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CLASS IN SESSION

DETAILS BEHIND AVERTED STRIKE

A historic strike was averted on Thursday when the CFA and CSU reached a tentative agreement on a yearlong dispute over a 5 percent general salary increase for CSU faculty. The agreement will offer faculty a 10.5 percent salary increase over the course of 366 days. The general salary increase breaks down into three separate phases: a 5 percent increase on June 30, 2016, a 2 percent on July 1, 2016 and a 3.5 percent on July 1, 2017. "We were asking for our pay to be retroactive to July 1, 2015 and we did not get that," said Preston Rudy, the president of the CFA chapter at SJSU. "But instead, we do get more than we asked for." According to Rudy, the main factor that contributed to the CSU finally agreeing to a higher offer was to prevent the strike and once the fact-finding report was released on March 28, it became obvious the university administrators had lost the argument that they could not pay the faculty the increase. "I know and regret that the threat of a strike authorized by CFA members has created uncertainty and concern for students," CSU chancellor Timothy White wrote in an email sent out to CSU faculty Friday morning. Indeed, the faculty, staff and administration has been concerned as well and fretful. I am very pleased to have this behind us now so we can move forward together." The agreement will remain tentative until it is approved by the CFA Board of Directors, ratified by the members and finally accepted by the CFA Board of Trustees.

Infographic by **Kavin Mistry** & article by **Vasuki Rao**

DEBATE

Potential A.S. candidates address their campus

By **Casey Geier** & **Ryan Vermont**
Staff writers

"Meet the Candidates: Debate" was held Monday to give A.S. government hopefuls a platform to express and debate their plans for the election on April 13.

A main stage and chairs were set in front of the Tommie Smith and John Carlos Statue for the event, which took place from 1:30 p.m. to almost 4 p.m.

Three executive positions were up for the taking as well as several other A.S. governmental positions.

The three executive A.S. positions up for election are controller, vice president and president.

The other positions include the director of university advising affairs, director of rights and responsibilities, director of student resource affairs, director of student fee affairs, director of programming affairs, director of internal affairs, director of intercultural affairs, director of faculty affairs, director of co-curricular affairs, director of external affairs, director of community and sustainability affairs, director of communications and director of business affairs.

Moderators of the event were Student Elections Commission Chief Executive Officer Ariana Manzeo and Ethics Officer Boon Yang.

"A.S. student government matters because they are really advocating for every student here at the university level," Yang said. "They are pretty much the face of

advocating where our fees are going."

Candidates were cycled up on stage, starting with the most subordinate positions and wrapping up with the more significant positions. The first set of candidates to debate were the directors of communication, and the last group of candidates was for the presidency.

Candidates were asked personal questions like the words that best describe their personality as well as questions regarding their stances towards specific issues on campus.

All of the candidates were also asked the typical, what-actions-would-they-take-if-they-were-elected questions.

To cement their credibility to hold the desired position, candidates addressed past experiences that have prepared them to hold the role. A.S. positions, clubs they've joined as well as well as Greek organizations were all mentioned.

Each of the candidates had a total of four minutes to speak their thoughts.

The trick however, was that the four minutes allowed were designated not only to answer moderator questions, but also audience questions. The allotted time was also used for rebuttals from the candidates.

Naturally, candidates had to be selective and smart with their answers.

Candidates who spoke too long on a single question found themselves struggling

AIR TRANSPORT

Spartan Superway gets a little closer to reality

By **Ryan Vermont** & **Tyler Kittle**
Staff writers

In 2012, professors Ron Swenson and Burford Furman began the Spartan Superway project as a way to join the surging trend of sustainable mobility. Four years later, the project is nearly ready for a full-scale test trial.

The Superway is a three to four person pod suspended on a track in the air which is being designed to travel around San Jose and descend downwards to pick up and drop off people at their request.

It would be available to the public and price per ride is yet to be determined because more information needs to be gathered to

determine the price people would pay.

"It would be a network system not like Caltrain, which is a line system where everything stops along the line," Furman said. "Think of a network throughout an urban area, you get on at a station which is not on the main line ... other vehicles can get on and off the main line."

Furman said that the city has gotten to a point in urban areas where the current way we get around is just not sustainable.

In the last six months, engineers have continued their developments to

make the Spartan Superway a reality.

There are several teams working on different aspects of the project. One of the teams is working on expanding the small-scale track model of the Superway.

The small-scale track is meant to portray a route that the pods would need to navigate through. One of the members on the team is Nasrat Haidari, senior mechanical engineering major.

"This (the small track) will be exactly directional wise and operational wise similar, not mapping wise," Haidari said. "We have a team working on the mapping right now, but this (the small track's) main concern is operation."

