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RESOURCES

UndocuSpartan embraces solidarity

BY WILLIAM YAP
Staff Writer

UndocuSpartan hosted its third welcoming event on Tuesday afternoon in the Diaz Compean Student Union to inform undocumented students about the resources that San Jose State offers.

International business senior Josué Góngora attended the event to form new connections and gather information.

“There’s a lot of resources that we have as a student that we might not know, so I’m exploring,” Góngora said.

Approximately 60 students attended the event. Faculty members went around the room introducing themselves to show solidarity and that there are allies around campus.

Director of the Cultural Heritage Center, Kathryn Blackmer Reyes, said that some undocumented students are currently trying to navigate higher education alone.

“You get used to working by yourself and education is not something you can work alone with,” Reyes said.

Organizers handed out flyers with information regarding basic rights and



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CAMPUS EATS

Spartan Shops cuts student employee discounts



ASHLI LETT | UPDATE NEWS (File image)

The Village Market, pictured above, is one of Spartan Shops’ eateries where student employees will no longer be able to get shift meals with employee passes.

BY JENAE MIMS
Staff Writer

Spartan Shops has revoked shift meal passes for student employees due to the minimum wage increase. This was done to balance Spartan Shops’ rising labor costs and other expenses.

“Spartan Shops had to look at alternatives that did not affect our student employees dramatically. We believe it was important to avoid reducing any student employee positions or remove work study opportunities,” said Spartan Shops Director of Marketing and Communications Stephanie Fabian.

Over the summer, San Jose’s minimum wage increased from \$10.50 to \$12, and is expected to increase another \$1.50 by January. The minimum wage is expected to increase to \$15 in July 2019.

“The increase from \$12 to \$13.50 alone

is an \$800,000 increase to our overall labor expenses,” Fabian said.

Meal passes were previously given to each student employee on the day of their shift and were valid at any campus eatery for 50 percent off meals \$10 or less, plus a free medium drink.

“Having a meal pass made us look forward to using our money on campus, but now I tend to use it elsewhere or bring a packed lunch to work,” said Starbucks™ employee Amanda Corona.

Some students would use their free medium drink to get water but now they are not able to get any drinks on campus without a charge. Spartan Shops is looking into adding additional back-of-the-house water coolers to help ease the costs for students using store-branded cups.

“The removal of meal passes makes

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DIVERSITY

Open Dialogue created at new Campus Conversation



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21-year UPD veteran officer Jenny Gaxiola speaks with mechanical engineering graduate student Suvid Anand and a group of students at ‘Campus Conversations’ on Smith-Carlos lawn Tuesday evening.

BY THOMAS SOARES
Copy Editor

A group of around 60 students, faculty and staff participated in Tuesday’s Campus Conversation and Dialogue organized by the San Jose State University Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (ODEI).

The 90 minute event, which offered free pizza and soda, was held near the Tommie Smith and John Carlos statue in the center of campus.

Psychology junior Jackie Renderos

served as a facilitator for the event. “This is how you get to know people and learn something new from the people at this university,” Renderos said.

“It’s a little early in the semester, but because of all the issues that happened out of Charlottesville and other issues, we thought that we should have this early,” said Chief Diversity Officer Kathleen Wong(Lau).

“It was developed in fall of 2014

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Mexican-American studies professor Julia Curry (right) and UndocuSpartan Resource Center co-chair Lucy Serrato-Lager (left) address students at UndocuSpartan's first discussion of the 2017-2018 academic school year.

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and Customs Enforcement (ICE).

UndocuSpartan worked with Student Advocates for Higher Education (SAHE), which was the first organization in California to support undocumented students.

SAHE was established in 2004 as a student organization which advocates for the undocumented community and for immigration reform.

"I understand that the current administration is not friendly to immigrants, regarding the pardoning of Sheriff Arpaio," said professor Julia Curry, the faculty advisor for SAHE.

"But California is a different state and I think we were the first state to pass an AB540 law."

According to NPR, Joe Arpaio was a sheriff from Arizona known for his crackdown on undocumented immigrants. A federal judge in Arizona had convicted Arpaio for criminal contempt in July, but President Donald Trump used his presidential power to pardon

Arpaio of wrongdoing.

With Trump's recent decision regarding Arpaio, child development freshman Yuliana Rodriguez is worried about Trump potentially removing the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA).

