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ABOVE: A sea of people and their flags flood the front steps of San Jose City Hall on Tuesday. BOTTOM LEFT: A protestor holds up a sign, which reads: "Unidos Ganaremos," or "United we will win" in English. BOTTOM CENTER: A group of Mexican flags sway in the wind near the San Jose City Hall. BOTTOM RIGHT: Harper Elementary School students walk near San Jose City Hall during the rally. Visit www.thespertandaily.com for a multimedia package.

Thousands march on San Jose



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S.C. County honors 150 years of SJSU

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The Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors honored San Jose State University yesterday for its 150 years of commitment to public higher education.

More than 100 people were in the board chambers in the County Government Center yesterday when SJSU President Don Kassing was presented with a certificate, honoring the university for its sesquicentennial anniversary.

Board members Blanca Alvarado and Ken Yeager spoke to the audience about SJSU's history and involvement with the community.

"We are all very proud of the fact that San Jose State is the very first university in the California state system," said Alvarado, the board member representing district two in Santa Clara County.

Alvarado read a brief history of how the university was founded in 1857 as Minns' Evening Normal School. She named some notable graduates from throughout the history of SJSU, such as former San Francisco 49ers head coach Bill Walsh, Intel founder Gordon Moore and author Amy Tan.

Alvarado said that SJSU is recognized as be-

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Teachers awarded for many years of service to campus

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STAFF WRITER

Honored professors and lecturers gathered in the Barrett Ballroom for San Jose State University's 8th Annual Faculty Service Recognition and Awards Luncheon.

More than 300 people celebrated with the award-winners and others who were recognized for the years of service they have dedicated to teaching.

Ethel Walker, a professor of television, radio, film and theatre, won the outstanding professor award. She said many faculty members deserved her award.

"They give to students who really don't appreciate what they do," Walker said. "They serve because they love giving back to young people."

President Don Kassing, who presented Walker with the award, said her "passionate energy" and teaching style encourages students to strive for excellence.

"Her dedication to teaching extends far beyond the classroom," Kassing said.

Walker came to SJSU 18 years ago as a temporary faculty member and said she was not given special treatment by those who she now considers heroes.

"They made me feel like a colleague and I will love them forever because they just let me be myself," Walker said.

Essam Marouf, a professor of electrical engineering, was honored with the President's Scholar Award and a \$1,000 check for his work with the science of planetary exploration.

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Students work to detect early signs of language disorders

NICK VERONIN

STAFF WRITER

San Jose State University's department of communicative disorders and sciences has teamed up with two San Diego organizations to provide early detection for local children with language disorders, officials said.

Jean Novak, professor of communicative disorders and sciences at SJSU, said graduate students

of speech pathology are working with members of the Autism Tree Project Foundation and Kara Dodds & Associates Inc. on a language-screening program for Silicon Valley preschoolers.

Novak and other specialists in the field said that the earlier speech and language disorders are detected in children the better.

The graduate students will not diagnose any specific disorder, Novak said, but will be looking for warning signs in two- to five-year-olds over the next two weeks.

Novak said about 80 speech pathology students were trained on Saturday, April 21 at SJSU.

Liz Lang, a graduate student in speech pathology, is one of the students who attended the training session. She said she has worked twice so far screening preschoolers at the Addison-Penzak Jewish Community Center in Los Gatos.

Lang said Kara Dodds, a pediatric speech pathologist and director of Kara Dodds & Associ-

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'08 presidential contenders sign on to MySpace

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United States presidential candidates are trying a new technological way to get their names across to potential voters for the 2008 election.

With the Internet as a tool, candidates are using social networking Web sites such as MySpace and Facebook as information centers, along with personal blogs and campaign speeches airing on video sharing Web sites such as YouTube and Google Video.

In an interview with the New York Times, MySpace founder Tom Anderson said, "MySpace has a method of reaching people who are historically not interested in voting."

Terry Christensen, a professor in the political science department at San Jose State University, said in an e-mail interview that technology helps in fundraising and communication to voters in general and to specific constituencies.

"Technology helps getting negative information about opponents out quickly," Christensen said in an e-mail. "It allows candidates to communicate without going through the filter of traditional media."



GRAPHIC BY DANIEL SATO AND HANNA THRASHER

Nowitzki scores 30 as Mavs escape late Warriors surge; Game 6 Thursday

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DALLAS — Don't count out the Dallas Mavericks just yet, no matter how tempting they're making it.

After letting a 21-point lead turn into a nine-point deficit in the closing minutes, Dirk Nowitzki came alive with consecutive 3-pointers to start a game-ending 15-0 run that carried the Mavericks past the Golden State Warriors 118-112 Tuesday night.

That guaranteed the NBA's best regular-season team at least one more game in the playoffs — Game 6 on Thursday night at Oakland.