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HUMANITIES

Interdisciplinary programs offer a different approach to education

By **Melissa Hartman** & **Tyler Kittle**
Staff writers

A university education is often a different experience for students, teaching both focused majors and broad GEs. However, there are different ways of getting a broad general education within the university, such as the Humanities Honors Program, which recently experienced a class cut.

SJSU's Humanities Honors Program is a four semester long, interdisciplinary program that teaches a variety of GE classes. The program requires enrolling students to have a 3.0 high school GPA, and possess a certain score on one of four English exams, critical reading or verbal sections in the SAT or ACT exams respectively.

As an interdisciplinary program, professors for the program are pulled from the college of the subject they will teach in Humanities Honors. This program focuses on a liberal education more than a standard general education. The program recently experienced a class cut, losing its spring class teams.

Dr. David Mesher, a professor in the program, explained that spring teams were cut because many students take 1A

classes in the fall, so the enrollment of those classes in the spring are about half the size of the fall classes.

"There's a push around campus to get rid of low-enrolling classes," Mesher said. "In our college, if you have a class with less than 20 students in it there is an excellent chance it won't be offered. It will be dropped right before the semester begins, or a little bit before that." Mesher said that this process can also be inconvenient to students.

Dr. Cynthia Rostankowski is the Humanities Honors program coordinator and currently the only recruiter for the program. However, Lena Jones, a child and adolescent development major who graduated from SJSU and the Honors Humanities Program, says that Rostankowski could be a positive influence for any student.

"Cynthia is a brilliant, brilliant woman and a fantastic teacher," Jones said. "Her management of the program shows how skillful and knowledgeable she is."

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SPORTS

Women's Water Polo split weekend games

By **Yale Wyatt**
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With these women's water polo match-ups being the last games played at the San Jose Aquatic Center before it will be torn down, the team split both games this past Saturday.

The first game was against the Arizona State Sun Devils. The

Spartans took the lead in the first period 2-1, with the Sun Devils storming back with six goals in the second. The Spartans attempted to retaliate with a strong offense, but the Sun Devils kept it out of reach by increasing their lead each quarter.

San Jose State kept up, but never regained the lead. That would carry throughout the entire game, and despite keeping up with the goals, the Sun Devils would hold a five-point lead until the end of the game, 13-8.

"We didn't come with enough defense, but we battled it out as best we could," said coach Johnny Bega.

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CORRECTION

On the 27th issue of the Spartan Daily, the article on page four titled "International concept of being patriotic," identifies Waad Aljarado to be from Israel. This is a mistake and Aljarado is in fact from Palestine. The Spartan Daily deeply regrets this mistake.



Kavin Mistry | Spartan Daily

Jared Garcia, junior sociology major, questions the candidates on pressing issues facing our campus that need to be addressed if they are elected into office.

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to complete their trains of thought on later questions because of lack of time.

The crowd attending was small, with only about 20 seats filled in front of stage, but the bustling location of Clark Hall allowed for students walking to-and-from class to stop and see what was happening. This was the case for senior social work major Liz Torrez.

"Placing the event in front of Clark Hall was effective because I didn't even know the debate was going on until I walked by," Torrez said, who admitted she has never voted for A.S.

She went on to say that although she doesn't pay much attention to Associated Students, she said she appreciates the work they do because she understands it impacts her campus experience.

Senior management information systems student Mustafa Alseddiq was another one of the handful of viewers at the event.

"It (A.S.) should be mandatory to know about," Alseddiq said. "I believe in the student government to change the student experience on campus."

Alseddiq voted in last year's election, and once again plans to vote this year.

Yang said he felt that the event ran smoother than he thought, but still thought student turnout could have been higher.

"I hope that next year's event goes as good as this year's event, if not better," Yang said.

Election season continues on Wednesday with an event called "Meet the Candidates BBQ/Voting Kick-Off" on April 13, where students have the chance to meet their candidates in more of a casual environment. Food and drinks will be served.

Voting for the A.S. government candidates begins directly following the BBQ. Voting will conclude the following Wednesday, April 20, at 8 a.m.

The declaration of winners will take place on April 20 from 12-2 p.m. at the Tommie Smith and John Carlos Lawn.

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The Superway has the potential to have lines established all across the city, but no official routes have been determined.

Throughout the semester, the team made improvements to last year's small-scale model by adding multiple loops to represent more of a network instead of the line track model that was built previously.

Another team is working on the bogie for the car. The bogie is the steering system, and it will be designed differently using a larger motor and compact design due to the recently added inclines and declines for the stops, according to senior mechanical engineering major Cassie Acosta.

As a senior project, the Spartan Superway is appealing to various engineering majors as there are many aspects to work on the project.

"I saw it at a tradeshow ... So it was just kind of in my mind, and then when I finally got to my senior project time, I saw it as the best option for me," said senior mechanical engineering major Lucas Petersen. "There's a lot of variety here, since you can do electrical ... you can do software."

Petersen is part of a team working on the Superway's cabin design, which currently isn't large enough. They are currently making a half-scale model of the new cabin.