"I'm up to date with the news on what's going on," Rodriguez said. "Each day I hear different rumors that they're going to end the program, so I just worry about that. Like what if they cut it this year. Soon I won't be able to continue studying here, so that's one of my biggest fears right now."

In 2012, former president Barack Obama signed the executive order that is now known as DACA.

The executive order allows qualified undocumented young adults the opportunity to legally work in the U.S., protection from deportation and, in some states a driver's license.

SAHE mainly advocates for California's AB 540 law, which exempts undocumented students from paying out of state tuition.

According to University of California Admissions, the difference between resident and nonresident tuition is nearly \$27,000.

Similar to AB 540, California Governor Jerry Brown passed the California Dream Act in 2011 allowing qualifying undocumented students to receive state

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Chief Diversity Officer Kathy Wong(Lau) facilitates the event at Smith-Carlos lawn.



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Political science junior Chelby Gill and AVP of Enrollment Services Sharon Willey talk during an icebreaker game during the Campus Conversations dialogue.

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as a response to the racist incidents that occurred in the dorms in 2013," Wong(Lau) said during her introductory speech explaining the origins and goals of Campus Conversations. "The point is to have students engage and listen to each other and faculty and staff."

One of her goals for these events is to facilitate "bias-reduction" by giving students the chance to find "shared experiences" with other students as well as faculty and staff.

Several international students and recent graduates were there to share their experiences and participate in dialogue with their fellow students.

Preshit Dwivedi completed his undergraduate studies as a software engineer in India and came to SJSU in 2015. "I miss my parents," Dwivedi said. "My brother is studying at Oklahoma State and I miss him too. It's nice to be able to share these experiences and feelings and to hear of similar experiences."

As the Campus Conversation progressed, those in attendance were paired up to begin a dialogue.

Then, pairs were combined into groups of four to six students with one faculty or staff member.

One of the staff members whom students had the opportunity to converse with was University Police Department

Officer Jenny Gaxiola.

"I personally enjoy coming to these events. I see it as a great opportunity to have personal conversations with students while also seeing that everyone has a safe experience," Gaxiola said.

Gaxiola has been a member of UPD for 21 years and looks forward to these dialogues with students.

"It keeps me young," Gaxiola said with a laugh.

When the event concluded and the empty pizza boxes were piled up, the microphone was given to anyone who wished to share what they learned and how the Campus Conversation affected them.

"I found the whole thing to be very easy going," design sophomore Jonathan Weiser said. He felt that people who wanted to speak could do so freely and people were not pressured to say anything they did not want to say.

"People who just wanted pizza could easily sneak out after grabbing a slice," he said.

While the laid-back atmosphere was seen as a positive, Weiser felt that the organizers could have been "more risky" with their questions to the groups. "It would have been good to stir the pot a little bit more," Weiser said.

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perfect sense," said Le Boulanger™ employee Kendall Bumgardner.

"I'm making a dollar more per hour and at about 20 hours per week I'm making \$20 more which was about the amount I saved when I used the meal passes.

Quite honestly it deters me from eating on campus so much [instead of] eating the food I should be eating at home."

Spartan Shops is not planning to return the shift meal passes anytime soon. However, it gives students other benefits such as scholarship opportunities. It also gives the chance to be nominated as a "rock star" employee.

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Art exhibit unites faculty and students

BY NOE MAGANA
Staff Writer

San Jose State University artists showcased their work during the Pictorial Arts Faculty Exhibition on Tuesday evening.

The artists socialized with attendees and answered questions about their work in the various gallery rooms of the building, including the Natalie and James Thompson Art Gallery.

The white-walled, wooden-floored reception room displayed eight faculty members' work while graduate student exhibitions were located in six other rooms throughout the building.

"It's a forum that allows students to see art in a broader context," said Associate Dean of Humanities and Arts Kathleen McSharry. "This gallery is a professional space which helps students understand how to curate, how to mount [and] how to talk about art, which are critical skills in being artists."

Art instructor Matthew Taylor said the exhibition allows students and instructors

to build a better relationship through the understanding of each other's work.

Having instructor's work available for students to view gives them an advantage when it comes to understanding what instructors expect inside the classroom.