Golden State led 112-103 on a lunging 3-pointer by Baron Davis with 3:19 left that looked to be the knockout punch for one of the most stunning upsets in NBA history. Yet that's when Nowitzki picked Dallas up off the mat, the way the league's likely MVP is supposed to do — but something he'd yet to do all series.

Nowitzki scored 12 points the rest of the way, hitting the two 3s and went 6-of-7 from the foul line. The Warriors helped the collapse by missing their final eight shots.

Nowitzki wound up with 30 points, easily his most this series. He was 14-of-15 from the line, and had 12 rebounds.

The Warriors hung on the door to their locker room one of the yellow "We Believe" T-shirts that fueled them at home in Games 3 and 4. They're sure to see more of them when the first-round series shifts back to Oakland. If a Game 7 is needed, it would be in Dallas on Saturday night.

Davis did his best to get Golden State into the second round right away with 27 points and nine assists. He was 7-of-7 for 21 points with six assists, including a half-court alley-oop to Jason Richardson, in the second half. But he also was part of the collapse, drawing his fifth and sixth fouls during the Mavs' big finish.

Golden State's Stephen Jackson added to the misery by getting ejected with 8.9 seconds left. The Warriors also wasted 16 3-pointers, a franchise-record for a playoff game. Richardson had five of them and 23 points.

Dallas' Josh Howard had 23 points, eight rebounds and five assists, and was right in the middle of the fourth-quarter turnaround, a big change from his second-half absence in the Game 4 loss.

Devin Harris scored 11 of his 16 points in the final period, including nine in a row. The last two came on a layup he spun off the glass that put Dallas within 112-111.

After a miss by Jackson, Nowitzki

shook free from the multiple defenders that had been swarming him all game and took a pass from Howard in the lane. He was banged hard, sent back to the line for two free throws — the tying and go-ahead points with 48.6 seconds left, accompanied by chants of "M-V-P" from a crowd of 21,041, the most ever for a Mavs home game.

The Mavericks still have work to do to avoid becoming the third No. 1 seed to bow out in the opening round.

However, this is a team that won 67 regular-season games and had winning streaks of 17, 13 and 12. So two more against a team that went 42-40 doesn't seem impossible.

Dallas' most playoff-experienced players said Monday that Golden State might lose its carefree attitude once things got tight, noting the pressure of trying to close out a team. It'll be worth watching to see how loose coach Don Nelson keeps them.

The Mavericks had about as perfect of a start as any team could want, hitting their first five shots — one from each starter — and scoring on their first nine possessions. They led by 16 points midway through the first, then went up by 21 in the second quarter on a 3-pointer from seldom-used Austin Croshere. The way things were going, fans might have wanted to buy Game 7 tickets during halftime.

Tennis out, golf to play another day

STAFF REPORT

Women's tennis Western Athletic Conference final

On April 26 the San Jose State University women's tennis team swept Louisiana Tech University 4-0 in the first round of the Western Athletic Conference championship in Boise, Idaho.

SJSU was knocked out of the quarterfinals later that day.

Finishing fifth after a loss to the No. 16 team in the country, the Fresno State Bulldogs, the Spartans ended the season with a 9-13 dual match record.

In doubles action, Courtney Koenigsfeld and Rokie Larjani could not stop partners Renata

Kucerkova and Anastasia Petukhova of Fresno State. The Spartans fell to the duo 8-2.

For top singles player Amber Silverstone, Kucerkova defeated Silverstone 6-1, 6-0 and Spartan senior Koengisfeld lost to Petukhova in two sets 6-0, 6-0.

Last season the Spartans posted a record of 12-9 but lost in the first round to New Mexico State University 0-4.

For the fourth year in a row the Spartans ended the season No. 5 in the WAC.

Men's golf update

In eighth place at the Western Athletic Conference championship, the men's golf team posted its spring season best team score of

five-under par 283.

The score improved by 18 strokes between round one's score on Monday and yesterday's score — fifth best among the nine-team field.

The University of Nevada is currently in first place going into the last round today of the 54-hole championship.

Playing on their home course in Reno, Nevada at the Hidden Valley Country Club, Nevada leads with 584 for 36-holes on the par 72 course, ahead of SJSU by 30 strokes.

With rain showers expected today for the final round of the WAC tournament, Spartan head coach John Kennaday said the team needed "this round to get prepared for tomorrow."

Baseball drops series to La. Tech; SJSU five games out of first place

STAFF REPORT

The San Jose State University baseball team went 1-2 in a weekend series with the Western Athletic Conference's second place team.

After winning the first game of the series 6-2 on April 27, the Spartans dropped the next two contests to Louisiana Tech University by a combined score of 19-10.

The series brought SJSU's conference record to 6-9, and puts them at fifth in the conference standings.

The second game of the series saw quick run production by the Bulldogs who scored two runs in the first inning.

Strong Louisiana Tech hitting continued, knocking four over the fence for the day.