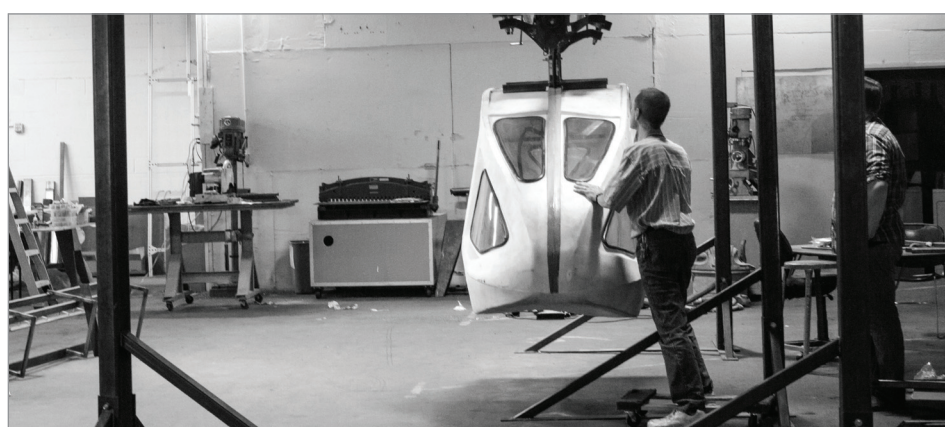
The Spartan Superway's

quarter-scale model will also have a solar panel to charge its battery, an idea started by Swenson. An electrical team is working to make that happen.

The next time the Spartan Superway will be presented to the public will be at Maker Faire Bay Area, taking place on May 20-22. It will be displayed to the public to bring awareness, volunteers, donations to the project

The small and medium models of the Spartan Superway will be featured at the Faire and if all goes well, a full-scale trial will take place on South Campus by this time next year.

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The Spartan Superway is a functional prototype that can move along the rails and switch tracks was built in a previous semester.

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Jones said that when she was in the Humanities Honors Program, they accepted about 120 people per semester, which is a very small portion of the total student population.

She said that the program is well marketed within the department and program itself, but other demographics of the university don't know much about it. Jones said she thinks that if more students were able to be educated about the program and participate in it, the university would greatly benefit from it.

The benefits of an interdisciplinary program, such as the Humanities Honors Program, were explained at length by individuals associated with the program. The most discussed topic was giving students an education that provides more depth and breadth of content.

Jones said that life past graduation has been easier because she has a more global perspective due to her education from the program.

"We learned a lot about growing pains and how those changed to where we are now," Jones said. "It helps with your individual perspective, especially around elections and global protests... I think that students that didn't go through the Humanities Honors programs don't have that knowledge other than those who are history or anthropology majors who self select it."

Dr. Susan Verducci Sandford, liberal studies program coordinator, said she thinks the program provides an unparalleled approach because of the stabilization of the student cohorts and the ability to have the same professors teach students over the four semesters of the program.

"To have a mentorship in lower division GEs can really benefit a student if the teacher and student are a good fit," Sandford said. "They can care and see

“It helps with your individual perspective, especially around elections and global protests.”

-Lena Jones

your growth over time, which is one of the keys to excellent education. When students feel like they are seen and they aren't a number, and they have someone that understands them, it's a huge connection for the student and the university."

The Humanities Honors Program fills out 30 units of GEs, though students only take 24 units of classes, over the course of four semesters, with a different approach to teaching General Education. While the program can help some students get through GE classes faster, some majors require certain GE classes that the program doesn't cover, which can lengthen student's stay at SJSU. Rostankowski said that students shouldn't think about going through college fast.

"Don't be fast, be strategic, because then you will be the fastest of all," Rostankowski said.

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Justice studies gives back

On April 6, 2016, the Justice Studies Department: Crisis Intervention/Mediation/Restorative Justice course was honored to have Bay Area Critical Incident Stress Management (CISM), Director of Educational Services for the Centre for Living with Dying, Janet Childs. She presented information on grief counseling and crisis to our class and emphasized a program specifically for children and youth called

"Healing Heart." She ended the presentation by singing a heartfelt song to the students. The class is learning and understanding what crisis is, engaging in crisis worker scenarios and debriefing techniques. The students presented Childs with personalized decorated candles, which are routinely used during counseling sessions. Childs was also presented with a charity check in the amount of \$112, which students earned by

recycling bottles and cans to raise money to benefit the children and youth in our community who have or are experiencing crisis in their life. This "Give Back to Your Community" activity was collaborated with SJSU professor Virginia Montelongo.

Article written by Joanne Essen, article submitted by Virginia Montelongo.



Tim McGraw

Patriotism expressed in country music

By Leticia Castro
A&E editor

To some people, country music is the anthem of America.

