President Obama paves his path for re-election in address

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WASHINGTON -- President Barack Obama used an election-year State of the Union address Tuesday night to frame the national debate not on how to save the American dream, but how to keep that promise alive.

"The speech fleshed out a broad vision Obama laid for flicks, fun and tunes for the semester. Your guide to the semester for flicks, fun and tunes p.3

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Bang goes the New Year

by Margaret Roen

Associated Students had "I did make it up to North Tahoe on Jan. 23 for students who wanted to get in some snowboarding, skiing, or snowshoeing, but the group will now be going on Jan. 29, according to Kristine Kirkland, assistant director of Recreation Activities for Campus Recreation.

The trip was rescheduled because Dodge Ridge, the closest slope to SJSU, located nearby the city of Sonora, was closed because there wasn’t enough snow, Kirkland said.

"We are hoping that after the storm last week there will be plenty of snow," she said.

Grubach said he is not sure if he will be able to go with the group Tuesday.

"It depends what the forecast is like," he said.

Grubach said he has been focusing his time on trying to start up a skiing and snowboarding team at SJSU with a few friends.

"SJSU had a great ski club in the 80s," he said. "I want to bring the love of more sports back.

The team is not yet recognized by the school, but Grubach said he plans to apply to become a recognized club this semester.

"The winter sports are very low compared to the normal sports," said Johnny Powell, spokesperson for the National Weather Service in Sacramento.

"The last storm gave us about six feet of snow," he said. "This was the first accumulation since Thanksgiving.

Junior English major Matt Bradford said he was was also hoping to go snowboarding over break.

"There wasn’t really enough snow until it was already time for me to head back to school," said Bradford. "I was really disappointed.

"I said he won’t be able to go up with the group on Saturday, but I want to work on the weekends to help pay for school.

According to Martin Leach, a lecturer in the meteorology department, there could be concern of a drought.

Weather patterns are constant changing, "Leach said. "We will have to see how things progress," he said.

Because there has been a fair amount of moisture from the most recent storm and there are still three months left in the season, there is a good chance of getting closer to the norm, Leach said.

Alex Gonzales, a sophomore business major commuting from Gilroy to San Jose, said getting to work has been more difficult lately.

"It’s usually not that bad waiting for the bus," Gonzales said. "When it rains, everything is slower.

"The buses are always running behind, he said, “I deal with it, because I know we need the rain.”

Rainfall for this winter is 22

U.S. President Barack Obama gives the State of the Union address before a joint session of Congress, Tuesday, in Washington, D.C. 

Photo courtesy of Olivier Doulier / MCT

Dry winter leaves students in torment

Student skiing trip cancelled due to lack of snowfall in Sierras

by Margaret Roen

"We will be selling paper bags for 10 cents," said sustainability coordinator Candice Carbonell.

"Currently, Just Below and Village Market sell reusable bags out of Spartan Shops but expects some customers won’t be thrilled.

"The waste of single-produce bags is unceasable," she said. "Most of the time a plastic bag is used for a few minutes and then thrown away.

According to the experts, those few minutes have dire impact on the environment, but plastic isn’t the only culprit.

Lynne Trulio, Environmental Science department chair, said both plastic and paper bags harm

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CSU board aiming toward limit

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Erickson gets job with Seahawks: Jon Erickson, the man arrested for the first time ever at SJSU, is being paid $350,000, a year salary. December 18 by University Police on suspicion of murder after a heavy metal concert at the Event Center.

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According to The Encyclopedia of Sandwiches, that is what Pat Olivieri discovered.

Tired of the same thing, the hot dog stand owner decided to make something different for lunch. So in early 1940, Olivieri grilled chopped steak and onions and put them in a hoagie roll. A cab driver found the aroma and asked for a try. After one bite, the cabbie told Olivieri to forget about hot dogs and sell his new creation instead.

Pat and his brother, Harry, are both credited as co-creators of the philly cheesesteak while Pat’s King of Steaks is still family operated and thrives in South Philly.

Meat, cheese and bread — however messy, it drips sauce, peppers and tomato sauce — however messy, it drips sauce.

