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Cal Grant

deadline

passes by

WHAT TO DO NOW

By JOHN HORNBERG

dents had until March 3 to apply to be eligi-

ble for a Cal Grant but still remain eligible

an extra day to March 3, said Yvonne Stew-

art-Buchen, a representative of the Califor-

postmarked by Monday, March 3, 2008,"

are required to turn in two forms, a Free Ap-

plication for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and a grade-check form by the deadline.

are still options that remain for students, and they should still fill out a financial-aid

application to qualify for other types of as-

able to students: grants, loans and work study.

She said there are three types of aid avail-

"Cal Grants are only one type of grant,"

The Financial Aid Office pushes the

Last year, the commission paid \$800

March 2 deadline because of its permanen-

million to 299,000 eligible applicants, ac-

cording to a news release. Different awards

are given to students based on a need, Stew-

art-Buchen said, with entitlement grants

going to recent high school graduates and

also offers competitive grants to 22,500

students statewide, Stewart-Buchen said.

The California Student Aid Commission

cy, she added.

college transfer students.

According an SJSU financial aid attendant who asked to remain anonymous, there

This extension includes both electronic submissions and mailed forms. Students

for other financial aid options.

nia Student Aid Commission.

she wrote in an e-mail.

College and graduating high school stu-

The deadline was unofficially extended

"This year, March 2, 2008 falls on a Sunday, so the FAFSA and the Cal Grant GPA Verification Form will be accepted if

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Heather Cooper,

lecturer, says she

was injured by Sgt.

John Laws in the

Seventh Street

garage Feb. 19.

SJSU part-time dance

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Dispute over UPD incident

Sergeant arrests dance instructor in parking garage and is accused of injuring her

By ANDREW HERNDON

A Feb. 19 altercation in the Seventh Street parking garage involving a University Police Department sergeant and an SJSU dance instructor led to an arrest and subsequent accusations.

On behalf of part-time dance lecturer Heather Cooper, Faculty Rights Committee member Jonathan Karpf filed a grievance in order to reimburse Cooper for what Cooper said were medical injuries resulting from the altercation with Sgt. John Laws, along with attorney fees from her arrest, Karpf said.

"It's asking for various remedies for what happened," Karpf said. "One of which is to get a monetary settlement to reimburse Heather for all her out-of-pocket expenses."

Cooper said she saw her car about to be towed and attempted to retrieve her child car seats when she was abruptly approached by

Laws came behind Cooper and grabbed her around the neck with his forearm, she said.

"(He) then spun me around and threw me down to the cement and then jumped on top of me," she added.

Laws, however, said he was preventing her from approaching the tow truck driver.

"Ms. Cooper became very, very upset, and she ran toward the tow truck driver, and I grabbed her backpack and she fell down," Laws said. "She lost her balance when I pulled her away from the tow truck

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Cooper said that before the altercation, she was returning to her vehicle after teaching a class when she saw Officer Frits van der Hoek parked near her vehicle. She said he told her that her car was to be towed for expired registration.

When asked for an interview, van der

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Student survey response is lukewarm

Campus Climate report sought feedback on diversity and other SJSU issues

No one on our

campus should ever

WIGGSY SIVERTSEN

REPORT HIGHLIGHTS

• Of the 103 students who filled out the open-ended portion of the

survey, 16 percent reported feeling alienated or marginalized as white

students. All of the students who felt this way identified themselves as

white. This concern was not addressed in the report's goals concerning

• One of the goals the report also highlights is building student morale

and creating a better sense of community on campus. A few students

• Although more than 70 percent of students reported feeling safe on

campus, more women than men expressed concerns about security, and

Latino students perceived the campus climate as less safe and welcom-

political views on campus, and 75 percent of students felt comfortable

• Almost 76 percent of students surveyed were open to discussing

voiced concern with the university's "commuter image."

SOURCE: http://www.oir.sjsu.edu/Assessment/projects/campusclimate

feel that they are

unwelcome

By JOHN HORNBERG

Educating students on how to report discrimination on campus and topics concerning diversity were the highlights of a report on the "Campus Climate" at SJSU.

One of the student Campus Climate report's goals, SJSU counselor Wiggsy Sivertsen said, was to identify and address problems on

campus, including issues concerning diversity and the quality of the services on campus.

"The fact is that everywhere we are talking about these issues, not only in Campus Climate but also in other venues," she said.

Gathered by the Campus Climate Committee in April and May of 2006 from online surveys e-mailed to students, approximately 3,000 surveys were e-mailed to students, accounting for 10 percent of the student population, the report said.

In total, the climate committee received 356 responses.

Sivertsen said diversity was a top priority for the committee and the campus.

"No one on our campus should ever feel that they are unwelcome because of their status," she said.

One of the problems, Sivertsen said, is that students are not aware of the services available to them if they experience discrimination.

"People need to step forward,"

she said. "People are kind of shy to complain.'

Sivertsen said students used to be provided with a printed schedule that listed phone numbers and procedures for students if they needed to report a problem. That practice has been discontinued without replacing the resource for the phone numbers and information, she said.

Getting the word out about services on campus has been a prob-

lem, Sivertsen said. Signs have also been tried to aid in spreading the word but to no avail. "The problem

is that students bombarded with information," she said. "Unless something catches your eye, things

get passed up."

According to the report, only 40 percent of students know how to report discriminatory behavior on

The report highlighted the need to provide more training for faculty, staff and administrators on matters of diversity and to expand on multicultural classes offered in major departments, such as business and engineering.

