recycling and environmental responsibility. Students can encourage SJSU to buy computers from companies who already have take-back policies and pressure companies who already have recycling programs to be even more environmentally responsible.

This may seem like a large task, but there are simple things that students can do at the university level:

- Send a letter from Associated Students to computer companies demanding improved environmental practices.
- Participate in the Silicon Valley Toxics Coalition's computer take-back student organizing events.
- Stage a rally to encourage university administration to only buy computers from companies who recycle.

Students also have power as consumers and voters to take a stand to support computer recycling. Students need to:

- Properly dispose of old computers making sure to recycle.
- Only buy computers from companies who promise to recycle the computer for free.
- Write letters supporting computer recycling legislation and send them to policy makers.
- Go to Toxicdude.com and sign the petition to Mr. Dell.
- Educate friends about the issue; the more people who know, the more power students have.

Next time you sit down at your computer to write a paper and sip from your glass of water, remember that what you are writing on and what you are drinking are connected. Take a stand to keep your drinking water clean! In Silicon Valley, the famous hub of U.S. computer technology, SJSU students can make a difference by becoming computer recycling activists and stopping corporate irresponsibility in its tracks.

Jill Diamond and Neelam Pathikonda are graduate students in public health. The Silicon Valley Toxics Coalition contributed information.

SPARTA GUIDE

Sparta Guide is provided free of charge to students, faculty and staff members. The deadline for entries is noon three working days before the desired publication date. Entry forms are available in the Spartan Daily office in Dwight Bentel Hall, room 209. Entries can also be e-mailed to spartandaily@cas.sjsu.edu titled "Sparta Guide." Space restrictions may require editing of submissions. Entries are printed in the order in which they are received.

TODAY

School of Art and Design

An art exhibit featuring student galleries will take place from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Art building. The "Tuesday Night Lecture Series" will take place from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. in room 133 of the Art building. A reception will be held from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. For more information, call the gallery office at 924-4330.

African Awareness Month Planning Committee

"History Day" will be held from 10 a.m. to noon in the Loma Prieta room of the Student Union.

Counseling Services

Eating attitude screenings will take place from 11 a.m. to noon and from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. in the Montalvo room. "Everything You Wanted to Know About Eating Disorders" will take place from noon to 1 p.m. in the Guadalupe room of the Student Union. For more information, call Carina Esteban at 924-5910.

Catholic Campus Ministry

Daily Mass will take place at 12:10 p.m. "Faith Formation" will take place at 6 p.m. Both events will take place at the Catholic Campus Ministry chapel. For more information, call Father Mike Carson at 938-1610.

School of Music

"The Listening Hour" concert series with solo and chamber

music will take place from 12:30 p.m. to 1:20 p.m. in the Music building Concert Hall. Today's concert will be "Spectacular Melody of the Far East: Chinese and Japanese Music" featuring Jeff Huang on the Chinese harp. For more information, call the music office at 924-4673.

Phi Alpha Theta

A meeting will take place at 3 p.m. in room 135 of Dudley Moorhead Hall. For more information, call Paul at 247-8973.

Associated Students, Campus Recreation

An intramural whiffleball meeting will take place at 3:30 p.m. in room 203 of the A.S. House. For more information, log on to as.sjsu.edu/ascr.

SJSpirit

"Techniques of Christian Prayer and Meditation" will take place at 5:30 p.m. in the Montalvo room of the Student Union. For more information, call Chaplain Roger at 605-1687.

Pride of the Pacific Islands

A general meeting will take place from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the Almaden Room of the Student Union. For more information, call Courtney Tarifa at 924-2221.

Tau Delta Phi

An informational meeting will take place at 6 p.m. in the Costanoan room of the Student

Union. For more information, call Cindy Bick at 455-0271.

Victory Campus Ministries

"The Source" will take place at 8:30 p.m. in the Spartan Memorial. Learn about the amazing destiny God has for your life. For more information, call Marla at (510) 368-8239.

WEDNESDAY

SJSU Center for Service Learning

"Get a Job or Get a Life?" will take place from 1:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. in room 308 of the Instructional Resources Center.

Campus Greens

"Life and Debt" will be shown at 2:30 p.m. in the Costanoan room of the Student Union. For more information, call Amie at 887-2562.

Asian American Christian Fellowship

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Speaker says public transit creates problems for cities

By Traci Newell
Daily Staff Writer

Urban economist Randal O'Toole is visiting San Jose State University today to give a lecture on market-based alternatives to government planning.

O'Toole, a senior economist with the Thoreau Institute, is giving a lecture titled "The Insanity of Light Rail Transit: San Jose as a Test Case" at 5:15 p.m. in the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Joint Library, room 225.