Spartan pitcher Steven Vidal started for the first time this season, but gave up six earned runs over three innings.

Senior designated hitter Ryan Angel hit his 52nd career double, enough for second in all-time doubles by a Spartan.

The final game of the series wrapped with SJSU losing by six.

SJSU couldn't put a run on the board until the 8th inning, when junior Brian Yocke continued his strong play and batted in sophomore third baseman John Shaffer.

Bulldogs' starting pitcher Dylan Moseley threw seven shutout innings before Shaffer scored, only striking out two of the 28 batters he faced.

SJSU hit into three Bulldog double plays on the day, and only accumulated nine hits in the contest.

The Spartans, while in fifth place currently in the WAC standings, are only five games out of first place with nine confer-

Senior designated hitter Ryan Angel leads the WAC's active players in career runs, with 128; hits, with 219; doubles, with 52; and steals, with 47.

ence games remaining.

SJSU will host a three-game home series against current WAC leader Fresno State University (26-24, 11-4 WAC).

The Spartans (26-19, 6-9 WAC) next face NCAA Division II San Francisco State University (9-41, 6-26 in conference) today at Blethen Field at 3:00 p.m.

SJSU last played San Francisco State in May 2005, winning 13-4, and have beaten the Gators in six consecutive meetings.



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Senior right-fielder Donato Giovanatto extended his hit streak to 13 games last weekend in a 7-1 loss to the Louisiana Tech University Bulldogs. Giovanatto is batting .374 this season, has homered six times and stolen seven bases.

Sharks vs. Red Wings playoff update

The San Jose Sharks lead the series against the Detroit Red Wings 2-1, in a best-of-seven-game format

Game 1: Sharks 2 @ Red Wings 0

Game 2: Sharks 2 @ Red Wings 3

Game 3: Red Wings 1 @ Sharks 2

Game 4: Red Wings @ Sharks, Wed. 10:00 p.m.

Game 5: Sharks @ Red Wings, Sat. 2:00 p.m.

Game 6: Red Wings @ Sharks, if necessary

Game 7: Sharks @ Red Wings, if necessary

*The Anaheim Ducks beat the Vancouver Canucks 3-2 in overtime yesterday, giving them a 3-1 lead in the series.

Sharks' series statistical leaders:

Goalie, Evgeni Nabokov:
G1 saves: 34, G2 saves: 19, G3 saves: 29

Wing, Ryane Clowe:
Goals: 1, Assists: 2, Points: 3

Center, Joe Thornton
Goals: 1, Assists: 3, Points: 4

Wing, Jonathan Cheechoo
Goals: 2, Assists: 0, Points: 2

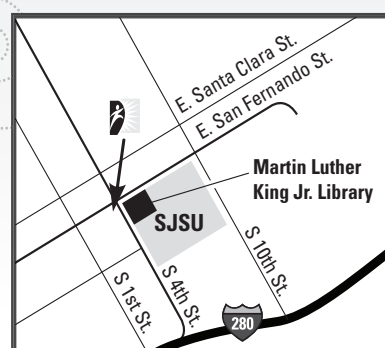
*Cheechoo scored the game-winning goal in game three



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Service- Kassing recognized first lecturer elected to the Academic Senate

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According to Kassing, Marouf has devoted 30 years to the research of deep space planetary exploration and was a key contributor to the Voyager spacecraft tour of exploration in the outer solar system and the Cassini-Huygens Mission.

Kassing said Marouf is a gifted researcher who brings his scholarly achievements into the classroom by involving his graduate students in the Cassini-Huygens Mission observation project.

Marouf said he was grateful for Kassing's recognition and kind words and thanked his wife and daughters for being the "pillars" of his life and work.

"If only all intelligence was exercised to unite and not divide," Marouf said. "We could protect our fragile co-existence."

Marouf said robot spacecraft and further research extends the reach of the planetary world.

"He was the chair when I got here and now I'm the chair ..."

-Richard Sedlock, professor and chair of geology

"The more we learn about other planets, the more we learn about our earth," Marouf said.

Beth Von Till, the first lecturer ever elected to the academic senate, said she was thankful for her outstanding lecturer award. Colleague Elizabeth Harris said Von Till has made the communications department better.

"She is tireless," Harris said. "She is committed and brings great ideas."

Harris, who is also a lecturer,

said it is great to have non-tenured instructors recognized as well as tenured professors.

After the awards were given to the four recipients, audio/visual presentations of notable faculty from the past were presented by Michael Adams, the chair of the department of television, radio, film and theatre.

Faculty members were recognized for their years of service with gifts and awards.

Heidi Pendleton, a professor of occupational therapy, was awarded for her service of 20 years to the university.

After the years I have a deeper appreciation for my students and my profession," Pendleton said.

Kay Schwartz, also a professor of occupational therapy, said her colleague is a wonderful role model.

"I appreciate her enthusiasm and her dedication to her students and her passion of our profession," Schwartz said.