Some students said they don't feel there is discrimination on campus.

"The one thing I've noticed in the student evaluations of teachers is the question 'Has the teacher been conscious of the diversity in

See CAMPUS, page 6

Hunger strike may end



Sitting in a tent in front of San Jose City Hall, Ly Tong, 63, says he has been surviving only on water for the past 18 days. He awaits tomorrow's council decision.

Renaming of Vietnamese district could pass today

ASSOCIATED PRESS

San Jose City Hall was the scene of a noisy demonstration as a large crowd protested the naming of a Vietnamese retail area in the city.

The rally comes ahead of a vote by the City Council on Tuesday night that could put the issue on a ballot that would let the city's residents vote on the name for the

It was estimated that more than 2,500 people protested Sunday outside of City Hall over the city's decision to name the area "Saigon Business District" instead of "Little Saigon."

Many members of the Vietnamese community feel city officials ignored the popular support when they voted in November against the Little Saigon name.

the SPARTAN DAILY.com See a video interview with Ly Tong in front of City Hall Monday online now.

Theatre adds mayoral family name

By ANGELO LANHAM

Two colorfully women on stilts removed a banner today outside the San Jose Repertory Theatre to reveal that the dedication "Susan and Phil Hammer Theatre Center" had been added to the sign on the main entrance.

Susan Hammer, San Jose's mayor from 1991 to 1998, helped close San Carlos Street between Fourth and 10th streets (across the campus) and was instrumental in building the new Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. library on campus, which combined the city and SJSU collections, according to a Don Kassing quote from calstate.edu.

The dedication ceremony included speeches by Mayor Chuck Reed, Councilman Sam Liccardo, and Phil and Susan Hammer.

Phil Hammer talked about the next season at the theatre, most notably a play version of novel-turned-movie "The Kite Runner," and thanked Reed.

Former Mayor Hammer agreed, "It's nice to have a mayor who understands and appreciates the arts."

She later added, "None of us would be here if it weren't for

According to a March 3 news release, Phil Hammer helped to guide the theatre during its early years when he was the board's president.

"I am continually impressed by Phil and Susan Hammer's unwavering commitment to the arts downtown," Liccardo was quoted in the news release. "The Hammers' instrumental efforts in developing a permanent facility and fund-

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Guests take a look at the new sign revealed Monday outside of the San Jose Repertory Theatre.

Currently, the governor's budget proposal would cut the commission's budget by \$57.4 million, which would see cuts in competitive Cal Grants, according to a news release put out by the commission.

By ELISHA MALDONADO

Sudan refugees

to speak at SJSU

The story of their lives is not a simple one, but was captured, in part, on film. They were called the "Lost Boys of the Sudan" by relief organizations, although they are no longer boys.

On Wednesday evening the men depicted in the documentary film "Lost Boys of Sudan" will be on campus to preview the film and answer student questions after.

Heifer International fundraising officer Dianna Eckhardt said that although the film isn't recent, the fact that San Jose State has a few of the Sudanese boys on campus has added value.

"To have the people in the film present, to explain what went on after they came to America would really hit home what the story was about,"

To raise awareness of international issues, ending hunger and poverty and promoting cultural diversity is the mission of Heifer International, Eckhardt said.

SJSU student Quacy Superville, a freshman management information systems major, said he was attending the event because it gives an account of what is going on in the world today. Superville wrote in an e-mail, "People today believe that starvation, prejudice and other social ills are things of the past, but the reality is quite the opposite." The Second Sudanese Civil War began in 1983

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ing than other groups on campus.

discussing their religious views.

SPORTS TRIVIA

Need a pick-me-up in class? Look at the sports section each week for a new question. See SPORTS, page 4

LETTERS AND COMMENTS

Readers respond to last week's columns about Kosovo's independence, gender-based double standards and the environment. See OPINION, page 5

TOUCH MY WHAT?

A uniquely named band (right) tells their equally unique story to the Spartan Daily.

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raising for the Rep, one of our city's grandest icons, is an enormous reason why the downtown continues to be an exciting place to live, work,

Grace Carr Lee, a Bay Area attorney working with the San Jose Redevelopment Agency, which set up and the stilt walkers, who wouldn't agree paid for the dedication, said she was pleased with the results.

"It was really nice, great weather, and the speeches weren't too long,"

The event, Lee said, was planned for February, but the rain prevented workers from hanging the covering over the new sign to be removed by to walk in the stormy weather.

"You never know what's going to happen," said Laura Saldivar, a marketing intern for the theatre.

Saldivar said the stilt walkers were the perfect metaphor for the Hammers.

"Always on your toes, walking that fine line," she said.

LOST Boys' event free at Student Union

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and ended in January 2005 after the signing of a peace agreement. Roughly two million people were killed, according to globalpolicy.org. The film follows two Sudanese refugees on a journey from Africa to America, although, according to the film, more than 3,600 were placed in cities across the United States. The Web site dedicated to the documentary described the film this way: "Orphaned as young boys in one of

Dut and Santino Chuor survived lion attacks and militia gunfire to reach a refugee camp in Kenya along with thousands of other children.

"Continuing their journey, they were chosen to come to America. At last away from danger and hunger, they found themselves confronted with the abundance and alienation of contemporary American suburbia." "(The film) has to do, basically, with the human struggle," Heifer International President Harold Bell said. "It sheds light on what people go

Africa's cruelest civil wars, Peter through. People take for granted their position in society, especially Americans. They are looking for more material things, and other people, who are worse off, struggle for basic things," Bell said.

