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History receives a cool million

SJSU department awarded grant

By Adam Browne
Daily Staff Writer

The history department at San Jose State University is preparing to use a \$1 million federal grant to teach secondary and high school teachers about American history in graduate-level courses, according to Patricia Don, undergraduate adviser for the department.

"The Santa Clara County Office of Education is our partner in this grant," Don said. "The second partner is a group called Silicon Valley History Online."

Don said the group comprises seven local archives of California and local history, including special collections in the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Library.

Jonathan Roth, chair of the history department, said that without Don's help, the grant would not have been possible.

"She deserves the lion's share of the credit," Roth said.

Roth said the grant is the largest that the history department has ever received, and it reflects the department's commitment to the professional development of history and social science teachers.

Don said that the grant would promote development of history teachers.

"Over all, the purpose of the grant is educational and professional development of teachers in American history in public and private grade schools," Don said. "Some of it will be for teachers of fourth grade through 12th grade, but specifically, our part of it will concentrate on teachers of 11th and 12th grade."

Don said there would be three levels of teaching presented.

The first level will help pay for portions of a master's degree for 35 teachers.

The second level would focus on professional development seminars for more than 100 teachers.

The third would be two symposia and include several book talks by guest lecturers of American history. Also, there would be support activities.

"We are working with extended studies to provide graduate-level courses for history teachers," Don said.

Glen Gendzel, assistant professor, will be teaching graduate colloquia and seminars for secondary school teachers.

"The teachers that will be enrolling in these graduate courses under the grant will learn about history and take it into the community," Gendzel said. "They'll be employed in the Santa Clara County school system."

Don said one of the symposia will be held in summer 2008 at SJSU.

"We intend to invite 300 to 400 American history teachers in the Santa Clara valley to the courses," Don said. "And our department

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Night of prayer



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ABOVE: Natalie Hill, a sophomore majoring in liberal arts, urges fellow participants of the Unity in Christ Night to quiet down on Tuesday. TOP LEFT: Students hold hands as they pray for the campus at the Unity in Christ Night in the Barrett Ballroom of the Student Union on Tuesday. TOP RIGHT: A group of students prayed at the Unity in Christ Night for the campus in the Student Union ballroom on Tuesday. More than 200 students from various campus Christian fellowship groups worshipped, prayed and interacted at the event, which is held once a semester.

Students raise concerns over elevator safety

Some trapped up to three hours

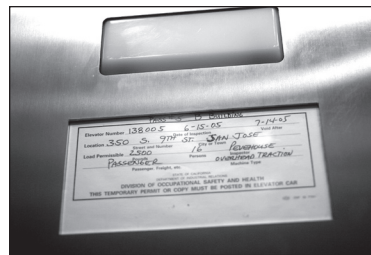
By Sara Spivey
Daily Senior Staff Writer

Most students at San Jose State University plan to graduate and get a job, but some just want to get out of the elevator.

Lindsay Bryant, a Spartan Daily staff writer and SJSU junior, said she was trapped in one of the elevators in Campus Village Building B for approximately two-and-a-half hours Saturday evening.

"I got in at 7:40 p.m. and got out at about 10:15," she said.

Bryant said she entered the elevator on the 12th floor and pressed the first floor button. She said the doors closed and then the elevator dropped suddenly to the fifth floor, where it stopped, made a loud bang, dropped a little more, made another loud bang and became wedged somewhere between the fourth and



PEARLY CHAN/ DAILY STAFF

An elevator inspection certificate in Campus Village Building B shows an inspection date of June 15, 2005, and an expiration date of July 14, 2005.

fifth floors.

Bryant said she pushed the emergency call button and told the woman who answered that she was stuck. About 20 minutes later, she said a resident adviser arrived and stayed outside of the elevator the entire time she was trapped to let her know what progress was being made to get her out.

A technician was called, but Bryant said the closest one available to come to campus was in San Mateo — an approximate 45-

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Job fair introduces students to potential employers

Duy Dinh, a junior majoring in business marketing, speaks with Frank Colman, a sales trainer for the San Jose Mercury News, about a potential job during the Career Center job fair held in the Event Center on Wednesday.



CHANTERA GUNN/ DAILY STAFF

By Stefanie Chase
Daily Staff Writer

Students strutted their stuff across campus Wednesday in their business-professional attire as they made their way to the Business and Technical Career and Internship Fair.

According to Margaret Wilkes, job fair coordinator, 128 companies recruiting employees and interns were expected to attend the fair this year.

"That's many more than I expected," Wilkes said.

Wilkes added that Yahoo and eBay were among the companies expected to attend.

"This is my second fair," said Truc Dao, a senior majoring in business.

Dao added that he went to the fair last month, which was held in the Student Union.

"I'm just here to look for an internship," Dao said.

Wilkes said some of the companies at the fair were already seeking interns at this fair for summer positions.

"So many candidates in the past have gotten internships," Wilkes said.

Wilkes said this is one of many fairs the Career Center has hosted.

"After we did our 35th, I didn't keep track," Wilkes said.

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Faculty wives award three \$2,000 scholarships

By Michael Geslani
Daily Staff Writer

The San Jose State University Faculty Wives and Associates have awarded three students with scholarships in the amount of \$2,000 each.

Nancy Friebel, scholarship chairman of the organization, said the group has been an organization for many years and formed it to help foster friendship among wives of faculty members and to work toward acquiring funds in order to present scholarships to students.

The organization dates back to the late 1940s, according to current president Helen Brazil, but it started becoming a fixture in 1958.

"We met together socially and formed as a supportive group," said member Betty Van Arsdale.

Brazil said they started out by having social events once a month where the wives of professors participated in activities such as cooking and handcrafting.

"(Our) one philanthropy is to give scholarship money," Brazil said. "The money comes from the dues and fundraisers."

Each year, the organization presents three scholarships to students who apply through the Financial Aid and Scholarship Office.

"I found out about the scholarship through the SJSU Web site," said Zumreta Skokic, recipient of the award, in an e-mail interview.

Skokic is a sophomore majoring in journalism and said she went to the scholarship office Web site to find out about it.

Students must file an application that asks personal information, request resumes covering leadership positions, community and school activities, honors awards and work experience.

Friebel also said students need to submit short essays on education and leadership

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Campus's chess olympian

Graduate student was Nepal's best player

By Stefanie Chase
Daily Staff Writer

San Jose State University has an olympian, of sorts, gracing its campus this semester.