"It's sometimes kind of a mystery, the work that your teachers and instructors do," Taylor said. "Seeing where they are coming from and what their interests are can help build a relationship between students and faculty in the classroom."

Taylor also said that events like this help undergraduate students build relationships that will help them after they graduate. He added that it helps faculty by making

the art community stronger when they interact outside the classroom.

Art education freshman Minh Dao said that attending the gallery increased her interest in the art as well as the artists. She said she was so intrigued by the artists that she was trying to guess which piece belonged to which artist.

"[The] most interesting is the concept they bring," Dao said. "It's inspired me a lot because I really [want to] know more about these artists' work."

As for McSharry, the connection between artists and their work is one of the reasons art draws her attention.

"What I'm particularly liking in this

show are those four paintings by Gale Antokal," McSharry said. "I also really appreciate Patrick Surgalski's collages which, in a different way, are more expansive. But also, it's like here's a framework that they established for the viewer that I find internally meaningful."

While some attendees took the opportunity to visit the different galleries and speak with the artists about each piece, others kept to themselves as they hovered from work to work. Another group took a break to eat the snacks offered outside the reception room.

The exhibitions are scheduled to be open until Sept. 29, depending on artists' availability.

"Having fine visual arts on display really conveys the essential nature of art to the human experience," McSharry said. "I come to the exhibits and galleries because I want to support the department but also because I love art."

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Kathleen McSharry
Associate Dean of Humanities
and Arts



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(Above) Associate Dean of Humanities and Arts Kathleen McSharry (left) speaks with graduate student Cynthia Wong (right). (Below) Art Lecturer Matthew Taylor speaks to the crowd during the Pictorial Arts Faculty Exhibition on Tuesday evening.

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Improv show fills theater with laughter

BY DAISUKE EGUCHI
Staff Writer

ComedySportz, an award-winning local comedy show, made a stop at San Jose State University on Monday evening as part of Weeks of Welcome.

With an audience of about 30 students, two teams competed for points by performing improvisational scenes, games and musicals.

Although there were more seats taken by students, the ComedySportz performers filled the space with laughter throughout the show.

The audience decided on winners by cheering and clapping loudly.

"I liked that it was interactive show so audience [members] could come up on the stage," pre-nursing freshman Andrea Jurado said.

The referee was in charge of hosting the event. Before it started, he demonstrated the several types of calls, or "fouls," that helped the audience engage in the performance.

After the first couple of games, the performers invited one of the audience members onto the stage to collaborate with the activities.

The referee often walked through the crowd and let audience members choose the topics or keywords for the games.

"I think the last part was the funniest," psychology freshman Cerar Parras said. "It was cool to see how quick they could come up with the stuff."

As the show continued, the atmosphere became more exciting and engaging because they included additional singing and acting parts.

ComedySportz's main theater is located on San Carlos Street and Second Street. They put on performances every Friday and Saturday night.

"They are only a few blocks away so it's something that students have options to do," said Assistant Director of Campus Programming and Leadership Development



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Students applaud as improv show comes to an end.

Nancy Nguyen. "Students can continue to have things to do around campus."

This event was a part of Weeks of Welcome, which are open to all SJSU students in order to help them transition to the university or welcome back returning students.

The programs are not only academic but are also designed to be social for students to have the opportunity to connect with others in the community.

"We know that students who get connected early do better academically so that makes sense when you go into the new environment. If you know somebody you can ask them for help," Nguyen said. "The whole part of Weeks of Welcome is to help students stay connected and stay here."

The performances contained a lot of elements that kept the audience's attention throughout the show.

"If you go to our theater you would have to purchase the ticket so it's a nice little treat for them," ComedySportz performer Lizzy Romero said. "It's a very energetic audience and a little more adult so we can have more intelligent jokes and scenes."

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The commuter life is cheaper than living in the dorms



Cinthia Loera
Staff Writer

As an incoming transfer student last year, I knew I was taking a risk by enrolling in a school far away from home in Bakersfield, Calif., but I knew I had to step out of my comfort zone and attend what I believed to be the best university for my major.

At the time I didn't know anybody in San Jose so I had no choice but to apply for on-campus housing. Fortunately, most of the cost was going to be covered by financial aid. I was not only scared of moving away from home for the first time but also of living with complete strangers for an entire school year.

