

By Michelle Giluso DAILY STAFF WRITER

Students will have an opportunity to familiarize themselves with Associated Students candidates and their parties at the candidate forum before the vote March 19 and 20 for executive and board positions.

The candidate forum is scheduled to take place at noon on Tuesday in the Student Union Amphitheater.

Cori Miller, activities coordinator and election board supervisor, said that all 38 candidates will be given one minute to introduce themselves, state their position and make a personal statement.

The candidates' order of speak-ing will be determined by their position on the ballot, she said. Miller said students will also be allowed to ask the candidates

any questions they feel should be

addressed. She said after all candidates

their introductions, there will be a question-and-answer session where students and audience members will be able to ask questions.

"A question has to be directed to a position and not an individ-ual person. We want to keep this away from making any personal attacks against a person or a party," Miller said.

Carrie Jansen, an undeclared sophomore, said she thinks the forum is a great opportunity for

students to screen the incoming student government. "They will be answering ques-

for, so it would really show their personalities and leadership capabilities," Jansen said. "It's a great way to get to at least put a name with a face before students go to the polls."

Miller said students will get their questions answered on a first-come, first-served basis and will form a line after all candidates have spoken.

She said students could ask one question to any position, adding, "each candidate will be given up to 30 seconds to respond to the question. If we determine that the question is inappropriate or the statement is unsuitable, we will tell the candidate not to answer the question."

If no students participate, the election board will have questions prepared for the candidates to answer, she said.

Julie Perreira-Rieken, Impact party candidate for controller, said she is already prepared for the candidate forum since she has attained leadership skills and experience as the current controller of A.S.

She said listening and talking to students has prepared her for what she will say when she answers questions at the candidate forum

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SEPT. 11: SIX MONTHS LATER

A new breed of AMERICAN

Waseem Iqbal says actions speak louder than words

By Ali Fard

DAILY STAFF WRITER

After the tragedy on Sept. 11, a revival of flag-waving patriotism spread throughout the country like

a grass fire in an open field. But while everyone made an effort to be ostensibly patriotic, Cadet Waseem Iqbal, a 21-year-old ROTC student majoring in adminis-tration of justice, held true to the old cliché: Actions speak louder than words.

"I don't have a flag on my car and I don't need one to show I'm an American," Iqbal said. "I'm more American than most. I'm signing up defend this country

Iqbal is a Pakistan-born student who is scheduled to graduate in May as an officer for the U.S. Air Force.

After graduation, he'll be working for the Office of Special Investigations, a department in the Air Force that describes itself as seeking "to identify, investigate and neutralize espionage, terrorism, fraud and other major criminal activities." Iqbal is also Muslim.

In weeks following Sept. 11, with the weight of a nationwide backlash toward Middle Easterners and the spotlight on Islam, Iqbal maintained that what happened that day had nothing to do with him or his religion. "Evil has no religion to me," he said. "People can hide behind the cover of Islam. But I know they're not (Muslim).

Although Iqbal was never con-cerned for his safety, he was frus-trated that people wanted him to explain matters as if being an Amer-

explain matters as it being an Amer-ican was only skin deep. "(The concern) didn't affect me in the way you might think it affected me," he said. "There is no way any the for a feat mergenaible."

one can make me feel responsible." Cadet Tom Cech, an ROTC student studying administration of jus-tice, said all his fellow cadets and friends went to Iqbal to answer their questions about the religion and

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By Mike Corpos DAILY STAFF WRITER

Airport security has been of paramount concern among Americans since the Sept. 11 attacks in New York and Washington, D.C. and Pennsylvania.

In the months following the attacks, the Federal Aviation Administration handed down series of mandates and guidelines for new security measures for all U.S. airports. Norman Y. Mineta San Jose International Airport is no exception to these security bach, new security measures began immediately after the ban on all commercial aviation was lifted in September of last year.

Buno Pati, of Woodside, Calif., places his Burger King meal in a tray to be scanned while security personnel stand by at Norman Y. Mineta San Jose International Airport. Since

nign

According to airport spokesman Steve Lucken-

"In our short-term parking lots all vehicles are inspected," Luckenbach said. "They (the FAA) have also instituted a 300-foot buffer between the parking lots and the terminal, and we're still working on that. Right now we are at 200 ◆ See AIRPORT, Page 6

Sept. 11, airports worldwide have begun enforcing added security measures.

Christy Kinskey / Daily Staff

For some, patriotism is a part of life after Sept. 11 attacks

By Minal Gandhi

DAILY SENIOR STAFF WRITER

Milton Balderas said he's going to fight for this country, without a doubt. The Sept. 11 terrorist attacks on America are still fresh in his mind, as are the memories of sitting in class on that unusual Tuesday morning and discussing the day's seemingly universal, melancholic mood with his teacher and peers. Balderas' cherubic face expresses no fear about fighting in a war. because as he said, he's ready.

Yet, he's only in the sixth grade.

When asked whether he's got a flag hanging outside of his San Jose home, Balderas reflexively nodded his head. Then curiosity swept in, and almost accusatorie asked, "Don't you? ly h

He's an 11-year-old who's proud to be an American. So proud, that if it came down to a battle between the United States and Mexico, his motherland, Balderas said he would fight for

America. "Because I like this country," he said, expressing the very basic level of patriotism.

Lackadaisically walking through San Jose State University with his younger brother in sets the just-above-4-feet Balderas apart from the stu-dents at this campus. His pace is

slow compared to that of rushed passersby, his eyes wander about the surroundings instead of keeping a keen focus on what's ahead, and his idea of patriotism is simple and untouched by politics and cynicism.

For those interviewed at SJSU, however, defining and displaying patriotism turns out to

more complicated and be abstract, particularly today: six months after our world changed.