The event will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the Umunhum Room on the top floor of the Student Union.

There is no cost to attend the event, although donations are welcome and refreshments will be served. There will also be a O-and-A format session after the film with a few of the Sudanese students portrayed in the film.

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Today

Counseling Services Discussion: Students with Disabilities

A supportive environment to socialize, share and discuss personal experiences. Bring your own lunch. 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Administration Building Room 201 Contact: Sybille Ulrike & Carolyn Rittenbach, 924–5910, dgalest@sjsu.edu

Student Fee Forum

Discuss the effect of CSU Budget Cuts and the California State Budget Deficit. Rose Lee, vice president of Finance for SJSU; Associated Students President Benjamin Henderson; and Director of Student Fee Affairs Esther Alumba will host the forum. Seating is limited. Arrive early. Noon to 2 p.m. at the Student Union Pacifica Room Contact: Christy Riggins, criggins@as.sjsu.edu, or A.S. Government Office, 924-6240, criggins@as.sjsu.edu

Associated Students Board of Directors Candidate Orientation

Candidates statements, initiatives and referendums are due March 7 at 3 p.m. and can be turned in at Clark Hall Student Involvement.

Noon to 1:30 p.m. at the Student Union Ohlone Room Contact: Kathryn Bell, 805-427-2587

Music and Conversation: Wayne Horvitz, Composer

12:30 to 1:15 p.m. at the Music Building Concert Hall Contact: Joan Stubbe, 924-4649, jstubbe@email.sjsu.edu

School of Art & Design Lecture: "Gottfried Helnwein: I Walk Alone"

In conjunction with the opening of his exhibition in the Thompson Gallery this evening, Los Angeles painter Helnwein will discuss his work, techniques, inspirations and foci of his dark, often unsettling photo-realist works. 5 p.m. at Art Building Room 133 Contact: 924-4327, tbelcher@sjsuvm1.sjsu.edu

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7 to 8:30 p.m. at Campus Village Building B RAC Room A. Contact: Kathryn Bell, 805-427-2587

Professional Activity

The event is about budgeting, establishing dates, selecting and reserving event sites, coordinating managing time, considering set-up and tear-down, arranging necessities. Presented by Delta Sigma Pi, Theta Chi chapter.

9 to 10:30 p.m. at the Student Union Pacifica Room Contact: Kevin Lam, 799-6787, chrisl22186@aol.com

Tomorrow

Day of Luis Valdez

The event features workshops led by Luis Valdez, exclusive screening of Valdez's films and a presentation of the City of San Jose's commendation and "Day of Luis Valdez" proclamation.

7:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. at Hugh Gillis Hall, Hal Todd and University theatres

Contact: Ramon Johnson, 924–4531, ramonjohnson@ yahoo.com, www.tvradiofilmtheatre.com

Relationship Workshop: The Dating Game

This week the discussion will focus on red flags. 1 to 2:30 p.m. at Administration Building Room 269 Contact: Jennifer Naumann, Mariika Felberg or Ashley Tate de Lara, georgette.gale@sjsu.edu

Study Abroad Information Meeting

Come to an informational meeting to learn more about the 40 different countries available and how to get SJSU credit and pay SJSU tuition and fees for classes taken abroad. 2 p.m. at Clark Hall Room 412

Contact: Lisa Baum, studyabroad@sjsu.edu

EXPO '08 Career and Internship Job Fair

Meet with employers who have internship and/or career opportunities. Open to all majors. Early admittance begins at noon for SJSU Candidates with an early bird pass. Please bring resumes along with your tower card or Career Center membership card.

3 to 5 p.m. at the Event Center

Contact: 924-6031, careerhelp@sjsu.edu, craig.chan@sjsu.edu

Philosophy Lecture: "Bridging the Gap between analytic philosophy and continental philosophy"

Lecture led by Dagfinn Follesdal. 4 p.m. at the King Library Conference Room 255 Contact: Bo Mou, 924-4513

Lecture: Twelve Spiritual Principles

Explore 12 Spiritual Principles that are common to many of the world's religious and spiritual traditions. Learn how to use them in your own spiritual journey. 4 p.m. at the Student Union Pacheco Room Contact: Chaplain Roger, 605–1687, chaplain@sjspirit.org

Catholic and Feminist Weekly Mass

Presided by Victoria Rue, woman priest. All are welcome at the table, especially those marginalized (women, LGBT, divorced, remarried, those who use birth control, those who have had abortions).

5:15 p.m. at Spartan Chapel every Wednesday Contact: Victoria Rue, victoria@victoriarue.com

Public Relation Student Society of America Chapter Meeting

Meeting for food and drink and then to the Student Union for bowling.

6:30 p.m. at Dwight Bental Hall Room 225 Contact: Chazlee Rivera, chazleerivera@gmail.com

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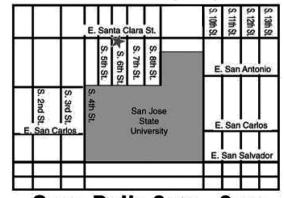
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By ANGELO LANHAM

'Rash' waiting to break out

I am in a radio studio with punk band Touch My Rash.

As the band's guitarist Colin Kutch and drummer Olga Safronova are trading witticisms on their Santa Clara University radio show, bassist Hong Lam and I are playing with Kutch's skateboard, trading popshuvits, a skateboarding trick, on the carpeted studio floor.

