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Covering the 9/11 attacks

Like any typical college student, Ben Aguirre, the former managing editor of the Spartan Daily, was fast asleep on Tuesday, Sept. 11, 2001. He remembers being woken up with his dad saying, “Oh my god, they bombed the World Trade Center.”

A groggy Aguirre was out of it, but quickly realized the scope of the events that were happening and headed to the Spartan Daily newsroom at San Jose State University. UPD was closing buildings out of fear that the University was going to be targeted, but the staff at the Spartan Daily were determined to put out a paper the next day.

Former Spartan Daily advisor Mack Lundstrom spoke with UPD, and the officers allowed the Daily to have access to the newsroom.

“[Lundstrom] stood up for us and wanted us to be there,” Aguirre said. “And I’m glad he did. It really did give us the experience to put out a very emotional paper.”

Aguirre called former executive editor Michelle Jew on his way into the newsroom.

“I had a Samsung flip phone that was the size of your hand,” Aguirre said. “I’m calling her as I’m walking toward the Daily.”

Jew said when she received the call from Aguirre, he told her to turn on the TV and get into the newsroom.

Jew remembers the newsroom being as “chaotic as it always was and then it was quiet because everyone was out on assignments, trying to get quotes, trying to get people to talk to.”

Aguirre was impressed that photo editor David Bitton already had photographers at Mineta San Jose airport getting pictures of the last planes touching down after the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) grounded all flights.

“It really was a team effort,” Aguirre. “All hands were on deck.”

The Spartan Daily staff continued its coverage on 9/11 in the following months.

“The world changed that day for us,” said Aguirre. “I really did. From a student standpoint, from a citizen of the US standpoint, it just changed. That’s definitely a line in the sand. There was pre-9/11 and from this point forward everything was going to be a little different.”

Confusion abounds

Some 200 miles away from Manhattan, associate political science professor Karthika Sasikumar was a graduate student at Cornell University in Ithaca when two planes hit the World Trade Center’s twin towers.

“To be honest, it was confusion at first,” Sasikumar said. “No one knew what happened and why. It was only toward the end of the night that we realized the attack had been deliberate.”

On the morning of Sept. 11, Sasikumar was headed to take an exam. It was cancelled due to the fact that many students at Cornell had relatives in New York City.

“The main news sites crashed,” Sasikumar said. “Too many people were on the sites. What added to the confusion was that cell phones stopped working in New York and Washington, D.C.”

A mother’s fears and hope

Shortly after the first plane hit, current SJSU Media Relations Director Pat Harris watched the attacks unfold with her newborn son in her San Jose home.

“I had a six-month-old baby in my arms — I was on maternity leave,” Harris said. “My sister, who was in the Air Force at the time, called me and just simply told me to turn on the TV. That’s all that she could get out of her mouth.”

Back in 2001, Harris was both a reporter at the then San Jose Mercury News and a new mother. That morning she recalls watching the attacks on television while her baby clung to her in the comfort of her arms.

“I remember thinking to myself, how much I wanted to raise my son to have the gifts that he needed to fight against whatever it was that I was watching on TV — I wasn’t trying to arm him to be a warrior, I was trying to arm him to be a thinker,” Harris said.

She described frantically looking for ways to contact friends in Virginia while in states of shock. Harris said that cell phones weren’t as common then and people were not as connected to email.

Remembering 9/11

Current and former SJSU affiliates reflect on the tragic day that forever changed American society

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Record number of new students strains infrastructure

By Jonas Elam

San Jose State University now has to support 33,000 students after admitting 33,000 freshmen and transfer students this fall. New admissions add more traffic on campus, more cars in garages and more attached students in housing.

Student services like housing, parking and dining now have to support a higher student population.

“I am loving college so far, but it’s pretty crazy with so many people,” undeniably freshman Maya Hernandez said. “One of my friends wanted to live on campus and has to commute, but the parking here is so bad. The lines for food at the Student Union are super long too. There are just too many people.”

SJSU is commonly considered a commuter school. The university has three parking structures and a parking area below the campus village, yet some students have to leave their cars at the Park & Ride Lot and throughout the downtown area.

“Traffic will be heavy during the first few weeks of classes, especially along the Seventh Street corridor,” said Vice President of Administration & Finance Charlie Faas in an email to the student body on August 21. “The three main campus parking patios are usually full before 9:00 a.m. and remain full past noon.”

Students have been struggling with the increase in traffic among parking structures this year.

“I’ve been commuting for all of college so I live somewhat close, and parking has always been tough,” computer science sophomore Andrew Jonsson said. “This year isn’t just tough enough, it’s hell, and it’s made me late to class more than once already.”