The birth of a Philadelphia legend

Photo courtesy of allmoviephoto.com

Robert Downey Jr., Chris Evans, Mark Ruffalo and Chris Hemsworth. — Not Rated

Marvel's "The Avengers" unites superhero favorites Ironman, The Incredible Hulk, Thor and Captain America as the ultimate superhero team. Starring

May 4

The Black Keys are teaming up with the Arctic Monkeys for their 2012 North American tour. The band will perform at the BSU Event Center with The Black Keys on their world tour. Tickets are available via Ticketmaster.

May 25-28

Children may be interested in "The Avengers," the comic book characters and their super-powered adventures. Starring Robert Downey Jr., Chris Evans, Mark Ruffalo and Chris Hemsworth. — Not Yet Rated

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Spartans stage comeback win over Cal State Bakersfield

Freshman Brown scores career-high 33 points in 78-70 SJSU triumph

The SJSU men’s basketball (7-13) team got a much-needed break outside Western Athletic Conference play Monday night at the Event Center.

The Spartans hosted the Cal State Bakersfield Roadrunners (11-11) and snapped a five-game losing streak with a 78-70 come-from-behind victory.

The win seemed improbable early in the game when the Roadrunners started with a 21-5 lead just a few minutes into play, including an 18-0 run over a period of 5:28.

“They got off to a great start against us,” head coach George Nessman said. “We were lethargic, but also their energy was just better.”

In a game that matched two undermanned teams averaging a high number of three-point shot attempts per game, the Roadrunners were able to strike first.

However, the Spartans answered with their own 12-2 run and cut the Cal State Bakersfield lead to nine points with seven minutes to play in the first half.

That lead was cut again to four points with six minutes to play in the half when SJSU managed to force the Roadrunners into turnovers, leading to open baskets on the offensive end for the Spartans.

“One we got our feet set, we started playing good basketball,” Nessman said. “It’s just our rolling.”

SJSU was led the entire game by freshman guard D.J. Brown in only his fourth start of the 2011-12 season, and he would lead the Spartans’ back into the game by going three of three from three-point range in the first half.

“One we got things going, (Nessman) knew we were going to make a run,” Brown said. “He trusts us as a team.”

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However, Cal State Bakersfield junior Adam Young kept the Roadrunners even with SJSU by making four straight shots, including two three-pointers, and Cal State Bakersfield was back up 55-54 with 12 minutes to play in the game.

Brown would answer, as he did all game, making his fourth and fifth three-pointers amid a Cal State Bakersfield scoring drought with seven minutes to play in the game.

His three-pointers capped a 13-3 run and gave the Spartans a 4-11 lead.

“That’s a really good player,” Cal State Bakersfield head coach Red Barnes said about Brown. “We knew he could play. We gave him too many looks and we didn’t cover him well.”

The Roadrunners would fight back after a three-point play by junior Mo Hughley followed seconds later by another three-point play by junior Lexy Grayson, dwindling the SJSU lead down to three points with 1:30 to play in the game.

However, Brown added another three-pointer, his sixth of the game, and the Spartans made four of six free throws down the stretch as SJSU defeated Cal State Bakersfield 78-70.

“It was a really hard-fought game and really physical,” Nessman said. “It wasn’t a blow-out, but we out-played them by a little bit and that’s why it’s indicative of the score.”

Brown finished the game with 33 points, going 9 of 11 from the floor and making six of seven shots from three-point range.

He is the first SJSU freshman in school history to score 30 points in a game.

Just to be mentioned after such a long history is always amazing,” Brown said. “I’ve been getting the extra shots, I’m trying to put in the extra work and my jumper started to fall tonight.”

Nessman said Brown is coming together as a player at SJSU. “He’s learning to attend to detail a little more,” he said. “Making six of seven from three-point range is a good night for any player, but he’s an outstanding shooter and it is not a shock that he made those shots.”

For Nessman, it was the biggest comeback he has been a part of in his seven seasons as the Spartans’ head coach, as well as the team’s third double-digit comeback win of the season.

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**New laws for a new year**

According to a document released by the California legislature, 745 bills were enacted in the 2011 regular session effective in 2012. Here are some highlights:

- **Sobriety Checkpoint Law**: This law presents a new adjustment to sobriety checkpoints, which establish exceptions to authorities from impounding vehicles at checkpoints when the driver’s only offense is failing to possess a driver’s license. The law states that repeat offenders can have their driver’s license suspended for 10 years if they have been convicted of at least three DUIs.

- **Domestic Partnership Equality Law**: This law corrects inequalities between domestic partner and heterosexual marriages, including domestic partner health benefits sharing.