"I think patriotism is kind of like football," explained Barbara Mendence, a liberal studies junior. "I think that if the team is doing really well, everybody's gung-ho and really wants their

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Greeks vie for fund-raiser laughs

By Dray Miller

DAILY STAFF WRITER

Fifteen sororities and fraternities took the stage in Morris Dailey Hall on Thursday night to take part in Kappa Delta sorori-ty's fifth annual Shamrock Showcase fund-raiser.

The showcase featured members from each group who competed in both choreographed and impromptu lip-sync contests. Members of Kappa Delta worked with each group on their choreographed routines. Maria Moraga, vice president

of public relations for Kappa Delta, said plans for the event had

been underway since December, when the sorority began collecting

donations and sponsorships. "We've been working with the community and on campus with the Greek system," Moraga said. Last year we raised \$10,000. So this year we are crossing our finthat we can do it again. gers

With friends and family also in attendance, squads from each of the participating groups began the night with the choreographed routines they had been working on for the past few weeks.

The Sigma Nu fraternity got the first big rise out of the crowd on the night, when two of their members came out dressed in drag

and danced with the group's other performers, rather provocatively.

A display of dancing talent fol-lowed when the men of Sigma Pi kicked a few of their country-western dressed brothers off the stage and took over.

Their dancing ability impressed those in attendance, as they gave Sigma Pi a loud ovation as they left the stage. Not to be outdone, the Delta

Upsilon fraternity followed with a humorous routine that ended with their shirtless participants sporting green tights and doing their impression of "Robin Hood: Men in Tights."

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Displaying their patriotism, members of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity and Kappa Delta sorority dance and lip sync to "Proud to be an American" during Kappa Delta's fifth annual Shamrock Showcase philanthropy. The fund-raiserhelped raise money for the sorority's chosen beneficiary, Child Quest International.

Andrea Scott / Daily Staff

Ivan Kashinsky / Daily Staff

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SAN JOSE STATE UNIVERSITY

Viewpoint-

Student interests top priority in CFA conflict

fter reading your article, "Faculty protests chancellor," (Feb. 11) I'd like to make several comments

First, students' education has to be top priority and cannot be sacrificed. In a school system, stu-dents are the customers and faculty are the service providers. Students' responsibility is to learn as much as possible in the classroom while instructors are responsible for delivering up-to-date information to his/her students. It does not matter whether he or she is tenured

or not. Does the faculty deliver the much-needed knowledge to their students in today's highly com-petitive job market?

The answer is very doubtful. There are many stu-dents in San Jose State University's engineering department who want to learn useful skills, but many of them are disappointed. Shouldn't faculty members ask themselves if

they deliver before they ask for compensation? Secondly, school business is just like modern cor-porate except school operates on tax payers' money

while corporations survive on their own endeavor. Each of employees work hard to stay on the course. In the end, when the economy slows down, as of today, he or she is not guaranteed to have a job even if he or she performed well.

What makes faculty members so special that they deserve to be immune to attrition? Faculty members should be performance-reviewed (by students), as done on corporate employees.

If they perform well, they deserve what should come to them. If they are under-performers, they deserve to be laid off. This is a fair act. If faculty can not deliver or teach something really useful, longterm commitment/tenure is nonsense

In industry, employees contribute first before being rewarded. The same rule should apply to fac-ulty. Once that happens, we will be really talking about quality of service. In a nutshell, students' education should be the

focal point. What should come first is that faculty members should ask themselves whether they are delivering the truly meaningful/useful knowledge to students in the class. Students don't need out-of-date information.

Students need something so they can stay competi-

tive. When these requirements are met, short-term follows and it should tenure, not long-term tenure, follows and it should be reviewed on yearly basis by students.

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Monday

Coalition for Social Justice. Solidarity and Unity

Weekly meeting at 6 p.m. in the Pacheco room to collectively organize events this semester. All student organizations are welcome.

Health Science Undergraduate Student Association

Meeting at 4:30 p.m. in the Guadalupe room of the Student Union. For more infor mation, contact Lauren at 942-0367.

Career Center

Biotech career forum from 1:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. in the Engineering building, Room 189. For more information, contact 924-6031.

Career Center

Forum: Careers in biotech from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Engineering building, Room 189.

S omewhere in Afghanistan, a child sits huddled up against his mother's side wondering what the world is coming to. The world, as he knows it, is crum-

bling around him. Clouds of smoke hover overhead as the United States military and its allies are trying to restore order in his country

While that child sits there, wondering when life will be normal, another kid, in America, sits on a couch snuggled next to his mother.

His afternoon cartoons have just been interrupted by an older man who is wearing glasses and a suit. This isn't one of those infomercials

the child is used to. This is a news briefing.

For this child, the world is also crashing around him. There would be no cartoons for him

this afternoon. All regularly scheduled programs have been interrupted for a

press conference on the possibility of terrorist attacks on his nation. In the last six months, many things

have changed. Not only are there two less sky-scrapers in New York, but the mental-ity of people has also changed.

Children, mothers, fathers, janitors, businessmen, journalists, anyone who saw footage of the tragedy is reminded

of it every day by American flags, pic-tures of the Statue of Liberty, replayed footage of the Towers crumbling and



the sight of tribute magazines. Every where we go, there is something to remind us

But today will be a little different. During the last six months, we have also begun to return to normalcy

which isn't exactly a good thing. It's great that we are starting to move on with our lives, but what happened to the patriotism that was dis-played for the two months following the event?

We were brought together as a

country during the World Series Players, fans, managers and elected officials cried during the national anthem. For the first time in a long time, it didn't matter if you were a Yankee fan. Somewhere in your heart, you were pulling for them.