Taking home first place for Nepal in the 2004 and 2006 chess olympics, this chess champion now showcases his skills in the Bay Area.

Digesh Malla, a first-year graduate student in electrical engineering and international chess champion, came from Nepal to SJSU because of the SJSU electrical engineering program, and he plays chess when he's not studying.

"I met him at the Campbell Chess Club about three months ago," said Mike Spplane, management information systems lecturer and chess master.

Spplane said Malla has beaten all of the chess masters, players of great skill, in the Bay Area.

"In fact, I was kind of intimidated by watching him," Spplane said, adding that he has been playing chess for about 30 years.



JORDAN MCKONE/ DAILY STAFF

Digesh Malla, a graduate student, ponders his next move at a Chess Club meeting Oct. 5 in the Montalvo room of the Student Union.

"Over in San Jose, I have found very few chess clubs," Malla said.

He added that in Nepal, chess is so popular that people play it in the streets.

"Very few people are interested in the game," said Rajesh Khadka, a first-year graduate student in environmental engineering and Malla's close friend.

Khadka said he is more interest-

ed in other sports such as football, but he "knows the basics" of chess.

Khadka said he has seen Malla play several times.

Malla and Khadka have known each other for six or seven years, and they studied at the same undergraduate college in Nepal, Khadka said.

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Our prime purpose in this life is to help others.
And if you can't help them, at least don't hurt them.
— Dalai Lama

OPPOSING VIEWS

Should the United States engage in one-on-one talks with North Korea?

YES

One-on-one talks are more personal and less threatening.

The United States should engage in one-on-one talks with North Korea, because this is what the nuclear-happy country wants.

North Korea is the one setting off nuclear weapons; therefore, it is the one that calls the shots at this point.

North Korea is requesting direct communication with the United States, not the six-party talks that the United States has agreed to instead.

I have always been taught that talking out problems is the best way to solve anything. I remember having a whole presentation dedicated to “conflict resolution” in elementary school. We were taught the steps of how to solve the conflict in a productive way.

The first person starts out by telling the culprit how he or she feels. Then, the culprit repeats exactly what the first person said and adds on his or her response.

The first person then repeats what the culprit said and so on. This presentation was given year after year, no matter what the grade. We even practiced the steps we were taught during “circle time” at the end of the day and were encouraged to use the steps on the playground as well. Maybe the conflict resolution advocates skipped President George W. Bush’s elementary school. Although the presentation was cheesy to say the least, solving problems through one-on-one communication is encouraged in everyday life.

Sure, a six-party talk is communicating, but it’s not the same as communicating one-on-one. Considering that North Korea seems to be the only country that agrees with its own actions at the six-party talk, this “talk” sounds more like an intervention. If this is the case, this talk has the potential to get pretty ugly.

A person who is being intervened usually gets more defensive and less likely to listen to the people who are trying to discourage a behavior.

The whole speculated reason as to why North Korea is testing nuclear bombs is to show the rest of the world that the country is not weak.

North Korea has already proven that it is “unweak” by following through with its word to test the bombs in the first place.

This probably means that the country will have no problem conducting more testing, and a bully session conducted by five other countries just may trigger more nuclear tests.

A one-on-one talk is much more personal and less threatening.

In a CNN.com article published on Oct. 5, United Nations Ambassador Wang Guangya from China said many counties believe that a resolution to the nuclear issue starts with the relationship between the United States and North Korea. If other countries believe that the solution begins with the United States and North Korea mending their relationship, there seems to be no better starting point than dialogue.

One of the solutions that the United States seems to be pushing for is prevention of nuclear weapons getting into the wrong hands in the first place. According to an article on the Houston Chronicle’s Web site published Oct. 16, these efforts “have so far been limited.”

The solution that the United States is going for at this point appears to be talking to all other countries except for North Korea.

The United States seems to think it is more productive to have dialogue with more than one country rather than the one country that is the problem.

This tactic brings me back to elementary school again. It’s like the teacher telling the class to ignore the disruptive student instead of just telling the disruptor to stop. This just doesn’t seem logical. It’s easier to address one student’s behavior instead of trying to condition the whole class.

I realize we are talking about two completely different levels here, but ignoring North Korea and having other countries monitor their exports seems more ridiculous than the classroom example.

There seems to be no harm in the act of talking, especially when North Korea requested the one-on-one talk.

Even if talking doesn’t ultimately help the situation, it’s worth a try.

You can’t shoot down a potential solution, especially one that poses minimal threat, until you have tried it.

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STEFANIE CHASE



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NO

North Korea didn’t want to abide by the rules the first time, so why would it now?

The United States and North Korea engaging in one-on-one talks would be like a bad episode of Jerry Springer with underage adolescents whose parents cannot control them.

Bring in the drill sergeant as the United Nations to help because the United States already has tried to stop North Korea from creating the main ingredient for nuclear weapons, plutonium.

The Agreed Framework was an agreement signed in 1994 by the United States and North Korea, agreeing that North Korea would receive light water reactors and 500,000 metric tons of fuel each year, but North Korea would have to halt its activities on its own nuclear reactors, according to an article on the BBC News.

Those nuclear reactors are the main focus for many countries, not just the United States, because, according to about.com, those reactors have made enough plutonium for several nuclear weapons.

According to a PBS show “Now,” the only problem is that North Korea didn’t abide by the agreement and has been making enough of that plutonium, since 1994, while never telling the United States until about early 2000.

“When we told North Korea that we knew what they were doing, they came back the next day, admitted it, blamed us for their actions and then said they considered that agreement nullified,” said then-Secretary of State Colin Powell on NBC’s “Meet the Press.”

The broken agreement is a valid reason why North Korea would probably not listen to the United States if we discussed the matters of nuclear weapons one on one with them again.

If they couldn’t abide by the rules with the United States the first time, what makes people think that they will stop if we ask again?

During the past year, the United States has put pressure on North Korea by sanctioning banks in Macao, which is an island near China that deals with North Korea’s currency, and denouncing the country’s deplorable human rights records.

This is probably what led to North Korea to launch test missiles on July 4 of this year, letting the United States know that North Korea isn’t messing around anymore and prompting an emergency meeting of the United Nations Security Council.

Although none of the missiles launched made any impact because of their failure to even go anywhere, North Korea’s leader, Kim Jong Il, wants to let the United States know that his country doesn’t want the United States worrying about North Korea’s issues anymore.