Richard Sedlock, professor and chair of geology, came to support John Williams, a professor of geology who was recognized for 30 years of teaching at SJSU.

"He was the chair when I got here and now I'm the chair and I have learned from him," Sedlock said.

The two professors have been working together for 15 years and Sedlock said in that time he has seen Williams make the department a more "fruitful" place for learning.

Awarded for her 20 years of service at SJSU, Janis Zaima, professor and chair of accounting and finance, said she feels the diversity of the faculty has helped connect the university.

"It feels great that there is a caring community and we are all working together," Zaima said.

County- SJSU to be honored by San Jose mayor on Friday

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ing within the top 35 out of 100 colleges and universities leading the nation in graduating Latino students and is a recognized leader in graduating minority students.

"San Jose State University has been an active partner with educational institutions, inner cities and communities for enhancing the quality of life in Santa Clara County," Alvarado said.

Ken Yeager, an alumnus of SJSU and county board member representing district four, congratulated everyone involved with the university.

"... we should all be proud to be Spartans today."
-Ken Yeager, District four county board member

"SJSU graduates are everywhere in the community ... we should all be proud to be Spartans today," he said.

"It's really a nice thing to have key government agencies acknowledge the university and what it's done over the years," Kassing said. "It's a real honor to have that kind of interest and attention to the university."

Kassing said that in addition to the Santa Clara County supervisors honoring SJSU yesterday, the state assembly and state senate in Sacramento provided a resolution on Monday to do the same.

The city of San Jose will be honoring SJSU on Founders' Day on Friday, in continuation with Founders' Week, the weeklong celebration of the sesquicentennial anniversary.

In addition to the proclamation from the city of San Jose, there will be a Founders Day panel about the future of higher education. Margaret Spellings, secretary of the U.S. Department of Education, will be the keynote speaker.

Founders' Week Events

Wednesday, May 2:

All Day:

MOSAIC "Changing Faces of SJSU," Student Union

11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.:

"Voices of San Jose State" film, Clark Hall room 547

3:30 to 10 p.m.:

Student Affairs Birthday Bash, Tower lawn

Thursday, May 3:

Noon to 1 p.m.:

"Voices of San Jose State" film, Clark Hall room 547

1 to 2 p.m.:

Campus Historical Tour., Starts at Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Library lobby

6 to 10 p.m.:

Hospitality Celebration Dinner and Dance, San Jose Holiday Inn

7 to 8:30 p.m.:

SJSU historian James Walsh talks about his book, "A History of Continuing Education,"

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Library, second floor

Friday, May 4:

10 a.m. to 2 p.m.:

College of Science student research exhibit, outside Duncan Hall

10 a.m. and 1 p.m.:

Campus Historical Tour, starts at Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Library lobby

11:30 a.m.:

Proclamation by City of San Jose, City Hall Plaza

Noon:

Cake cutting at City Hall

12:30 p.m.:

Barbecue lunch and cake, Tower Lawn

2 to 4 p.m.:

The Future of Higher Education address and panel discussion, Morris Dailey Auditorium

Screening- Student volunteers screen preschool children for autism and speech disorders

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ates Inc along with Dayna Hoff of the Autism Tree Project Foundation came to teach her and fellow graduate students how to administer speech and language screening and write recommendations for parents based on the results of the

screening

"It was just one day for about seven hours," Lang said, "but I thought it was really comprehensive. ... I thought it was really well organized and it had a lot of great information."

Novak said the community center was chosen because of its eager-

ness to pilot the program.

"The JCC ... said, 'We'd love to have you come and have this done at our school,'" Novak said.

"So, we're setting it up as a model school — seeing how this project works and then hopefully extending it to the rest of the community."

Novak estimated that out of the 40 children screened about 40 percent need at least some kind of intervention.

"... We're setting it up as a model school — seeing how this project works and then hopefully extending it ..."
-Jean Novak, professor, communicative disorders and sciences

"For the next three weeks we're going out and I'm going out to supervise these students as they are giving out ... the preschool screenings," Novak said.

Dodds said identifying speech issues in children at an earlier age is valuable because that is when they are more apt to learn how to deal with their conditions. It also helps the par-

ents understand how to deal with the special needs of their children from an earlier age, Dodds said.

"Early intervention is important," Dodds said, "because if we catch these kids early, in the long run it will ease our need for special education."

Elizabeth Fruzzetti, a lecturer in communicative disorders and sciences at SJSU and speech language pathologist, said many parents don't realize that there are free screening services available for their preschoolers.

"I don't think parents know that these services are available when they're dealing with it with their first child," Fruzzetti said, "because they don't have anything to compare it to so they don't know if their child is typically developing or atypically developing."

Fruzzetti said pediatricians sometimes tell parents that their children will simply grow out of the problems they are experiencing, but that this may not actually be the case. She said as early screening is important because problems with speech and language can be remedied before a child enters school.

