Public intoxication arrest

At about 9:25 p.m. on Wednesday, university police arrested a man outside of the Martin Luther King Jr. Library under suspicion of public intoxication, according to Lieutenant Mike Santos.

The man was initially asked to leave the library after staff allegedly saw him with an open container of alcohol.

Police threw a “spit mask” over his head to prevent the man from spitting.

Measles breaks out in Silicon Valley

An international traveler visiting the Silicon Valley has been confirmed to have measles, according to the Santa Clara County Public Health Department.

The department released a list of places the traveler visited between March 16 and March 23, which included the Apple headquarters, Valley Fair Mall, and Great Mall in addition to multiple other locations.

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ICE presence rumor dispelled by SJSU

By Kael Austria

March 31 will signify the 10-year anniversary of International Transgender Day of Visibility. Referred to as TDOV by the transgender and gender variant community, the day is dedicated to acknowledging the accomplishments and success of transgender and gender non-conforming people.

As International Transgender Day of Visibility approaches, several flags representing the transgender and/or gender expansive community have been hung from trees and buildings all over the San Jose State campus by sociology lecturer Soma de Bourbon and her class. These flags have sparked the curiosity of many, eliciting a variety of reactions from faculty and students.

“I didn’t notice them at first, but once I did, I got a little teary-eyed,” said spatial arts senior Theodore Kazemi. “It’s really great to see students supporting the community in the small ways that they can.”

SJSU Pride Center director Bonnie Sugiyama and a group of students returned to campus this week after participating in T-Camp.

“T-Camp takes place in Santa Cruz and is a three-day long retreat dedicated to helping people explore gender and how it relates to their other intersecting identities such as race and sexual orientation,” Sugiyama said students who returned from the retreat expressed that they felt validated and seen when they realized how many pink, white and blue transgender flags were displayed around campus.

“It was hard coming back to reality after a retreat, but some of the students were so happy to see the trans flags around campus,” said Sugiyama. “They felt supported when they saw people tabling and talking about TDOV.”

While TDOV is not a well-known
César Chávez remembered

BY JAVIER VELEZ

César Chávez Day is this Sunday, as it is always celebrated on his birthday, March 31st. Chávez and his right-hand man, Dolores Huerta, gave their lives to the cause of labor rights for Chicanx/Latinx farm workers. They were co-founders of the National Farm Workers Association, which later became the United Farm Workers of America in 1965. Chávez died of lung cancer in 1993.

Chávez was born in 1927 of Chicanx parents in Durango, Mexico. He moved to Delano, California, when he was a child. There he worked in the fields and was inspired by the National Farm Workers Association to fight for the rights of farm workers.

Chávez and Huerta began their work by forming a union of farm workers, the Delano Grape Strike of 1965. The strike was a huge success and helped to improve working conditions for farm workers. Chávez and Huerta were also known for their work in civil rights activism and for their work in the National Women's Political Caucus.

Chávez was a leader in the Civil Rights Movement and a champion of social justice. He was also a strong advocate for education and health care for all people. He was a member of the San Francisco State University Chicanx/Latinx Studies Department and was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1991.

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Yes, money does actually buy happiness

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While the pizza is nothing special, Milano Pizza offers affordable prices that easily challenge competitors, which will draw in students.

Located near the corner of 10th and William streets, immediately to the right of S&S Super Market, a new pizza place has set itself apart from campus.

Milano Pizza’s closest competitor is Sammy G’s Pizzeria, which is only a block and a half down 10th Street. Sammy G’s small cheese pizza of the same size costs you $12.10 and a pepperoni costs you $14.20 out the door. You’re better off going to Milano Pizza if you want more bang for your buck.

Run by the same owner of San Carlos Italian Pizza, Milano Pizza offers decent grub for a good price. Kebabs and gyros are also served alongside other pizzeria staples such as garlic bread twists and chicken wings.

The building was previously a water refilling station, so the owner, who goes by Hadi and who goes by the name Aziz, had to fully furnish the interior of the establishment from scratch. The pizzeria has new electric lines, tiles and a fully operational kitchen. But one large pizza oven dominates the space in the work area.

With only five tables inside the newly furnished restaurant, Milano Pizza is more of a ‘take your pizza to go’ spot. Three televisions hang on naked white walls, alongside long mirrors that give the impression of a larger environment. The mirrors also give you the option to look at yourself as you devour your meal.

