SJSU president denounces ‘racist’ fliers

Welcome to San Jose State, a university with a rich history of diversity and action. Every spring, on campus you’ll pass SJSU alumni, Tommie Smith and John Carlos, raising their fists in protest and the monument recognizing César Chávez. Across the street you’ll grab an early morning coffee from Philz or a late night hot chocolate.

Every student comes from a different background for quick bite and introductions to new faces on campus. Welcome to your new home.

By Chelsea Nguyen Fleige

San Jose State police removed dozens of fliers with white supremacist and nationalist messages posted on-campus last week.

According to Chief Diversity Officer Kathleen Wong Lau, University police took the flyers down for violation of time, place and manner policy. The policy exists when, where and how people can post paper on campus.

SJSU President Mary Papazian sent a campus-wide email denouncing the message more than a week later, after UPD finished investigating the incident.

“Our community will not tolerate bigotry, hatred, discrimination and other forms of social violence against individuals or groups on the basis of their race, ethnicity, immigrant status, religion or other identifiers,” President Papazian wrote.

“We are always going to speak against bigotry,” Wong (Lau) said. “That’s part of who we are.”

Associated Students Director of Intercultural Affairs Alina Muntasaf said she would like to see Papazian talk about ways to act against hate speech in the email.

UPD removed the fliers were put up during the night between Aug. 11 and 12 as they were found early in the morning, Wong (Lau) said.

UPD removed the flyers. Some of the flyers contained the name of a white nationalist group, Wong Lau said. Other California and out-of-state universities found fliers with the name of the group as well.

Muntasaf said university policy surrounding hate speech should be more stringent and watchful.

“It’s frightening to feel like you’re not welcome at your own school, in your own community and city,” Muntasaf said.

“But I also think that it reminds people that there is strength in numbers and they should reach out to others around them to combat these issues.”

SJSU administration will continue to investigate the group only for its violation of the posting policy, and not as a hate speech violation, Wong (Lau) said.

She explained if UPD had determined the flyers to be a hate crime, the response from the university would be different.

SJSU will “step up to the plate” to design spaces to have a dialogue about hate speech and the freedom of speech, Wong (Lau) said.

During their investigation, UPD determined that no threat was made against the community, Wong-Lau said, and no direct physical threats are anticipated.

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**Gun violence raises campus safety questions**

Police search at SJSU prompts concerns

By Cleochea Nguyen Feige

On July 28, the last day of the Gilroy Garlic Festival, a 19-year-old gunman opened fire with an assault rifle, taking down three victims and causing 13 other injuries. The following Saturday, a 21-year-old gunman began a violent rampage in a Walmart parking lot, pursuiting shoppers into the Walmart nearly. He fatally wounded 22 people and two dozen others sustained gunshot-related injuries in the ensuing panic.

Within 24 hours, tragedy struck again, this time in Dayton, Ohio. In less than a minute, 10 people were killed and 17 wounded outside a bar in downtown Dayton. The 24-year-old shooter used modified weapons and extra-capacity magazines. As people rally to mourn the loss of 14 lives across the country, the conversation inevitably turns to public safety. Three deadly mass shootings within a matter of days left people asking where and when they are safe and how to react when they are not.

Biomedical engineering graduate student Adwitiya Adhikari said she worries that San Jose State might be a target for another shooter because of the large concentration of people and businesses. “I don’t see any safety,” she said.

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**Corrections**

On Monday May 13, the Spartan Daily published an article titled “Millions Misused” that misstated where athletic donations went. Additionally, the article misstated where the Tower Foundation Chief Operating Officer Leslie Belcastro told the Spartan Daily that a “shelter in place” protocol. San Jose police department Captain Frank Belcastro told the Spartan Daily that a “shelter in place” alert advises people to remain indoors if they are in the area, whereas San Jose police actively barricaded the area.

Hinds said she received the text message alert for the first time and found it to be more effective and informative than waiting for news reports to come through.

Working conjunctly with the San Jose Police Department, UPD established a perimeter and then requested additional police around the Spartan Complex and safely escorted three students from a building with a fire made an arrest.

UPD's official recommendation for students in such situations is that of Dr. John O’Toole, Police and Campus Security run, hide, fight. UPD maintains the essentials of this protocol on their website and hosts briefings on campus to teach it if students or faculty request it.

Katherine Joasta, a 2017 business administration alumna, said she went through similar active shooter training in her workplace that taught her to listen to demands, avoid risky irrational behavior and remember details.

"It's all sound in theory when you're reading a list of things you're supposed to do; but when it actually comes and you're stressed and people are stressed, I don't think anyone will remember to follow what you're supposed to do.

On Tuesday, May 8, the Spartan Daily published a feature titled “Spartunes” in which the song “Don’t You (Forget About Me)” was also featured. The Spartan Daily regrets these errors.
What do you wish you had known on your first day of school?

DJEAHNAE BROWN | Kinesiology senior

"Go see an advisor once a semester. That’s what held me back."