The only problem is that this issue doesn’t only affect the United States. It affects all other countries such as Russia, China, Japan and South and North Korea.

Those countries together are members of the six-party talks and were put together by the United Nations with the goal of denuclearizing the Korean Peninsula in a peaceful manner, according to nautilus.org.

The countries in the six-party talks came to a consensus that North Korea should suspend all missile-related activity.

According to U.N. Security Council meeting minutes, all six parties were acting “under its special responsibility for the maintenance of international peace and security.” This basically means that the countries involved would prevent the transfer of missiles and missile-related items, materials, goods and technology to the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea’s weapons of mass destruction programs.

Three of those countries — China, Japan and South Korea — seem to not want any type of nuclear war to breakout, because they are the countries that surround North Korea. So as a collective whole, those countries involved in the six-party talks would be the best safeguard to keep peace and prevent anymore plutonium from being made.

The United States engaging in one-on-one talks would only amount to more pressure by North Korea, seeing as they like to handle pressure with more pressure.



MICHAEL GESLANI

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CAMPUS VOICES

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“Yes ... it will foster good relations between countries with good ideals.”

Nic Janes
senior
art



“No ... I don’t think they’re (United States) good at talking.”

Remi Astier
graduate student
management information systems
and software engineering



“Yes ... I don’t want to go to war.”

Dan Vivoli
freshman
undeclared



“No, because I think Bush will say something stupid.”

Marla Landeza
sophomore
nursing



“Yes. It’s better to fully understand what you’re getting into.”

Sheena Kennedy
freshman
nursing



“No ... we will just make them angrier, and they will build more nuclear weapons.”

Brian Vera Cruz
junior
nursing

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OPINION

THE STORY SO FAR

‘Did you notice I was afraid / ... I’ve run out of things to say’

She opened up her bag and pulled out the book “The Celestine Prophecy.”



SHANNON BARRY

Noticing the book, he recalled that through the years, he had begun to find inspiration through creations: books, movies, photographs, but he had begun to go through a dry spell.

When personal matters became involved, he could think of nothing else.

Funny, considering people all had to be cogs in a machine. No matter what happened. At least to make money, to get somewhere in life, to support a family. Yet the one time he should be focusing his attention elsewhere, he had to think about his work. The work that was supposed to only distract him from the pain, the diagnosis, the deterioration of what he had grown to know and love.

Yet it was this lack of focus, this attention to his ad campaign with Creative, that the trouble had really begun in the first place.

He pushed the door of his car out, his right foot stepping out first. The leaves of the tree swayed in the wind. He remembered when they had first received it. Then only a baby tree given to them in a tree conservation booth at the state fair. She didn’t need to say it, but by her swaying of their arms as they walked and the smile gleaming from ear to ear that day, it was apparent she was nothing less than ecstatic.

“It will be our first tree,” she said. “And we’ll plant it in the front yard.”

The truth was, he had little to no time for her lately, and it was these little moments, her pure happiness, that he had begun to miss.

The tree had grown to full size, its roots now protruding from the ground, and he smiled, realizing just how much significance, how much memory each item they owned had behind them.

He owed it to her to show her that she hadn’t been taken for granted over the years.

Late night dinner set for him on a plate, regardless of whether or not she was still awake when he got home, the kids tucked in, the dishes spotless and

put away. Random letters left on the nightstand for him when he finally decided to stroll into bed late at night. Because no matter how tired she was at the end of the day, she found some way to express her love. The truth was, he just hadn’t put in the effort that he used to. Maybe it was because he didn’t feel he needed to, that she’d always be there for him, “in sickness and in health.”

The plastic wrap around the bouquet of daffodils crinkled as he pushed the door to the house open, hiding the bouquet behind his back.

He quietly walked up the stairs, tip-toeing as the lights reflected off his shoes.

He pushed the door to their room open and turned on the light. But she wasn’t there.

There was a nightgown set on the bed and as he walked closer to the bathroom, he began to hear a continual sobbing. Every once in a while, she held back and he heard her snuffle and imagined her hand pushing away her tears.

He walked into the bathroom. Running was melodramatic, and if she was already in pain, this intense reaction wouldn’t calm her down.

As he walked in, there she was, her hair in a bun, lying in the bathtub and staring at the ceiling. She smiled as she watched him enter, trying to repress what she was thinking.

He set the daffodils on the counter and sat on the edge of the tub, stroking her back.

She looked at him, smiled and broke down in tears. “I’ve been diagnosed with cancer,” she said.

And as she collapsed into his arms, his face remained expressionless to the words she had just uttered. He realized this was something he would have never been prepared for.

I may have become the financial supporter through the years, but she was the roots of our love, our family, our marriage.

Something I had grown used to, taken for granted.

And as I held her in my arms, I realized that each word I spoke to her to her from then on would be nothing but the truth.

Shannon Barry is the Spartan Daily A&E editor. “The Story So Far” appears every Thursday.

COMIC BY ADAM BROWNE



Adam Browne is a Spartan Daily staff writer.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear editor,

I read Lindsay Bryant’s guest column, “The headache of GE classes” (Oct. 18), with great sadness. Truly, there is awesome beauty and intertwined meaning in everything around us, and general education classes are designed, in part, to offer you the opportunity to discover that cornucopia.

The pinecones Bryant mentioned and their surrounding needles resemble the ice crystals that form in clouds, which in turn mimic the structure of rocks. Not surprisingly, crystal pattern formation can be modeled by mathematical formulas.

My understanding of journalism is that it transcends mere reporting of facts by revealing and synthesizing the complexities that inevitably underlie the “who, what, when and where,” in other words, the “how and why.”

The destruction of forests, including pine trees, may contribute to global warming (Al Gore’s ability to speak made his film on this topic a success),

which spawns horrific storms, involving some really large clouds that erode beaches and wreck houses and lives (geology), all of which are forecast by complex mathematical models to allow planners the chance to take protective pro-action.

After the storm passes, musicians gather to raise funds for the victims, and everyone’s lives become that much more meaningful. A competent journalist, describing such a disaster, might require this degree of comprehension.

When I recall my first two years of undergraduate school, I weep. My ignore-ance (choosing to not learn) set me back years, and that time cannot be reclaimed. My sincere hope is that any who read her column also read this letter and choose to seek and create meaning sooner, rather than later.