On-campus housing has also been an issue for students.

Freshmen that live more than 30 miles from school are requested to live on campus, but 120 of them are part of the 600 students that were told SJSU was unable to house them this fall. Those students had to find other places to live near campus or commute to school.

“Even though it’s kind of expensive, I couldn’t imagine not living on campus,” Hernandez said. “I’ve already made a lot of friends because of it, and it’s super convenient.”

The increase in freshmen this year over last year also affects The Commons, the school’s primary residential dining facility. Freshmen comprise the majority of meal plan holders because they are required to have one, so an increase in freshmen is an increase in traffic.

It definitely feels like there are more students with meal plans this year,” Commons Local III and supervisor Ryan Poyet said. “The place feels more crowded, and it feels like we are going through more of our supplies than last year.

It is the beginning of the school year, so we also take into account that new students are excited about all you can eat buffet and are likely to come because of the new and exciting life of college.”

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Corrections

On Wednesday, Sept. 6th, the Spartan Daily published a teaser for “Clarke transfers, three go the Spartan’s season,” where former SSU student Brandon Clarke was misidentified. The Spartan Daily regrets this error.

In the article “SJSU students break heat with icebreakers” in the same issue, SJSU student Matthew Chavez was misidentified. In the same story’s photo credit, SJSU student Tazit Maneness was misidentified as well. The Spartan Daily regrets these errors.

Student alumni host pizza social at local restaurant

By Katlyne Lawler

Student Alumni Connection (SAC) organized a pizza meet and greet on Friday, Sept. 9. Alumni will be available to support a higher student population.

“A student organization you never know exactly how many people are going to be here,” Isacsson said. “We always say like, we’re going to love when we have at least five people so that we can make sure more people are interested and we love it.”

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**Students rock to music outside Student Union**

**BY NOE MAGANA**  
Staff Writer

Environmental studies sophomore Pierce Kimberling walked toward the front of the DJ booth and began to dance to a version of “Despacito” outside of the Student Union during Live Music at Noon on Tuesday.

Kimberling continued to dance until the event ended at 1 p.m. despite the 84 degree weather.

“If there is music playing I dance, there is no question about that,” Kimberling said. The event featured Champagne Hughes, who is also known as DJ Champagne, a San Jose State theater alumna who played music that varied from hip-hop to salsa.

“The gentlemen in front of me was just dancing,” Hughes said. “I loved him for his spirit to be able to go out there and act like no one else.”

Hughes said she had planned to play music that would set up a lounge atmosphere, but went a different direction because of the response she got from the people in the audience.

“If Kimberling was playing for him [Kimberling] and knowing that I was playing for everybody else too, everybody else was having as much fun as he was,” Hughes said.

People turned their focus to Kimberling as he continued to dance for about 40 minutes. Many sat in nearby areas hiding from the sun and others continued to eat while socializing with those around them.

There were also a few who worked on class assignments while Hughes continued her set.

“The music being played was great,” radio, television and film sophomore Ronnelli Garcia said. “I saw people dancing to it.”

Garcia added that he was surprised because he is used to people walking by events like this, but saw people stop and enjoy the music for a little bit.

Garcia added that an event like Live Music at Noon benefitted students because it allows students to de-stress and relax.

“There were people who took the opportunity to record Kimberling’s dance moves on their phones while they walked by her,” Garcia added.

Others observed from the seating areas before they continued on their path.

The event was special to Hughes, not only because of the reaction she got from the crowd but because it had been years since she visited SJSU.

“It was very emotional for me,” Hughes said. “It’s actually been six years since I stepped foot on this campus.”

She added that walking through campus and being in the radio room brought back many good and bad memories.

Student Union Events Coordinator LaShae Ingram said that Live Music at Noon will be held every Wednesday and it will feature different genres of music such as DJs, solo guitarists and jazz bands.

“It’s definitely a beautiful thing to be able to be back and just share what I invested in doing,” Hughes said. “It’s great to be back home.”

By Noe Magana

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**DRINK OF THE WEEK**

“The Starbucks located on Santa Clara St. is now offering a new beverage called Nitro Freddo. This is the nearest location that offers the Nitro Cold Brew Coffee. The drink provides a velvety taste topped with a specially made whipped cream. The drink consists of three to four pumps of caramel, depending on the size and the Nitro Cold Brew itself. It is then topped with dark caramel cold foam. A little sprinkle of Via Italian Roast is put on top and then the drink is served for the customers enjoyment. Caution: this flavor savor is strong, which is why it is not sold in Venti or a Trenta size.”