RYAN NGUYEN | Biomedical engineering sophomore

"A lot of people use skateboards and bikes - I didn’t know that."

VAISHNAVI MAHAJAN | International business junior

"One of the biggest things I learned was to be more social, regardless of how anxious we are."

DAVIN CLARK | Business management senior

"You’re on your own. Nobody’s gonna help you."

CAROLINE NGUYEN | Biomedical engineering sophomore

"The [outside] water is recycled water."

JONATHAN PACHECO | Radio television film senior

"There’s a lot more stuff off-campus. There’s a lot more to do downtown than you think."

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designated for an immediate “particular purpose.”

The mayor said his goal is to pass a ballot measure by November 2020.

"SHA was very clear that they wanted to see some commitment from the city that would affect student homelessness and student affordable housing concerns," Liccardo said.

Advocates from SHA expect their involvement with the city’s policy making to strengthen their cause this semester.

"It’s a slow and steady progress," Bernabe said. "[Liccardo’s] definitely very tuned into what we’re doing and wanting to involve us in the process in order to find other methods of funding. SHA spoke with a representative from assembly member Evan Low’s office to see if more state funds can be used to alleviate student homelessness."

"I think there’s a lot of work to be done also on the state level, which is also why we’re continuing to meet with our state leaders and our assembly members,” Bernabe said. "This is just not San Jose State, it’s across the state."

As SHA sought out different methods of support from lawmakers outside of SJSU, they discussed potential changes San Jose State could make by this semester.

Vice President of Student Affairs Patrick Day informed SHA that San Jose State is set to approve the construction of a centralized facility for SJSU Cares in Clark Hall.

While SHA saw that as a success, the advocates questioned Day on what adjustments could be made to SJSU Cares criteria for serving students in distress.

"Things are shifting, things change, on this issue there’s great complexity, and so the idea that you’re going to get it right once two years ago, that’s just not real," Day told the Spartan Daily.

Day said the university is evaluating different ways to obtain data on student homelessness after a 2018 California State University study showed that 13% of students at SJSU experienced homelessness.

"You have a number that says 13%," Day said, "but that’s really an inclusive number of multiple forms of what I would call housing insecurity.”

It has been difficult to establish a particular trend with student homelessness, making it challenging to create criteria for every student in need, Day said.

"We just need to understand what each one of those buckets are," Day said. "It’s a misperception if we think everyone is couchsurfing, it’s a misperception if we think everyone is sleeping in their cars."

Despite the variety of situations students can be in, Day said SJSU Cares will help any student that asks for assistance, no matter what the circumstances are.

"Part of what we want to understand by getting at that number is how we devote resources, but we’re going to help any student that comes into the office," Day said.

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All restaurants are within 10 minutes of walking from the center of campus, and accept cash and credit card. Every place offers both vegetarian and vegan options.

LIKE WHAT YOU SEE?
Alyson Chuyang will be writing a weekly food column this semester. Pick up a copy of the Spartan Daily every Tuesday to read it, and follow @SpartanDaily on Twitter and Instagram to receive the story directly on your feed!
New chief focuses on building trust

By Chelsea Nguyen-Frigo

When Gina Di Napoli became a constable in the United Kingdom in 1977, she was 18 years old and had grown up over two years of survival, paramilitary and operational officer training. During her training, Di Napoli said she understood extensive training that taught officers to use less escalation and for good reasons. In 1977, when Di Napoli became a constable in Leicestershire, England, police didn’t carry guns or any other non-lethal weapons, besides a baton. “You have to learn how to use your demeanor to handle a situation,” Di Napoli said.

Di Napoli took this philosophy with her when she went to the California Highway Patrol Academy to train in American law enforcement. She joined the Sacramento Police Department in 1987, becoming a sergeant five years later, and then rose to lieutenant rank where she served until the department for 24 years.

Now she’s excited to serve San Jose State University Police Department as the campus’s first chief of police.

Chase Fain, vice president for administration and finance for SJ State, wrote in an email to the campus that Di Napoli adheres to the principles of community policing and problem solving. This indicates the administration’s support for a renewal of the relationship between law enforcement and the community.

“Her work, community experience, and her influence will be an invaluable asset for police, students, faculty and staff,” Fain wrote.

Policeing through consent can be a viable way to address the erosion of trust between communities and law enforcement that causes problems across the country today, Woods said. Aware of community apprehension surrounding U.S. Immigration Customs Enforcement, Di Napoli said that UPD would not cooperate with ICE on campus to maintain the safety of students first.

“If you can trust law enforcement to do the right thing, you are more likely to contact law enforcement to solve your problem,” Woods said.

Di Napoli echoed this sentiment. “The relationship between the officers and the community policing has been a long history in the California State University System,” she said. “I believe new ideas and a vision with them.”

He explains his excitement to learn from students and help them craft a university experience that best suits them.

“Excited to be here,” said Del Casino. “I’m really anxious to see all the students come back.”