Kim S. Uhlik
assistant professor
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Students see ups and downs with credit card use

By Tyanne Roberts
Daily Staff Writer

Banks offer credit cards that are targeted just for students, such as Bank of America's Student Visa Platinum Card, which gives students an opportunity to build credit while in school.

"We get applications for credit cards all the time from college students," said Ana Gonzalez, a Bank of America officer.

Whether it is a Visa card, MasterCard or American Express card, students are able to purchase things when they might not have the cash available to them.

"I use my credit cards when I don't have cash all the time" said Liwen Chen, a transfer junior majoring in child development.

According to Bank of America's Web site, its student credit card is offered to both full-time and part-time students who attend accredited two-year or four-year colleges.

"Most of the student credit card accounts that we get are created because students want to establish credit history before they graduate," Gonzalez said.

When students get credit cards, most of the time, the interest rate is a lot higher. Bank of America's student credit card has an annual percentage rate of 19.24 percent, because of the risk and liability that students will not make the payments, Gonzalez said.

"Student credit cards have no requirements and have the same standards as the rest of the credit

cards that we offer," Gonzalez said. "The only difference is that the interest rate is usually higher based on the fact that students usually have no prior credit history."

Some students feel that having a credit card is not the best thing for them because they might not be able to make payments.

"I'm only 18 and would probably get into a lot of debt and spend money without being able to pay it off," said undeclared freshman Jackie Connelly.

**"Having credit card is a good idea if you can pay it off."
—Jackie Connelly, undeclared**

Banks such as Wells Fargo offer credit card education for students, where they can read about different ways to establish credit and learn how to manage their credit cards, as well as learn how to prevent credit card fraud, according to Wells Fargo's Web site.

"I got my credit cards because I wanted to start establishing my credit history," Chen said.

Having a good credit history is something that is beneficial to many students, because they need it when buying a car or renting an apartment, according to the Wells Fargo Web site.

"Having a credit card is a good idea if you can pay it off,"

Connelly said.

With credit cards, students have the opportunity to spend money when they might not have the cash on hand or in case of an emergency, but it is also just as easy to spend the money because it is there.

"I think it is easy for students to fall into debt, because all you have to do is swipe it and everything is paid for," Connelly said.

If people are unsure if having a credit card is something that is good, many banks offer different options with various credit limits that are available.

There are several options when applying for credit cards through a bank that students might not get when applying for a card straight from the company.

Gonzalez said Bank of America offers secured and unsecured options, which can be beneficial for students wanting to gain credit history.

With secured credit, applicants can deposit a certain amount of money into an account, which then becomes their credit line.

Once cardholders have proven they can successfully make their payments, they can then pull the money out and still keep their credit line, and that's when it becomes an unsecured credit line.

Though credit cards can be easy to use, it is just as easy to get into credit card debt if you are not responsible, Connelly said.

FAIR- Featured eBay, Yahoo



CHANTERA GUNN/ DAILY STAFF

A line of job seekers forms on the floor of the Event Center on Wednesday during the Career Center job fair.

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Students were encouraged to bring their résumés to the event and dress professionally, Wilkes said.

There is a publication on the Career Center's Web site that gives tips on how to target a resume to a certain employer, Wilkes said.

"(The Web site) was pretty helpful," Dao said.

Many of the representatives who attended the fair are San Jose State University graduates, and they know how it feels to be a job-seeking student, Wilkes said.

Chaitali Modgi, a former SJSU student who majored in electrical engineering, said she hopes to find "a lot of companies who are looking for fresh graduates."

Her goal, Modgi said, was to find a full-time job at the fair.

Wilkes said all majors were welcome to come to the fair. The title

of the workshop was more to identify the types of positions and not the types of majors companies are looking for, Wilkes said.

"Communication skills are (on the) top of the list with employers," Wilkes said.

**"I just expect to get my name out there."
—Benjamin Ramos, mechanical engineering**

She added that students who communicate well will make a good impression on the employers.

"It's exciting, but it also makes your stomach a little nervous," Wilkes said regarding the experience of meeting the employers.

Modgi said she was nervous

about meeting the employers.

"I'm just thinking, 'What should I say to them?'" Modgi said.

Benjamin Ramos, a senior majoring in mechanical engineering, said this will be his second fair.

"I just went ... to check it out," Ramos said about his first fair.

He said he found his first fair to be "very informative."

Ramos added that the last fair was so he could "get a sneak peek," but this time, he was serious about meeting the employers at the fair.

"I just expect to get my name out there," Ramos said.

Wilkes said some of the participants in these fairs find more than just a future career or internship.

She said she remembers one fair in the late '90s or earlier this decade, where an employer met his future wife at the event.

"So, interesting things happen here," Wilkes said.



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WIVES- Held luncheon to hand out awards

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goals as well as an explanation of personal hardship and how the scholarship will be of help.

“I applied for this particular scholarship because I felt that the essay question that was asked applied to my personnel life experience,” Skokic said.

The organization then informs the scholarship office from the department from which the recipients are chosen. The chosen three are then sent a letter inviting them to a luncheon where they are given their awards, and the students are given time to briefly describe their backgrounds and goals.

“The luncheon the wives prepared was amazing,” Skokic said. “They really cared about each of us. The wives understand how it is to be a student at SJSU and they appreciate the hard work we do.”

Skokic said she was scared to even apply for the scholarship. She said the wives made her feel comfortable and that her life experiences and hard work she did made her feel like she deserved it.

Betty Van Arsdale said in a letter that the stories are interesting. She said one student brought her mother and grandmother to the luncheon, and another had lost her whole family to the troubles in Eastern Europe.

According to the Financial Aid and Scholarship Office, there are more than 900 scholarships for students who apply.

Skokic said that the whole process of applying for the scholarship was easy to follow and easy to understand.

“I encourage everyone to apply for scholarships even if they don’t feel that they deserve one,” Skokic said.

Nobel Prize winner speaks before students

By Ryan Berg
Daily Staff Writer

Nobel Prize winner Joseph Stiglitz spoke to an audience of approximately 100 people Oct. 13 at San Jose State University by sharing his views on how dialogue plays an important role in global democratization.

An example he gave of dialogue failure involved North Korea’s recent nuclear bomb test.

“President Bush took the view that you should not talk to people you don’t agree with,” Stiglitz said.