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Grab a craft brew with the crew at Hermitage Brewery

BY WILLIAM YAP
Staff Writer

Tucked behind the parking lot of Hermitage Brewing Company is a taproom for patrons to wind down after a long workday. A block from the Park & Ride lot on Seventh Street is the hard-to-find Hermitage Brewery. The entrance to the lot is beside Caliva, a cannabis clinic highlighted by a large green plus sign. Once patrons drive down a long street, they’re welcomed by an open garage door leading into the local craft brewery. Bartender Patrick Cole works as a taproom lead and greets a variety of ages and races on the daily.

“There’s no pretentiousness about it,” Cole said. “We’re just here to help people enjoy beer and learn about beer.”

On average, he says he serves a hundred visitors per day. The main attraction to the taproom is the 16 different draft beers that are made in the same building. The experimental drinks often take two to three weeks to make.

A food truck visits during operating hours and sets up in front of the outside seating area, where patrons can sit on picnic tables and large wooden barrels. The walls of the taproom are painted to give an urban but open effect that gives off a feeling of freedom.

Gilroy resident Connie Van Lieu appreciates the atmosphere and the mood of the other patrons.

“It’s not like a meat market,” Lieu said. “Nobody was making any comments about me coming in here by myself as a female.”

Hermitage offers IPA (India pale ale), stouts and other craft beers that patrons can drink from with either a pint glass or tulip beer glass. American Sours and craft beers are served in 11-ounce glasses. For those wanting to avoid drinking past their limits, the brewery offers half pours for half the price. Patrons can taste test the menu by buying a flight and trying four of the 16 drinks for $10. There is an additional $3 charge for every sour or barrel-aged beer. Each drink of the flight comes in a 5.5-ounce glass, totaling 22 ounces for around $10.

Citra is a single hop IPA that feels light and goes down easily. The Malhotia Wee Heavy, a Scotch-style ale, has a dry taste in comparison. Although the drink has a mild bitter taste, the water from my mouth quickly disappeared.

The strongest drink I ordered was the Ryetopia and my 115-pound body quickly reacted. It was a bit difficult to finish this drink because I am not accustomed to drinking dark beer. I imagine Ryetopia is what Okies drank as water during the Dust Bowl of 1930s. Blood Orange offered the most unique smell and taste since it is an American Sour. The sour but fruity flavor made it easier to finish as it was the final drink on my flight.

Those underage are prohibited from entering the taproom. San Jose resident Allen Culbertson has occasionally brought his son along with him.

“They’re like a kid-friendly place so I’ll bring him around,” Culbertson said. “He’ll play with the cornhole or the giant Jenga set they have and then they have root beer for him too.”

As someone who doesn’t normally drink beer, I would return to the taproom because I felt welcomed.

The taste test room is open Tuesday to Friday from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. On Saturday and Sunday they are open from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. Patrons can get $1 off during happy hour which starts at 4 p.m. and ends at 6 p.m.
Killing DACA will tragically separate families

Attorney General Jeff Sessions broke the hearts of many families. His hope was to not be deported, but instead to live their everyday lives in peace. Hurricanes wasn't enough. Now people have to worry about their legal statuses.

The community — the removal of DACA. It's just as bad as these weather threats. In a way there's a correlation between the weather and the current fearful news.

It frightens me because the man who is in charge of our country and oversees what Trump brought up back in 2016. Losing your temporary citizenship could be leaked over to ICE (Immigration and Customs Enforcement) agents. People who have personal relationships are at greater risk of getting deported than those who cross the border illegally.

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I believe that the tragedies people are going through by losing their temporary citizenship are comparable to the Hurricane Harvey tragedy.

I'm anxious to see where our country will be headed, now that many of our previous fellow citizens will be seen as aliens by the law. Not only that, many of them may be seen as threats to our country after suddenly losing their temporary citizenship.

Last time I checked, my family does not consist of drug addicts and rapists like Trump brought up back in 2016. It frightened me because the man who is in charge of our country and oversees what Trump brought up back in 2016.

What happened to the Trump who posted pictures on Facebook with a taco salad showing how much he loved Hispanics? What happened to the Trump who posted pictures of himself with a taco salad because he was only after "bad people?"

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The reason I bring up Mexicans as an example of immigrants is because we are at greater risk of getting deported than those who cross the border illegally.

What happened to the old Trump who showed how much he loved Hispanics? What happened to the Trump who posted pictures on Facebook with a taco salad because he was only after "bad people?"

People who have personal relationships on a daily basis with Mexicans or any undocumented people know that his claims are exaggerated or false. They are not the biggest population of people within our country, but their money and work does contribute to our economic growth. Over 800,000 jobs will suddenly become vacant and the employers themselves will face trouble too.