Lam has superior technique.

Minutes ago, I interviewed the trio and learned the entire history of Touch My Rash.

Although the group's new, polished 12-track CD, "Doomed from the Start," is, as their Web site claims, "12 songs of absolute energy and power," they had rather humble beginnings, Kutch and Safronova said.

The group began in 2002 as a conceptual response to the idea that starting a band would be fun, Kutch said.

high school as his baseball career became increasingly questionable.

"I needed a new hobby," Kutch said. 'With baseball, I got benched a lot."

So, he got the cheapest guitar he could and started playing Ramones

"I haven't gotten any better since those first three months I'd played," Kutch said.

Kutch's attempt to teach original bassist David Sokh to play the guitar revealed that it wasn't Sokh's instrument, since it required more than one finger, Kutch said.

The bass suited Sokh rather well, though, and Safronova, who said she'd always wanted to play music, started on the drums, using Kutch's rickety old drum kit.

That first kit had a screwdriver in place of a leg which had long since vanished, she said.

Kutch also said that since there wasn't a bass amp back then, it was

Kutch started playing guitar in sort of a mystery how the band truly sounded until they performed a fully amplified show.

> Safronova said that she, Kutch and original bassist Sokh had limited practices in those early days — about once a month — and that the sessions veered on the short side.

> "We'd go to his (Kutch) parents' house, eat, then after 10 minutes of playing say, 'I'm too full to play,' then watch TV," Safronova said.

> After three years of that, Safronova said they decided to change. They wrote four songs in 2005 because they figured they'd need four songs for a demo.

> "After three years with our one song, we said 'Let's set goals," Kutch said. "More and more shows followed."

> The band has now played 40 shows, nearly half with the new bassist, Lam, who has been on board since July 2007, Kutch said.

> "She just fell right into place," Safronova said.

Although all three members are to work for the Alabama Times." college graduates, Lam is the only member who is currently applying her degree.

Acomputerengineeringgraduatefrom Santa Clara University, she currently holds a day job as a programmer.

Safronova and Kutch are both 2004 SJSU graduates.

Kutch, a journalism graduate, borrowed some of John F. Kennedy's most famous phrasing: "It's not what your education can

do for you, it's what you can do with you education." Kutch said that while his time at

SJSU was rewarding, post graduation

he realized that perhaps the journalism world wasn't what he wanted. "I realized I wasn't prepared for what it takes to be a success," Kutch said. "I

the Internet for money.' Although Kutch mentioned he'd likely have a journalism job if he was willing to move, he said, "I don't want

couldn't get a job. I was gambling on

Safronova had a similar experience. By the time she graduated, she said she realized that having a college degree "doesn't really give you a job."

Safronova is currently employed at a call center for Cisco Systems Inc., a job that gives her more freedom to pursue her music.

Touch My Rash rehearses at Kutch's parents' house, and it's not atypical for the band, after practice, to hang out with them.

In fact, Safronova said, Kutch's mom cooks for them, and after practice, they watch TV together. All band members confirmed that the parents have bought at least 10 CDs, which they refused to receive free and gave them out to friends and relatives.

Even the newest member, Lam, says she is embraced with open arms. "They're like my second parents,"

Lam said.

Their CD sounds as if someone took the Buzzcocks, the Ramones and some nice, catchy chorus hooks and tossed them into a blender.

All members report being happy with the result, including Lam, who joined after the 28-minute monument was recorded.

Lam, who didn't play on the CD (Kutch played the bass parts between bassists), said she listens to it all the time, and Kutch said he was just stoked to have a finished product complete with a barcode on the back.

Safronova and Kutch, veterans of the punk wars from 2002, said they couldn't be happier with their new CD, their new bassist and the increase in shows.

Now all that's left is world fame, which they said they wouldn't refuse if all the punk ethos in the world tried to tackle them for it.

"Anything to get out of work," Safronova said.

Touch My Rash performs at the VooDoo Lounge, located on 14 S. Second St. on March 26 at 9 p.m.

Fantasy novel will leave you tangled in a web of depression

By MARK ASPILLERA Senior Staff Writer

"Last Dragon," a fantasy novel by J.M. McDermott, opens with an old, dying empress on her bed preparing to write her memoirs in the format of a series of letters to someone. In recalling the memories of her deteriorating mind, she imagines this realm as a tangle of spider webs where the people she has interacted with throughout life remain tangled and strangled.

A sideways, metaphorical reference to eidetic memory? It's never said for sure.

Her story ends up being one somewhat stereotypical of fantasy

novels. Most of the population of a village in the remote mountains, including her extended family, is found murdered. As one of the few survivors, she takes up a self-imposed oath to track down and kill the culprit, a close relative. She and those who follow her come to realize the implications of selflessly adhering to duty.

The style is where "Last Dragon" shines. The compact, page-long blocks of text, the narrator's voice, which stays relentlessly contained within the context of the universe it inhabits, the asides that rip away from the history-style narrative like cold water, and the unreliability of Calvino's "Invisible Cities." The similarities only grow stronger later in the story.

Once the fragments fit into a

BOOK Review

Last Dragon By J.M. McDermott

full understanding, the reader finds a relatively simple story. I do not understand, however, why some make it out as a flaw in the novel her voice all echo the style of Italo and novelist's armor. Style itself can

be substance, good substance, especially when the cultural bandwidth is overwhelmed with voices who want to tell their stories without learning an engaging way to do so.

