Student hunger evaluated

Survey shows students with a strapped budget are shipping meals to save

Efforts are being made across campus to begin to learn how hungry stu- dents on campus are and how best to address this problem, depending on the severity.

A recent survey conducted by the Student Health Center showed that more than 40 percent of 201 student respondents were shipping meals because they did not have enough money to eat.

The survey results are currently under review and Roger Elrod, di- rector of the Student Health Center, stated in an email that these results may not be indicative of the entire campus population.

In the survey, 10 percent said they often did not eat a meal or cut the size of their meal because of money and 33 percent said that was sometimes true.

Voting guide released, six A.S. positions still available

By Julie Tran

The Associated Students voter information guide was released Sunday with information on upcom- ing candidate for the elections, which include six vacant positions that need students.

"There were about 19 students who went for orientation, but only 15 people were eligible to actually run," said Demes James, chief elections official of the student elections com- mission. "The students need to fill out an eligibility form that basically says they're not on academic probation and they're a full-time SJSU student."

According to James, the six open positions include director of busi- ness affairs, director of university advising, director of faculty affairs, director of external affairs, direc- tor of internal affairs and director of student resource affairs.

James said some areas tend to have more student applicants than others, such as director of program- ming affairs and controller, but it all depends on the students' inter- est in a certain area in addition to what they want to do to help in the student committee.

Social innovation forum heats up discussion between business sectors

by Greg Nelson

The first Social Leadership Inno- vation Forum was held yesterday at the Mexican Heritage Plaza in Alum Rock and was co-hosted by San Jose State University and Hewlett- Packard.

Joyce Osland, executive director of the global leadership advancement center and professor in the college of business, said the event’s purpose was to bring together people from different business sectors of the val- ley and discuss social issues.

"We want to give them the op- portunity to learn more about social innovation and to also promote cross- sector collaboration to solve local so- cial problems," Osland said. "That’s our emphasis, to solve local social problems using innovation-centered leadership."

MaryAnn Rupertin, a junior business major, said she went to the event with several classmates to volunteer and at the same time get a glimpse of the entre- preneurship and innovation.

"I was interested in what the event was and wanted to get involved," Rupertin said. "There are a lot of interesting keynotes and panels here. (I) wanted to see how they had their own non-profit (organization) and how they feel being a CEO."

The Mexican Heritage Plaza was cho- sen due to the fact that it was easy for people to get to as well as being a large and beautiful place to meet. Osland said.

"One of the things that are unique is that many social in- novators work on global problems, " Osland said. "We thought, ‘Who’s been working on the local problems?’"
Claudette Hutchinson, of Sanford, adds to a makeshift memorial for slain teenager Trayvon Martin that Crump said Martin told his family he’s right behind me again, “I’m going to do a study to determine who they are, where they are, how hungry they are.”

Freeman said there is a need to be aware of the issues of student hunger in the valley but is not expected to be completed until late in the semester or the summer. Also present at the meeting was alumna Shveta Owling, who founded the website foodcamps.us, which lists all the events that give away free food on campus.

“The project is zs designed to actively promote free food,” he said. “If they know how to budget, they can help the problem.”

Henry Davis, a member of the Student Health Association Committee, a group of students on campus organized around health-related issues, said after a meeting with groups concerned about hunger, people were still very much in an information gathering phase about the issue of student hunger at SJSU and on a broader scale.

“I’ve been going through the literature and there is hardly anything that relates to college students,” said Davis, who also is a sophomore nutrition major.

The subject of student hunger and a possible food pantry was discussed by members of A.S. and representatives from the Student Health Center at a March 7 A.S. meeting. The plan was to establish a location for a food pantry.

Both Paglow, executive director of Spartan Shops, said she is currently working with Olin Finch of Education Opportunity Program at SJSU to provide immediate solutions to the problem which could be affecting many students. Students interested in knowing if they qualify for food stamps can contact Freeman via email.

“We want to reach out to them and we can come up with some kind of solution,” Davis said.

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“Most non-profits in the public sector have not been officially introduced to the concept of innovation and using it as a tool to help support their leadership and helping to drive change in a positive way,” Maihack said. The event is to create a mindset around the tool of innovation, Maihack said. The other purpose of the event is to share and teach their best practices.

“We’ve got everything from very large, nonprofit-like Catholic Charities, organizations like Hewlett-Packard, educators like San Jose State,” Maihack said. “Everyone has realized that the way they approach serving our community’s needs and challenges through grants and public assistance, is changing dramatically and they have to think a little bit differently and have to move to a more new model that allows them to grow and serve new needs.”

This is the inaugural event, Maihack said, and he hopes it will become an annual event.

“Most people (are) ashamed to talk about the issue in their community,” Maihack said. “And about six or seven years ago I did a project with San Jose State around ‘How do we use technology and innovation to bridge the digital divide in our community?’

People of all ages are able to come up with some kind of idea and make it successful, Maihack said. “And about six or seven years ago I did a project with San Jose State around ‘How do we use technology and innovation to bridge the digital divide in our community?’

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A bacon burger costs $4.89, and a bacon cheeseburger costs $5.99, with no additional charge for condiments.

"I enjoy Five Guys because of the quality of their burgers and the size. They have better condiments and their fries taste more natural," said senior biology major Deanne Whitney. Often in the same stereotyping of burger joints, In-N-Out is brought to the forefront. There are endless comparisons made about the two but there is no way an In-N-Out Burger can compete with an old-fashioned burger grilled to your liking.

"In-N-Out is a fast food place, but it tastes like a home-made burger. It is cooked well and very juicy," said Dawson Taylor, a senior graphic design major.