"Maybe the child has a speech clarity problem," she said, "and the children and the adults don't understand them. We can start them on articulation therapy and get their speech intelligibility significantly better before they start school. Research says that kids who have articulation training learn to read and write better."

Fruzzetti said that if a child is diagnosed with some sort of

speech disorder, free therapy is available to them as mandated by the federal government. She said screening and therapy is available to children up to the age of 18 and if parents want to know where to send their children to receive such services they should call their local school district.

"I don't think parents know that these services are available ..."
-Elizabeth Fruzzetti, lecturer, communicative disorders and sciences

She added that staff, faculty and students, as well as their children, are eligible for free speech and language screening and therapy through the department of communicative disorders and sciences.

In addition to that, Fruzzetti said, therapy is provided to the local San Jose community on a sliding cost scale.

Novak said, the Autism Tree Project Foundation is funding the training of her students, the screening procedures and the therapy for those found to have a disorder, whether that disorder is found to be autism or something else.

"It's not that we're diagnosing autism," Novak said, "but we're

diagnosing communication problems, and one of the problems that children with autism have are issues around social interaction, communication and behavior problems."

Novak said if SJSU students have children, the earlier they have their child screened, the earlier problems can be addressed if problems exist.

She said students should also be aware of some warning signs to watch out for in the first two years of their child's development as they may be signs of a communication disorder. Novak said signs of disorder include a child that does not respond to his or her name, does not point to things that they want or does not seem interested in playing interactive games with parents.

Another red flag, Novak said, is if a child develops normally for the first 18 months and suddenly the parent notices a significant drop off in the child's ability to learn language concepts.

Novak said that it is a good idea for parents to get their preschoolers screened regardless of whether they have demonstrated any of the aforementioned warning signs.

"All children should just be screened," she said, "because there are all kinds of developmental kinds of issues. ... We basically just want to screen a child and see what their understanding of language is, how they're using language, how they're expressing themselves and also how they're communicating."

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Pride of the Pacific Islands club hosts 7th annual Luau

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The Pride of the Pacific Islands club celebrated the 7th annual Luau at San Jose State University in the Student Union Barrett Ballroom on April 28th to an audience of about 500 people.

Students, family and friends packed the ballroom for the event. They were served authentic food from Hukilau, which consisted of Polynesian cuisine, such as pork and teriyaki chicken.

During the meal they were treated to live music by the Island Riddim Band, which Gerstein Padua, a senior majoring in nutrition and event volunteer, said added to the luau atmosphere.

"The luau is a great expression of the island cultures with six different countries showing how they're interconnected here," Padua said. "I liked it when the live band brought up the mood."

Vivian Le, a junior majoring in psychology, said that the lu'au was fun.

"It's really good," Le said. "The people are friendly and the service is helpful. They had a good selection of food and good music."

Le said that she took her boyfriend to the event and that she is looking forward to the dancers — especially the fire dancer.

Traditional dancing included students from the Pride of the Pacific club dressed in grass skirts or in light colorful clothing performing intricate choreographed dances illustrating each island culture.

Excited audience members would shout out into the crowd, cheering them on each time. Sometimes the loudest ones got performers to crack up laughing right after the performance.

Men without shirts in grass skirts did intricate movements and a battle song where they stuck out their tongues and howled also.

The fire dancer, Rachel Fulton, captivated the audience with swirling fire and energy as she spun two small torches in intricate patterns.

After the show, Waldon said that his favorite part was the fire dancer.

Mayne Vavao, the father of the co-president of the organization putting on the event, said that it was great that the kids can come and put this on.

"It's great that the kids can come on and show their cultures," Vavao said. "They can express who they are and where they've come from and it's great."

Grace Baldoz, a senior in child development from San Francisco State University, said that the food was yummy.

After the show, Baldoz said that she liked the

performances and the dancing.

Matt Vavao, a senior majoring in hospitality, is co-president of the Pride of the Pacific Islands Club co-hosted the event, as well as performed in some of the dance numbers.

"It was fun," Vavao said. "It was a blast. It's been an honor to perform with Pride of the Pacific Islands."

Vavao also said that the performances were from Hawaii, New Zealand, Fiji, Samoa, Tahiti, and Tonga in his introduction.

Donna Chico, a senior majoring in nursing, was one of the performers in addition to being a public relations person for the club.

"It was great," Chico said. "I loved performing. It was nerve wracking at first because I knew my friends were going to be in the audience watching us, but then after they enjoyed it, it was nice. All the hard work paid off. We had hard practices."

Dana Lisee, a senior majoring in child development, is also co-president of the club; She said that she liked being co-president because she and Vavao were equals that way.

"Matt and I relied on one another," Lisee said. "The performances felt awesome. The energy that the performers brought out on stage was great and I left they did really awesome."