As snipers stood on the roof of Yankee Stadium, thousands of fans forgot about the events for three hours. For that short time, it was about a little white ball, a wooden bat and the men who used these tools to play.

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MOSAIC: SJSU's multicultural center

cultural exchange with Eddie Gale from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the MOSAIC, multicultural

Music, improvisation, meditation and

center in the Student Union. For more infor-

Student gallery receptions from 6 p.m. to

8 p.m. in the Art and Industrial Studies

buildings. For more information, contact

Artists from the spatial arts faculty exhibit will speak about their work. From 5

p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Art building, Roon

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But a month after the World Series, America slowly started to forget about the happenings of Sept. 11.

Six months later and still no end in sight

The flags that were once perched above the rooftops of thousands of homes were soon lowered and shoved back into the garage behind the spare refrigerator.

The banners that were hung from highway overpasses began to be taken down and thrown away, soon to be forgotten.

No longer were we making an extra effort to be proud to be an American. Most of us just kind of assumed it and figured all the extra effort had lost its impact.

I remember days after the attack, there wasn't a single American flag to be sold

But things have changed. Now, one can march into your local Target and pick one up off the clearance end cap for a mere \$1.24.

What about our travel plans?

How many people do you think thought twice or even three times before ever stepping foot on an air-plane again?

If you did, you were not the only one. Millions of Americans did the same, ome even vowed never to fly again. My mother flew to Peru in Decem-

ber. She didn't seem too worried, but I wonder if she was just saying that to

help ease the minds of my sister and I. Nonetheless, she made it back safely, but I'll never forget the sight of

watching her stand in line next to the gun-toting military man.

But as we now hit the six-month anniversary, one has to wonder — has our retaliation effort been worth it? It's been six months and Osama bin

Laden is still out there. We vowed to rid the Earth of terror-ism and President Bush said he knew

it would be a long war, but on what? Terrorism?

Is there really a way to fight it?

We are trying our best by blowing up possible terrorist camps, but is this really going to rid Earth of this evil? I understand that we want revenge

for the 3,000-plus lives that were lost that day, but I think we need to take a step back and assess our situation.

Is this undeclared war possibly hurting more people than we really need to? Will it create more problems in the future?

Will that child, who sits in Afghanistan, grow up to be angry at the United States? Will that child, who resides in America, grow up to be angry about this whole situation too? Will it fester into more hostility?

More tragedy? More casualties? If so, it is a war that will never end. And a death toll that will never stop rising.

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The up-and-down world of the career market

t's that time of year when some San Jose State University stu-dents begin looking at their lives and wondering what the heck they are going to spend the next 40 years doing.

No, it's not graduation time, yet. It's job fair time.

have finally given up on getting a degree in a perfectly tailored major, but I have not given up on

somehow finding the perfect career. I hereby make a vow to never, ever, even for a short amount of

time, have a job that I don't want. Believe me, it's not as easy as it

sounds.

Here's why:

Society has been trained to consider certain jobs as the stock career for specific majors.

For example, a friend of mine is graduating this May with a degree in psychology. Whenever she tells people she is graduating, they ask her what kind of counselor she wants to be. No one understands why she majored in Psychology if she doesn't want to be a counselor. I am getting a degree in journal-

ism. I don't want to be a reporter. I don't think I even want to work for a newspaper. So why do people look at me like I'm crazy for being a journalism major?

As far as I know, few people ever actually work in the field they studied anyway.

Another reason I am going to have a hard time finding the perfect job is family and friend pressure.

Last week, I had to ask my friend DeAnne to stop telling me I should be a teacher. She means well, but all that pressure can be a nightmare.

Don't get me wrong, I think teaching is one of the most important jobs in the world. In fact, I almost signed up for the extra English classes I would need to get accepted into the teaching credential program.



to publish a novel someday, but the thought of spending the rest of my life reporting makes me cringe.

My parents think that once I start working at a newspaper, I might enjoy the job. They could be right, but I am dead-set on discov-ering the perfect career for me.

So, I set a few standards to con-sider while I think about my future as a San Jose State University graduate

I must be able to help people grow emotionally, physically and spiritually. When I die, the things of impor-

tance won't be whether I got that job at New York Times, or Time magazine. For some people, it might be the most important thing they'll ever do.

For me, though, if I can help someone change his or her life for the better, I will die happy.

Even if that means being an incredible wife and mother, or writng an inspirational article for a Christian magazine. I must also find a workplace that

fosters human development. If I am going to spend 40 years in my chosen career, I must have the opportunity to constantly change and grow into a person that I am comfortable with. My last standard is quite broad.

The career path I choose must be in-line with my morals and values. For instance, I value my family

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A BUZZ CUT ...

Multicultural Center

937-8242.

Presentation by Carl Winters at noon in Module A, Room 117. For more information, contact 924-2815 or 924-2707.

Ballroom Social Dance Club

Nurses Christian Fellowship

vo room of the Student Union. For more

information, contact Diane at 248-2997.

Movimiento Estudiantil Chicano

Cha Cha lesson and St. Patrick's Day Party. Beginners at 6:30 p.m., intermediate at 7:30 p.m. For more information, contact Gorett at 924-SPIN.

Bible study at 9:30 a.m. in the Montal-

Weekly officers meeting at 6 p.m. in

the Chicano Library Resource Center, Mod-

ule A. For more information, contact Adri-

tact 924-6031

Career Center

Job and internship strategies workshop Surviving the current job market from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. in the Career Center, F Workshop room. For more information, contact 924-6031

Career Center

Employer presentation: Maxim from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. in the Almaden room of the Student Union. For more information, contact 924-6031.

