through the Environmental Protection Agency. "We are working hard to get San Jose to clean up trash-impaired portions of Coyote Creek," said Greg Flattum, the project manager for Downtown Streets Team and an SJSU alum. "For people to get involved with the organization, the first step is to attend its weekly meetings."

"I got involved with Downtown Streets Team about a year and three months ago," said Nick Newberry, a Downtown Streets Team member who was homeless at one point and then decided to attend one of the organization’s meetings. Newberry, who had heard about Downtown Streets Team while in a homeless shelter for men, was skeptical about joining the organization. "I was asked to come to a Downtown Streets Team meeting in Palo Alto," Newberry said. "I didn’t know if it was going to work out and what not (a lot of other programs) will you dream, but Downtown Streets Team seems to be right on target with everything." Newberry wears a blue shirt with the organization, showing that he is one of DSST's managers who oversee day-to-day operations on a project, said Penninger. Newberry said his team works in Coyote Creek. "Downtown Streets Team volunteers wear different colored shirts," Penninger said, "depending on their level of responsibility for the project they’re working on. The first level of responsibility is volunteer in yellow shirts — these are the team members that work together on a project, and each team has a lead, who are those in green shirts. "Originally, I started down in the creek," said Anita Miles, who is leading the team. "I’m indoors now and not on the streets … life has been a complete turnaround."

"Downtown Streets Team has helped me rebuild myself. My living is much healthier. I’m indoors now and not on the streets … life has been a complete turnaround."

-Nick Newberry, Downtown Streets Team member

**Facebook pays $1 billion for Instagram**

McDade Whaley Sports Editor

SAN FRANCISCO — Facebook has agreed to buy the hugely popular photo-sharing app maker Instagram for about $1 billion in cash and stock in a blockbuster deal reverberating across Silicon Valley. Facebook’s chief executive and founder made the announcement Monday on Facebook in a post that has already generated tens of thousands of likes. He has pledged to allow Instagram to remain independent.

"For years, we’ve focused on building the best experiences for sharing beautiful mobile photos with your friends and family. Now, we’ll be able to work even more closely with the Instagram team to also offer the best experiences for sharing beautiful mobile photos with people based on your interests," Mark Zuckerberg wrote. "We believe there are different experiences that complement each other. But in order to do this well, we need to be mindful about keeping and building on Instagram’s strengths and features rather than just trying to integrate everything into Facebook.

"That’s why we’re committed to building and growing Instagram independently. Billions of people around the world love the Instagram app and the brand associated with it, and our goal is to help spread this app and brand to even more people." Zuckerberg noted that the acquisition marked a milestone for Facebook — and hinted that it might be the last of its size and scope.

Facebook has mainly targeted smaller companies in its acquisitions, spending no more than tens of millions of dollars on each, and usually just to get the core talent, not the technology. The 2-year-old Instagram in San Francisco has just 15 employees. They didn’t hear about the deal until co-founder Kevin Systrom called an all-hands meeting Monday morning.

"It’s the first time we’ve ever acquired a product and company with so many users. We don’t plan on doing more of these, if any at all. But providing the best photo sharing experience is one reason why so many people love Facebook and we know it would be worth bringing these two companies together."
California will get more than $8 mil- lion in federal funds to protect and man- age public lands and sensitive habitats.

The congressmen from the Land and Water Conservation Fund, created in 1964 to funnel federal royalties from oil and mineral leasing programs into envi- ronmental projects and land protection.

The program has been a political foot- ball for decades.

The Bush Administration sought to defund the program, and the Obama administration vowed to reviv e it. The U.S. Forest Service on Friday an- nounced more than $48 million in dis- bursements from the fund for 15 states. California will get the largest share, totaling more than $7.3 million.