Jeff Hummel, a professor in economics, said O'Toole argues that public transit, such as San Jose's light rail system, will only make urban problems increase.

"San Jose made the mistake of selecting a high-cost, low-benefit transit system, namely light rail," O'Toole said. "This has put the transit agency, VTA, in such financial jeopardy that it has harmed all transit riders."

"O'Toole is an articulate skeptic who marshals a formidable array of facts and figures to argue against the major tenets of smart growth," the American Planning Association wrote in a review of O'Toole's book "The Vanishing

Automobile and other American Myths."

Newsweek Magazine listed O'Toole first among 20, "leading movers and shakers in the West."

"I think he will be an interesting, provocative speaker," Hummel said.

O'Toole is also the director of the Independence Institute's Center for the American Dream.

According to information from the Independence Institute, he began his career working as a forest economist assisting environmentalists opposing wasteful timber sale programs on national forests.

O'Toole, an avid bicyclist, was interested in what his city had planned when it said it wanted to make Oak Grove, Ore., easier for residents to walk and bicycle, more according to the Independence Institute Web site.

O'Toole and his neighbors quickly discovered, according to the Independence Institute, that the suburb of Portland was planning on quadrupling the population density.

After O'Toole protected his neighborhood from the new zoning laws, he was inspired to begin research projects on urban planning, new urbanism and so called

smart growth, according to the Independence Institute.

"My main point is that urban planners have made a lot of serious mistakes in both land-use and transportation planning," O'Toole said.

O'Toole said cities need to find better ways to manage themselves—ways that rely less on a planning process that could lead the city in the wrong direction, such as what happened to O'Toole in the suburb of Portland.

In addition to giving a lecture at SJSU on Tuesday, O'Toole will be giving several lectures for the Silicon Valley Taxpayers Association, Cal State East Bay and Santa Clara University.

Hummel puts together the David S. Saurman Provocative Lecture Series every semester for the department of economics at SJSU.

Each year the lecture series invites three to four speakers to come and speak to students, faculty and the general public. The lectures deal with intellectual arguments on controversial subjects.

The next lecture, which will be held on April 21, features Douglas Dowd, a retired SJSU professor from the economics department.

EXCHANGE - Majors, reputation attract some to campus

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Self-Pierson said he looked up the exchange universities that were offered at his school and San Jose was the only one in California.

"I looked (SJSU) up on the Internet and it all looked very good," Self-Pierson said. "The courses looked interesting, (there would be) sunshine, so I applied." Self-Pierson said.

Thorsten Papkalla, a communication junior from Germany, said his first-choice university was San Diego State University but that international students had stopped being accepted because the program was too full.

"The one thing I read when I was applying (to SJSU) was that it was a commuter school. I didn't imagine that it being a commuter school would really have such an impact on downtown," Papkalla said. "It's just not very busy."

Sima Parikh, a freshman majoring in business, came to San Jose after living in Egypt although she is originally from India. She came to SJSU because her brother attends here and her parents wanted her to be close to family. She said the busi-

ness program was also appealing.

"After Engineering, the second best thing to do (at SJSU) is business," Parikh said. "And California has nice weather."

Parikh said she likes the "walkability" of downtown San Jose. "Wherever I lived (before), I had a driver to drive me everywhere. I wouldn't really walk," she said.

Parikh, Self-Pierson and Papkalla said they were surprised by the diversity of San Jose.

that are vastly different.

"A lot of them watch American television, and so they feel that they already know America," Cherkasky-Makhni said. "People who come from an extremely different culture expect the change."

Self-Pierson said he was surprised by some of the laws, because America is known for liberty and freedom.

"I find (the United States) more repressive than back home in certain aspects," Self-Pierson said.

He cited jaywalking as an example.

"(In England), you're trusted to be able to cross the road using your own knowledge of cars and whether they'll kill you or not," he said.

Self-Pierson said he is enjoying his classes at SJSU.

Gecenok said that some students he encounters at the international office have a more difficult time adjusting to the academic differences.

"The way you learn in some countries is to memorize things and that's the major focus," Gecenok said. "And the atmosphere in the classroom often is very different. Allowing students to disagree with what the professor is saying is unheard of in many countries."

EATING - Many suffer from more than one disorder

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part in an eating attitudes screening throughout the week. The purpose of the screening is to determine whether students have a positive or negative feeling toward their bodies and can help in determining if someone is at risk for an eating disorder.

"The purpose of these events is a preventative one. We want to inform the students and help them learn about these diseases," Esteban said. "It also helps those who already have them to seek out counseling as a form of help."

Eating disorders, which include anorexia, bulimia and binge eating, are a trend that is hitting college campuses across the country, Esteban said.