Counseling Services

Eating disorder workshop from noon to 1:30 p.m. in the Health building, Room 208. For more

every Monday from 11:30 a.m. outside of the Career Center. For more information, contact Teresa Backer at 924-6055.

Tuesday

A.S. Campus Recreation

Intramural softball captain's meeting at 3 p.m. in the University House, Room 203. For more information, contact Rita at 924-6266.

Career Center

Job and internship strategies workshop Surviving the current job market from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. in the Career Center, F Workshop room. For more information, contact 924-6031

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Visit FedEx about its job opportunities from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the Career Center. For more information, contact 924-6031

Career Center

Employment presentation: PG & E from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. in the Guadalupe room of the Student Union. For more information, contact 924-6031.

Career Center

Mock interview from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Sign up in Building F. For more information, contact 924-6031

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But everyone looked at me funny when I told them I was a journalism major who wanted to teach high school.

The problem occurs when the people whose opinions I respect tell me I would be great at something, but don't take into consideration what I truly desire for my life.

The same thing goes for my family. They think I am a good writer and that I should pursue a career in reporting.

I enjoy writing, and I would love

dearly. Although I would love to work on the other side of the world, I don't think I would be very happy

away from those I love. Thankfully, SJSU is very diverse, with a different set of values for every individual. Now the city won't be full of naïve,

Spartan Daily editors who call their moms everyday and worry about if they are developing into a good future wives or husbands who will die happy after raising 10 children.

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"There were big groups where he would be the focus," Cech said. "He answered a lot of questions."

Roots in Pakistan

Iqbal, the oldest of two siblings, was born in a remote area in Pakistan and moved to the East Bay when he was 1 year old. He went back to Pakistan for four years when he was 12 because his parents wanted him to continue having two cultures in his life.

"They wanted to make sure I learned the languages, the cul-ture, the history — if I went back to see relatives, then I would know what to do, so it wouldn't be a foreign culture to me," Iqbal said. "I'm really glad they did it." Today, he speaks English, Urdu and Punjabi.

He attended two years of high school in America and then

attended San Jose State University to study criminal justice. "It wasn't a traditional thing for my ethnicity," Iqbal said. "My parents wanted me to do engineering. I chose something that

was an interesting career field." His interest in the ROTC program came mainly from the fact that he heard it was challenging and one of the best programs at the university.

'The person I am today, I credit with the program," he said. "It's where.

Captain Joseph Riley, associ-ate professor of aerospace stud-ies, said that about 20 percent of students who take the ROTC program are able to overcome GPA, physical, professional, ethical medical testing requirements

"A huge number of students say it's too much of a sacrifice,' Riley said.

Cech said when Iqbal first joined the program, he stood out because he was one of only two

Middle-Eastern students. "He was just a little guy, but he had a heart," Cech said. "Any-thing he set his mind to do, he did a lot. He felt he had a lot to prove

New American Patriot

Only around twenty people are considered annually for the Office of Special Investigations

department in the Air Force. "I think it's a great thing for him because he's into that covert, top-secret military stuff," Cech said. "It works out great for him and the military."

Both Riley and Cech describe Iqbal as being trustworthy, dedicated and disciplined. "We're very fortunate to have

him among our personnel because of what he's capable of

contributing," Riley said. He said having Iqbal work in

taken me from New York to the Air Force enables U.S. defense Guam. It's taken me every- to have a better understanding for other cultures.

"It's what I consider a win-win situation for our country and the experiences he'll be exposed to certainly for what he brings to the table," Riley said.

Iqbal isn't sure if he will be working in Pakistan for OSI, but he will be going to visit friends and relatives in June.

He said he is pleased that the war on terrorism has provided better relations between the country and America.

"(America) is bringing Pak-istan to the 21st century," Iqbal said. "It's definitely a good thing for that country. Pakistan has never been anti-American." Iqbal is exemplary of the new American patriot: He represents never the cultural and religious diversity that constitutes this country.

"I have no problem defeating terrorism as a Pakistani Muslim American," he said.

His other accomplishments include being a Commander in the community service student association, the Arnold Air Society, as well as doing an internship for the Drug Enforcement Agency.

Riley said Iqbal is someone that has grown a lot in the last few years. "He's an individual that does

n't just dream, he makes those dreams a reality," he said.

SHOWCASE Patriots in fraternity bared most for audience

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The performance drew a huge

reaction of applause and laughter. The women of Alpha Phi were up a little while later, equally impressing the crowd with a provocative dance routine of their own

own. "We have it (the showcase) every year," said Bethany Bains, philanthropy chair for Kappa Delta. "What it is, is a charity event, and the proceeds go to two philanthropies. We expect to see a lot of patriotism this year too."

Those expectations were ful-filled when the men of Alpha Tau Omega, who broke out in chants of "USA" throughout the night, made their way to center stage and let it

all hang out — almost literally. As Lee Greenwood's "God Bless the USA" played in the background, and a Kappa Delta member dressed as the Statue of Liberty, stead at the freat of the Liberty stood at the front of the stage, five members of the fraternity appeared in front of the audience behind a large American flag, with only their heads

With pride gleaming in their eyes, they lip-synched the classic country tune for a few seconds, and right when the music picked up, the crowd launched into a laughing frenzy as the group dropped Old Glory and revealed their outfits: Bikini briefs decorated in the stars and stripes, with only patriotic tassels over them.

As the crowd roared in applause, the group dropped

their tassels and moved around the stage, almost completely dis-robed. They were joined by one of their fraternity brothers, sporting a black wrestling singlet, fake wings and an eagle mask, who ran from one end of the stage to the other as if to be flying.

They eventually gathered around the "Statue of Liberty," paying respect to her and every other symbol of America that their routine depicted.