Vince Ancheta, a senior majoring in business, is also the club treasurer and a performer.

"We did it mainly to spread the culture of the Pacific Islands. Not many people see it," Ancheta said, "so we brought the cultures to them. It was a great success as all our hard work paid off."

Amalyn Cruz, one of the staff from the Mosaic Cross Cultural Center, thought it was great.

"It was a great event over all," Cruz said. "They did a good job educating others about island cultures and it was an amazing group of students."

Mark Rafael, a senior majoring in electrical engineering said that he thought it was great.

"It was a great display of cultures and a great atmosphere," Rafael said.

Courtney Wong, a sophomore majoring in kinesiology, was one of the performers.

"I danced for years and I wanted a less competitive way to dance than I was doing," Wong said. "I wanted a more relaxed was. It was fun. I was only able to dance in the finale though, because I had an evening class."

According to Vavao, about 500 people attended the performance.

The Mosaic Cross Cultural Center and Associated Students sponsored the event.

**Story previously ran online*

Campus poetry



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ABOVE: Ryan Huntly, a San Jose State University student, reaches out to "Johnny Blade," a local poet who passes out his poetry on a business card. Some of his work can be found at www.werewolf.zoomshare.com. RIGHT: "Johnny Blade," talks on his cellphone.



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TOP: Dancers perform intricate choreographed dances illustrating island cultures from Hawaii, New Zealand, Fiji, Samoa, Tahiti and Tonga at the 7th annual Luau on Saturday sponsored by the Pride of the Pacific Islands club at SJSU. LEFT: Rachel Fulton, a student majoring in biology, spins fire poi at the 7th annual Luau on Saturday sponsored by the Pride of the Pacific Islands club at SJSU. ABOVE: SJSU student Anastasia Doan demonstrates island culture with her dance routine.



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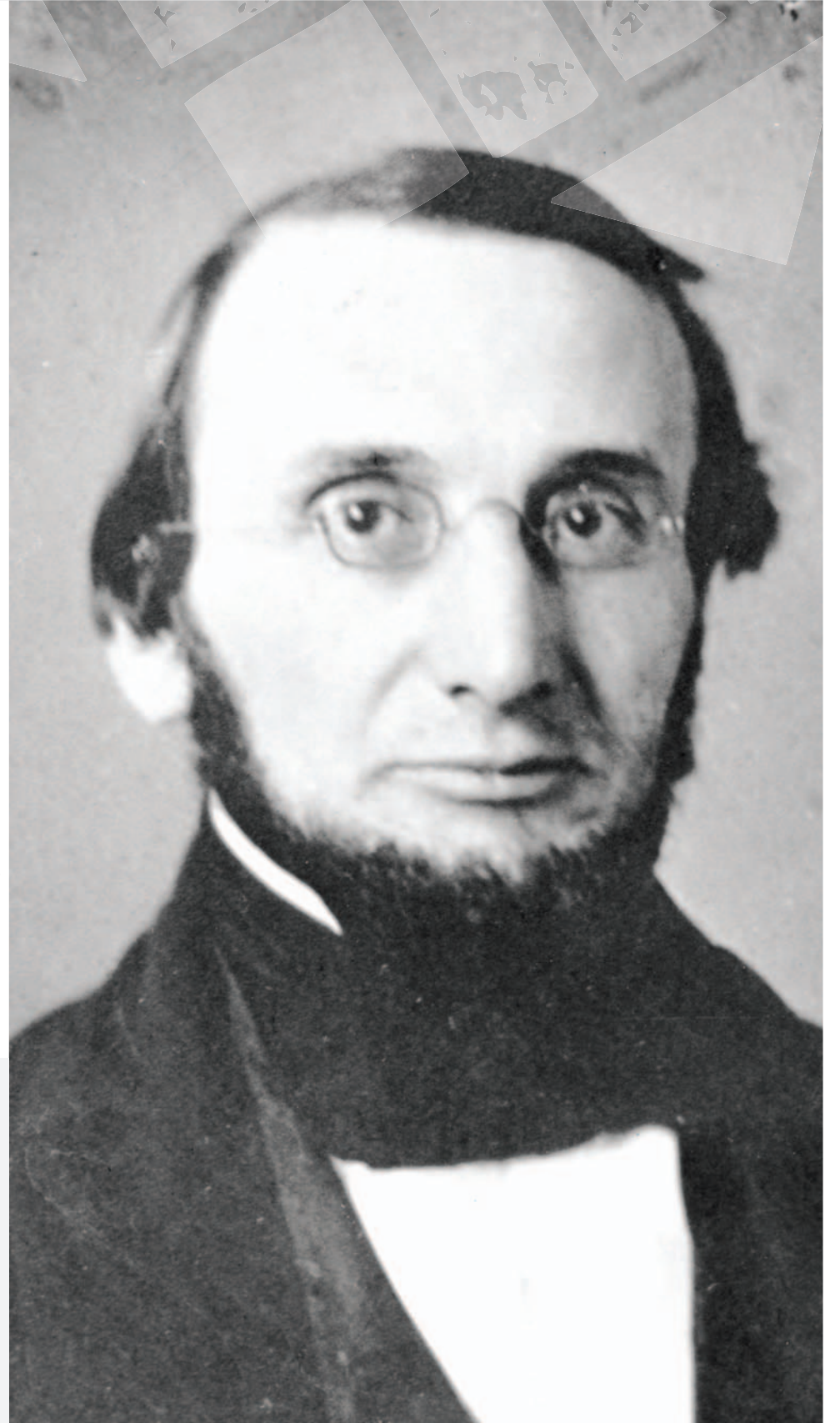
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Campaigns- Presidential candidates reach out to voters with social networking Web sites