After my experience in the on-campus apartments, I knew I wasn't going to

reapply, but I had nowhere else to go if I wanted to return for the following fall semester. I debated on taking time off from school because I knew I could not afford an apartment in San Jose and needed to save money.

Instead of missing out on the semester, I was lucky enough to have my boyfriend's family offer their home to me in San Francisco.

Before this month I had only commuted a maximum of 30 minutes on the bus to get to my community college in Bakersfield, so I wasn't sure how I would adjust to commuting across the Bay Area to get to school four days a week.

Although it has only been a couple of weeks since I have started using Caltrain as my main form of transportation, I can already tell I made the right decision by not moving back onto campus.

According to Associated Students' fall 2016 transportation survey, 45.9 percent of SJSU's student population commute by at least one of "all alternative modes of

transportation, including VTA."

Sociology senior Emilie Bohorquez said that her decision to commute to SJSU from San Mateo was because of her responsibilities outside of school.

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come to SJSU could greatly benefit from connecting with roommates, whether they share a traditional dorm or an apartment.

"I live in CVC, the suites, so I automatically became friends with all of them and everything is just like easily accessible," Sanchez said. "I think it's a reasonable price for what you get."

The convenience of living on campus had always been overshadowed by my inability to adjust to living with roommates I felt I did not know enough. The students I lived with were extremely nice and considerate but since I had to share a room, I always felt as though I did not have enough privacy.

Another big factor in my decision to move out of the dorms was its cost. Even though I was awarded financial aid, the cost of the dorms used every single penny I received through grants and loans. I also had to pull out a separate loan from a bank just to have enough money to buy my textbooks and living essentials.

After enrolling into classes for the fall 2017 semester, I noticed right away that my financial aid had slightly lowered enough to take the dorms out of my price range. After I had settled into my new living arrangement, I almost immediately felt at home.

Experiencing the difference between commuting and student housing first hand helped me understand both aspects so much more. I understand why most first and second-year students choose student housing. I made more friends my first two years, but with the commute I save more on not paying for an expensive room.

At the end of the day, every student has their own personal reasons that influence their decision on whether or not to commute.

Dorms can definitely be a useful resource for those that absolutely need them. Living on campus will always have its benefits and can be an essential way for students to stay connected to their campus community.

Bohorquez went on to say that she had family obligations and needed to help pay rent in her home.

"I had to continue working and it's easier to work closer to home than to school," she explained.

Commuting from home may be a better option for a majority of students, but for those coming to SJSU from 200 to 400 miles away, student housing tends to be their only option.

Psychology freshman Natalie Sanchez is from around the San Fernando Valley which is 5 to 6 hours away.

Sanchez prefers living in the dorms because it was an easy way to make friends. Students who don't know anyone when they

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Campus Village B (left) houses non-freshmen and includes a Recreation Activities Center (RAC) and the Village Market.

Timeless, classic songs deserve more respect



Salvatore Maxwell
Staff Writer

great songs that are well-crafted and designed, but how often does a song leave an endless impact on generations?

Timeless songs similar to "One Sweet Day" are not being produced enough because sadly I feel they do not sell like they have in the past.

"'Despacito' does not deserve to be in the same category due to its content. In order to refer a song as timeless, it should boast an array of meaningful lyrics and a catchy melody that never goes out of style."

Mariah Carey, the No.1 best selling female artist according to Billboard, is an example of how timeless records used to sell.

Carey has 18 No.1 hits – 17 of which she wrote herself – that have graced the Billboard Hot 100. This demonstrates her ability to create and produce timeless songs.

I am not trying to come across as biased because I really enjoy all genres and qualities of music, even "Despacito."

However, I do feel passionate about how songs are crafted. Although some songs are catchy, they pollute the airwaves by being overplayed.

Even though the music industry is a business revolved around beating the competitors, "Despacito" should have never achieved the success it has. It does not deserve to take away "One Sweet Day's" title as the longest running No.1 song.

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Incoming freshmen should stay on top of their health



Lovina Pavel
Staff Writer

It's easy for students to succumb to the infamous college stereotype of 'broke and lazy' and neglect their health. Incoming freshmen in colleges across America shouldn't have to settle for less just because they are busy college students.