This provost is in charge of monitoring the performance of academic departments, according to the SJ State website. They are also in charge of keeping research, scholarship and creative activities a part of SJ State.

Del Casino is returning to the California State University System, where he served as the chair of the geography department at CSU Long Beach from 2000-2009.

SJU President Mary Papazian welcomed Del Casino in a campus-wide email sent on Jan. 24 and suggested the new provost would play an essential role in SJSU’s future.

“Vincent will join us as an extraordinary leader on our history, as we unveil a new strategic plan that captures our bold vision for SJSU and the coming decade,” Papazian wrote.

Del Casino is a public health graduate student, said he felt as though that hands-on work on Del Casino’s initiative would create engaged and enhanced student success.

“I’m actually quite excited to hear that he and his pride and knowledge is coming to SJU in the future,” said Hua. However, Hua also had concerns.

“There’s always a concern with the new provost coming in,” Hua said. “This institution has its own existing infrastructures and operations of doing things. Again, having such [brand new ideas] come in might be a challenge. However, implementing even while there are unique systems is something that Del Casino has experienced.

Del Casino and his colleagues created a notation system on the University of Arizona transcript that showed a student completed some sort of engaged learning.

“You do an internship, but what type of learning is happening in that internship?” Del Casino said. “Because then’s a lot of different types of learning. Is it collaborative? Or is it global understanding? It is the responsibility.”

Now at SJU, Del Casino looks to use SJU’s unique position to create more engaged and engaged students.

“The other big thing I’m thinking about is what are the possibilities for extending our relationships even more deeply into the broader community,” said Del Casino. “I think there’s really unique opportunities, even while there are unique challenges to this region.”
President Papazian joins NCAA Board of Directors

By Cora Wilson

San Jose State University President Mary A. Papazian joined the NCAA Committee on the Board of Directors at the end of May. Her four-year term will continue until the August 2023 meeting.

“Representing San Jose State and the Mountain West on the NCAA Board of Directors is quite an honor,” Papazian said in a statement.

The NCAA governs and administers college sports and intercollegiate sports for 1,117 colleges and universities. According to the NCAA website, the main focus of the organization is to "prioritize academics, well-being and fairness so college athletes can succeed on the field, in the classroom and for life."

The Division I Board of Directors is composed of 20 CEOs, one director of athletics, one senior woman administrator, one faculty athletics representative and one student-athlete.

"I think that her only side or the other I can don't really have one debate on whether student-athletes to be paid for athletics performance would be paid or not and I really don't have one side or the other I can pick her because it says good things about our university," Jackson Burrill said.

According to an SJSU official, Jackson Burrill said, "I kind of shows that San Jose State is responsible for helping NCAA community and the NCAA as a whole."

According to an SJSU Press Release, Papazian will "regularly participate in committee meetings and conference calls to address a variety of issues."

She will also be responsible for helping to "sustain and advance the associate's missions, traditions, values and reputations."

Burrill said he hopes Papazian to continue to "embrace social justice issues to help make things easier on the athletes for all sports."

In recent years, the NCAA has faced criticism involving issues surrounding student athlete pay. With Papazian now on the Board of Directors, she will be one of the members responsible for resolving these issues. "There's the big debate on whether student athletes should be paid or not and I don't really have one side or the other I can pick," Burrill said. "I just want her to just want her to make her opinion heard and I guarantee it will be backed up by the San Jose State community."

The NCAA has taken the positions that allowing student-athletes to be paid for athletics performance would undermine the balance and detract from the integration of academics and athletics in the campus community.

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Releasing those students with paid professional will fundamentally change the face of college sports, Remy said. "It will never be enough for aspiring college sports," Remy said. "In addition to the other skills Papazian brings to the NCAA level, her understanding of what student-athletes face could prove to be helpful in her new role."

"President Papazian has an incredible pulse on the daily life of a student-athlete. She is keenly aware of the challenges, fortitude and exhilaration student-athletes experience as they navigate their daily lives," Athletics Director Marie Duite said in a statement.

"Sophomore defensive lineman Cade Hall feels that Papazian "keeps the athletics' best interests at mind when she makes decisions. "I think it's fantastic that San Jose State gets to have a voice in the NCAA community," Papazian said in a statement.

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Club sports rock Campus Village quad

Photos by Mauricio La Plante, News Editor

Public health sophomore Amy Batth bends down in an attempt to keep a volleyball in the air while playing with her friends during the sign-up event in front of the Campus Village.

Political science junior Emily Fernandez (left) and hospitality junior Ngo Ting Pang (right), perform one of their dances in front of the Spartan Mambo table.

Engineering sophomore Amanpreet Uberoi (left) attempts to catch a stray beanbag while forensic science freshman Kailyn Lima (middle) and economics junior Zachary Kor (right) watch.

Several Spartans enjoy playing a game of spikeball while the clubs try to entice others to join.

Mechanical engineering junior Robert Terhell displays his juggling abilities in front of the wrestling table during the event.