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Democratic candidates Barack Obama and John Edwards have launched their own social networking sites...

Hillary Clinton also has her own blog that's updated daily with news and reactions to everyday politics.

According to Christensen, campaigns hire experts to create these sites — usually people with some political knowledge and experience but primarily with knowledge of Web site design.

The traditional political consultants then work with them on crafting messages.

Latoya Freeman, a sophomore majoring in accounting, said that she has felt the effects of the new campaigning strategy.

"Their MySpace pages are very informative," Freeman said. "I think I get more from their MySpace pages than I did from their official Web sites."

MySpace has set up a separate section called the "MySpace Impact Channel" dedicated to 14 of the 2008 presidential candidates.

David Nary, a sophomore majoring in business, said sites like MySpace can benefit presidential candidates since there are so many users on them every day.

"I think it's kind of corny that you see a candidate every time you try to login," Nary said. "Any type of advertising is good, and with MySpace they can try to win over

the younger people's vote."

Melissa Wright, a senior majoring in computer engineering, said YouTube could be an important tool for candidates.

"With YouTube the candidates could repair stuff they said on TV just in case some

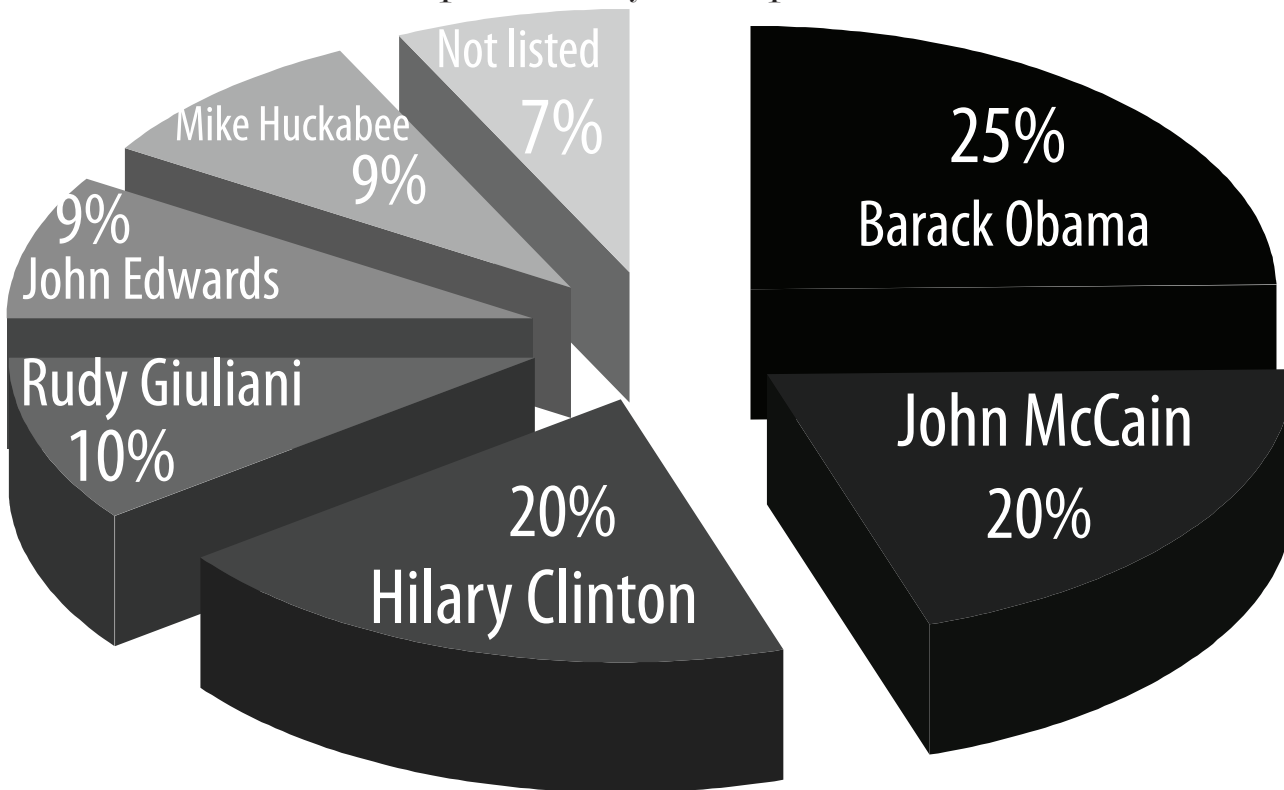
people missed it the first time," Wright said. "They could also show some original stuff, like commercials or public messages."