Geoff Mace, one of the Alpha Tau Omega patriots, said he wasn't embarrassed at all to be in front of the packed house with nearly his entire body on display.

"We went in with the mentali-ty that 'this country is great, and we're going to do this,' and that's what happened," he said.

The choreographed session ended with the Gamma Zeta Alpha fraternity serving up a dose of culture as well. As one of their members did a

traditional Mexican-style dance with a Kappa Delta member, three more of them appeared dressed as mariachis, complete with guitars and an accordion.

The performance, like many of the others, drew a wave of applause from the entertained audience.

An intermission followed, during which prizes were raffled off, and the impromptu lip-synch ensued.

After another raffle intermis-sion, the top three teams were rewarded with trophies, based on judge's scores.

With their Rocky Horror Pic-ture Show-themed performance, the Beta Theta Pi fraternity was awarded third-place. The first place vote seemed to

surprise much of the audience, as the men of Sigma Chi upended econd place Alpha Tau Omega to take top honors.

Last year's showcase chairper-Delta alumna, said this year's event was possibly the best yet. "The turnout is just as wild as

last year, if not better," she said. "I think they'll raise more money than last year." Kappa Delta chapters nation-

wide have participated in the Shamrock Showcase for the last years, with 20 percent of nationwide proceeds going to Pre-vent Child Abuse America, and the remaining 80 percent going to a local philanthropic organization of the chapter's choice.

This year, as in the past, the Kappa Delta chapter at San Jose State University chose to donate to Child Quest International.

"Every year, Kappa Delta does tremendous fund-raising events and donates to Child Quest. They are an amazing supporter of Child Quest," said Kim Jaeger, a representative of the organization. Jaeger said the funds donated

make it possible for Child Quest to carry out its spring programs, such as Educational Outreach to Children.

"We're very grateful for their annual support and the exposure they give us in the community.





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Jonathan Nadiranto, Spartan party candidate for extracurricular affairs, said he would like to integrate the importance of building community at San Jose State University to the audience in his one-minute introduction.

Paul Higgins, SJSU party can-didate for president, said he is still collecting his thoughts and putting them together for the candidate forum.

"It's the first opportunity to get my goals, visions, promises and ideas out there to the students," Higgins said.

dent party candidate for presi-dent, said he does not think there is much he can do to prepare himself for the forum. "I'm already aware of most of

the issues that are facing A.S., considering I've had no formal part in it," Mansouri said. "Thus, should have nothing to fear except for sweaty palms, of cours

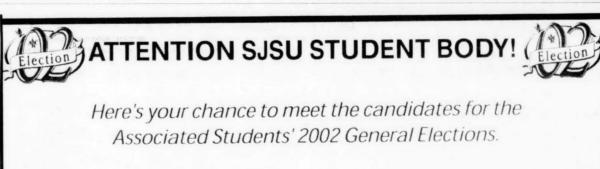
in computer science, said he has never voted in an A.S. election before, but thinks the candidate forum can benefit the candidates if they make a good impression on

"If the candidates can get their messages across effectively, then shouldn't have a problem getting elected," Fong said. "I think the students that attend the forum are the people most likely to vote, so candidates should go into the forum pre-

pared to answer any question they might get asked." Elisabeth Warton, a freshman majoring in psychology, said she

will attend the candidate forum because she wants to know who she is voting for when she marks

"I hope people attend the forum because they need to be aware of who they are voting for," Warton said. "Students need to make their government more responsible. That won't happen unless we pay more attention and make our voices as students heard.



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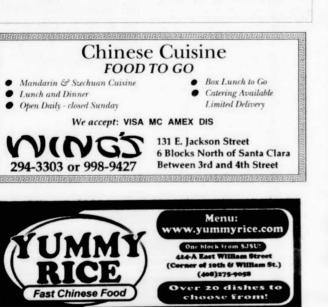


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Mike Fong, a junior majoring

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Spartan rugby clubs winless in Santa Cruz

Women's team battles to 14-14 tie, while men's team falls 21-10

By Dray Miller

DAILY STAFF WRITER

Although it managed to avoid defeat, the playoff hopes for the Spartan women's rugby team were further diminished when it tied UC Santa Cruz, 14-14, Saturday at Watson Bowl in San Jose

Because Santa Cruz's losses to other league opponents were by smaller point margins earlier this season, the team's chances of getting a spot in the postseason are slim, coach Karl Laucher said

The Spartans opened up the scoring in the first half when Shanna Philpot took the ball from about seven meters out and pounded it in for the first try of the game.

The ensuing kick was good, putting the score at 7-0 in favor of San Jose State University.

Santa Cruz managed to tie the score, and at halftime it was even at 7

With five minutes remaining in the game, Santa Cruz marched about 80 meters down the field to go ahead 14-7.

The Spartans managed to regain possession of the ball with three minutes to go, and fought their way to their opponent's goal line

After a penalty was issued to Santa Cruz, SJSU gave the ball back to Philpot from about two meters out, and she drove through several opposing players for her second try of the game.

The kick after was good, but there was too little time left on the clock and neither team was able to break the 14-14 tie.

DAILY STAFF REPORT

two chances in two different gyms to beat the Sacramento State University Hornets, but were dealt a weekend of stinging

defeats instead.

The Spartan gymnasts had

In a spirited final 2002 home

meet, San Jose State University's

women's gymnastics team posted its highest score of the season on

Friday, but scored third in the tri-

angular meet, behind Cal State Fullerton and Sacramento State.

Sunday, with a chance to qual-ify for the NCAA Regional Cham-

pionships on the line, the Spar-

tans fell to Sacramento State 193.500-192.450 in Hornet Gym.

season-highs in loss

"We played excellent ball. We were on their side of the field for most of the game," Philpot said. "Everybody fought really hard. It's tough (not winning) this game because for some it's their last home game." Philpot along with savaral

Philpot, along with several other seniors, will be lost next year to graduation.