Esteban said eating disorders can be triggered in college students because of several reasons, including being away from home for the first time, living as an adult, transition periods, making choices, comparing themselves to others in the residence halls, and most often,

the start to new romantic relationships where someone is trying to impress and attract others.

Each disorder is different, has different physical and psychological symptoms and often times, those suffering from them can suffer from more than one at the same time, Esteban said.

"I think it's a trend that's been going on for a while. It's just that it gets talked about more," Esteban said. "People are more open about it now. I don't think it's something that just popped up. It's just more widely spoken about."

According to a report from Counseling Services, some physical symptoms can be poor circulation, dry skin, hair loss, cardiac problems, irregular heart rate, menstrual irregularity, diarrhea, dehydration, shortness of breath and nausea.

Psychological symptoms can include perfectionism, avoidance of relationships, highly motivated and impulsive behavior, depression, compulsive behaviors and suicidal thoughts.

"Eating disorders are real issues affecting real people," said Alena Pochop, a freshman majoring in public relations. "It's important to stop this problem before it starts through promoting awareness throughout our student body."

In addition to this week's events, Esteban is starting a group for those suffering from eating disorders, which will start March 3. Esteban hopes that by adding this group to the other campus programs, including, individual and group counseling and nutrition education, students will find a place that can help them if they are suffering from these diseases.

"Eating disorders are increasing in number (of) students. They're especially a growing problem in this country," Fosselius said. "Young people are dieting and using unhealthy ways to lose weight. Kids are dieting, using pills and throwing up. ... Hopefully this week will raise some awareness and help students who are affected or who know people who are affected."

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Legese Abebe, a junior majoring in civil engineering, takes elevation readings using a transit, with his lab partners in the park next to Dwight Bentel Hall on Thursday.

HOUSING - 'There isn't an abundance of properties for Greek housing at SJSU.'

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house around the university — but it is possible," Podgorssek said.

Crumm. Although chapters tend not to switch houses, when they do move, they typically they move into vacant houses, Crumm said.

turning it into a fraternity and a short-term intention of slowly phasing people out, Podgorssek said.

In addition, "the residents had ample time to decide whether they want to continue living there," Crumm said.

house next door," he said. However, "There isn't an abundance of properties for Greek housing at SJSU," Podgorssek said.

Whether purchased from the city or the school, "every Greek house should follow these same (permit) policies," Podgorssek said.

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Spartan pitcher Courtney Lewis hits the ball during a game on Feb. 12 against the University of Pacific at the San Jose State University Field. The Spartans lost the doubleheader 6-3 and 3-2.

Spartans display strong pitching

By Ashley Little
Daily Staff Writer

The Spartan softball team posted a winning record while on the road in Louisiana last week. Improving their overall record to 7-6, the team is demonstrating success away with all of its wins on the road.

SOFTBALL NOTEBOOK

Traveling might make some teams nervous, but for the Spartans everything is the same, said head coach Dee Dee Enabenter-Omidiji.

Assistant coach Jen Goodwin thought that playing at home might make them feel more comfortable, but no matter where they are the Spartans can deliver.

"The psychology of traveling is that home is where you play the best," said Enabenter-Omidiji. "I tell my girls that no matter where you play, it is home."

Heading to the University of Louisiana-Monroe Mardi Gras Classic, the Spartans beat Louisiana 3-1.

"We just have to feel like we belong when traveling," said Enabenter-Omidiji.

The Spartans lost 1-0 against Louisville in their second match of the day. Outfielder Elisa Barrios and shortstop and third baseman Sarah Smith recorded two hits in the loss.

In San Jose State University's first visit to the tournament Friday against Louisiana Tech University, Carol Forbes pitched a 4-0 perfect game — a first for Spartan softball and Forbes' second career no-hitter.

In the beginning of the season, catcher AJ Hull said she predicted big things for Forbes.

Forbes has shown this while being on the road and breaking all-time records.

In game two, Forbes came in for a save and ended up breaking SJSU's career strikeout record with 455. With two home runs, a number of singles and stolen bases, the Spartans won 6-1 against Southern Mississippi University.

On Thursday against Grambling State University, more records were broken.

In game two, pitchers Courtney Lewis and Kat Castro tossed a no-hitter with a 6-0 win. The Spartans delivered hits by Lewis, infielder Charlie Hill, shortstop and third baseman Smith and first baseman Lindsey Allen.

In game one, Spartan pitcher Lewis grabbed her first save of the season, marking her sixth save in her career, breaking the SJSU softball record.

This was her first trip to the mound for the season, and Lewis struck out five batters.

"Our pitchers are more relaxed this season," said catcher Monique Kelley.