"Milano Pizza"
Rating: ★★★
Cuisine: Pizza
Location: 518 S. 10th Street
San Jose, CA
Price: $
Google’s decline is a wake-up call

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Tackling mental health for JSU athletes

By Roman Costerius

Silicon Valley and roller derby. These two things could not be more opposite, but the unlikely pairing came together to create something great.

“My best friend and I opened a Metro magazine and saw an ad for Bay Area derby girls,” said Despres, “and it sounded better known to her fellow derby teammates.

“We have been skat...
This special section is in honor of Women's History Month. As we developed this section, we turned to the Spartan Daily archives to find some inspiration. To our disappointment, we found very little coverage of the accomplishments and lives of significant women at San Jose State University. To put this in perspective, we found more than 100 articles relating to the African-American Studies Department since its launch in 1969, but fewer than 30 for the Women's Studies Program since its founding in 1972. So we have made it our priority to find and write about women on our campus from our past and our present.

This is reminiscent of The New York Times' 2018 spotlight called "Overlooked," in which the Times added obituaries of exceptional figures who were never given the space in the paper that they deserved. Many of them were women. During SJSU's 162-year history, Spartan women have excelled as athletes, scientists, activists, innovators, educators and so much more. Sometimes these roles are added on top of mother and breadwinner.

Women are excelling and essential in every facet of our campus and society. The next few pages share the stories of some of the many remarkable women at SJSU.

We hope our section is the start of a legacy and commitment to write the history of Spartan women who deserve recognition and show not only that women can, but WOMEN ARE.

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Women are everywhere. They gave us life, they continue to support us, they are everyone and everything in this world. Without them, we would really be nothing and that includes trans women and anybody who might not identify or be identified by society in any way.

Women are creators of the future and I mean that in two ways. One, they are mainly responsible for the nurturing and upbringing of the future generation. And two, seeing how the trend is, they’re the ones developing the workforce in the STEM field and business.

Women are superheroes because every woman that has been in my life has changed me in every way imaginable.

— business administration junior, Ruben nosotros

Women are strong. They live in an unfair environment but no matter what they try to do and just try to be the best, they can be no matter what [they want to be].

— biomedical engineering freshman, Jasmine Cece

Women are not just one form. You know, not all women have vaginas, so women’s femininity is not just all the same.

— global studies senior, Jennifer Zuniga

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Public transportation activist fights to preserve VTA routes

By JOZY PRABHU, STAFF WRITER

When Nikki Yeboah learned about San Jose State University's plan to cut bus routes on its campus, she knew she had to act. Yeboah, a former student, has been a vocal advocate for the Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) and its riders for years. She started a GoFundMe page to raise money for students who were struggling to pay for transportation, and she has been working with VTA union members and bus riders to try to save the routes. Yeboah believes that the cuts are not only economically unjust but also unsafe for students who rely on public transportation to get to campus.

After years of research, professor bases play on real accounts of police brutality

By Roman Contreras

Born in Karachi, Ghana, Nikki Yeboah moved to California at the age of six with her mother and siblings. While in Canada, Yeboah went through the public school system as an average child. After finishing grade school, Yeboah attended York University in Toronto, Canada. At York University in Toronto, she completed her bachelor's and master's degrees in communication and media studies. Following her graduation, Yeboah moved to the United States to attend Northwestern University and obtained her doctoral degree in philosophy.

After accepting a teaching job at San Jose State University, Yeboah had a profound experience that led her to create a production that highlighted police brutality in the Bay Area. "I saw a lot of what I think scares most people about this issue, stories of police violence," said Yeboah. "As a black woman moving here, it was a concern to me and a concern to my family members, a lot of them asked 'Are you sure you want to live here?'

After learning about the high rates of incidents in the area, she set out to change the way people perceived police brutality. "I was interested in the stories of police brutality, particularly with young people of color, and that's how I came to the conclusion that Black women are often the ones at the forefront of these issues," said Yeboah.

"California has the highest rates in the country of black women killed by police," said Yeboah.

Yeboah's play, "The (M)others," tells the story of four women who have lost loved ones to police brutality. "It made that connection, that reality that although we might not see it every day, it's a very real tragedy, as mothers we still love and we still worry about our children dying, and that's how I came to the conclusion that it's not just about the physical toll that an experience like this leaves," said Yeboah.

Yeboah's play, "Of Small and Black Things," was shot 48 times by Stockton police in July 2018. "I'm involved in the Valley Transportation Authority union," said Yeboah. "I was helping organize the rally last night with them."

Yeboah has managed to create an impact with her work. "I think with something like VTA, if you want to save a route, you should go to a board meeting," said Yeboah. "You should go to community meetings so you can actually talk to these people in person."