Jen Koakes, also a graduating senior, expressed frustration about the tie, but praised the team for putting forth a solid effort

"We had a lot of line-up changes, and it's difficult when you play a new position," she said. "It was a fun game, though. Our line-outs were good today, and we won almost all of the scrums. Our rookies did real well, too.

Koakes credited first-year players Sabrina Ortega, Ilbra Beitpolous and Amy Porter for stepping into important roles and helping the Spartans stay in the game.

Laucher cited several scoring opportunities that he said the team failed to capitalize on, but commended his players for fight-ing back to avoid the loss.

"What we have is a bunch of young college warrior ladies, and for that we can't be disappointed," he said.

Laucher said he was especially pleased with the play of Philpot, who is the third leading scorer all-time for SJSU women's

rugby. Philpot recently traveled to Georgia to try out for the U.S. women's 23-and under national rugby team, Laucher said, but

fell short of making the team. "I think she is the best hooker in the nation," Laucher said. "They made a big mistake not

taking her." Joining Philpot in graduating will be the top scorer in team his-tory, Hilda Vasquez, who has logged more than 200 points in her tenure with the Spartans.

The women's team has a chance to finish the season on a high note when it travels to face UC Davis on Saturday in Davis.

The men's rugby team took the field following the women's SJSU gymnasts post

score of 193.000 behind the

move and be in a better position," said Spartan coach Wayne

"Our team is going to have to step up and giver their best per-

formances if we want to make it to the postseason," he said.

On Friday, a pre-game celebra-

tion was held in the Spartan Gym

where six graduating seniors were honored. Kasey Carter, Stacy Martin, Desiree Maciel, Julie Gordon, Tasya Talbot and

Kimmy Cianci are graduating

this year. "I'm sentimental because I've

"We had our chances to make a

Titans' 194.300

Wright.

game, but were unable to avoid defeat at the hands of UC Santa Cruz. Santa Cruz didn't waste much

time putting points on the board, scoring two tries within the first 15 minutes of the game to put Spartans at a 14-point deficit.

The Banana Slugs appeared to be on their way to another score when Spartan Dan Yerelian picked the ball up off a loose bounce and dashed about 60 back into the game. The kick after failed, making the score 14-

Minutes later, the tide would switch back to the favor of Santa Cruz, who recovered an errant Spartan pass and ran the ball in

from about 10 meters out. SJSU had a good scoring chance late in the half, but after repeated attempts at trying to get the ball into the in-goal area, Santa Cruz kept the Spartans from a second try, and the half ended with the score 21-5.

The Spartans were able to mount more offense in the second half, but could only manage one more try off a short run from Blaine Mauldin. Again, the kick after wasn't good, leaving the score at 21-10 in favor of Santa

Cruz until time ran out. The game was another in a series of disappointing losses for the men's team this season, who have had a hard time overcoming the loss of key players to injury

and graduation. Coach Mike McDonald vented frustration following the game toward what he felt was sloppy officiating, but declined to pin the loss to the referee.

"I think we need to see better officiating in the sport. The guy (referee) missed too much," he said. "But I had some guys play great rugby out there."

Some players remained opti-mistic going into their final game of the season, a home game against the University of San Francisco this Saturday.

"I'm not guaranteeing any-thing, but we should definitely win this game this weekend, senior Sam Yang said.

Duke remains top-seeded for NCAA Tourney

ment championship game on Sun-

day, will play Holy Cross on Thurs-day in St. Louis. The other game in

that pod is eighth-seeded Stanford

against Western Kentucky. The other half of the upper

bracket has fourth-seeded Illinois

staying in the area against San Diego State on Friday, while fifth-

seeded Florida faces Creighton. Oregon, the Pac-10 regular-sea

son champion, is seeded second and will play Montana in Sacramento, Calif., on Thursday, with seventh-

seeded Wake Forest against Pep-

The other half of the lower part

of the bracket is in Dallas on Fri-

perdine in the other game.

SJSU's 21-10 loss on Saturday.

was seeded No. 1 for the NCAA tournament for a record fifth straight year Sunday, joined atop the regional brackets by top-ranked Kansas, Maryland and Cincinnati.

on Sunday - did not win their con-ference tournament title. Both were regular-season champions.

Only Cincinnati won both its regular season and tournament titles. Duke won the Atlantic Coast Conference tournament Sunday.

Maryland (26-4) was seeded first in the East and will play in nearby Washington on Friday against the winner of Tuesday's opening-round game between

and coach Bob Knight play South-In the Midwest Regional, sixth-seeded Texas facing Boston Kansas (29-3), which had its 15-game winning streak snapped by College

Duke (29-3) will open defense of its national championship as the No. 1 team in the South, playing Winthrop on Thursday in Greenville, S.C., while eighth-seed-ed Notre Dame faces Charlotte,

San Jose State University rugby club member Blaine Mauldin, right, pushes downfield during

the club's match against UC Santa Cruz. Mauldin scored one of the team's two tries during

The other pod in that bracket will be in Sacramento on Thursday, with fourth-seeded Southern California against North Carolina-Wilmington, and fifth-seeded Indi-ana facing Utah.

Alabama is seeded second in the South and will also play in Greenville, meeting Florida Greenville, meeting Florida Atlantic, which is making its first tournament appearance. The other game in that pod features seventh-seeded Oklahoma State against Kent State.

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During Sunday night's action, junior Dani Albright finished with three first-place finishes, one coming in a three-way tie on the bars with teammate Shirla Choy and Lori Gillette of Sacramento State.