- **Double White Lines Law**: This law states that cars are now also explicitly forbidden from crossing from one lane to another.

- **LGBT Equality and Equal Access in Higher Education Law**: This law states that California universities and colleges, including community colleges, must create and enforce campus policies protecting LGBT individuals from harassment and appoint an employee to address on-campus LGBT matters.

- **Child Booster Seat Law**: This law states that children under 8 years old must be secured in an appropriate child seat or booster seat, meeting federal motor vehicle safety standards if they are transported on a highway. The law does contain a provision that if the child is 4 feet 9 inches or taller they may use a safety belt rather than a child seat or booster seat.

- **California Human Trafficking Law**: This law makes it mandatory for companies to disclose efforts they take to eradicate slavery and human trafficking from their entire supply chains.

- **Internet Sales Tax Law**: This law states that Internet retailers must collect California sales tax on transactions if the retailer has a presence in the state.

- **California Renters Right to Recycling Law**: Apartment building landlords will have to start providing recycling services for seven million California tenants.

- **Caffeinated Beer Illegal**: Sale of caffeinated beer will now be illegal.

- **California Handgun Open Carry Law**: This law states that this law makes it illegal to no longer partake in the open-carry of handguns. Violators can pay up to $1,000 in fines and are subject to six months in jail for a misdemeanor. Californians can still get permits for concealed weapons.

- **Concussions in Student Athletes**: This law states that schools will now be required to re-train a student athlete from a game if the athlete sustains a possible concussion. The law mandates the player receive medical clearance before returning to competition.

- **California Gay Bullying Law – Solis’ Law**: This law requires school districts to have a uniform process for dealing with gay bullying complaints. The law makes it mandatory for school personnel to intervene if they witness gay bullying.

- **Employment Credit Check Law**: This law states that employers can no longer request credit information from job applicants.

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- **Senior engineering major Aaron Carbonell said she wants to see the city become zero-waste by 2020 as part of San Jose’s Green Direction from several years ago as part of San Jose’s Green Direction from several years ago. “It’s the city’s responsibility to deal with waste and recycling,” Liccardo said. “We’ve got to find a way to use the scarce landfill and other services in a tactical manner. There are some materials that simply cannot be easily recycled.”

- According to Liccardo, the cost of single-use bags has always been high. He said people would grumble about the 10 cent cost, but they didn’t realize the cost of higher recycling rates and public services directed at litter clean up.

- “What has happened through this ordinance is we are recognizing something that is explicit,” he said.

- Liccardo said the driving objective came out of a policy direction from several years ago under part of San Jose’s Green Vision, which hopes the city will become zero-waste by 2020. In 2008, Councilmember Kansen Chu introduced a memo, and the city seriously continued in looking into the single-use bag policy. Opponents say the ban oversteps the city’s authority. Liccardo said the city can and should implement the law.

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- He said the best way to deal with these “toxic and harmful to wildlife” materials is to eliminate them. “It is absolutely the city’s responsibility because not only do we deal with waste and recycling, but we are also responsible for environmental impact,” he said.

- The city enlisted advocacy group Save The Bay to help rally public support from the community. According to its website, Save The Bay works “to protect, restore, and celebrate the San Francisco Bay, its watersheds, and surrounding communities.”

- According to Liccardo, who called recycling plastic bags a fallacy, one local recycling company stepped up and said recycling plastic bags is costly, time consuming and doesn’t happen as often as it should.

- According to the city’s Green Vision, there are periods of a typical season that are more of a dry pattern, but in combination with a wet pattern, there might be a dry year, “We are currently in more of a wet pattern, but in coming weeks we’ll turn into more of a dry pattern,” he said.

- Senior engineering major Treigh Harris said she was expecting to see it rain much more of a dry pattern, but in combination with a wet pattern, there might be a dry year.

- “I was surprised it hadn’t really rained much before this storm,” Harris said. “I had to get used to it,” she said, especially over break when with didn’t have much to do.

**The effects of a dry winter, before and after**

This year, delayed snowfall and warm temperatures have left the lake below normal this time of year, continuing a trend that has been ongoing for more than a decade.

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Messaging system helps raise awareness of sexual assaults

by Melissa Lewelling

Last semester seven sexual battery occurrences occurred on and around the SJU campus from August to October. Four of which took place next to a school building, according to Sgt. Manuel Aguayo of the investigations and crime prevention unit of the University Police Department.