But at the end of the day, Yeboah knows the fate of her efforts will probably take effect after she has graduated. "I'm definitely advocating for things that will not affect me personally and will not affect a lot of my friends that are here at San Jose State," said Yeboah. "But I think it's important to think about other people have done things for you."

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"This is a play that is really about other people have done things for you. "It's a play that is really about the importance of community and the power of collective action."

"From the outside, it may seem like a small issue, but for those who are directly affected, it's a huge issue," said Yeboah. "I think it's important that more people see this and understand that it's not just about the physical toll that an experience like this leaves."
Women leap into new technology

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Principal of HydroScience Engineers Inc.; SJSU alumna

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“80 percent of what’s being brought into the market today are being brought by women. Yet, there is not enough women on board and there is not enough women in senior positions in companies and product developments. There are men who develop the products to out targeting females. Do they really know us?”

“From my previous job, at Turner Construction, I was managing my time between work and my son . . . After five years, when my son was in preschool, I said to myself, ‘I want to stay at home with my son just for a year.’ Right now, my son is in preschool, and I already told the company I want to stay at home with my son and I am not interested in the next position because I want to be a mom for the next four years. After that, when he goes to college, I can focus on my career again.”

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SJSU engineers shine in aerospace

By Jackie Contreras, Victoria Franco, Cora Wilson and Adam Yoshikawa

For many STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) students, reaching for the stars means landing a job at NASA, and that’s exactly what it meant for physics senior Stephanie Striegel.

“When you grow up loving about NASA and for someone who’s been interested in astronomy for a long time, I always thought NASA would be where I end up at the end of my career,” Striegel said.

Striegel was able to show the company she was an individual and managed to land an internship.

“I think in my successful application, I really made a point to say what my role was in the internship with NASA, and I think it really made a difference. It was what was different from my previous applications,” Striegel said.

Striegel was able to get an opportunity to work at NASA Ames Aerospace and Automatics, and that was the turning point.

According to the American Society for Engineering Education, out of the 19 percent of female students who earned a bachelor’s degree in engineering program in 2015, about 14 percent earned degrees in aerospace engineering.

Before switching her major to biomedical engineering, senior Angela Villa was an aerospace engineering student, one of the few women in her past major.

“I think that this was a chance that NASA gave me to help my career,” Villa said.

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“Even if people don’t think that they have breast cancer, the more research that we can do, the more people are going to be aware of it, and the more knowledge they can gather,” said Dougan.

To keep it in the family, Negi is the third generation to study engineering at SJSU. Her grandfather graduated with a master’s in mechanical engineering and her father graduated with a bachelor’s in software and computer engineering.

“When I first applied to SJSU, I just wanted to contribute to the advancement of medical devices,” said Negi. “And I decided I wanted to do that through the interface design.”

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As she is graduating high school this year, Xie plans on pursuing a bachelor’s in health science or public health and eventually majoring in biomedical engineering.

“Currently, I am seeking a National Research Board (NRB) approval at the Santa Clara Valley Medical Center, which is the largest safety net hospital in the Bay Area, ultimately improving her process and credibility for the app,” said Xie.

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In the mobile app, Dougan and her team plan to include information about how exercise, sleep and mind-body connection for women who survived or still have breast cancer.

"Food is a very personal thing that's really related to your ethnicity," said Dougan.

"But what you will find is, that a lot of people have different palates because most healthy information for a white population is not suitable to minority groups.

"Ethnic minorities can't really use a lot of these things and even if they do, food is not appetizing, which could potentially lead to differences in survival," said Dougan.

For the development and components of the app, Dougan asked SJSU media design assistant professor Tina Korani to lead the interface design. Korani said she is always on the lookout to collaborate with faculty and professionals on mobile applications related to education, the environment and healthcare.

"I immediately wanted to work with her on this project because it allows me to make an impact on breast cancer survivor’s lives through contributions," said Korani.

Before packaging everything into an app, the first step was to recruit people to form a focus group.

"I asked my Archbishop Mitty High School senior Eliza Xie to help with spreading the word through social media for the recruitment," said Xie.

Xie reached out to Dougan in late June of last year in hopes of gaining research experience in public health. She is now a senior, proactive about the project.

"I knew I wanted to help the student-aspect of health, as well as the technical aspect of health, in college," said Xie.

She has previous experience researching antibiotics, antibiotic resistance and health care outcomes for different types of cancer therapies.