Stiglitz said the actions the North Koreans took could have been because no one was showing them respect through dialogue.

Stiglitz won one-third of the Nobel Memorial Prize in Economic Studies in 2001 for his contributions in the field of economics.

He has also received the John Bates Clark Medal, which is given by the American Economic Association twice a year to an economist

under 40 who has made the most significant contribution to the field.

“I’m interested to see him come to our school,” said Gregory Cabrera, a graduate student in anthropology. “It’s kind of rare to see a Nobel laureate come here.”

His visit comes as part of a project known as the Difficult Dialogues Initiative, which according to the SJSU news Web site, “seeks to engage university and community members in conversation about significant and controversial social issues.”

Another topic relating to dialogue, Stiglitz said, was how China is becoming increasingly interested in forming unions for its workers.

Also mentioned was how during his time at the World Bank, an institution dedicated to reducing poverty and improving living standards, attempts to increase the bank’s efficiency sometimes had a negative affect for those they were trying to help.

“For an economist,” Stiglitz said, “things falling apart is what makes life interesting.”

Stiglitz said that dialogue helps disseminate information in a way that people can understand and make use of it.

He said that during one experience, the International Monetary Fund, an organization that attempts to foster global monetary cooperation, would only want private dialogue, excluding many people.

“That was nothing more than a sham,” Stiglitz said.

Stiglitz also pointed out how technology is creating difficulties for proper dialogue.

He mentioned that the Internet is creating polarized communities, people who can simply look up and find others who agree with them.

“It’s important to have dialogue with different viewpoints,” Stiglitz said.

The audience was very interested in what Stiglitz had to offer.

“He is one of the more articulate and knowledgeable people in his field,” said William Reckmeyer, professor of anthropology. “He’s worth looking at, and worth listening to.”

Stiglitz said people have different successes and failures, and through dialogue, we can come to understand the forces that lead to success and failure.

“I thought it was an intelligent conversation,” said Kevin Givan, a junior majoring in political science. “It was interesting to hear about the evolution of where globalization is going.”

Stiglitz encouraged people to create a dialogue and be tolerant of others who have viewpoints different from their own.

“Tolerance is a fundamental value,” Stiglitz said. “It is very hard to tolerate those who do not tolerate.”

Rice pledges full ‘security’ support if North Korea attacks Japan

By Anne Gearan
Associated Press

TOKYO — The United States is willing to use its full military might to defend Japan in light of North Korea’s nuclear test, Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice said Wednesday as she sought to assure Asian countries there is no need to jump into a nuclear arms race.

At her side, Rice’s Japanese counterpart drew a firm line against his nation developing a nuclear bomb.

The top U.S. diplomat said she reaffirmed President Bush’s pledge, made hours after North Korea’s Oct. 9 underground test blast, “that the United States has the will and

the capability to meet the full range — and I underscore the full range — of its deterrent and security commitments to Japan.”

Rice spoke following discussions with Japanese Foreign Minister Taro Aso, the first stop on her crisis mission to respond to the threat posed by the North.

Back home, President Bush told ABC News that if the U.S. learned North Korea was about to transfer nuclear technology to others, the communist nation would face “a grave consequence.” He did not elaborate.

“I want the leader to understand — the leader of North Korea to understand that he’ll be held to account,” Bush said, referring to the country’s ruler, Kim Jong Il.

There were continued signs Wednesday that North Korea might be readying for a second nuclear test, perhaps while Rice was in Asia this week.

China’s president, Hu Jintao, apparently has sent a special envoy to North Korea, according to a former South Korean lawmaker, Jang Sung-min, citing diplomatic officials in Beijing. Rice planned to see the Chinese official, State Councilor Tang Jiaxuan, this week in Beijing.

There were reports North Korea

had told China it was ready to conduct up to three more nuclear tests. At the State Department in Washington, spokesman Tom Casey said, “We certainly haven’t received any information from them, from the Chinese, that they’ve been told by Pyongyang that another test is imminent.”

U.S. government officials, who spoke on condition of anonymity because of the sensitive situation, said there was no evidence to suggest a second test was imminent.

But given the underground nature of the testing, officials said, it could happen with little or no warning.

In Seoul, South Korea, the country’s foreign minister — the incoming U.N. secretary-general — warned the North not to detonate a second nuclear test.

“If North Korea conducts an additional test, the response of the international community will be much more serious,” Ban Ki-moon said.

In her meeting Thursday morning with Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe, Rice reaffirmed Washington defense commitment and “underscore the strength of our alliance,” her spokesman said.

The officials discussed ways of cooperating on carrying out terms

of the U.N. Security Council resolution that penalizes North Korea for its test. Steps include boarding and inspecting the North’s ship for banned weapons, though China has expressed reluctance to do so.

Rice’s reference to U.S. willingness to honor the “full range” of the nation’s security commitments was meant to show that the United States does not want to see its allies on a nuclear arms race to protect themselves. It also was likely to be taken as a reminder to North Korea that, should it use nuclear weapons on a neighbor, the U.S. has powerful forces of its own and is pledged to defend its friends.



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Quickly offers variety of milk teas close to campus

By Adam Browne
Daily Staff Writer

Quickly, a tea house located on Paseo de San Antonio, serves several varieties of tea, and the day I tried their tea for this review, I already knew what it tasted like. Milk tea tends to have a light cinnamon flavor that is pleasing to the palate.

Asian teas are milder than European teas, and the Asian varieties include sugars and milk products to make them sweeter. In contrast, European teas tend to be strong and dark, leaving a stronger aftertaste than lighter teas.

REVIEW: DRINK OF THE WEEK

Jasmine milk tea is made from jasmine tea, a light cinnamon flavor, milk or milk powder, powdered sugar and ice. It can be ordered with or without tapioca pearls, also called boba.

The tea comes in several flavors ranging from tangy apple to light jasmine, to brisk black and others.

I had a large jasmine milk tea without pearls, because I don't care for them. They are little balls of purple tapioca, and they roll down the throat like swallowing little gummy worms smashed into balls. It could be that I just don't like gummy worms.

Because the tea at Quickly is from a mix, it isn't as pleasing to the palate as other specialty teas. Some places use whole milk and sugar, and I prefer those types. For a fast tea on the way to class or the train, it's OK.

The ice usually melts when it is warm, so I planned to drink mine in the first 10 minutes, but I didn't, because I asked some of the students in the cafe about what they thought of milk tea.