"Not all sexual assaults are the same," Aguayo said. "There are different levels, the most serious is a rape incident."

Aguayo said sexual battery is defined as intimate touching of body parts without the consent of the victim.

"It’s not a rape — it’s on a different level, but still illegal," he said.

Other types of rape include an adult having sex with a minor, which according to Aguayo, is "rare on a college campus but it has happened before."

According to Aguayo, the majority of rape incidents at SJU involve acquaintances, and typically drugs or alcohol as well.

"We get specific requests from sororities, fraternities and student organizations for our officers to give presentations about what to look for, how to avoid that situation and what to do if you are sexually assaulted," Aguayo said.

An important tool the UPD uses to addressing campus safety is the emergency network system, he said.

"Part of the SJU community is notified of last semester’s sexual batteries by the alert system, which is a voluntary network implemented in 2008, according to Aguayo."

This system allows students and faculty to sign up for notifications of serious incidents on and around campus and these notifications can go out in the form of a text message via cell phone, a more detailed email update or a voice phone, a more detailed "(to) avoid walking alone at night, the school offers an evening guide program accessible through the blue-light phones located around campus, where an officer can escort anyone within a two-block radius of campus, "Aguayo said.

He said there are some recent developments on extending that blue-light patron service beyond the campus, and it’s "kind of bed at night," Karr said. "No doubts about that one."

"If there are more events — you know, assaults — that happen on campus I definitely feel less safe," Wong said. "But I didn’t really hear about (the recent incidents)."

According to Aguayo there are steps students can take to help prevent such incidents from happening to them, including "(to) avoid walking alone at night or in secluded areas, walk in well-lit areas, have your keys ready and immediately report crimes and suspicious activity."

"I do (feel safe)," Amber Shor, a second-year business major, said. "It just seems like a safe campus safe environment."

"I’ve never personally had anything happen."

If an incident does occur, Aguayo said he hopes students are not afraid to contact the UPD immediately.

"If you need to take precautions do so," he said. "That’s why we send the (text alerts) out."

Aguayo said it’s a matter of student preference on a delivery method when it comes to getting them to sign up.

"It’s like any other subscription services," he said. "We recommend it because we want students to be informed."

Karr said, "I try to avoid those situations, so if something happens I’ll try to ignore that part of the building. See a couple of weeks then it gets back to normal."

As for changes to the alert system this semester, Aguayo said the campus police are always looking for ways to streamline and improve the system.

"The reason we send out the alerts," Aguayo said, "is to make (students) aware so they can take the necessary precautions.""
Vietnamese New Year celebrated in San Jose

Story by Francisco Rendon
Senior Staff Writer

"It's important to preserve our roots. One day you might just forget them if you don’t try," Tony Tran, volunteer.

With a table of shirts featuring the VIET spelling out "Victorious" and reading "Pho King Delicious" featuring the Burger King logo, the one-eyed performer sang unorthodoxedly.

The Fairgrounds hosted a celebration of the holiday on Jan. 21 and 22 and Dal Nguyen, executive director of the Vietnamese American Council, said in an email there will be another celebration at Vietnam Town on Story Road this upcoming weekend.

Nguyen said the Fairgrounds have hosted the celebration for the last 30 years and attendance regularly exceeds 20,000.

Within the Fairgrounds, there were stages with musical performances, food booths, a carnival, works of art from a museum, a beauty pageant, martial arts demonstrations and a gathering for businesses and vendors.

Nguyen, cultural heritage chairperson of the Vietnamese Student Association at SJSU, said the group’s members volunteered at the celebration and were making strong efforts to strengthen the Vietnamese student population to the broader Vietnamese community.

"We are trying to bring as much Vietnamese culture to the campus as possible," Nguyen said. "As much as the American culture is influencing our everyday Vietnamese culture is where I originally come from, so there is no way I am going to give that up!"

According to the Office of Institutional Research, there are 809 Vietnamese students at SJSU, though this is only 2% of the entire population.

Tony Tran, a second-year volunteer at the festival and student at Yerba Buena High School said he felt it was very important to strengthen young people’s connection to their heritage.

"It’s a really good opportunity for students in our school to brighten our community. to get in touch with their culture," he said. "Most students at our school don’t relate to their culture!"