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Tucked in the corner of a sophomore study lounge is biomedical engineering senior Meghna Negi, working on her abstract about her photoplethysmography sensors for her senior project.

What her sisters, as well as many of the students on campus, do not know is that she and her group are working on light-based technology for wearable activity trackers like Apple watches and Fitbits, that monitor health. Heart. There’s an increase in popularity of wearable technology for health purposes. It’s "important to continuously monitor how accurate the technology is," said Negi, as users can know when they may need a physician and can tell potential onset cardiac problems.

Negi entered San Jose State as a biology major, but was inspired to switch majors after meeting the chair of the biomedical engineering department, Edwin M. Gabriel, at Admitted Spartan Day, four years ago.

"I think to "70 percent of students say that their family major because they feel that they can help other people, and that seems to be the driving force which we are happy to reinforce," said Selvadurai.

"As a high school student, Negi was inspired to study engineering at SJSU because she felt her field of study made other stressors in her life minimal."

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Being an expecting or current mother while being a college student is challenging. "Say goodbye to sleep," said biochemistry junior Elizabeth Sanchez in an email.

San Jose State student Eliza- beth Sanchez was pregnant when she entered the field. "I was a bit of a 10-year-old daughter and it was the relief that some professors are understanding and "cool" about students giving their children the attention that's needed," Sanchez said.

Sanchez is a single parent and said her 3-year-old son Damian is her daily motivation. There's a fear of being looked at when walking with a stroller or diaper bag on campus. I notice many parents hesitate to bring their children on campus because they fear that will be disruptive," Sanchez said.

"According to CNN, unplanned pregnancies for women between the ages of 18 and 24 have risen. San Jose State stu- dents run a campus preg- nancy support team, San Jose Moms. The club has 24 mem- bers to help and support students who have any hardships that come with studying while raising a child. Of those 24 members, 10 of them are current students and the other 14 are alumni and other supporters.

The Spartan Mamas come together to support one another through open conversations, elimi- nating any uncomfortable small talk that comes with the stigma of being preg- nant at a young age. Being another mother brung her child to a professor's office hours gave Sanchez a sense of relief. It was the relief that some professors are understanding and "cool" about students giving their children the attention that's needed," Sanchez said. This tip from Sanchez is to find it tough to work on course assignments in the little free time that she has, she never forgets to bring snacks where she goes, in case her toddler hunger.

A student parent tip from Sanchez is to "read lectures or books to your children as a bedtime story to help them sleep." The Spartan Mamas help the students who fear of uncompli- cated and "cool" about students giving their children the attention that's needed.

No matter what's going on, there's always lots of things going on, so you just do your best," said Conrad. I try to prioritize and to fit everything in and the details will change clear- ly when the child is in the picture."

Feminist and political science assistant professor Katerina Potika is a mother of two children, one who is six years old, the other who is two years old. "As children grow older, their responsibilities and obligations with their children increase the responsibility of obstacles," Potika said. As women become a mother, she takes on a lifelong responsibility. As children grow older, mother's face a unique set of obstacles."

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Maddy's got an arm and a swing

By Melody Del Rio

Senior pitcher Madison Aurin is positioning herself to finish her final season as a Spartan softball player on top, with keeping her batting average in the .300s. "Maddly is one of those people who have to be very careful in pitching to," said sophomore teammate Caroline Bowman. "Just because she’s so strong and she’s such a good hitter, the she doesn’t want too much, everything, she rarely swings and misses. You have to be careful with how you place the ball because she knows how to read it and take the ball deep."

From the age of 10 until now, Aurin’s been developing her pitching style. When she was 10, she pitched a game of catch with her mom, and from there, she started playing baseball. "She taught me to play with a bunch of other little league teams," Aurin said. "I never really learned on the field, so I didn’t really know how to design my own." Aurin graduated in 2015 from Centennial High School in Bakersfield, Calif. as a four-year letter winner and three-time first-team All-Southwest Yosemite League in the season. "She was always naturally tall and athletic, and something that came to me and understood what’s up there," said coach Peter Bowman. "At a young age, I always understood that she had the potential to be a star."

She said her passion has always been to work hard and pitch with a focus on coordination and solid hitting. "I have a good eye-hand coordination and she’s hit the ball, and that’s something you can’t teach," said head coach Peter Turner. "They have that skill or they don’t."

Aurin tries to read past trends and keep a book of her stats on her batting. "She’s not very much with me because I don’t have any weaknesses," Aurin said. "I don’t think I’m focused on being the most consistent hitter across the board because it comes to hitting different pitches."