Maintaining a well-balanced diet is essential to success as a college student both academically and socially. Let's face it — I sound like a broken record, but there is truth behind the cliché. If students only purchase ramen noodles and ignore their need of fruits and vegetables, it takes a massive toll on the body.

A lack of nutrients can create many unbearable symptoms such as fatigue, general weakness, lightheadedness, hair loss and headache.

On the other end of the spectrum,

unhealthy habits can lead to weight gain. According to Health.com, a research conducted at Auburn University followed 131 students over four years of college and found that 70 percent gained an average of 12 pounds by their graduation.

“Thankfully, walking around campus from class to class is exercise, but fitting in some extra cardio keeps your heart healthy.”

Feeling weak can lead to lack of motivation to socialize, too.

Students' academic and social lives can also take a hit. It becomes increasingly difficult to focus in class and even wake up to attend class altogether.

How can students really defy the

stereotypes but still keep to a budget on a crammed schedule? The best way to maintain their health seems simple enough: drink water.

Invest in a high-quality water bottle and they should carry it with them everywhere on campus. Students can refill it whenever they run out at refilling stations scattered across campus. Sound crazy enough? Staying hydrated keeps students on their toes and helps them focus.

“I would go hours without drinking water and wonder why I had a migraine,” finance sophomore Lynette Vardeh said. “The one thing I wish I did differently was not live off Cliff Bars®.”

Another healthy habit to get into is taking Uber less and biking or walking more. Go for a run. Thankfully, walking around campus from class to class is exercise, but fitting in some extra cardio keeps your heart healthy.

According to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention, regular activity and movement reduces the risk for high blood pressure, type two diabetes and obesity.

Tuning diet can help boost energy

throughout the day. I know fruits and vegetables aren't the easiest thing in the world to eat. We all have days where we would rather quickly grab an energy bar in the morning. Mixing in fresh berries or a banana into a breakfast regimen is a great idea.

That being said, students should make time for breakfast every morning. If you slept in for your morning class, have a banana on the go. As for veggies, try to add a salad to lunches and dinners. Healthy greens and assorted vegetables go a long way as a meal alone, or on the side of an entree.

It's important to remember that nobody is perfect, so having a lazy day won't kill you. Sometimes a protein bar for breakfast and calling an Uber instead of walking the mile makes more sense.

The goal is to maintain a healthy lifestyle and create positive habits. Freshman year is a good foundation to start, and will really make a difference in students' college experience.

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 - 38. Tilt
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FOOTBALL COLUMN

Spartans not present during national anthem, no one cares

BY LUKE JOHNSON
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If you want to see proof of racism hidden behind “patriotism,” look no further than what happened at CEFCU Stadium last Saturday.

During that afternoon’s rendition of the “Star-Spangled Banner” neither San Jose State nor South Florida’s football teams were on the field.

Then the internet exploded because millions of people were outraged that more than 100 college football players “disrespected the flag” on national TV.

Actually, that’s not what happened. In fact, the exact opposite happened. Not a single person even acknowledged it – except for me.

The reason nobody cared is because this action wasn’t in the form of a political statement. However, this has gone on for years as part of SJSU’s home pre-game regimen.

SJSU Athletics Media Relations Director Lawrence Fan said teams usually go back into the locker rooms 20 minutes before kickoff, right after warm ups.

“The college game format is different from the NFL format where the teams

are on the field,” Fan said. “They have to be back on the field at the three-minute mark. That gives 17 minutes of time for final instructions.”

The other consideration for this action is television. Fan said the standard operating procedure for TV is to go on air while coaches are giving speeches in the locker rooms. Normally, the national anthem is not broadcasted in an effort to build up anticipation for the game.

If this is the case, then why aren’t the same people who sent Colin Kaepernick death threats infuriated by SJSU and other colleges’ absence on the field during the national anthem? Why aren’t they barking up the asses of CBS Network and the event management departments of universities for preventing athletes from “respecting our country”?

Because neither the networks nor the athletes are protesting.

People hate Colin Kaepernick not because he kneeled during the presentation of the national anthem last season. They hate him because he is fighting for racial equality.

Kaepernick isn’t the first athlete to not stand during the national anthem, but people suddenly started caring last season.



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SJSU’s sideline without players last Saturday versus USF during the national anthem.