The lyrics are all about love for America, heartbreak, women, beer and a good time.

Country music's sound has changed drastically since its inception in the 1920s.

If you listen to Johnny Cash's "Ring of Fire" or "I Walk the Line," you hear a different musical sound compared to Tim McGraw's "Diamond Rings and Old Barstools" or Luke Bryan's "Country Girl."

Though the sound has changed, the lyrics and singers haven't changed much.

The singers today are predominantly Caucasian, with the exception of three African-American singers.

DeFord Bailey was one of the first performers in the Grand Ole Opry and the first black performer in the late '20s.

Charley Pride was popular in the mid '70s with 39 no. 1 hits on the Billboard Hot Country Songs.

Now in 2016, Darius Rucker is a popular country singer with hit songs like "Don't Think I Don't Think About It," which made him the first black artist to reach no. 1 on the Hot Country Songs since Charley Pride.

Rucker goes through criticism and hate being a black man singing country, but has the confidence to overlook that and succeed in the country world.

In an interview with The Wall Street Journal, Rucker said, "I always say, no matter what happens to me as a black man in country music, I can handle it if Charley Pride could handle all the stuff he went through."

Although the stereotype is out there, "Americans all love country music," not everyone in America loves to listen to country music.

Maya Briones, junior environmental studies

major, said country music has broadened its sound over the years,

but not enough.

"I can't identify with it because it's really pro-America," Briones said.

"I've seen at concerts there are always big American flags,

they sing about being American, which is fine but it excludes a lot of people."

Country duo Brooks and Dunn's song "Only in America" was released in

2001, months before the 9/11 attacks.

Even though the song was released before the attacks, according to Country Standard Time, it was used as a way to bring America together and unite as a country, with lyrics like "Only in America, Where we dream in red, white and blue, Only in America, Where we dream as big as we want to."

Country music may seem cliché and all about America, but the lyrics are almost always deeper than they seem.

In the 21st century, country music is not hillbilly hoedown, it's more than that.

Each singer has a story to express why they love America, from fighting for our country to growing up on a farm.

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Weezer's 'White Album' is best left forgotten

By Casey Geier
Staff writer



Weezer's "White Album" marks the band's 10th studio album; however, the album is forgettable and should leave many fans, who were waiting for it, disappointed.

If they named it "White Album" to signify them surrendering from the music business, then this is definitely the nail in the coffin they're looking for.

If the album art wasn't a clear hint that the album would feature an ocean theme, the album's opening song, "California Kids," gets the message across quickly with its guitar strums accompanied by chirps from seagulls.

The album's second song, "Wind In Our Sail," is another beach-inspired upbeat song, but both songs become repetitive too quickly and are lyrically basic.

"Thank God for Girls" is vocalist and lead guitarist Rivers Cuomo's love letter to women. He's been married to his current wife since 2006, but I guess we can toss that fact out. It's a decently catchy single, but nothing but a potential radio hit soon to be forgotten.

"(Girl We Got a) Good Thing" and "L.A. Girlz" are both nauseatingly cheesy songs, even for Weezer. The hooks in both songs are boring and both songs ultimately feel like nothing but feel-good fodder.

Both are very forgettable love songs that are too poppy for Weezer's own good. They have never been a boy band, and with the members in their 50s, this isn't the right time for them to start.

"Do You Wanna Get High?" is reminiscent of Weezer's older alternative sound and is a brighter spot in the album because of the song's catchy riffs. The drug content sung in the lyrics is a little unpleasant, considering how the rest of the album's subject matter is rather light in comparison.

The song doesn't flow well with the

rest of the album, but it does more to be unique than most other songs.

Weezer's single, "King of the World," which they performed on Jimmy Kimmel months before the album's release, is an underwhelming attempt at a breakout single. Cuomo sings about what he would do if he was king of the world, but the lyrics get excruciatingly repetitive by the time it's halfway done. Any real king would skip the song halfway through.

"Summer Elaine and Drunk Dori" is the only song worth remembering. It opens up with a snappy guitar riff and goes on to provide satisfying variation in tempo and ends with an electrifying solo.

"Jacked Up" begins with a rare piano intro from the band, but it isn't enough to make this song catchy. If you're looking for a song where Cuomo sings notes as high as Katy Perry, then this might be for you.

"Endless Summer" closes out the album with another beach-themed track on acoustic guitar this time. Again, pretty boring.

Songs on the album too often slow their pace to a borderline standstill. There isn't a single song on the album that keeps a consistent drum beat from the beginning to end. This kills momentum and ultimately leaves boring voids in many songs.

Much of the album's sound feels too similar to each other. The songs don't do enough to distinguish themselves and stand out musically or lyrically.

It's a good thing the album is only 34 minutes because there could have easily been a few more mediocre love or beach songs sprinkled in, further cementing the album's lack of creativity.



