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## DROP ZONE?

### ON-CAMPUS ELEVATORS SEND STUDENTS ON A SCARY RIDE

A student waits for an elevator on the first floor of Joe West Hall.

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KAAJAL MORAR  
Staff Writer

Campus Village residents have been suffering from poor elevator maintenance.

Sabrina Bowdish, a senior art major, said that in Campus Village Building B, all but one of the elevators on the north side were broken.

Bowdish said she didn't know what was wrong with the elevators.

"They just had a piece of paper taped on there saying that the other two were

broken and if you wish to have a safe and easy trip that you should only use the one that wasn't marked," she said.

Jazmine Benton, a junior kinesiology major, said of an elevator in Building B, "There was a sign outside of it that said, 'If you care about your life ... don't get in this elevator.'"

Benton concluded that a student made the sign.

"It had no stamps or anything on it," she said.

Benton said she's experienced a sud-

den drop in an elevator in Building B.

"It stopped at four and nobody had pressed that button. So it opened and it looked like it was having a problem opening so it just dropped down to two," she said.

Ivan Garcia, a senior electrical engineering major, said he's also experienced sudden drops to lower floors.

"I would be sitting in it and it would drop three floors," Garcia said. He likened the drop to a free fall.

He also said problems became ap-

parent when he heard glitches in the automated voice that announces the floor location of the elevator.

"There's always a little voice that tells you what floor you're on," Garcia said. "You know it's bad is when it keeps repeating the same thing over and over again."

Kevin Bavis, a resident of Joe West Hall, said he experiences maintenance problems regularly.

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## After three months, state budget finally signed

YA-AN CHAN  
Staff Writer

The long-awaited state budget left questions unanswered for SJSU and the entire California State University system, even though the budget was not cut.

"It's like you have the same paycheck," said Rose Lee, SJSU's vice president of administration and finance, "but your rent, your utility,

your insurance all went up and you just had a new baby."

The new state budget did not provide any funding for full-time equivalent students growth, employee salary and benefits, campus maintenance and library acquisition, Lee said.

"The governor's budget compact had called for a 2.5 percent funding for a 2.5 percent increase in full-time equivalent students," Lee said, "and it

was not funded in the state budget."

Last year, all 23 CSU campuses served 10,000 more students than state funding allowed, Lee said.

Karen Kum, a senior industrial design major, said she is worried about the possibility of a huge increase in tuition fees.

"In general, SJSU students can't be graduated within four years, and six years is the average time to complete

school," Kum said. "I worry about how long I need to stay in the unstable state budget school and how much more I need to pay."

Rubab Rizvi, a senior Japanese major, said she is also concerned with expenses outside of her tuition.

"It is one of the cheaper schools, but that's just tuition and not includ-

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## Engineering pioneer dies at 79

DANIELLE TORRALBA  
Staff Writer

In 1979, when Jay D. Pinson became dean of engineering at SJSU, he had a big plan for the engineering program.

It was called Project 88.

The project was to expand the facilities and update the laboratories. The goal was to have the expansion completed by 1988.

As the leader of this project, his mission was to gain support in the renovation and expansion of the engineering facilities.

Pinson died on Sept. 20 at the age of 79 from cancer. His effort in creating a widely known facility in academia continues to be recognized. And just this year, the building celebrated its 20th anniversary of being built.

"Jay Pinson was symbolic of all the people that made San Jose State great," said Robert Caret, president of SJSU from 1995 to 2003.

"He was a key individual who helped build the

university and will be missed going forward."

Pinson is survived by his wife of 58 years, Elea-nore, a daughter, Deborah, a son, Jay II and his wife, Liz, and three grandchildren, Stephanie and Matthew Pinson and Johnny Russo.

His daughter Deborah Pinson described what she would miss most about her father.

"His energy level and him knowing everything was going to be fine is what I'll miss," she said. "He didn't show it by actions or speech, but since he experienced so much in life he had this presence that made you feel that he could direct you and it would all be taken care and everything would be alright."

In the early 1980s, Pinson set out to strengthen the relationship between the college and the high-tech industry by making industry leaders aware that the SJSU engineering program was a prominent factor in the Silicon Valley's growth.

"When he came in here, we were a school with

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Jay Pinson

Courtesy of SJSU Media Relations

## CSU helps high school students navigate the Road to College

KELLY ENOS  
Staff Writer

A bus tour sponsored by the California State University with the intention of introducing high school students to college will be making its way to the Bay Area later this week.