Marshawn Lynch said he’s been doing this for 11 years, according to Raiders head coach Jack Del Rio per NFL.com, but people didn’t become disgusted until two weeks ago.

Out of the millions of people who watched him play, not one saw him sitting during the anthem? Not one member of the media who is extremely offended by

athletes not standing before the flag saw Lynch doing this for 11 years?

Unacceptable.

Most of the people who claim to be “anti-Kaepernick” are just anti-Black.

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WINE & BREW

CEFCU Stadium resumes alcohol sales after 5-year hiatus

BY KAYLEE LAWLER
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The five-year dry spell has ended. Fans can now crack open cold ones at Spartan football games again.

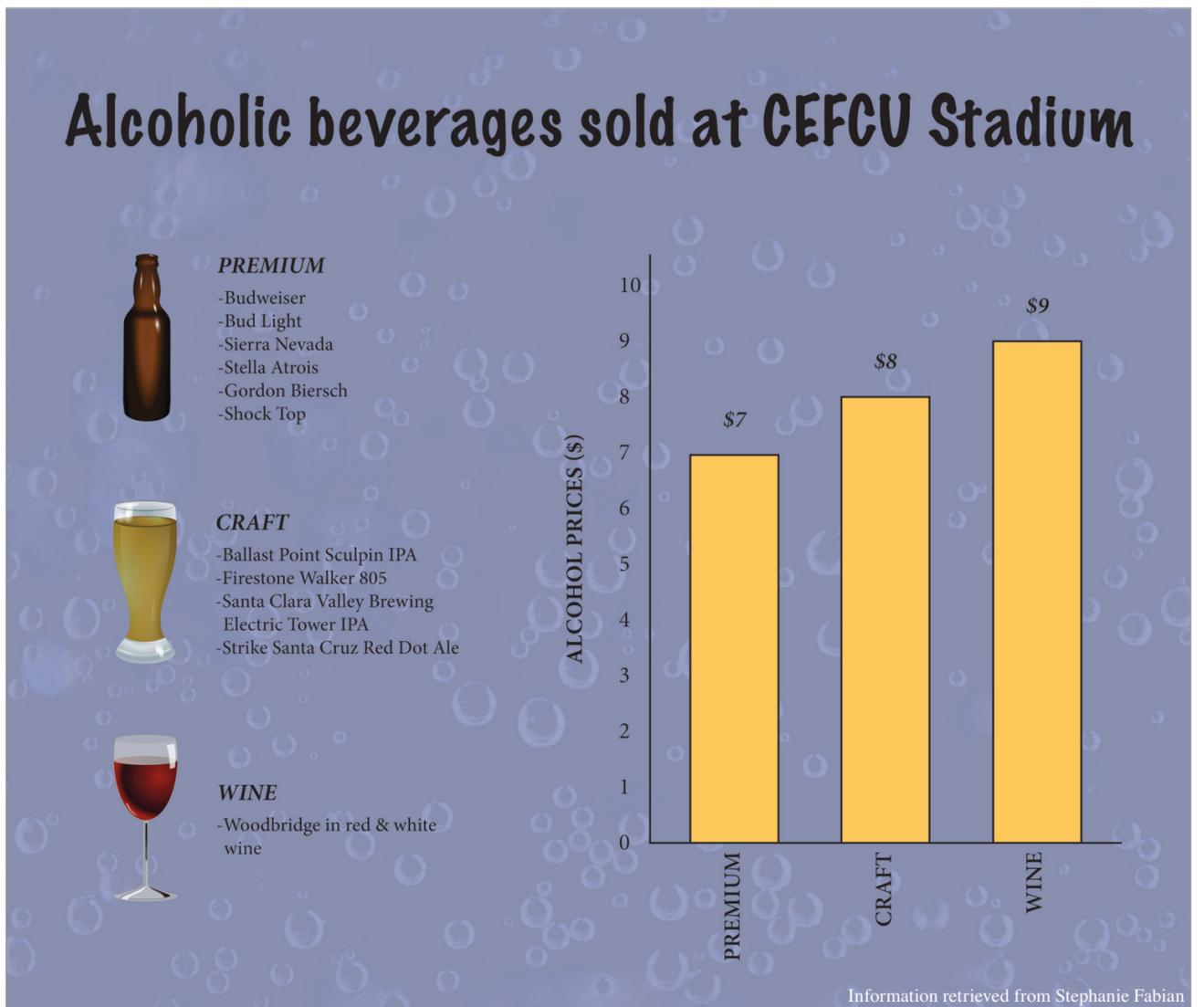
San Jose State Athletics announced on the San Jose State Spartans website last week that the university will resume beer and wine sales during football games at CEFCU Stadium. This is allowed by California State University Executive Order 1109, which permits the sale of alcohol at sporting events.