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Crossword Puzzle

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 - 23 Cause for a team celebration
 - 27 Bullfight participants
 - 29 Kind of maniac
 - 30 It's pumped at a gym
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 - 33 Sick
 - 34 Orange and grape Northern Scandinavians
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 - 41 Big name in grills
 - 43 Frog "step"
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 - 52 Easy multiplier
 - 53 Preachers' platforms
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 - 58 90-degree letter
 - 59 Be a snoop
 - 60 The stuff we breathe
 - 61 Singer DiFranco
 - 62 Passionate
 - 68 Dashed
 - 69 Eagerly excited
 - 70 50 percent interest, e.g.
 - 71 Drumstick, partially
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PATRIOTISM

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What does it mean to be a patriot?

By Yale Wyatt
Staff writer

Patriotism is our American lifeblood. Love for America is what wakes us up in the morning, drives our values and opinions and keeps us going.

That said, I wouldn't ally myself with those who consider themselves patriots. Don't get me wrong, I love America. It's a sweet place, but I think subscribing oneself to what is currently considered a "patriot" comes with some heavy baggage.

We Americans are particular, and our love for ourselves sets us apart from the rest of the world in a way that I think comes across as cocky, self-absorbed and misinformed. If you need an example, you can look no further than our current election primaries:

- "Reigniting the American Promise"
- "A New American Century"
- "Let's Make America Great Again"

Sound familiar? These dopey phrases come from three widely different candidates, but they all hold the same nugget of embittered patriotism. America as a nation has fallen from the world's esteem; the red, the white, and the blue have lost their godly luster. Many of



the American populace feel the same way, as evidence in the "spirited" debates we've witnessed so far.

The thing is, this empty rhetoric is nothing new. Stale, even. Every bid for the presidential nomination has incorporated this sort of bid in some shape or form. Hell, Ronald Reagan's first slogan was literally "Make America Great Again!" This should be something we're used to.

Slogans like these appeal to the worse aspect of patriotism in Americans - a nostalgia for a time they didn't experience and didn't exist. To them, the current state of the nation is troubled, but the past was tranquil and idyllic, and the only way to return to that time would be to restore that grand old American essence. Never-mind the economic and racial troubles they may have suffered in those days. It didn't matter, apparently. They were Americans.

I had a friend in high school. He was a self-described patriot. He lived and breathed America. He wouldn't let my friends and me forget it. So when Republican candidate Mitt Romney came around with "Believe in America," he did believe, and he did wholeheartedly. He told us if we "believed in America," we should believe in Romney, too. Despite knowing little of Romney's actual policies, he put his entire faith into the Republican candidate because he was deemed "the American

candidate," whatever that meant.

Patriotism in America is unique in how it usually breeds arrogance over other countries. It's hard not to meet a patriotic American who doesn't think our country is the center of the world. Sure, America is unique and a strong player in global politics, but so are China and Canada. You don't see either of those countries having the same reputation as Americans. We believe that we are entitled to special rights and freedom that other countries simply don't have. It's encoded right there in our DNA, written plainly in our Declaration of Independence: "life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness..." But to act like the rest of the world is devoid of these qualities is to be ignorant and blind.

At the end of the day, I do believe there is something special about our country, but it isn't something to flaunt widely or act like we're the center of the universe. We should always remain skeptical and critical of our nation, whether it is our perception abroad, or our perception within our borders.

To be a true patriot of their country, one must remain forever scathing in their gaze and unrelenting in their criticism.

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Transparency through data leaks

By Tyler Kittle
Staff writer

Recently, more than two and a half terabytes of data, known as the Panama Papers, were leaked disclosing rich families and politicians who use offshore tax havens to hide their expansive wealth or avoid taxes, according to The New York Times. These documents are the most recent in a long line of various information leaks.

Every time leaks are made, there are people who suffer the consequences, regardless what information is leaked. For instance, due to the Panama Papers leak, politicians from around the world have been implicated in offshore investments.

While these leaks may have immediate consequences, they can actually be good in the long run. For example, the NSA leaks where Edward Snowden leaked information regarding U.S. government surveillance, according to BBC, can reveal what the rich and powerful or even government bodies do behind the scenes. Even personal data leaks from private businesses can lead to fixing customer security.

It's always good to see the rich and powerful reprimanded for any wrongdoing. Not only have the Panama Papers revealed illegal activities in the government, such as the prime ministers of Iceland and the U.K. having revealed their use of offshore invest-



ments, according to TIME Magazine, but we also get to learn how common this kind of activity is.

Seeing the government struggle to explain their previously hidden operations to the public is always great. As a society, we hear them try to give a bulls**t explanation about how they were justified in their actions.

However, besides the entertainment value, it's nice to get some transparency from the government. Without whistleblowers or anyone else to leak information, the public wouldn't know about certain activity that they may not approve. It's best that people know what's going on in their own government.