Tran said he remembered coming to the festival when he was a child and was glad to be able to participate and see others having the same experience he did.

"It’s now the kids all having fun and joy," he said. "It’s important to preserve our roots. One day you might just forget them if you don’t try." Nguyen said connection to family was the strongest theme of Tet, and her family placed great emphasis on it.

"For us, Tet is family," said. "It only happens once a year and it is big for us as Vietnamese. I was raised to believe we are very family oriented people."

Ky Truong, founder of 3SC Vietnamese Clothing and SJSU alumnus, was selling his T-shirts at the festival as a vendor for the first time and said it was a good opportunity to promote his product.

"It’s perfect time to celebrate with Vietnamese people," he said. "Whereas Tet is the biggest element of Vietnamese culture get diluted as years go by."

"The way to blend the two cultures is to try to find things for them to relate to," Sushie Tran, SJSU alumnus and founder of "With Love, made from hate," said. The performers were reacting too conservatively to newer elements being introduced into the community.

"I feel like sometimes we’re losing the traditional part of ourselves," she said. "First generation Vietnamese should try to preserve their culture more."

Tran did say she was pleased with how many young people had volunteered to help at the festival.

"A lot of the volunteers are new generation Vietnamese," she said. "I feel like it’s a very good mix of Vietnamese-Americans. It’s a very diverse group."

Tran and Vy Nguyen agreed the biggest element of Vietnamese culture being lost in younger generations is the language, but they want to keep making efforts to try to preserve that culture.

"First generation Vietnamese should try to preserve their culture more," Tran said. "I think everyone should be proud of where you’re from."
Like the internet? Tell your congressman to stop SOPA, PIPA and ACTA

By Christian Gin

Imagine making a web slideshow video using your favorite music as the background audio. By rule of the ACTA (Anti-Counterfeiting Trade Agreement), PIPA (Protect IP Act) and SOPA (Stop Online Piracy Act) acts, you are unable to do this because of copyright laws. SOPA is a potential law that derivates from the principles of ACTA, and applies only to the United States. PIPA is the third potential act to affect the internet. This proposed law in the United States would create the Department of Justice. The Department of Justice would also have the right to demand that search engines and social networking sites block those websites that have copyright material. This would make sure that no one can illegally download movies as the background audio. This would be deemed illegal music within it. This would make sure that no one can illegally download music as the background audio.

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“Sorry, you can't go to college, you are a Bahá’í.”

“This is basically what the Iranian government and institutions for higher education in that country say whenever someone of the the most prominent religious minority, the Bahá’ís, apply for admission.

Despite there being 300,000 Bahá’ís in the country of Iran’s, since the Iranian revolution of 1979, Bahá’ís, along with other religious and political minorities, have been thrown into prison, had their property confiscated and been demonized throughout the media as spies for the West.

Recently according to education underlies.com, Iranian citizens who have been guilty of shrugging my shoulders upon the violence of friends that are being wronged have tried to elect a National Assembly to represent their community, and other religious and political minorities, to raise awareness about these people’s plight, I still wonder if most people know a peace and prosperity that our country have when their wealth. How can humans ever move past these problems if the dynamic persists?

In a world where our interconnectivity and dependence on one another is the edifying principle of any level of economic, political or social prosper- ity, if it is at the local, national or global level, how can we turn a blind eye to the systematic oppression of a people?

Even though I have signed petitions to my representatives in the government and have attended the functions to raise awareness about these people’s plight, I still wonder if most people know what I have been doing.

One thing related to lean that people do seem to know and care about more recently is its political and military ten- sion with Iran, the U.S. and other Middle Eastern countries, as Iran is the most insulin-resistant and overwhelming accumulating injustice accruing across the continent of Africa, the regions of Central America and East Asia, and even down to the United States’ neighbor- hoods, Mexico and the U.S., as humans, should not ignore the faces with hate, but rather with compassion and justice.

If we can learn to do this, as people in unity and accord, this planet will know such killing will happen.

The illnesses that plague the body of humanity today are of prejudice and ignorance — those social ills that allow it to while others live complacent while it rests while some of us across the globe can go terribly wrong happened this way — if you publish it, make sure it is right. We have been guilty of shrugging my shoulders in this land, I know war is never justified and my former conviction in this has come directly from my faith.

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