The projects include: $1.5 million to add land to Lassen National Forest along a road and Mill creek, important salmon streams; $1.5 million to protect Eldorado Meadows, a sensitive habitat site in Eldo- rado National Forest; $2 million to pro- tect land at the headwaters of the Ameri- can and Yuba Rivers for the Tahoe and Eldorado national forests; and $1 million to protect wildlife corridors along the Pacific Crest Trail (to be shared with Or- egon and Washington).

The projects are selected in a compiti- tive process based on ability to protect and restore habitats, provide recreation access, and safeguard clean water and other criteria.

Many of the projects are augment- ed with additional funds from private groups and local government agencies.

“These projects will help ensure a long- lasting quality of open space opportunity for such hunters and anglers, hikers, campers and other nature lovers who enjoy America’s great outdoors,” Forest Service Chief Tom Tidwell said in a statement.

U.S., Brazil leaders talk economic, diplomatic ties in Washington

McClatchy Tribune

WASHINGTON — The leaders of the Americas’ two- largest economies meet Mon- day at the White House, with President Barack Obama and Brazilian President Dilma Rousseff stressing collabora- tion in areas such as edu- cation, science and technol- ogy and discussing the need to strengthen their economic relations.

While there were no major breakthroughs in a visit for which experts had high hopes, Rousseff said that despite talk about the United States’ de- cline and the rise of develop- ing countries such as Brazil, the two countries’ economic fortunes remain interconnected and Brazil needs the United States to be strong.

Making her first visit to Washington since taking office in 2011, Rousseff expressed concerns about the U.S. keep- ing interest rates low, part of the Federal Reserve’s effort to stimulate the economy.

She has made the stimulus throughout her presidency — including in meetings with European leaders such as the German Chancellor of Germany An- gel Merkel — a cornerstone of her policy aim to lower lending rates in Western countries and raise their demand to ensure capital flows into countries such as Brazil, lowering the value of its currency.

Rousseff told reporters after meeting with business leaders that they had discussed how to avoid a “devaluation of substantial proportions which would thus affect all countries adversely!”

The leaders will also sit down in an address to business lead- ers at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce.

She also told Obama that while rapid expansion in the so-called BRICS countries — Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa — have helped drive global economic growth, “the reumption of growth in the midterm cer- tainly involves a substantial recomposition of growth in the U.S. economy.”

For his part, Obama praised Rousseff and called Brazil “a leading voice in the world.”

The two leaders signed sev- eral documents, including in meetings with his Brazilian counterpart, Celson Amorim, this month to meet with his personnel.

The administration official, who spoke on condition of anonymity because he wasn’t authorized to speak to the media, declined to discuss de- tails of the talks on the issue, a source of tension be- tween the two countries.

The United States an- nounced that it would open two more consulates in Brazil in the cities of Belo Hormonte and Porto Alegre.

Brazil is now the fourth- largest source of overseas visi- tors to the United States, with 2.8 million visits in 2011, a 26 percent increase from 2010, according to federal statistics.

The Commerce Department Director added that the U.S. Chamber of Com- merce held a meeting in Brazil last year.

U.S. executives who attended this year’s meeting at the White House included Jim Al-baugh, president and CEO of Boeing; Vikram Pandit, CEO of Citigroup; and Gregory Page, president and CEO of Cargill.

Brazilian executives in at- tendance included the presi- dent and CEO of Embraer, Frederico Fleury Curado, and the CEO of the engineering and construction firm Odebrecht, Marcelo Bahia.
by Alyssa Godwin
Staff Writer

Japantown is one of San Jose’s secrets, a world that represents the traditions and culture of Japan. Cherry Blossom trees act as gates as you walk down Jackson Street and into the world of mildness, but within recent years Japantown has experienced a quiet contrast with the opening of urban streetwear boutiques.

One of these boutiques, Cukui, located at 229 Jackson St., brings in Mexican, Hawaiian and Japanese culture to produce clothing and accessories.