However, these are examples of wrongdoers being caught in the act. There are still examples of data leaks that leave many innocent people in a compromising position. Plenty of businesses have been hacked, with customers paying the price from losing their credit card information or other personal information.

Granted, these two types of leaks are quite different from each other as the Panama Papers were leaked to rightfully expose many individuals for what they've done in the background. The business attacks are to steal people's information for various reasons.

While credit card information leaks seem like they have no good results, it's actually the opposite in the

long run. While victims will have to deal with awful things like credit card theft, there are eventual upsides.

Like many other things, it's the tragedies that drive change. Somebody has to be the canary in the coal mine to know that there's a problem.

After big attacks that compromise businesses, fixing the problem is one of the most important things to do.

Preventing future attacks allows businesses to regain some of their credibility with their customers after losing their information.

When Apple's iCloud leaked many personal pictures in 2014, they patched the problem to make sure that it wouldn't happen the same way again, according to USA Today.

However, it is something of a pointless task. Whether internal or external, leaks will never stop. Leaks will continue as long as somebody wants information to be made public, and there's no way to know how these future leaks will be caused.

We need to accept that these leaks will keep happening. It doesn't seem too unlikely that your information may be stolen from you when another big business gets hacked. It may be a problem initially, but it will lead to fixes, making it harder to hack next time.

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San Jose State swamps the winless Gators

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The Spartans had a field day against the University of San Francisco Gators at Spartan Stadium on Saturday at 1:30 p.m. with a 22-9 victory.

The Spartans offense kept the ball on the Gators' side of the field for the majority of the game. SJSU successfully managed the ball on offense, generating few turnovers and made smart passes.

"Today, it just really clicked," attacker George Pertessis said.

Pertessis led the Spartans with six goals. He said ball movement was key to their success.

"When you move the defense, someone's gonna be open," Pertessis said. He also added three assists in the game.



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Freshman midfielder Garret Lutz jukes a Gator defender while carrying the ball upfield on Saturday.

SJSU attacker Cody Gradone matched Pertessis with six goals, while attacker Travis Rowney added four more to the scoreboard.

The Spartans ran to the middle of the field well to set themselves up for good shots on goal. The offense moved the ball well behind the goal which shielded them from the Gators' defensive pressure.

On defense, the Spartans were relentless. They forced the Gators into difficult shots. Every time USF had the ball near the goal, SJSU would have two or three guys on them, forcing them away from the net. This resulted in the Gator offense forcing tough shots far away from the net because of how difficult it was for them to get close.

The Spartan defense was physical as well. They had a few penalties for being a little too physical though. It's illegal to body check an opposing player to the ground. The Spartans did this more than once.

The Spartans look to continue their success in the coming games as they prepare for the playoffs.

"If we play at our speed and not really worry about the other team, then I think we'll be fine," left-center mid Josh Sanghvi said.

Sanghvi, along with the rest of the Spartan defenders, stick-checked well and stole the ball on defense.

Those steals turned into mismatches for the Gators' defense and led to easy scores in transition for the Spartans.

The Spartans don't rely on one or two guys to score, according to Spartans head coach Larry Boehm.

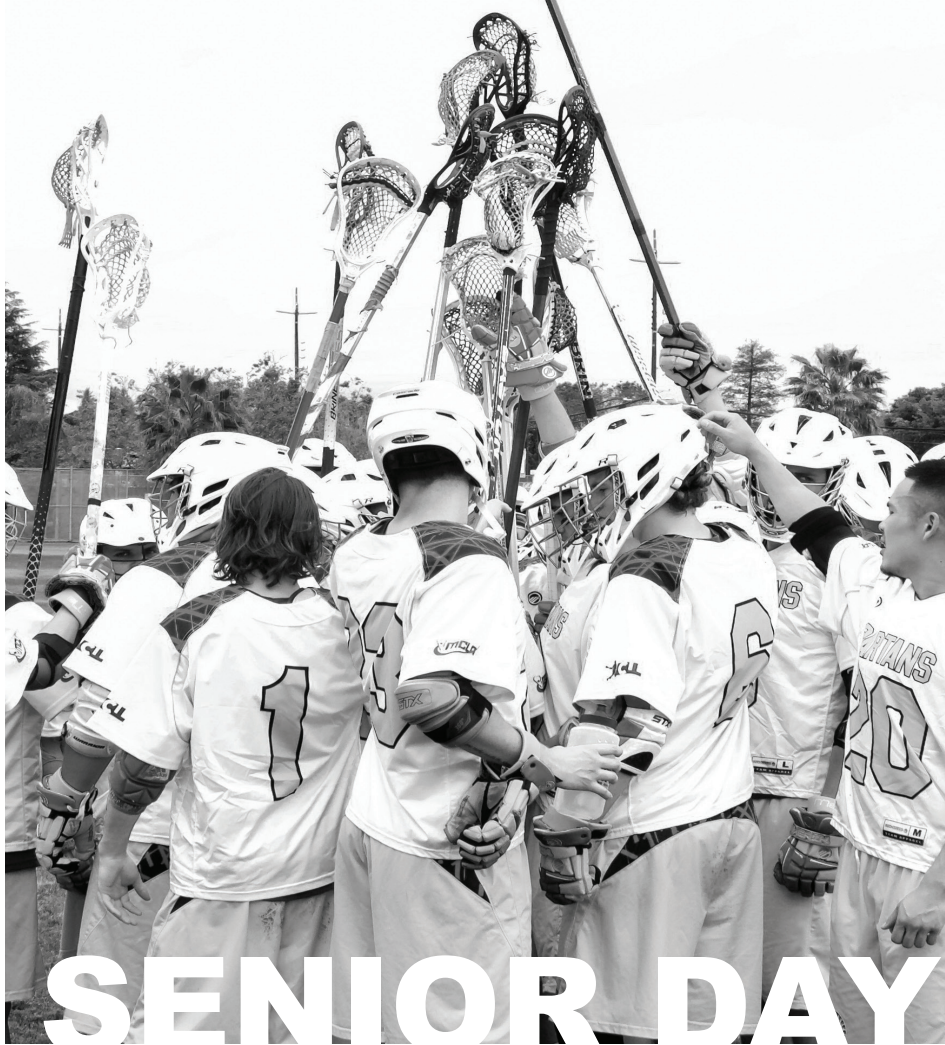
"We play to our strengths rather than having one guy think he can go one on six to try and win the game," Boehm said.