The official description of the book compares it to the work of Gene Wolfe, a fellow science fiction and fantasy author. In interviews McDermott has said the comparison does not hold up. It is fair, much of Wolfe's works are literally puzzles, inviting multiple rereads and shot through with minutiae that mean much more than the page real estate they occupy. "Last Dragon" instead retains a strong sense of cohesion and a laser's focus in pacing

on that exact page, then certainly within the next one or two, until the very end. There can be little confusion to any careful reader.

The lack of lingering confusion is a testament to the author's skills in crafting a plot.

"Last Dragon" is depressing. Characters in the story, unusual for fantasy, have moral ambiguity.

There is an overlying, larger plot that hangs over the entire book and is the entire reason the "memoir" is being written. It is referred to in passing continually and never addressed directly. An obvious important longing dominates this plot-that-isn't-really-

Everything makes sense, if not a-plot, but since the reader never learns the context of it, there is a sense that it is never resolved in any positive way.

> The author said in an interview with Amazon.com that the book is about a sense of duty. To me, "Last Dragon" is about the destructive aspects of notions like duty, bushido, honor, or whatever name is attributed to sets of self-imposed "moral" obligations. The human preconception is that duty affects only the individual who adopts it.

The rebuttal in the bleak, unsympathetic ending of "Last Dragon" says that duty requires action upon others, drawing them inextricably into our spreading webs.

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SPORTS COMMENTARY:

SJSU's two biggest commitments

Amid speculations of departure, SJSU's football coach and athletic director decide to stay on campus. What do their decisions mean to the football program?

Losing those two

would've meant a

certain doom for

SJSU football.

By KRIS ANDERSON Copy Editor

SJSU head coach Dick Tomey signed 18 new recruits to the football team this off-season.

But that list doesn't include the Spartans' two biggest names for

Without a doubt, the two foremost gets for the Spartans this off-season were Tomey and Athletic Director Tom Bowen.

After stealing a win from SJSU during the regular season, the University of Hawaii then looked to swipe Tomey from under our noses and install him as its new athletic director.

To further heighten fears in the land of Sparta, Bowen was included on the short list as one of six applicants for arguably the best job in collegiate sports, athletic director at

Losing those two would've meant a certain doom for SJSU football. We might as well have blown up Spartan Stadium.

But, Tomey said all along that he was committed to Spartan football, and last week Bowen removed his name from consideration for the LSU job.

Now, for those of you who follow Spartan football, you may be apt to think: "So, big deal if we signed a

small recruiting class. We have three elite talents that transferred in."

Those three — Jeff Schweiger, Coye Francies and Kyle Reed — are, in fact, not the biggest catches for SJSU in the past year, and not a single one of those star transfers would've known SJSU existed if it weren't for Tomey and Bowen.

Schweiger, when he was fresh out of Valley Christian High School in San Jose, was considered one of the top defensive ends in the whole

country. Some recruiting Web sites called him an elite defensive end with the ability to singlehandedly change an entire team. They called him a superstar talent. And guess what? Now he plays

Schweiger, who transferred from USC, already has become a vocal leader, even though he spent last season in street clothes on the sidelines — as per NCAA regulations, transfers must sit out for one season after they arrive at their new schools.

The same can be said for Francies, who led the PAC-10 in punt returning as a freshman for Oregon State University, and highly touted, hybrid quarterback Reed, who migrated from Cal.

If you ask Tomey what he thinks of his teams' so-called success during his past three seasons, his humility and coaching acumen shine.

have the feeling you like saying

that. And I know that you would

love to break into the top 3 of the

Tomey's touch is nothing short

A financial wizard, guru, magi-

cian and artist, he single-handedly

turned the monetary albatross that

To imagine how shocking a

turnaround that is, look back just

three years. Faculty were hounding

football program, cut its losses and

stop stealing money from students

Enter Bowen, and you all of a

sudden have an entity that is no

longer asking for money it can't

own two feet and succeeding.

repay but one that can stand on its

This is an era for Spartan sports

that hasn't been seen in quite some

time. And for Bowen and Tomey

to choose to stay means Spartan

fans have nowhere to look but up.

■ **Dick Tomey,** in three years,

has led the Spartans to a 17-19

record including a bowl win. In the

three-previous years, before Tomey's

arrival, SJSU had an 11-24 record.

to keep the program afloat.

President Don Kassing to axe the

was SJSU athletics into a profit-

Western Athletic Conference.

of gargantuan, but Bowen's is

much more far reaching.

able enterprise.

He might say something like, "We have done some good things, but we are still a ways away from where we want to be."

It's a silent recognition that he resurrected a football program that was sucking millions from the university and destroying the hearts of Spartan fans everywhere.

Let's look back at Tomey's monumental revival.

In just his second season at the helm, he led the team to a bowl game for the first time since forever, beat hated rival Fresno State at home, engineered

a winning season for the first time since forever and saw two of his star players go on to, and contribute to, NFL teams.

I asked Tomey about these accomplishments at the end of last season. I asked him where he thought the team was in terms of rebuilding.

He said, "If you looked at us (then) and thought we would be going to win a bowl game, you would have been called crazy. Nobody saw us doing that."

Yeah, Coach, you're right, but I

Spartan Sports Trivia

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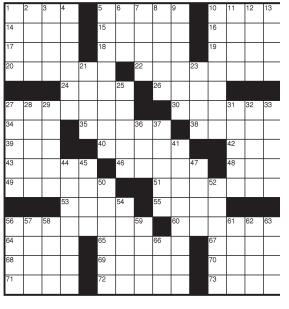
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Summer Olympics '08: A time for glory and protest



As the Summer Olympics in Beijing approaches in August, I am starting to become overwhelmed with Chinese pride. Since Yao Ming landed in Houston, Chinese pride in America started to rise. And when William Hung started to sing, our pride took a hit.