“I think Japantown has a lot of traditional aspects, but I think it needed something different to add more liveliness,” said Michelle Locquiao, a management student at Cukui. “People have been saying that ever since we’ve opened they’ve seen a change in Japantown. They see more youth and something artistic added to the neighborhood.”

The storefront was opened in August of 2010 by her husband, Orly, and her friend, Sam Burgos, who both had a background in graffiti and are local artists, said Locquiao. “In Hawaiian the loudest nut is said as a kid and also see it as a tool for tattooing,” Locquiao said, “and in Spanish ‘el cucuy’ means the boogey man and so when Orly and Sam had talked about a name they chose that because they liked how it was interpreted in their own cultures.”

Locquiao said he has a background in advertising, but left his corporate world and incorporated it into running a business. “I think Japantown has a new generation in Japantown. They see more youth and something artistic added to the neighborhood,” Dancel stated. “The concept of continuous improvement. Continuous improvement through constant reinvestment.”

Japantown boutiques

• Cukui — 229 Jackson St.
• Aristocrats — 161 Jackson St.
• Sole on Ice — 210 Jackson St.
• Deli and Bridge — 200 Jackson St.

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Stay tuned for more information!

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Fresh ingredients top this seasonal pizza, such as asparagus and leeks. Photo by Samantha Clark / Spartan Daily

Ingredients:

- 2 packaged whole wheat pizza dough (the one from Trader Joe’s works well)
- 5 slices of bacon (or prosciutto), cut into half-inch pieces
- 1 leek
- 5 asparagus spears, quartered length-wise
- 3 shallots, minced
- 1 tablespoon fresh chives, chopped
- 1 tablespoon fresh rosemary leaves
- 5 slices of bacon (or prosciutto), cut into half-inch pieces

Steps:

- Remove dough to rest.
- Place bacon in a skillet over medium-high heat. Cook for a few minutes to release most of the grease, but do not cook until crisp. Transfer to paper towels.
- Remove the tough, dark green top of the leek and use only the white and light green part.
- Slice the leek in half length-wise and clean out any dirt. Slice thin.
- Heat 1 tsp oil in a large pan and sauté the leeks with a pinch of salt for about 10 minutes until softened.
- Transfer to a bowl.
- Con. Drizzle 1 tsp oil on top of the pizza. Add the leeks, shallots, rosemary leaves, chives, asparagus and bacon. Drizzle 1 tsp oil on top and add pepper to taste. Bake for 10 minutes. The pizza is hearty, so it may take a little longer.
- When finished baking, top with crumbled goat cheese.

By Samantha Clark
Staff Writer

Seasonal snack: Spring pizza

Recipe courtesy of Jeff Devis / Spartan Daily

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By Scott Semmler

Former Spartan football player looking forward to NFL Draft
SpartanDaily.com

Today is National Football League commissioner Roger Goodell's turn to call the name during the 2012 NFL Draft on April 26 and begin the most exciting day of the year for fans of every team. I'm from Ohio, but I still have a lot of work to do. In fact, Ihenacho said about his progess during the draft.

The former Spartan Football player looking forward to NFL Draft

During the scouting combine in February, bench press, where he totaled 26 reps, and a lot. It was a long four days of NFL general managers, as well as some scouts who represented NFL teams, paid attention to his skills on display in hopes of the best college athletes put their best foot forward in front of NFL scouts and coaches and scouts before the NFL Draft.

He said he is currently training with his teammates and trainers. "I've been working on my footwork," he said. "I'm just trying to get into football shape right now, as opposed to football shape for a long time." He also keeps in touch with his coaches and some former players at SJU.

CBSSports.com as well as other websites featuring NFL Draft coverage rank Ihenacho as a top five safety, and he is on safety boards leading into the NFL Draft.

"I heard I'm going to be selected in the NFL Draft. I'm just going to work out and work on some things. Teams want to call me out for workouts," Ihenacho said. "It's just about getting into football shape right now, as opposed to scouting combine football shape." He said he is currently training for the NFL Draft with out Chris Holder, the director of strength and conditioning at SJU.