The Spartans have clinched a playoff spot with their victory Saturday afternoon.

SJSU Lacrosse team

7-4
OVERALL

4-1
DIVISIONAL



SENIOR DAY

Casey Geier | Spartan Daily

San Jose State men's lacrosse team huddles up for a cheer before the overwhelming victory over the University of San Francisco Gators.

With a 7-4 record, their remaining game against UC Santa Cruz will determine whether they get the third seed with a win or the fourth seed with a loss.

"It's always been a battle with Santa Cruz," Boehm said. "I know the coach down there and I respect his program very well."

The teams are no strangers. Santa Cruz beat San Jose last season with a late fourth-quarter goal. Boehm compared their team's matchup with Santa Cruz like two

brothers playing against each other.

The Spartans look to get revenge against the Banana Slugs this Saturday in Santa Cruz at 1 p.m.

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Spartans next game:

Saturday 4/16 1 pm at
UC SANTA CRUZ
at Santa Cruz, CA

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favorable for the Spartans against the Cal State University Monterey Bay Otters. The Spartans had control over the ball at the beginning of the first period, which resulted in an early lead. Kelli Leabo, 2M, was a force to be reckoned with in the first two periods. Leabo drove the ball into the net whenever she had the opportunity, netting seven goals by the end of the match.

"I think I did very well second game," Leabo said, "My shots were good, but all the passes the team had were important."

The Spartans showcased their balance of strong offense and defense, ending the game with a 21-point victory, 24-3.

The second game was more

Rae Lekness, 2M, who scored eight goals throughout the game, was happy with the result of both games.

"This win was a long time coming," Lekness said, "It would have been nice to have two wins, but I was happy with how we did."

Lekness scored eight goals and raises her season total to 284. With this weekend's goals, this leaves Lekness seven goals away from beating the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation (MPSF) record of 291 goals with one game remaining in the regular season.

"Both games were overall well," Bega said. "Our team showed their strengths today, especially the seniors."

Alongside both final home games, the team celebrated Senior Day. Seniors Kelli Leabo, Rae Lekness and Brittany

Krappe were anointed with crowns and flowers after their first game when the team gathered for lunch.

"We're the last class to be in this pool," Kelli said. "It's a little crazy to be done like this."

The Spartans next match is away against CSU Bakersfield on April 16 at 1 p.m. as the Spartans make final preparations for the MPSF Championships beginning on April 29 in Bakersfield.

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Spartans next game:

Saturday 4/16 1 pm vs. CSU Bakersfield
at Bakersfield, CA

Giant bats send Dodgers packing

By Kevin Mistry
Executive producer

The Los Angeles Dodgers rolled into AT&T Park this week as winners of three games in a row and a 27 scoreless-inning streak still firmly intact.

They took on the San Francisco Giants revitalized and stacked offense. Half of San Francisco's lineup hit .290 or better last season, including free-agent Denard Span, who was an acquisition.

The Giants, fresh off a solid showing against the Milwaukee Brewers came home to an electric crowd, poised to knock off their top seeded rivals.

The Dodger pitching staff received a rude awakening in game one after taking a 4-0 lead and then watched it slip away as the Giants offense exploded for 12 runs on 17 hits. The comeback was capped off by an eighth inning grand slam by Giants outfielder Hunter Pence.