But for the whole world to see China at its finest, that's something special.

In preparation for the Olympics, visually stunning sporting structures have been built for the different events. The country itself Olympic committees of some countries has rebuilt roads and erected new buildings to make sure the Olympics would be a great

It looked like nothing could go wrong during the summer games.

There have, however, been talks recently of protests during the Olympics. Some athletes have considered not participating

the war in Darfur. According to the International Herald Tribute, China purchases two-thirds of Sudan's oil exports and has sold arms to the Khartoum regime.

With protesters labeling the Games as the "Genocide Olympics," we could be witnessing a huge display of politics in action in Beijing come summertime. This is not the first time politics and this international sporting event have clashed.

Adolf Hitler used the 1936 Olympics in Berlin as Nazi propaganda. Tommie Smith and John Carlos used the 1968 Olympics as a crying protest for equality in the States. Pro-Palestinian terrorists killed 11 members of the Israeli team during the 1972 Games in Munich. And the Americans and the Soviets boycotted the Olympics during their feud in the Cold War.

To avoid history having to repeat itself, such as Belgium, Britain, the Netherlands and New Zealand have recently instructed their athletes to not make any kind of protests during the Olympics. They were told to not make statements about China's past on Tibet, Tiananmen Square or any current issues associated with the Olympic host.

Athletes participating in the Olympics

in the Games due to China's affiliation with will be required to sign an Olympic char-international politics. Even the Chinese ter in hopes that the International Olympic Committee and the athletes can come to an agreement to make the Olympics controversy-free. Seminars will be provided for American athletes to help them understand their roles as ambassadors and their rights to free speech.

> But is any of this going to work? As much as you can instruct people to make the Olympics a problem-free show, I don't think everyone is going to listen.

> But I don't want my Olympics to be filled with conflict and potential chaos. What would it do to my image as well as my homeland's image? These Olympics are supposed to help China's image, not put it in a negative light.

> I don't want it to happen, but we need it to happen. There's a bigger issue at hand than just giving the world the best of the Chinese culture. There needs to be change.

> The Olympics has always been a huge stage for athletes to sound their opinions on worldly issues. And with the lives China has affected through political warfare, this Olympics is another great opportunity for the world to become aware.

Unfortunately, I've encountered many people who do not know anything about a good show.

government has filtered the Internet, preventing Chinese citizens to access information about the government's past incidents, such as the 1989 protests at Tiananmen

There is a risk that comes along with major protests during the Olympics. Athletes could lose their medals and be banned from the Olympics. They may even end up receiving death threats.

But they can be turned into heroes, risking all of their personal glory to help save the world. And we need that. We need the athletes to take a stand again, no longer staying silent. We need the world to take action.

I am proud to be Chinese, and it saddens me that my country is in the middle of all this criticism. It hurts me to see that the first Olympics my country is hosting could be one of the most protested in summer games ever.

But something needs to be said.

I hope that the athletes do protest at the Olympics. I hope they use their stage to help bring the issues to light. I hope there is no fear in being heard.

Because that is more important than just being filled with Chinese pride after seeing

A degree does not make a professional



FELICIA ANN AGUINALDO

Positively Pessimistic

Unreturned phone calls. Unreplied e-mails. Overlooked deadlines.

As college students, we're taught to never make these mistakes when dealing with professionals — whether they are professors, employers or adults in general.

And after making plenty of sacrifices to ensure I returned every received phone call and e-mail and that I never missed a deadline, I have come to realize that most people who call themselves professionals often don't have the same courtesy they expect from nonprofessionals.

Why is it that nonprofessionals have to work harder to avoid these mistakes than actual professionals do?

Adults always preach to young adults the importance of leaving a good impression.

Always return phone calls. Always respond to e-mails. Always follow up with a "thank you for everything.'

If nonprofessionals fail to follow these rules at all or in a timely manner, they are deemed unprofessional.

If most professionals fail to follow these rules, however, it's expected.

So we nonprofessionals listen to everything we are taught, and we avoid making a bad impression.

After job interviews, we set aside everything in our too-busy lives to type up two-sentence e-mails or to leave one-minute messages or to go out of our ways to send halfpage letters expressing our gratitude for being acknowledged.

And most professionals can't even reply with two simple words: You're welcome.

How unprofessional.

The very people who advocate professional codes of conduct can't even live up to the codes themselves.

They take advantage of the people who are willing to make sacrifices to leave a good impression, yet they show little concern over the impressions they are making themselves. So really, how professional are professionals?

In January, my mom volunteered me to design a 44-page program for my sister's School of Arts gala.

Even though I'm already balancing school and work, I couldn't back out because I was already committed.

I've spent the past two months designing the program from scratch and reminding parents about the deadline for all advertisements, photos, dedications and page-fillers.

When February 29 — the day before the deadline — rolled around, I had 59 e-mails from parents who claimed they didn't know the deadline was so soon.

Forget all of the reminders I sent. Forget all of the pages I set aside for expected photos and advertisements. Forget all of the time I wasted to ensure I make my own deadline.

These people who call themselves professionals were giving me excuses — excuses they never would accept from me, a "nonprofessional."