Winning 10-0, the Spartans were swinging away. Outfielder Elisa Barrios was three for four with two RBIs and two runs scored. Allen brought in three runs with her two hits for the game.

In addition to the live-wired bats, Forbes delivered a complete game allowing only one hit for the game.

"It doesn't matter where we are," said outfielder Barrios. "It is our whole mind set."

Forbes, Barrios, and Hill were all named to the all-tournament team.

The Spartans will face Cal Poly in San Luis Obispo on Tuesday for a doubleheader.

Broncos buck SJSU, 72-69

By Emmanuel Lopez
Daily Copy Editor

The Spartans men's basketball team fell to Boise State University 72-69, when guard Marquin Chandler's 3-point attempt to

**BRONCOS 72,
SPARTANS 69**

force overtime spilled off the front of the rim.

San Jose State University dropped to 6-18 overall and 3-11 in the Western Athletic Conference, while Boise State improved to 12-16 overall and 5-10 in conference play.

"(Chandler) had a pretty good shot at it," said Bronco center Jason Ellis.

The Spartans took a 62-61 lead late into the second after guard Eric Bloom hit a layup while being fouled and sank the free throw. The Spartans led by as much as three before the Broncos clawed back to take the lead for good with two minutes to go in the second half.

Bronco head coach Greg Graham said the team wasn't rattled by going down toward the end of the game.

"Our guys are getting older," Graham said. "They've been in these spots before. That doesn't mean they're comfortable with it, but they know how to make plays."

Graham said he told his team to avoid giving up any 3-pointers.

"We wanted to force them to get a quick layup," he said.

SJSU coach Phil Johnson said the team's inability to secure defensive rebounds hurt the Spartans' chances of victory.

"The difference was in the last three minutes," he said. "I have to give (Jason) Ellis credit. He went into a crowd and pulled down a lot of tough boards. Those were the daggers that sank us."

Ellis, who had eight points on 4-of-6 shooting, said it felt good to secure a close win.

"San Jose's a good ball club — they're going to give anyone trouble in the tournament," Ellis said. "A win's a win. It's good to get the season sweep."

The Broncos pelted the Spartans with uncontested 3-point

shots, shooting 11-for-24 in the first half.

Graham said he was pleased his team was converting open looks at the basket.

"We wanted to go inside, but Jason got into foul trouble early," Graham said.

"I thought Eric (Lane) had a good first half. He always finds ways to score," he said.

Johnson said the Spartans did a better job adjusting in the second half.

"We just got out tougher," Johnson said. "It was a point of emphasis not to give up easy outside shots."

The Broncos committed nine team fouls to the Spartans' six.

Boise State also forced 12 SJSU turnovers while only committing four.

Johnson said the team managed to correct the sloppy play in the second half.

"It's uncharacteristic for us to not take care of the ball," he said. "I think we did a much better job in the second half."

SJSU will next face Rice University (13-10, 7-6 WAC) at 7 p.m. Friday at Autry Court in Houston.



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Spartan swingman Michael McFadden drives to the hoop as Boise State University guard Coby Karl defends him. The Spartans lost 72-69.

Women's basketball team falls to third in conference

Daily Staff Report

Last-second shots that have saved them before didn't work for the Spartan women's basketball team this week as the team continued to struggle in Western Athletic Conference action.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL NOTEBOOK

San Jose State University (15-9, 8-6 WAC) faltered for the third time in a row falling on Thursday to the University of Texas-El Paso, 66-63 and then again on Saturday against Boise State University, 67-54.

Forward Lamisha Augustine and guard Jessica Kellogg led the team's scoring efforts Thursday.

The frustration continued Saturday against the Broncos, as the Spartans were unable to stop the offensive attack from the Broncos (9-15, 4-11 WAC).

Despite Kellogg's ability to shoot four of ten from the 3-point line to end the game with 12 points, and Augustine's 17 points and nine rebounds, SJSU could not capitalize off either of their efforts.

The defense was unable to stop the Bronco offense, allowing four Boise State players to score in double digits.

Kellogg managed to pull herself out of a recent slump to lead the team with 14 points. Twelve of her points came off four of the team's five 3-point goals.

Despite missing a last-second shot, Augustine also performed in true fashion by pulling out yet another double-double, finishing the game with 12 points and 10 rebounds.

The Spartans led at the half 33-31 before the Miners took control of the game, going on a 9-0 run in the middle of the second half.

Amber Jackson chipped in with 13 points on five of eight shooting from the field and Erica McGlaston finished with eight points, four steals, eight assists.

SJSU will be back in action on Thursday against Rice University (17-8, 10-4 WAC) and Saturday versus University of Tulsa (16-8, 8-6 WAC).

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