Usually, there are a lot of students in the teahouse during the day ordering tea before lunch or dinner.

"I always just get the regular milk tea," said Julie Ueno, a senior majoring in child development at San Jose State University. "I like it here, and it tastes good, so I always get a large."

Fiona Wong, a graduate student in mechanical engineering, likes the green tea for the taste.

"This is like my favorite place for tea close to SJSU," said Duy Tran, a senior majoring in liberal studies. "I like the passion fruit tea and the crispy chicken."

JASMINE MILK TEA INGREDIENTS

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Sarah McLachlan — 'Wintersong'		

SJSU alumnus premieres short film

By Heather Driscoll
Daily Staff Writer

For all the TV junkies out there, Kevin Lojewski, a former San Jose State University radio, television, film and theatre student, will show a 20-minute comedy about the pitfalls of couch potato-ism on Thursday night at Camera 12 Cinemas, free of charge.

PREVIEW

Lojewski, an SJSU alumnus and now a video professional, said his digital film, "TV Watching Me," is about a man named Harry (representing nearly every man) who lets television take over his life.

"The film is based loosely on my life," Lojewski said. "It features New York stage actor George Crowley as 'The Announcer' and is based on memoirs of the lives of many men."

Lojewski said the evening is all about having fun, celebrating the arts and supporting filmmakers.

"A movie on couch potatoes?" asked James Jarden, a freshman

majoring in engineering. "I should be the main star. Don't tell my mom about that one. She might drag me by the collar and make me watch it."

The Camera 12 screening of the film was designed, according to Lojewski, to raise awareness and support for the future of digital film production. He also wants to seek out people who would be interested in collaborating with him on his upcoming science fiction film based in Silicon Valley.

Lojewski, said he was known as the "art film junkie" when he attended SJSU from 1979 to 1984, and he became familiar with Camera One Cinema on First Street during the '80s.

In later years, Lojewski had a string of jobs, including a freelance producer and a camera and lighting specialist for clients in the South Bay Area.

Lojewski said he formerly organized entertainment events for the San Jose Downtown Association and was also a founding member of the San Jose Professional Media Network, an organization that lasted until 1998.

Lojewski, who is now an information technology professional at TiVo Inc., said the golden age of digital filmmaking is now upon us.

"It is now possible to produce quality, big-screen productions, theatrical film productions, with a little management and a small fraction of the former cost," Lojewski said. "And what better place to make digital movies than the Silicon Valley?"

The last piece that Lojewski wrote, produced and directed was the "Survivor" music video created for San Jose rock group Chaser in 1984, but he is now broadening his horizons with the use of new technology.

Tonight's event begins at 7:30 p.m. with a wine and cheese reception, followed by the screening and a Q-and-A session with the actors and production crew.

Lojewski encourages students and faculty and staff members to come and support the arts and have an evening of fun.

"Cheese, wine and a movie?" said John Amsel, a senior majoring in business. "Shoot, my woman will love me after I take her to this."

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SAFETY- At least six elevators have expired permits

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minute drive from SJSU.

When the technician arrived, Bryant said that after diagnosing the problem he had to “manually pull the elevator up to the fifth floor” which took another 45 minutes.

“The technician said it was a complete computer failure,” Bryant said.

Bryant said that when she got out, she did not notice anyone taking a report, and she said no one asked for any information from her.

When Susan Hansen, the director of university housing services, was first contacted, she said she was not aware that a student had gotten stuck in a Building B elevator on Saturday.

“I will not argue that we had some problems at the beginning of the year, but if it’s happening now, it’s an anomaly,” she said.

But she later said in an e-mail that she had received a report that a student had been stuck.

After looking into the situation, Hansen related through e-mail details that sounded similar to the report given by Bryant, but with a very different timetable.

“My understanding is that the

situation took about 45 minutes to resolve from start to finish,” she said.

Hansen said problems with elevators in residential buildings are not uncommon.

“Vertical transportation is one of the most highly used modes of transportation in the world ... so residential elevators are going to have more issues than a business elevator,” she said.

Hansen said that when a student is trapped in an elevator the emergency operator contacts the University Police Department, who then contacts an elevator company to come out and fix the problem and get the students out of the elevator.

“We have a company on call 24 hours a day,” Hansen said. “We consider it a high priority issue, an elevator company needs to get to the campus.”

Some students living in Campus Village wonder if lapsed inspections and the subsequent expired permits that they have noticed displayed in the elevators are a symptom of some of the problems they have experienced.

Iyohna Pendleton, a sophomore majoring in interior design, said she noticed that the permits displayed in elevators in Building

B and Building C are more than a year past their expiration dates.

“I tripped off that. That’s not safe. ... They ought to fix it,” she said.

Of the 11 elevators located in the buildings of Campus Village, at least six displayed expired permits when checked on Monday.

Hansen said that although the display permits are expired, the elevators permits are current. She said all of the elevators in Campus Village passed inspection over the summer, and the permits were re-issued.

“The physical permits are not posted at this time, and I am in the process of locating them,” she said.

Title 8, Section 3000 of the California Code of Regulations states that “no elevator shall be operated without a valid, current permit issued by the division.”

Elevators must be inspected at least once per year by the Division of Occupational Safety and Health, and the valid permit “shall be posted conspicuously and securely in the elevator car.”

Scarlett McAlpine, an assistant in the San Jose branch of the Division of Occupational Safety and Health, said that an elevator permit expired by more than one year is “standard.”

“That’s pretty average,” McAlpine said. “Most elevators are expired by one year or two years.”

McAlpine said her office has “many” elevator inspectors out every day to inspect the elevators as fast as they can.

“It’s not like we don’t want to inspect them,” McAlpine said.

McAlpine said contracted elevator service companies let her office know when they have done work on an elevator and that the elevator needs to be inspected and renewed.

“Whoever comes out and fixes it calls us,” she said.

She said that if her office was made aware of a problem elevator, it would “red flag it” and try to send an inspector out as quickly as possible.

Hansen, the director of university housing services, said she is very concerned about the safety and security of the students in Campus Village.

But despite the housing department’s commitment to elevator safety, Bryant is not the only student who has gotten stuck in Campus Village elevators.

Tifanie Williams, a junior majoring in child development, said she was trapped in the elevators in Building B twice last year, once for

45 minutes and the second time for 15 minutes.