Wake up, Donald Trump.

Of course, DACA recipients aren't losing their lives due to flooding or high speed winds, but losing your home or having your life completely changed in this way can have mental and emotional repercussions.

Removing DACA is terrible for our country and the recipients are losing their rights.

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DANCE WITH ME - 112

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BURNIN’ UP - JONAS BROTHERS

I WOULD HAVE COME THE WANTED

BUMP, BUMP, BUMP - B2K

GRIND WITH ME - PRETTY RICKY

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INCOMPLETE - BACKSTREET BOYS

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Netflix is a joke.

After Billboards reading, 'Netflix is a Joke' began popping up in New York and Los Angeles, many are wondering what the message means and who the culprit is behind the ad. As it turns out, Netflix may be behind the campaign, which should unfold a little more over the following weeks. The campaign is most likely promoting Netflix comedy specials, since they've recently added a separate Instagram account for their funny side.

Here's what people have to say about it.
FLP challenged me to overcome my weaknesses

Our group was able to experience the non-touristy side of the rainforest when we got to walk through the El Yunque rainforest with local ecologist Claiborne labeling.

Hiking in the rainforest was an amazing opportunity to see the beauty of Puerto Rico. Many different colors could be seen while walking through El Yunque, from native plants to beautiful waterfalls. Barnhardt guided our small group as we walked through a river. We were able to develop our teamwork skills by helping one another navigate through this experience. Walking through the rivers and muddy sides of a forest can be difficult, but with a great group, it was able to do things I never thought possible.

We also experienced personal challenges that I was able to overcome with the support of everyone in my cohort and the locals that made the trip extra special.

I am not very athletic, but I was able to walk through the river with the help of my classmates. Many times I struggled with outdoor activities, but my classmates helped me.

Through this wonderful experience out in nature, my peers and I got to know each other in depth, creating bonds for a lifetime. "I created amazing friendships and bonded with everyone on a personal level," public health senior Meytra Brahman said.

"That has made this trip unforgettable."

During the program, all activities were done with a group. Activities included tours and volunteer work. As a group, we shared a lot of time together, and we grew to care for one another. When we see each other on campus, we're excited to catch up.

"Going abroad was one of the best decisions and greatest experiences I was able to make at SJSU," sociology senior Erika Sanchez said. "The friendships I've made because of the program are ones I know I will have forever.

Having the desire to learn and explore the world is the most important prerequisite. Students interested in being part of this life-changing experience need to speak up and ask for help from faculty leaders and the director of the Global Education and Initiatives. They will work with students to find a plan that works for them."

"We want to make sure that we have options for all students with different backgrounds and various limitations," director of Global Education and Initiatives Susie Morris said.

Morris is currently working with general education advisors to create at-home abroad programs for students who are not able to leave the country. She hopes to launch programs to New Orleans and New York this upcoming winter.

"I was an exchange student in high school," Morris said I lived in Russia when I was a kid and I now work helping students do the same.

During this past summer I was able to learn a lot about myself while out of my comfort zone, yet having a support system like my group.

All the challenges that I encountered during the trip taught me how to face uncomfortable situations.
A sea — or rather flames — of burnt orange awaits San Jose State as they take on the Texas Longhorns in front of potentially 100,000 fans at Darrell K Royal-Texas Memorial Stadium Saturday.

This will be the first meeting between both schools and SJSU’s first trip back to the state of Texas since 2012.

“Our players will be excited to play because it’s an incredible challenge anytime you get to line up against the best,” said head coach Brent Brennan heading into the team’s first road test as a 26-point underdog. “It’s a chance to prove yourself.”

Brennan was given the Gatorade shower treatment following his first win as head coach of the Spartans: a 34-13 win over the Cal Poly Mustangs last Saturday.

Meanwhile, Texas head coach Tom Herman will look for his first win in charge of the 23rd-ranked Longhorns after a 51-41 opening loss to Maryland.

The Longhorn faithful weren’t afraid to show their displeasure, as many threw cardboard fans that were handed out pre-game onto the field late in the game.

Herman took the job at Texas last November after leading the University of Houston to a 22-4 record and two bowl appearances in two seasons.

He knew Texas’ recent three-year slump wasn’t going to be a quick turnaround upon his arrival, which is why he questioned his team being in the top-25 rankings coming into this season.

“I hope it’s not because of me,” Herman said in a previous teleconference call leading up to the Maryland game. “I think it’s more of because we’re Texas and we’re a national brand.”