Alright won the all-around with a score of 39.250 and the beam with a 9.775.

SJSU's Binta Coleman also finished in a first-place tie during the meet. Her score of 9.775 on the vault matched that of the Hornets' Toni Petersen.

Friday marked the second time this season the Spartans have competed with the Titans. On Feb. 16, the Spartans placed second in a home meet, with a

done gymnastics for the last 18 years," Cianci said. "It's sad com-peting here for the last time."

The final scores were posted with Cal State Fullerton at 195.300, Sacramento State at 194.100 and the Spartans close behind with a 193.325.

The Spartans are scheduled to compete against UC Berkeley, Boise State University and Sacramento State on Saturday in their last meet of the season, which is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. in Berkeley.

Following that meet, SJSU is schedule to head to the Air Force Academy for the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation Championships on March 23.

ence. The other matchup in that "four-team pod" is eighth-seeded Wisconsin against ninth-seeded St. John's

The other four teams in that part of the East Regional bracket will play Thursday in St. Louis, Mo., with fourth-seeded Kentucky playing Valparaiso and fifth-seeded Marquette going against Tulsa.

The lower part of the bracket features second-seeded Connecticut against Hampton in Washington on Friday, along with seventh-seeded North Carolina State against Michigan State, which has been in the last three Final Fours.

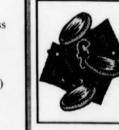
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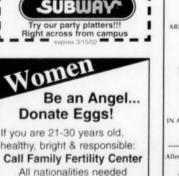




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The Spartan Daily's weekly recap of campus crime

Friday, March 1

1:53 p.m. INCIDENT: Restrain Order Etc. Location: Science building Summary: An incident report was taken for a student being harassed by another student.

5:07 p.m. BURGLARY Location: Seventh and San Salvador streets

Summary: Subject was arrested for burglary after breaking into a student's car parked on Eighth Street at about 7:30 a.m.

10:33 p.m. FOUND BICYCLE Location: Music building Summary: A report was taken for a found bicycle.

1:20 a.m. TRESPASSING Location: San Salvador Street Summary: Two people were arrested for trespassing, illegal lodging and forcible entry.

Saturday, March 2

11:41 a.m. THEFT Location: Student Union Summary: A juvenile was detained for stealing a baseball cap from the Spartan Bookstore The juvenile was released to his mother with a warning.

5:09 p.m. DRUNK DRIVING: Driving Under The Influence Location: Eleventh Street Summary: Subject was arrest-

ed for driving while under the influence and driving on a sus-pended license The vehicle was towed

5:12 p.m. TRESPASSING Location: San Salvador Street Summary: Subject was stopped and detained for trespassing and was arrested for 10 outstanding warrants.

8:59 p.m. THEFT Location: Lot six Summary: A report was taken for a person who had their parking permit stolen.

11:48 p.m. BURGLARY Location: San Salvador Street Summary: A total of five subjects involved. Subject No.1 was

arrested for burglary and a minor in possession of an alcoholic beverage. Subject No. 2 was arrested for burglary furnishing alcohol to a minor and possession of a dangerous weapon on campus. Subject No. 3 was arrested for burglary, attempting to conceal evidence and minor in possession of an alcoholic bever age. Subject No. 4 was arrested an outstanding misdemeanor warrant, burglary and furnishing alcohol to a minor. Subject No. 5 was arrested on two outstanding misdemeanor warrants. burglary and furnishing alcohol to a minor.

NEWS

Sunday, March 3

1:07 p.m. THEFT Location: Allen Hall Summary: A report was taken for petty theft of cash.

Monday, March 4

7:01 a.m. GRAND THEFT Location: University Advancement

Summary: A report was taken for grand theft of computers.

11:33 a.m. FRAUD: Forgery

mit. 1:45 p.m. STOLEN VEHICLE Location: Seventh Street garage Summary: A report was taken

9:41 p.m. THEFT Location: Fourth Street garage

2:14 a.m. ALCOHOL: Any Drunkenness Violations Location: 10th and William streets Summary: Subject was arrested

10:51 a.m. BURGLARY: Location: Seventh Street garage Summary: A report was taken for theft of a SJSU parking permit.

3:15 p.m. TRAFFIC: Hit & Run

Or Counterfeit

Location: Seventh Street garage Summary: A report was taken for a forged SJSU parking per-

for a stolen vehicle.

Summary: A report was taken for the theft of a radio from a vehicle in Fourth Street garage.

Tuesday, March 5

for being drunk in public.

2:52 p.m. THEFT Location: SJSU Summary: A report was taken for a stolen cellular phone.

Location: Seventh Street garage Summary: A report was taken

for a non-injury hit-and-run accident.

3:30 p.m. FRAUD: Forgery or Counterfeit Location: Fourth Street

garage Summary: A report was taken for a forgery of a SJSU parking permit.

3:45 p.m. VANDALISM: Location: Washington Square Hall

Summary: A report was taken for vandalism of a restroom.

8:05 p.m. THEFT Location: Seventh Street garage Summary: A report was taken

for a stereo stolen out of a locked vehicle

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10:38p.m. GRAND THEFT Location: Field House (old) Summary: A report was taken for the theft of money from a briefcase.

Wednesday, March 6

12:30 p.m. THEFT Location: other Summary: A report was taken for a stolen cellular phone.

3:59 p.m. TRAFFIC: Hit & Run

Location: San Salvador Street Summary: An agency assist report was taken for a hit-andrun accident.

7:39 p.m. BATTERY Location: Spartan Stadium Summary: Subject was arrested for battery on a peace officer, disturbing the peace and for being drunk in public.