Williams said that the first time she got stuck, she was going up to her room on the 15th floor. She said the elevator stopped at several floors to let students off and continued higher.

But when the elevator arrived at the top floor, the doors did not open. She said the elevator made a “jerky” movement upward before all of the power shut off.

“I started freaking out,” Williams said.

She said she pushed the emergency call button, and when a man answered she told him she was trapped in the elevator.

“He told me to calm down, asked me questions like if I was in the elevator now. The questions he was asking me were so stupid,” Williams said.

She said that after about 20 minutes, UPD arrived and a short time later the fire department also arrived, but she had to wait for a technician to drive from Santa Cruz to get her out of the elevator.

“I counted at least 45 minutes,” she said.

Williams said that besides the two times she was stuck in the elevators, she once waited outside of an elevator in Building B where a

friend was trapped for three hours.

Williams lived on campus for two years, but said her elevator incidences were the “icing on the cake” that helped her make a decision not to return to on-campus housing this year.

Kayla Livingston, a sophomore majoring in hospitality, said she and two friends were trapped in an elevator in Building C last year.

“We got stuck in the elevator for like 45 minutes. It started shaking, then going down, then shaking, then stopped,” Livingston said.

Victoria Avila, a junior majoring in photography, said she noticed one of the elevators in Building B is out of service, and one of the other elevators has been acting “really weird.”

“It will stay open for a while, close, stay open, close, and it won’t go anywhere,” she said.

Avila said she experienced similar problems last year.

“Sometimes it’ll only be one elevator functioning at one time. It’s really annoying, and last year, I lived on the 13th floor,” she said.

Susan Hansen, the director of university housing services, said that currently, only one out of the 11 elevators in the Campus Village buildings is out of service because it is waiting for a part.

GRANT- Program will instruct local teachers

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feels strongly that we should take action to improve the quality of history education to the extent that we can.”

Patricia Hill, the graduate adviser of the history department, said the history students coming to learn the courses will be getting

graduate-level courses.

“The grant allows us to bring in graduate students,” Hill said. “We have a program with about 70 Masters of Arts students and the grant will give us 35 more.”

Hill added that the students are teachers who already teach in secondary and high schools.

Gendzel said the teachers will

be coming to SJSU to learn history at a more advanced level to enrich their teaching.

“I’ll be teaching them 20th century U.S. history and a research seminar on specific topics of U.S. history,” Gendzel said.

The grant will lead to the possibility of other grants.

“This is the beginning of many

grants, which will lead to closer collaboration between our faculty and history teachers in the community,” Don said

Gendzel looks forward to instructing the teachers in history.

“We’re all very excited to get this opportunity to get a chance to make a difference in the community,” Gendzel said.

MALLA- Started playing in high school

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Malla said he started playing during his last year of high school and competed in tournaments after he finished high school.

“I learned (the game) from my grandfather,” Malla said.

He added that his grandfather was the only chess player of the family, and he was a “decent” player.

“In my country, there is no chess training,” Malla said.

Malla said he would study books from India about chess and play against himself in order to develop his skill.

He added that some people may think he’s a “madman” because he plays against himself, but this is a good way to increase strategy.

“He sees the positions on the board very quickly,” Splane said, regarding Malla’s strategy.

Splane added that Malla has the “ability to play backwards,” which is a rare quality in Splane’s opinion.

Splane defined this tactic as resisting the urge to make offensive moves too quickly, but rather taking the time to map out how Malla’s next move would affect the game as a whole.

“That’s a really rare and difficult skill to develop,” Splane said.

Malla keeps his pieces in defensive positions, Splane added.

“(Playing on the computer) is more helpful to develop chess instead of actually playing,” Malla said.

Malla said this is the best way to improve strategy. He added that one

of the most important tactics is to analyze the style of the opponent.

Once he becomes familiar with the style, Malla said, the opponent’s moves become easier to predict.

“If he’s promoted, he could do many things for the university,” Khadka said.

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FOOTBALL NOTEBOOK: THE POCKET PASS

Spartans look to go 5-1 in Reno; game to air on ABC

By Greg Lydon
Daily Senior Staff Writer

The San Jose State University football team hits the road this weekend for the first time since its season opener, when the Spartans fell just short of an upset victory, losing 34-29 at the University of Washington in Seattle.

SJSU coach Dick Tomey said he was pleased the team fought back against Utah State University this past weekend, opening its Western Athletic Conference schedule with a 21-14 victory, but he knows a tough test looms ahead this weekend against the University of Nevada, Reno.

“Our guys are clear of the fact that if we turn the ball over as much as we did against Utah State, we will get run out of the stadium this weekend,” Tomey said.

The Spartans come into the WAC matchup 1-0 in conference play and 4-1 overall, while Nevada comes in 0-2 in WAC play and 3-3 overall on the season.

Nevada starting quarterback Jeff Rowe didn’t play in the last game for Nevada, but Tomey said he expects the Wolf Pack to have all of

its weapons ready to go on Saturday in Reno.

“Jeff Rowe hurt us running the ball just as much as throwing the football in last season’s game,” Tomey said. “He’s a excellent quarterback, and we expect him to play on Saturday.”

Middle linebacker Matt Castelo continued the run of Spartans to be honored as WAC player of the week this season as he was named WAC defensive player of the week for his 20-tackle performance against Utah State.

Tomey said the coaching staff looked at the film, and 20 tackles might not have been enough. Tomey said he thought Castelo could have been involved in 27 different tackles on the afternoon.

“My teammates were calling me selfish on Sunday, teasing me about how many I got,” Castelo said. “I haven’t had that many tackles in a game since high school.”

Castelo was only the second player this season to record 20 tackles in a game.

“This game was the first time I didn’t have to tape up my ankle up before the game,” Castelo said.

Castelo had been battling a nag-

ging ankle injury for most of the 2006 season, but he said his ankle is pretty much 100 percent now.

Nevada won last year’s meeting 30-23 at Spartan Stadium in an ABC-TV regionally televised game.

“It’s a huge game this year,” said SJSU tackle Matt Cantu. “Last year was very disappointing.”

Cantu is a senior this season and is looked at as a veteran leader on the Spartan offensive line.

“We just have to ignore the other factors this weekend,” Cantu said. “When I say something, the younger guys listen.”

Another pressing matter going into this weekend’s game is the punt return position for SJSU.