"I've never stepped on an NFL field before, but in college I'm a pretty physical player," he said.

According to CBSSports.com, "Ihenacho looks the part of a NFL-safety. Highly aggressive player, showing the burst to get through gaps and make tackles behind the line of scrimmage." MacIntyre, who coached defensive backs at Stanford University football, said he is good in pressuring the quarterback's assets as a professional. "I think he will generate a lot of pressure on the NFL's MacIntyre said. "I think he is a very good player, and I think he fits on the right team at the right time. If he never goes in the first round, I believe he is going to be selected anywhere from third or fourth round to free agency. Ihenacho said "If I land on a team I'll do the best from there."

As for the team he would prefer to be selected by in the draft, MacIntyre has a hometown team in mind. "Tall (MacIntyre) Harbaugh to put me on that Tony Montana team," he said in reference to the San Francisco 49ers' aggressive special team unit from last season. "I want to smash somebody on the kick off." Ihenacho said he admires Harbaugh for what he did with the Stanford University football team a couple years ago, and more recently with the 49ers this past NFL season.

"This team is all hard-nosed, physical and never quit," he said. "They all love playing for him, and they're that type of program you want to be a part of." The 2012 NFL Draft is scheduled to take place at Radio City Music Hall in New York City on April 26.

Focused on scoring Duke Ihenacho anticipates turning pro after productive senior season at SJSU

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As a child, I used to think about what my life would be like when I was older. I had several journals and wrote about different things, ranging from trips I went on with my family to thoughts about my day. Sometimes, I would even write short stories about my family or places I wished I could visit.

For most of my young life, I always thought I would go to an Ivy League school right out of high school, major in English and become an author of some sort. I grew up in a large extended family where most of the young adults went to college — the thought of not going didn’t even cross my mind until I got older. I think I would have been a huge shock to my parents if I had decided not to go.

In high school, I was really good at history and English, but math and science was not my strong suit.

After graduating from high school in 2002, I packed my things and moved east across the country — to Boston — for my first ever college experiences at Northeastern University. I soon found life in Boston to be difficult and that I didn’t seem to be very good at school. As it turned out, the problem was that I wasn’t ready.

Little did I know that 10 years later, I would be back in a new city at a large university, trying to finish my degree.

In the past 10 years, I have attended two community colleges, an art school, a travel agency school, a private college and two universities — including SJU. I spent all that time trying to figure out what I wanted to do with my life. I took a break for several years and worked full-time, thinking maybe that was my calling.

After all of this exploration, I finally ended up at a community college where I found the path that led me to SJU.

When I was a child, I never thought I would be 28 years old without a degree in hand. I remember thinking I would be 28 years old with a degree in hand.

Sometimes it’s good to take your time through school and graduation. Today, I am happy to say that I am moving along with my education and I am OK with the fact that it has taken as long as it has to go through school. For me, taking the extra time was important. I am not sure what I wanted until I got older, and I think it would have been a huge shock to my parents if I had decided not to go.

Looking back on it all, I realize that, for me, taking time with my education was the right approach.

When I was in high school, I was on the school newspaper and I absolutely loved it, but I was too young at the time to realize that journalism was the right career path for me. I had to grow. I had to learn. I had to try new things and decide what I liked and what I didn’t like.

Sometimes people ask me why it has taken me so long. I often tell them I transferred a lot or that I wasn’t sure what I wanted. It seems that students lately are in such a hurry to get in and out of school, which isn’t a bad thing, being that a lot of them have loans to pay back.

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that is in charge of a project cleaning up Coyote Creek. I have opportunities to move up to — I wouldn’t turn them down, I just can’t think of important positions — but it gives us more of a leadership. Everybody that works with the crew is very valuable,” Miles said.