Although I can't meet my deadline without the help of these parents, I know for a fact that when March 7 — my deadline — rolls around, I will have something to show them.

It doesn't matter how many hours of sleep I lose, how many nights I spend in front of the computer instead of the bar — I made a commitment, and I will not back out of it.

I only wish the parents would have showed me the same respect.

This frustrating experience has made me question who the real professionals are: the people we refer to as "nonprofessionals" or the people who claim to be professionals?

Being a professional is not based on one's job description. It's based on the respect he or she shows to others.

A person who shows respect by returning phone calls, replying to e-mails and acknowledging another person's effort is a professional.

A person who has a job but no respect is not a professional. He or she is just a person with a job.

So the next time a "professional" tries to preach the standards of professionalism, I'll tell him or her that it goes both ways.

Daily copy editor.

Comments from the Web

The comments below refer to Liza Atamy's column "Long live Kosovo" from Feb. 28.

Vital questions go unaddressed

I'm not going to argue about your studies on Balkan history, but I want to suggest to you a different approach, posing you a simple vital question: What does the law say about it? More specifically, did you do any kind of inquiry on what the international laws say, specifically about inviolability of the territory of a sovereign nation? Did you, at least, read the United Nations Security Council Resolution 1244 on Kosovo and its contents?

This is the focus of what we should discuss when we talk about Kosovo. This is what is totally missed (hopefully because of a form of accidental short sight, cheap populism and easy-to-deliver enthusiasm) by anyone who states how Serbs are bad and how they deserve to lose their province.

-Luca Saonit

News sources are not enough

This article outlines what is wrong with today's "CNN generation." Disregarding history books (and common sense) the author is unable to make her own point, instead choosing to recycle a number of media releases that are all over the place.

Bringing up the demographics of Kosovo, why not look into the reasons behind the "95 percent Albanian majority" or note the 228,000 displaced persons, mostly Serbs and Roma (See CIA World Factbook), who reside in Serbia proper after being expelled from their homes in Kosovo?

-Simo

Desire for independence sparks movement

I agree with the Albanian decision to free themselves from the reins of Serbian tyranny. The Albanian desire for independence bears a glaring similarity with the passion that burned within the heart of Thomas Jefferson; it is the same desire that sparked the American Revolution and every independence movement since.

The only difference between the American Revolution and that of the Albanians is that the amount of pains suffered by the Americans pales in comparison to the atrocities committed against the Albanians. The Albanian experience should stand as a fine example to people everywhere.

-Bruce Ackerton

Dwight Bentel Hall, Room 209

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Albanians survive Serbian injustices

This article is amazing. I implore you to ignore the comments of Serbian extremists who claim you are one-sided.

The Serbs committed thousands of rapes, kidnappings and, worse of all, killings of civilians. Albanians committed far less of these crimes, and when they did so, they did so only in the unfortunate context of retaliation.

What do you call a people who kill innocent people and then, when they are destroyed by an intervening stronger power, they cry for technicalities of the U.N. to save them? Serbians. So why do they take advantage of the U.N. technicalities now? Was it not the U.N. who said from the beginning not to kill and oppress minorities? Where was Serbia then? Sorry, the U.N. cannot help you now neither. Albanians were patient. And we persevered as we have done in the past.

-Dardan

The comments below refer to Colleen Watson's column "I am a feminist but not one of 'those' feminists" from Feb. 28.

Feminism has gone too far

I completely agree with the traditional feminism, that men and women are (for the most part) equal. But the new feminism tries to go beyond that, asserting that women are

For instance, how many TV shows portray fathers as wimpy, booze-drinking, football-watching morons while showing strong, independent women? I can think of quite a few. And remember the Duke scandal? Nearly all the "feminists" rushed to the now-discredited rape "victim" because everyone knows that when a woman accuses a man, she is telling the truth.

-Ray

Politicians are always judged on looks

"When that same candidate gets judged by her looks, her makeup and what she is wearing, it shows that feminism is still needed."

In 1960, the first presidential debate was aired on television, along with radio. After the debate, two surveys were conducted — one for television viewers and one for radio listeners. When asked, "Who won the debate?" the television viewers overwhelmingly thought JFK did. Radio listeners thought Nixon did.

-Bargled

Letter to the editor

The letter to the editor below refers to David Zugnoni's column "Proud to be an American and sarcastic" from Feb. 27.

Let's overcome our excessive needs

A lot of people fall into the mindset that there is no hope unless we totally change every aspect of our lives in order to counter the inevitable downfall of humankind. I like to look at our current dilemma as a challenge to utilize our scientific and humanistic advances to overcome our excessive need for resources.

Initially, I wanted to go through my day as he had and point out all of the little things I do to try to lessen my impact on the earth. But then I had to ask myself: Are these little things enough? Are we really doomed because the majority of us are not ready to give up convenience and comfort? Will people ever be willing to give up their cars? Rise in gas prices coupled with record high profits of gas companies tells us that no, we are not willing to give up cars. I understand that people want to continue living the way they are. We do, however, have the potential to change. The first step is to be optimistic that we have the capacity to incorporate new ideas, technology and habits in order to make real changes. Just because you can't do everything right doesn't mean you shouldn't try to do anything right. Even if the earth is inevitably doomed, we can at least prolong its existence, or rather human's existence on it. You will be surprised how easy it is to reduce your daily waste impact, and you will be surprised how much money you can save as well. Let's change what it means to be American.

-Julia Kamoroff



"Let's wait and actually let people vote before we start commenting on something that hasn't happened yet."