"You play nine innings no matter what," said Pence in an interview on Thursday.

After the 12-6 Giants slugfest on Thursday, Friday made for a

very different story.

Dodgers rookie right-hander Ross Stripling made his MLB debut and took a no-hitter into the seventh inning before being pulled by first-year manager and former Giants outfielder Dave Roberts after reaching his pitch limit of 100 pitches.

Stripling said postgame that he agreed with the decision made by Roberts to take him out of the game because he was tired.

Roberts replaced Stripling with right-hander Chris Hatcher who came in and gave up a game-tying two run homer to Giants rookie catcher Trevor Brown.

The game went into extra innings when Giants shortstop Brandon Crawford stepped up and smashed a towering opposite field home run off of Dodger pitcher Joe Blanton.

Saturday was the much anticipated matchup between Giants ace Madison Bumgarner and Dodger ace Clayton Kershaw.

The matchup lead up to the hype. "We're going against the best



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Giants third baseman Matt Duffy grounds out in the third inning against Dodgers rookie pitcher Ross Stripling on Friday night. Duffy is hitting .241 this year after hitting .295 in 2015.

pitcher in baseball, we had the lead with the closer out there. That's all you can ask for," said Giants manager Bruce Bochy in an interview after Saturday's game.

However, the game's outcome rested in the hands of both team's bullpens after Giants closer Santiago Casilla blew the save in the top of the ninth.

The Dodgers took the lead in the top of the tenth inning and salvaged their first win of the series.

Sunday, the series outcome was handed to veteran pitchers Johnny Cueto and Scott Ka-

zmir. Both struggled mightily out of the gate.

Cueto gave up five runs in the top of the first inning, digging the Giants into a huge hole early on. Kazmir however was unable to hold the lead and the Giants quickly came back.

The comeback was led by three Giants home runs, which helped set a record of seven consecutive games with a home run to start the season for the Giants.

"With our offense, there's no sense of panic," said Giants second baseman Joe Panik in an

interview Sunday night. "We kept grinding out at-bats early on Kazmir and scratched a few across here and there."

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SF Giants next game:

Today 4/12 5:40 pm vs.
Colorado Rockies
at Coors Field

SPARTAN SCOREBOARD	Friday		Saturday		Sunday	
	Softball	Baseball	Softball	Baseball	Softball	Baseball
5 wins 6 losses	9	3	6	8	15	7
	3	9	8	3	3	8
	Logan, UT	Colorado Sp. CO	Logan, UT	Long Beach, CA	Logan, UT	Colorado Sp. CO

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Spartans continue to power through the Mountain West Softball dominates Utah State

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Conference stats
.548 BATTING AVERAGE
17 HITS
14 RUNS SCORED
20 RUNS BATTED IN
6 HOME RUNS

This weekend against
UTAH STATE

The Spartans rolled into Utah State this weekend with five wins out of their last six games and eight wins out of their last 10.

Offense was the theme throughout this weekend as it has been this season. Senior designated hitter Jessie Hufstetler,

fresh off of Mountain West Player of the Week honors, had another big weekend for the Spartans. She left Utah State with five hits, six runs scored, eight runs batted in and four home runs.

The Spartans dominated in Game 1 and won on Friday, 9-3. The victory was led by Hufstetler who blasted two home runs, backing up Colette Riggs' beautiful outing. Riggs gave up only three runs and pitched into the seventh inning.

"I thought we played really well, especially Riggs

threw really well," head coach Peter Turner said in an interview following Friday's game. "She didn't give up a lot of free passes and made them earn it."

On Saturday, the Aggies flipped the script on the Spartans and unleashed their own offense. Utah State won 8-6, flexing their muscles with 14 hits while holding the Spartans scoreless in the last three innings. Four Aggies had multiple hits.

The Spartans responded after the tough loss on Saturday with an offensive barrage on the Aggies pitching staff, winning 15-3 on Sunday. Despite the score, the game was a close throughout the day, both teams exchanging blows left and right. Heading into the final frame, the Spartans blasted the Aggies for nine runs, extending their lead beyond all doubt. Sophomore leadoff hitter Brittany Abacherli was due. After going hitless in her first four at-bats (including two strikeouts), she cleared the bases with a grand slam in the seventh inning.

They are really firing on all cylinders and I'm really happy that they are playing for each other.

- Head coach Peter Turner

The home run was her seventh of the season, tying her with Hufstetler for the team lead.

San Jose State is now 7-2 in conference and vaults ahead of Utah State thanks to the series win. The Spartans continue their season against San Diego State for a three-game series at home, beginning on April 15.

Spartans next game:

Friday 4/15 VS
SAN DIEGO STATE
 AT SJSU FIELD

FRIDAY W 9-3 SATURDAY L 8-6 SUNDAY W 15-3

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