In-N-Out Burger is an assembly line that pushes out burgers with no sense of personality or character.

Although, In-N-Out does offer milkshakes and that ever-so-freshly made pink ball. This cannot lend a hand to their burger’s lack of personality or character. Five Guys Burgers and Fries balance the customer back to those backyard barbecues and sparks memories of moments shared with family and friends enjoying a good old-fashioned burger.
Football is back: Spring practice underway for blue and gold

Coach Mac evaluates players by position in preparation for start of regular season

by Rob Gober

For junior quarterback David Fales, now in his time to get adjusted to SJU and build a rapport with his new teammates, Fales, who transferred from Monterey Peninsula College, said he is doing just that as he and the SJU football team have begun spring practices in preparation for the 2012-2013 season.

“We’ve been working together, and I’m good with all of them,” Fales said. “They’re great guys so we’ve been getting along good.”

The Spartans return 38 players from last season, 13 of whom were starters from last season, 13 of the teammates, “Fales said.

“We’ve been working to- gether, and I’m good with all of them. I have those guys penciled in so to speak,” he said “We have a lot of good competition going on.

MacIntyre said he will not have the depth chart figured out until the team starts practicing for the first game of the season against Stanford on September 1.

In the mean time, he is pre- paring all the players as if every one of them is starting.

“We need them all to be ready. MacIntyre said. “You prepare them all like they’re the starter because they’ll all one play away from playing a ton.”

The head coach said he has been pleased with the team’s progress, but in particular impressed with sophomores running back Tyler Ervin, who has played both offense and de- fence during scrimmages.

Fales has said he was kind of shy transferring to Monterey Pen- nsula College, said coming from a junior college made the transition to a university easier.

Fales said he was kind of shy when he went to Nevada right out of high school, but coming to SJU from a junior college helped him mature.

“I’m pretty adjusted now,” Fales said. “The team’s great and I’m getting along with every- body. It’s just been fun.”

SJU’s annual Spring Game will be on Friday, April 13 at Spartan Stadium, and the last spring practice will be on Tuesday, April 17.
Finding the time for an epic spring break

By JEREMY INFUSING

I’ve never had a traditional spring break trip, but I’ve always wanted to. Once I went to Coronado with a few friends during spring break for three days, but it was so different than anything you would see at Lake Havasu, Ariz. or Cancun.

Going to one of those places looks like so much fun. My friends of mine go on trips every spring break. I’ve never really had the chance or the money to go on a trip, but I’ve never participated in spring break demagoguery is usually due to the timing of spring break at SJU. I have a good amount of friends here at SJU, but the majority of my friends do not go to school here and our breaks almost always mean we are out of town. High school and would go on a spring break trip with my friends in SJU. I’m not opposed to that, but probably make any victim consider taking their own life. He took advantage of some- one because they were differ- ent and it made him comfort- able. That is not OK. I remember when I heard about Clementi and remem- ber crying because it was hard and alienated him prob- ably fail before he decided to take his life. I can’t imagine having to deal with anything like that. Just think about it — you are in the privacy of your own room engaging in an intimate moment with your friend or significant other. You think you are alone, when in actuality you are being watched and giggled at downstairs.

Ravi chose to bully Clementi when he was vulnerable with his guard down. I think that makes Ravi coward. If you are going to bully someone do it to the hor-rible face.

I was bullied when I was a kid. I think almost everyone has been bullied in their own lives. Things are different today because now people like Ravi have the option to do it over social media and use other forms of technology. Ravi chose to bully Clementi for- mer roommate Tyler Clementi as he had a sexual encounter with another man.

Three days after realizing what Ravi did, Clementi killed himself by jumping off the George Washington Bridge in New Jersey. Ravi was found guilty on Friday of 15 counts of basic intimidation, hate crimes, in- cursion of privacy and many other convictions, according to the Associated Press.

He is not being charged with causing or contributing to Clementi’s death, according to the Associated Press.

In January 2010, a 15-year-old New York girl named Alison Pillington, who killed herself in March 2011, was a senior star in her school, Prince began to be tormented by students on Twitter, Prince hanged herself in her dorm room.

Why do cyberbullies want to ruin people’s lives? According to an article by Technology Today, bullying can be a result of many personal feelings, but often it is a result of personal insecuri- ties. Young children and adults engage in this behavior with their insecurities themselves.

Don’t make your problem someone else’s problem just so you can feel better. Clementi isn’t the only one in which someone took their own life after being bullied.

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Some individuals might say that these type of people are not important to them and will have plenty of opportunities to go on similar trips later in life.

This is true, but I don’t see why I can’t go on a trip like this now while I’m young and can really enjoy it.

I’m not saying that old people can’t but fun, but the type of partying that I want do- es not want to be different than type of partying I’m going to do when I get older.

How would you feel about this when you are older and traying to hang out with a third year edge at a spring break party. If I knew I were to see someone do this in a year I would think it is my job to stop it. I would love to experience this firsthand.

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Think before you ink: Health risks of tattoos explored

McCallity Tobias

WASHINGTON — Mitt Romney’s methodical march to the Republican presidential nomination got a large, possibly decisive, boost Tuesday as he scooted an overwhelming victory in the Illinois presidential primary. 

In a state where many exit polls declared Romney the winner less than one hour after polls closed, he will carry 57 percent of the vote with 55 percent of precincts reporting, according to the Associated Press, and 70 percent of the vote with 53 percent of precincts reporting, according to Fox News. 

The Romney campaign made it abundantly clear that the Illinois victory was about more than winning the state:它 was about winning the state to then win the Midwest. Illinois is very early. If you can win Illinois, you can win the Midwest.