According to the site, MySpace will be holding a mock election on January 1 and 2 of 2008, and will be open to all users in

the U.S. whether or not they are eligible to vote in the November 2008 election.

"You hear all the time that the Internet and online is the future," Nary said. "I guess it's going to be the future for presidential elections too."

Who would you vote for in the 2008 presidential election? Spartan Daily online poll results:



Online polls such as this one conducted by www.thespartandaily.com are some of the tools that presidential campaigns are using to reach out to voters for the 2008 presidential election. Vote based on 395 responses to the poll posted from April 12, 2007 to May 1, 2007. This poll is not scientific and reflects the opinions of only those Internet users who have chosen to participate. The results cannot be assumed to represent the opinions of Internet users in general, nor the public as a whole.

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Campus fraternity holds week-long Cinco de Mayo celebration

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In the spirit of Cinco de Mayo, the fraternity Gamma Zeta Alpha will host several events throughout the week to promote Latino culture.

Cinco de Mayo, which marks the victory of Mexico over the French in the Battle of Puebla, has come to represent a symbol of Mexican unity and patriotism, said Hector Garcia, a senior majoring in business management.

"When Mexico fought the battle against the French, they were outnumbered but they won," said Timothy Chaparro, a senior majoring in graphic design.

Garcia said, "It's a time for Mexicans to celebrate and a week for remembrance."

"Cinco de Mayo was one of the many struggles Mexicans have had to deal with," Garcia said, "and Latinos unite around this time to deal with other struggles, such as the fight for immigration rights."

On Monday and Tuesday the fraternity held events in the Student Union Amphitheater.

On Monday about 70 people watched three couples dance several traditional folk dances from the Mexican cities of Chihuahua, Sinaloa and Jalisco, and on Tuesday a three-man band called Los Alacranes de Jalisco performed. This is a band Latinos call a conjunto, and it consists of a guitar, a bass guitar and an accordion.

"We do this to promote Latino culture," said Denis Cajina Jr., a junior majoring in marketing. "It gives us an opportunity as Latino students to remember our past."

Cajina said that the dance, and the band that has already performed, as well as the mariachi that will perform on Thursday, are all Latino art and an im-

portant part of Latino customs.

"Mariachi is one of the most distinct musical forms of Mexico," Cajina said. "Our crowd really enjoys it because Mariachi plays what the crowd requests."

One of Gamma Zeta Alpha's purposes is to promote the Latino culture, and Cajina said he was happy to see a high school class attend Monday's event.

"There was a high school class here, they will be able to see that even at a college level, we don't forget our customs," Cajina said "and that it's important to keep promoting our Latino culture."

In addition to the events that are held in the amphitheater, Gamma Zeta Alpha will hold their annual Cinco de Mayo celebration party on Friday where 60 percent of the profits collected from entrance fees will be given to San Jose State's Chicano Commencement's graduating class.

Chicano Commencement is an annual graduation held in May for Latino students, put on by the participating graduating class of San Jose State University.

"It's not just for Chicano's, anyone can participate in the ceremony," said Garcia. "But we support them because it's a way to celebrate that Latinos are succeeding and that we are capable of making something of ourselves."

Chicano Commencement students fundraise the money to put on the graduation for their families — it's expensive, but it's important for the families that don't understand an English graduation, said Garcia.

Elizabeth Ruiz, a senior majoring in behavioral science, said that the support from the Cinco de Mayo party held by the brothers of Gamma Zeta Alpha is a big help, adding that "the unity brought on by other Latino organizations shows how important our culture and success as Latinos really is."



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ABOVE: Dancers from the Luna y Sol group perform at the Student Union Amphitheater on Monday in celebration of Cinco de Mayo. RIGHT: Lidia Porras, a junior majoring in accounting, Veronica Rizo, a junior majoring in social work, and Juneill Reyes, a senior majoring in pictorial art, dance the Folklorico from Jalisco, Mexico, on Monday at the Student Union Amphitheater.

ABOVE: Juneill Reyes, a senior majoring in pictorial art, and Francisco DeLaCruz, a junior majoring in civil engineering, dance the Folklorico from Sinaloa on Monday in the Student Union Amphitheater. RIGHT: San Jose State University students watch Grupo Folklorico Luna y Sol de San Jose State dance a Folklorico from Jalisco, Mexico, on Monday at the Student Union Amphitheater.



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