Senior wide receiver James Jones fumbled three punts this past weekend but said he still feels he can get the job done for his team.

“I know I’m going to have to catch a lot of punts in practice this week,” Jones said. “There was some bad judgment by me out there today, but I still have confidence in myself.”

SJSU faces off against Nevada this Saturday, with kickoff set for 4 p.m. in Reno and is an ABC-TV regionally televised game.



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Players from San Jose State University and San Diego State University face off against one another in the Sept. 30 football at Spartan Stadium. The Spartans won the game 31-10.

HOCKEY NOTEBOOK: FROM THE PENALTY BOX

SJSU Ice Hockey Club to travel to New York for 3 games this weekend

By Julia Cooper
Daily Staff Writer

The San Jose State University Ice Hockey Club will enter this weekend’s road trip to Albany, N.Y., with a 4-1-0 record and three challenging matchups.

SJSU head coach Ron Glasow said facing the team’s opponents — Stony Brook University on Friday, Wagner College on Saturday and Siena College on Sunday — will provide a formidable test for the club’s 12 rookie players.

“We’ve never played any of (the New York teams),” Glasow said. “...

They were all at the national tournament last year, so they’re all top teams in the country. We’ve got our hands full with a young team, especially with four of our biggest guns out.”

Glasow said four veteran players — junior forward Sean Scarbrough, senior center Mason Nave, team captain Adam Smith-Toomey and senior forward Jon King — may be absent from the weekend lineup.

Scarbrough, the team’s leading scorer, is still recuperating from a shoulder injury incurred during the Oct. 7 win against USC, and his

playing status is unknown, Glasow said.

“We’re going to have to skate in New York Friday morning, and we’ll know more then,” Glasow said. “But (Scarbrough) kind of tweaked it a little on Monday (in practice). I’m not sure he’s going to be ready.”

Glasow said Nave also sustained a minor injury in practice and may not play this weekend.

Smith-Toomey and King have previous engagements that will prevent them from making the New York trip.

“We’re going to have a real test of our youth,” Glasow said. “We’ve got a great young team. It will be interesting to see how we do.”

Senior forward Max Ramsay said he thinks the new guys will step up their game this weekend despite the absence of veteran players.

“We have enough guys, depth-wise, to overcome that (absence),” Ramsay said.

Freshman forward Steve Stichler said there is some pressure on the new players, but added that he is up for the challenge.

“(Head coach) Ron said this is our time to prove to everyone else we can play,” Stichler said.

Stichler and other club players, including Smith-Toomey, Matt Pamidi, Alex Redmond, Mickey Rhodes and Kelly Spain, were recently featured in an episode of “Shark Byte,” the half-hour television show airing before San Jose Sharks games on Fox Sports Net Bay Area that gives an inside look at what the Sharks do behind the scenes.

The Spartans practice and play games at Logitech Ice at San Jose,

the Sharks’ official training facility, and have been affiliated with the team through other events, such as coaching kids during the offseason, Ramsay said.

For the “Shark Byte” episode, Spartan players demonstrated shot-blocking techniques.

“That was a lot of fun,” Stichler said. “I never thought I would get the chance to do that (on television).”

Stichler added that the Spartans may be featured in another “Shark Byte” episode demonstrating faceoffs later in the season.

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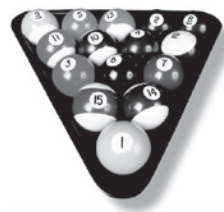
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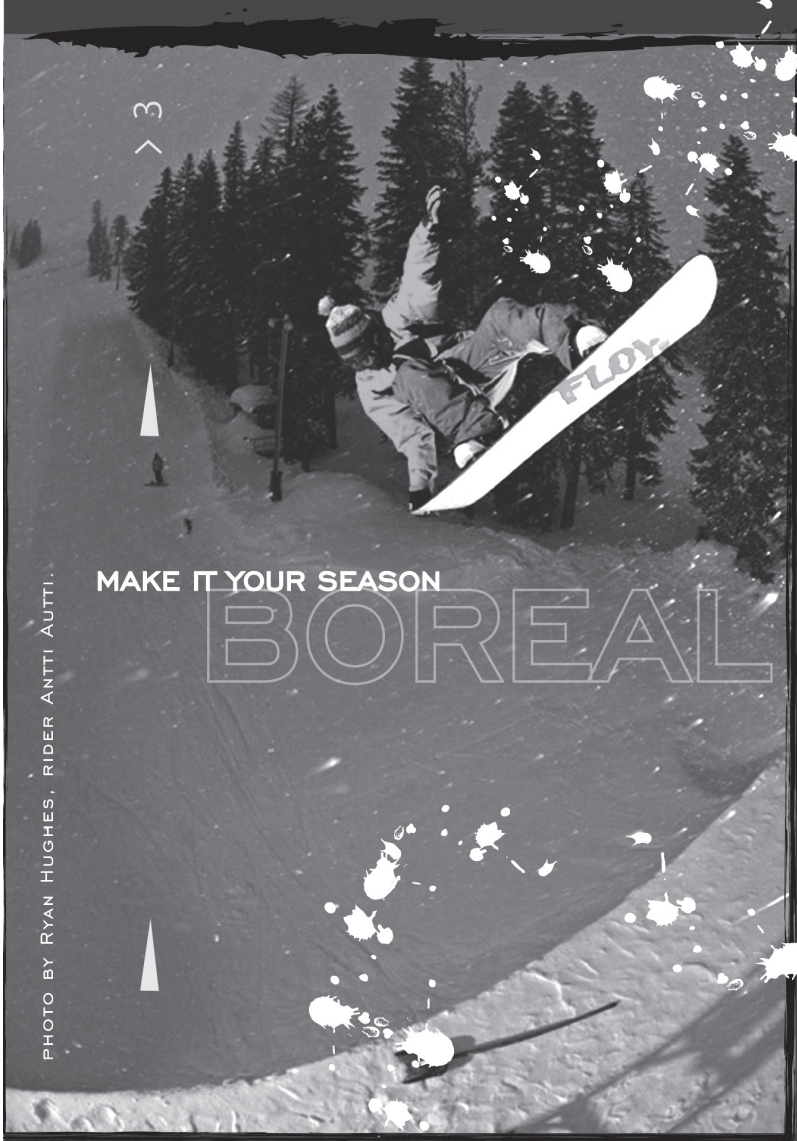


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