This new legislation replaces previous Executive Order 966 that was issued in 2006. This ordinance prohibited the sale of alcohol at college sporting events in an effort to keep a safe, family-friendly environment. However, San Jose State University did not discontinue alcohol sales until 2012 when the university’s original contracts with alcohol vendors expired.

“Clearly, you are seeing more and more institutions offering this service to their fans to enhance their overall game experience,” said Athletics Director Marie Tuite. “We believe it can be done responsibly in CEFCU Stadium and it’s important to San Jose State that we have a workable process in place to ensure appropriate fan behavior by all, including students.”

Before patrons can buy alcoholic beverages, they must visit one of six designated identification stations where they get their IDs checked and receive a wristband. Game attendees can buy alcoholic beverages from multiple stands inside the stadium. There is a two-item limit per sale and all sales end after the third quarter.

There are ten brands of beer (16 ounces) that are served at the stadium including premium beers from Budweiser to Shock Top, craft



Information retrieved from Stephanie Fabian

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beers like Ballast Point’s Sculpin IPA and Firestone Walker 805 and local beers like Gordon Biersch and Santa Clara Valley Brewing’s Electric Tower IPA. The stadium also serves a selection of red and white wines by Woodbridge.

More than 2,000 beer transactions were made at Saturday’s game against the University of South Florida, according to Director of

Marketing and Communications of Spartan Shops Stephanie Fabian. Fabian mentioned that craft beer was the most bought by beer patrons at the game.

Students had thoughts about the security with alcohol sales and spectators drinking at the games.

“I definitely feel like San Jose State is one of those schools where they are going to beef up their

security in regards to checking fake IDs because let’s be honest, that is a thing,” said economics junior Andy Ho. “If anything, it is going to be the parents, maybe a couple of students, who are of age who will go and buy those drinks, but I don’t think it is going to make much of a difference.”

Other students had positive responses to the ban being lifted.

“It’s more fun for everyone,” said political science freshman Brendan Quock. “I think it’ll open up more opportunities for the adults to come and socialize with students.”

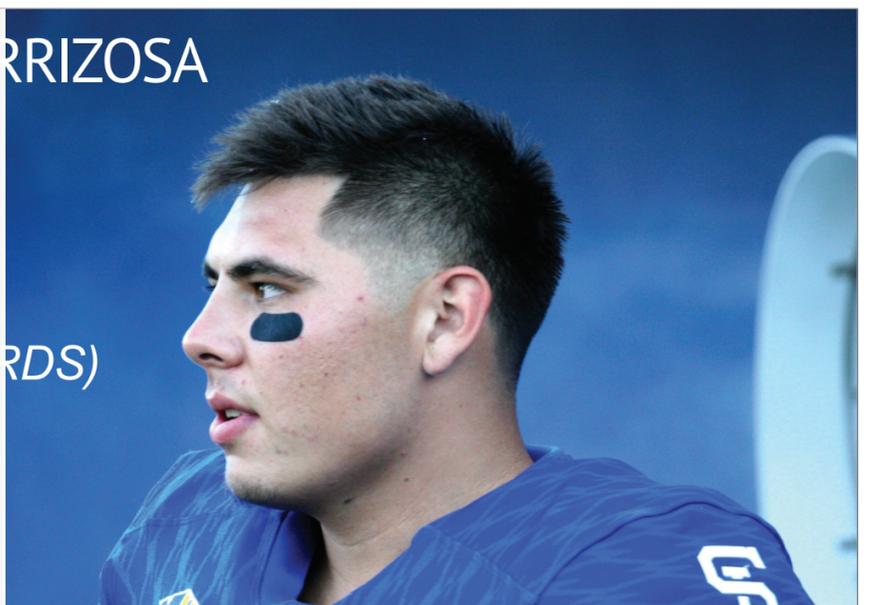
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