7:58 p.m. SEX: Sexual Battery/Unwanted Intimacy

Location: Spartan Village Summary: A report was taken for an assault with intent to commit rape, sexual battery and false imprisonment.

10:55 p.m. BURGLARY Location: 10th and Humbolt streets

Summary: A report was taken for an auto burglary that occurred at 10th & Humbolt streets

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PATRIOTISM Students have different ideas of normal

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team to win. And if it's not doing too well, they're like, 'hmm, let's go change seats.

As a transfer student from Cabrillo College in Santa Cruz County, Mendence said she has seen the community pull together in the weeks following the attacks. The atmosphere at her previous school consisted of "a lot of television, a lot of support groups, a lot of people talking." In addition, she said her professors were extremely supportive to the needs of students.

This was much like the environment that existed at SJSU, according to most of the interviewees

remembered Many the school's candlelight vigil held on Sept. 14, which drew hundreds of students, instructors and resi-dents of San Jose and nearby Bay Area cities. In fact, President Bush called on the nation to come together and pray for the victims and their families that evening, a request to which millions obliged.

I was there, yeah," said senior Steve Slater, who is majoring in music. "It was good — a little too long, but good. And it definitely promoted diversity."

Slater also brought up the change in airport security, adding that the stricter policies may be growing pains for flyers, but said they are worth the hassle.

Still, he said he thinks it's funny how showing support for your country tends to be shortlived. Then everything comes back to normal, he said, partly

referring to the scarcer spottings

of American flags. Dan Widner, on the other hand, said he is actually happy things are back to "normal." "People were going around act-

ing all patriotic in a way, and then it kind of went away. It went back to normal, which I think is really good," the undeclared freshman said. "I'm glad that it went back to normal instead of everybody going the way that they felt a week after ... I feel that we need to move on.'

Yet moving on can be a lot more difficult than some may think, because so much changed. Immediately following the attacks, Transportation Secre-tary Norman Mineta authorized the Federal Aviation Administration to ground all flights in the United States for the first time ever. People could not turn on the television without being inundat-ed with around-the-clock, post-Sept. 11 news.

Word of alleged hate crimes spread, even in places as diverse as the Bay Area, making Ameri-cans wonder if they have digressed that much. Even closer to home, SJSU student clubs and organizations, such as the Mus-lim Students Association, the Jewish Student Union and the Catholic Campus Ministry, fre-quently held meetings and support-group services in an attempt to comfort and educate confused, fearful and curious students who sought answers.

Oftentimes, fingers pointed to the Middle East, and to all who practice Islam, in an attempt to appease anger and find a scapegoat. And of course, the flags went up.

"America is kind of self-cen-tered," Slater said. "Patriotism is believing in your own country, but I don't think it's right to believe that your country is the best country.

"And I think some people take patriotism like that. Like we should believe America is the best country and everyone should be like us, and I don't think that's very true.

Another SJSU student, Saleem Baquer, who is a senior in finance, expanded on Slater's belief adding that, "This is basically a message for (America) not to be arrogant ... yeah, you are the most powerful country in the world, but don't

take it for granted." Six months later, however, many lives have returned to a familiar state of normalcy. Fear has somewhat subsided, and people have been thrown back into their routines. And a precise, agreeable definition of patriotism is yet to be found.

"I'm not a patriot, and I never will be," said Christophe Bourely, a downtown San Jose resident. "I believe that if you're going to be a patriot, you have to be a patriot of

"I think to be a patriot is a dangerous idea overall in the long run, because there's a fine line between patriotism and nationalism, and I think you shouldn't put yourself in front of everybody else but work at the same level."



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AIRPORT Some passengers say level of security isn t high enough around perimeter of San Jose International location

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(feet).

Luckenbach also said that all checked baggage is inspected for explosives.

Right now, the airport has two explosive detection machines for screening baggage, one per terminal, he said. By the end of the year, the air-

port hopes to have all bags (both checked and carry-on) pass through the explosive detection machines. FAA security mandates state that only ticketed passengers are

allowed past security checkpoints, which are now manned by National Guard troops as well as newly federalized security employees, Luckenbach said. By the end of May, he said, the

airport will have four new security checkpoints up to decrease the wait time for passengers.

"Security is always our number one concern," he said. According to Luckenbach, policies concerning carry-on baggage

have been more rigorously enforced. Passengers are allowed one carry-on bag, such as a backpack or small duffle bag, and one personal bag, such as a purse, laptop computer bag or briefcase.

Luckenbach emphasized that passengers must have their ticket and one form of photo identification

According to San Francisco International Airport's Web site, where FAA requirements are posted, the identification must be government-issued such as a passport, driver's license or state identification card.

In addition to these measures.

Luckenbach said passengers are subject to random bag searches. "These measures are effective and they are now a part of travel," he said. "The traveling public has fully accepted the new securi-ty measures."

Not everyone is comfortable with the level of security at San Jose International though.

San Jose State University sophomore aviation major Steve Alsop said he is concerned not for the terminal security, but rather the perimeter of the airport, which he says, in some areas needs more

than a chain-link fence. SJSU's aviation program has a hangar at the airport where classes are taught and the students learn hands-on with the university's Boeing jet. "There probably should be

more professional guards around the perimeter, and they need stronger barricades around the fences," Alsop said.

His major concern was that the airport is close to the freeway. "The refueling station is too easily accessible. As I walk by in

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the parking lot, I'm less than five feet from the fuel line," Alsop said. "If anyone is motivated, they could do catastrophic damage with a singe car."

According to Luckenbach, all employees who work in the aircraft operating area (anywhere on the tarmac where they have direct access to the aircraft) must have their fingerprints taken and cross-referenced with an FBI database, but he did not elaborate on perimeter security.

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