The next level is managers, and after that the highest level of responsibility for a crew member who is the Operational Supervisor, who oversees all of the projects, according to Laccardo.

The support team

“Every crew member has a coordinator who works with the crew,” said San Jose Councilman Sam Liccardo, who oversees all of the organization’s mission.

Laccardo said he worked hard to bring Downtown Streets Team to San Jose because he saw the environmental impact. “I think everyone is having on the Creeks.”

“Everyone that exists nonprofits are tapped in resources and it’s a challenge to find permanent housing,” he said. “I told (the executive director) we’ve got a lot of people complaining about trash in our creek, you guys be willing to come to San Jose.”

The city of San Jose works with DST to help employ the team members and get housing vouchers for them.

“All over the city we sort of formed a group with the water district along with other donors to see if we could land federal money from the EPA,” Laccardo said. “We put it all into a pot and we are using this to find a four-year pilot project.”

Laccardo said the goal is to employ at least 50 homeless at a time.

Another supporter is bekko Donuts, located in downtown San Jose, which donates doughnuts to the organization every morning.

“It kind of starts with our first store in downtown Campbell,” said Justin Zwigeron, the owner of bekko Donuts. “We realized we had leftover doughnuts every night and we wanted them to go to a good place.”

That good place Zwigeron alludes to is EHC Lifebuilds, which provides shelter options for the homeless and a year later when they opened their store in San Jose, Zwigeron said they were looking for a similar organization.

“Wetz worked out very, very good,” Zwigeron said.

HOUSING THE HOMELESS

DST also works with Housing 1000, an organization that has the goal of housing 1,000 homeless men and women by 2013.

According to Holifield, Cap龙泉 Recreational sports are mostly athletes that don’t play for an official team.

“You play basketball because you love it,” he said. “This is a great opportunity to play organized basketball without being on an actual team.”

Cash said that a lot of people play basketball in the gym and that is how he joined his intramural team.

The A.S. Campus Recreation office is located inside the Sport Club Fitness Center and is open Monday through Friday from 2 to 4 p.m. Wellness Connect, a service of Campus Recreation, provides students tips, such as recognizing the signs of stress, how to stick to a workout routine and important information about your exercise heart rate, according to its website.

Campus Recreation also provides students the option of renting items, such as volleyball, softball equipment and cooking and guide for success, said Heck.

According to Eastlick, camp- pus activities enhance skills such as teamwork and problem solving, which in turn promote a healthy lifestyle and skills that will stay with students beyond college.

To start this project, DST organized a survey in which 1,200 participants an- swered questions about their living conditions and personal circumstances, ac- cording to Pennington.

At a DST meeting they discussed the survey and its effectiveness.

“Do those surveys?,” said James (whose last name was not given). James is a team member with DST and also does outreach to the homeless community in San Jose with Housing 1000. “Anceam them with full honesty because it will help you and us to better find a place.”

Working with Housing 1000 is the Case Coordination Project, which, ac- cording to Pennington, provides intensive case management services to find perma- nent housing for members of the intensive case management in when someone works individually with the members about their circumstances.

Downtown Streets Team is work- ing toward eradicating homelessness in San Jose by working with grants from the city and donations, according to Pennington.

“Downtown Streets Team has helped me rebuild my life,” Newberry said. “My living is much healthier. I’m indoors now and not on the streets now … I got my family back in my life … life has been a complete turnaround.”

Downtown Streets Team member David Torres, top, uses a pool cleaner to get garbage out of Coyote Creek near Kelley Park in San Jose on Friday. Photo by Raphael Kluzniok / Spartan Daily

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Cash said that a lot of people play basketball in the gym and that is how he joined his intramural team.

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That good place Zwigeron alludes to is EHC LifeBuilds, which provides shelter options for the homeless and a year later when they opened their store in San Jose, Zwigeron said they were looking for a similar organization.

“Wetz worked out very, very good,” Zwigeron said.

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