This is a brand that garnered a record-setting $121 million in revenue during the 2014-15 season according to Forbes, has a joint partnership with ESPN to broadcast its games on the Longhorn Network, and signed a lucrative $250 million apparel extension with Nike through 2030.

The University of Texas is college football royalty, but SJSU should not feel intimidated because of the program's rich history.

“This has been a program with no identity as they finished below .500 in the last three years. With the departure of Big 12 leading rusher D’Onta Foreman to the NFL Draft after a junior campaign in which he rushed over 2,000 yards, his replacement...”
15 tackles per game — “didn’t flinch”

10th-leading tackler Frank Ginda with one interception versus the Terrapins.

of-52 with 375 yards, two touchdowns and to a bruised throwing shoulder, finished 34-

missed two consecutive days of practice due

Longhorns Shane Buechele, who has

yards on six carries last week.

Chris Warren II was held to just 31
accumulate four interceptions in a
in front of a 50,851 crowd saw him
be the team’s attitude moving forward.

Brennan, who added that it is going to
last week against Cal Poly according to

Zigler scores a 17-yard rushing touchdown against Cal Poly in CEFCU Stadium last Saturday.

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Okada makes Japanese students at SJSU proud

BY DAISUKE EGUCHI
Staff Writer

Another hero emerges from my home country.

Kanazawa, Okada became the first Japanese man to

receive the No.1 ranking in Pro

Wrestling Illustrated’s annual top 50 wrestlers list (PWI 50) last week.

Since Japan has a huge wrestling scene, a lot of Japanese

names have appeared on the PWI 50 every year, but no one ever
reached the very top.

The latest magazine of PWI features Okada on the cover

previews PWI 50 issues in his hands. It also reads
“Remember the name. Amazing!”

“I’ve seen it on Twitter, and it was at the top of the trend,
business) senior Taiki Yukawa said. “I completely have no
interest in wrestling, but it got my attention at least.”

I can relax. My knowledge of Japan’s wrestling scene is
outdated because I used to watch wrestling when I was a kid with
my dad.

Exponentially the number of four or five Japanese wrestlers.

Moreover, I have no idea how and why Okada reached first
place on the list. All I know about is he is scatter’s money on
audiences when he stands up in the ring, which is why he is
called “rainmaker.”

It always gives me courage when I see people from my

country achieving fame around the world.

Okada can be like another Kei Nishikori, the first Japanese

professional tennis player to rank top-five worldwide in singles.

In Japan, Nishikori is commonly recognized as a
more famous and heroic figure than Okada.

“I started paying more attention to how our people are

drifting outside our country since moved to

home,” statistic senior Yuta

Maruyama said.

“Actually, I don’t know anything about wrestling, but I feel

proud of it no matter what kind of sports that is,”

Maruyama said.

Leaving a country and achieving success in a totally

different environment requires enormous effort and honesty.

You unconsciously start caring more about your home country

and its culture when you go to a
different country and ask people here they see your country.

Since I moved here, I started checking ESPN Sportsperson

articles on Nishikori because I

need to play tennis for years.

Of course I feel very proud of Okada’s achievement itself,

but I’d like to express this in
different ways. I am glad he became one of the athletes who

represent our country.

“Well be great if those athletes Inspire generations,

what they have learned outside our country because since moved to

outside our country since moved to

they can develop the sport scene in Japan,” Yukawa said.

“Then after their career, they can keep

inspiring people as an excellent

model of athletes.”

I find the same way.

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Chris Warren III was held to just 31 yards on six carries last week.

Sophomore quarterback for the

Longhorns Shane Buechele, who has

missed two consecutive days of practice due

to a bruised throwing shoulder, finished 34-

missed two consecutive days of practice due

Longhorns Shane Buechele, who has

yards on six carries last week.

Chris Warren II was held to just 31
accumulate four interceptions in a
in front of a 50,851 crowd saw him
be the team’s attitude moving forward.

Brennan, who added that it is going to
last week against Cal Poly according to

Zigler scores a 17-yard rushing touchdown against Cal Poly in CEFCU Stadium last Saturday.

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(TOP) SJSU will play at Darrell K Royal-Texas Memorial Stadium in Austin, Texas for the first time ever this Saturday.

(BOTTOM LEFT) Wide receiver Bailey Gelaitis loiters back at teammates after crossing the goal line. The redshirt

sophomore leads the team with three touchdowns after two games. He only had four receptions last year.

(BOTTOM RIGHT) Running back Zamir White (34) and quarterback Montel Aaron celebrate by colliding in the air after

White scores a 17-yard rushing touchdown against Cal Poly in CEFCU Stadium last Saturday.

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