SEN. HILLARY CLINTON

Referring to today's primaries in Texas and Ohio.

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From the Wire

Milpitas teacher who showed Ahmadinejad's Iraq visit anti-abortion film quits

A Milpitas science teacher who showed eighth-graders a graphic anti-abortion video is quitting his teaching job at Russell Middle School.

Randy Yang, a first-year teacher who remains on paid leave, has resigned effective June 30. The superintendent of the Milpitas Unified School District, citing confidentiality rules, refused to say whether Yang would return to work at the school before then.

On Jan. 23, Yang showed clips of "The Silent Scream," which depicts the abortion of an 11-weekold fetus. Yang showed the film to five classes of eighth-grade science students after they finished taking a chemistry test that had nothing to do with human biology. The next day he was placed on paid leave.

cements Iran's new influence **Baghdad**

Iran's firebrand president wrapped up his landmark visit to Iraq with a bit of added swagger Monday— insisting that U.S. power is crippling the region and portraying himself as the enduring partner of Baghdad's Shiite-led government.

The parting words and posturing — like nearly every moment of Mahmoud Ahmadinejad's two-day trip — was powerful political theater seeking to emphasize Iran's growing bonds with its former enemy. U.S. officials had a front row seat.

Ahmadinejad, the first Iranian leader to visit Iraq since Iran's 1979 Islamic Revolution, had no direct dealings with American envoys or the military. But Washington and its Sunni Arab allies were high on his

agenda — taking every opportunity to cused Obama of double talk on send messages about Shiite Iran's rising influence in the region and its special ties to Iraq's Shiite majority.

"Iraq and Iran having been deadly enemies, and (Ahmadinejad's visit) shows they have turned a page," said Rand Corp. analyst and former U.S. diplomat James Dobbins.

Texas, Ohio votes could decide long Dem. campaign Washington

Barack Obama and Hillary Rodham Clinton reached for the finish line of contentious Ohio and Texas primary campaigns on Monday as the party could suffer this fall if their stake. struggle goes much longer.

"I'm just getting warmed up," said Clinton, looking beyond this week's contests and shrugging off 11 straight primary and caucus defeats as well as a three-digit deficit in delegates.

The former first lady campaigned from Ohio, where she ac-

NAFTA, to Texas, where her new television commercial questioned his readiness to serve as commander in chief.

Obama spent his day in Texas, a state rich in military bases, where he pledged to begin the withdrawal of U.S. troops from Iraq next year and envisioned a "seamless transition from active duty to civilian life" for men and women who leave the armed forces.

In addition to Texas and Ohio, Rhode Island and Vermont hold primaries on Tuesday.

The four races have a total of senior Democrats expressed concern 370 national convention delegates at

> Obama has won 11 straight contests, and leads in the Associated Press delegate count, 1,386-1,276. His margin is greater among delegates chosen in the primaries and caucuses, 1,187-1,035, while Clinton leads among party officials, known as superdelegates, 241-199.

CAMPUS | Services questioned

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class?" said Kyle Boyd, a senior psychology major. "Usually, all I'm seeing is fair to everyone in the class."

Said Desiree Seusy, a senior animation major: "I don't see discrimination or favoritism or anything."

The report also brought up issues with services and offices on campus. As part of an overall goal to "create a welcoming and safe environment for all students," the report states that one of its goals is to improve the perception of university services, such as financial aid, as user friendly.

One student voiced problems with such items as the automated pay system used by the Financial Aid Office.

"The online system for paying things isn't bad," Boyd said. "But sometimes there are charges that show up randomly, and they are charges you think you've already paid."

Presently, a report of faculty perceptions and goals is posted on its Web site along with the student report, with one for staff releasing soon, said Rona Halualani, a communication studies professor who co-authored and conducted an analysis for the report.

According to its Web site, the reports are put out by the Campus Climate Committee for SJSU, which serves as an advisory group to the president of the university. The report is accessible through sjsu.edu.

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Hoek declined to comment on the situation.

After Cooper said she pleaded with van der Hoek to call off the tow truck, Laws arrived on the scene, and Cooper also asked him not to tow her vehicle.

She said she asked Laws to have her child car seats removed.

Laws said that Cooper was "hysterical" and "out-of-control," and that he arrested her when she attempted to approach the tow truck driver.

"At that point I put hands on," Laws said, "and that kind of means that I have to make an arrest."

Laws said Cooper was charged with "resisting and delaying a police

Cooper said she was placed in an on-campus holding cell for about 15

In the days following the incident, Cooper said she has sought medical help for back injuries.

She said that according to her doctor, she has swelling along the length of her spinal cord and needs physical therapy three times a week.

dance," Cooper said, "which is terrifying me because it's my job." Cooper said it could take up to a

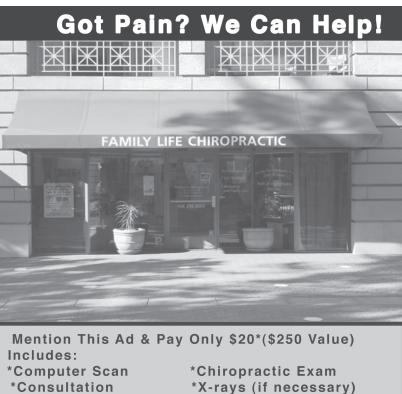
year until she is fully recovered. "It certainly wasn't what I was hop-

ing to happen that day," Laws said. Spartan Daily Executive editor Kevin Rand contributed to this article.

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