The tour will be coming to Independence High School in San Jose, Thursday from 1 to 3 p.m. The bus will also be stopping at the Santa Clara Convention Center for a CSU high school counselor conference on Fri-

day from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The CSU and AT&T Road to College Tour is being financed by a \$1.6 million grant from AT&T and the CSU foundation, according to the CSU's Web site.

The goals of the tour are to support the CSU system and its efforts to increase student access to universities. AT&T helped fund the project to build a great amount of future college-educated workforce professionals.

The bus tour will stop at three different types of venues: selected high schools in urban areas, college fairs and the CSU's annual high school and community college counselor conferences.

At each stop, a team of CSU students and staff members will help high school students, teachers and counselors with exploring different information, according to the CSU's Web site.

"The gift for the day was seeing students eyes light up with possibilities, seeing students ask questions and get

answers. If we are going to make any progress on closing the achievement gap, educators, neighborhoods and educational institutions must continue to make student success personal," said Angelo Williams, a graduate student from Sacramento State.

"You know that line in the Godfather where the guy says, 'This is business, not personal'? I think for educators and really our entire

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## PINSON

## Helped raise \$38M for new engineering building

little notoriety on the outside at all," said Professor Michael Jennings of material and chemical engineering.

"By the time he worked his way with all the industrial people in the area, we were not only known, but we were respected."

Pinson helped raise \$38 million from state and industry funding for Project 88. The new engineering building was the largest capital project ever launched by the California State University system at the time.

"He was the right man at the right time," said retired aviation professor Tom Leonard.

"He did not sit by and watch things happen."

During his 15 years as dean,

Pinson helped establish and elevate SJSU's engineering program with some of the most elite schools in the nation.

"He really put us on the map," said Belle W. Wei, Don Beall dean of engineering. "He was a pioneer."

Pinson graduated from Ohio University in 1950 with a bachelor's degree in engineering, and then joined the U.S. Air Force Academy beginning his 22-year career in research and development. During that time, he managed multi-million-dollar aircraft development programs on the national and international levels. He also directed the development of five new aircraft systems.

Throughout his time in ser-

vice, Pinson earned a master's degree and doctorate degree in engineering from Oklahoma State University.

He left the military, retiring as a lieutenant colonel and began his career in higher education. He served as associate dean of graduate studies and research and head of the aerospace engineering at the University of Dayton in 1971.

"Jay had an excellent background in military and civilian work," Leonard said. "His own personal talents were helpful. He liked what he was doing."

Pinson was responsible for more than 20 sponsored research projects at Dayton and was vital in expanding research dollars from

hundred-thousands to millions.

Even when he retired as dean of engineering at SJSU, it didn't mean anything when it came to staying active in the department.

"Retirement is not in his dictionary," Wei said. "He continued to go strong in developing this summer engineering academy to teach middle school and high school students as a way to inspire them to study engineering."

After his retirement in 1994, he continued to support fundraising for SJSU, serving on the Tower Foundation Board, which manages donations given to the school.

"It's not limited to what he did in the university. It goes beyond that," Jennings said. "And

that's the way he was."

In recognition of Pinson's work and dedication, SJSU established the Pinson Process Engineering Endowed Chair in 1994. The chair is awarded to individuals who reflect exceptional industrial engineering and leadership experience.

"In the category of deans, I would put him right at the top," said retired civil engineering professor Jorge Barriga. "He was fair in every direction."

Having founded and served as president of Pinson Institute in 1997, which is a technology, business and workforce development consultancy, having served as president of LifeLine Technologies, which develops

homeland security products and working as a trustee for the community organization, the Health Trust, Pinson's influence and legacy in the engineering industry and at SJSU is a permanent imprint on the university's history.

Jennings summed up Pinson's contributions to SJSU.

"He was probably an average to an above average instructor, but (as) an individual counselor, the man could help you plan your life within 15 minutes of his time. And he would truly give it too," he said. "And if you come right down to it, the act of Pinson in engineering in the valley, I don't think there is anyone comparable."

## ELEVATOR

## 'There would be trash, vomit, mud,' student says

Bavis, a senior social work major, said he experiences the most problems with the first elevator in Joe West Hall.

"We'd be stuck, having to wait a long time and then it delays us getting to class," he said.

He said he's had to call the maintenance crew through the emergency phone to help get out of a stuck elevator.

The most common problems he's experienced are elevator doors not opening or moving, elevator carts skipping floors and hearing "clinking and rattling" noises while the cart operates.

Cottrell Hill, a sophomore business major who also resides in Joe West, said the biggest problem he faced was the elevators breaking down regularly, which is especially inconvenient when only two elevators operate for the building.

Garcia said he's experienced elevators stopping in between floors.

Bowdish said she's witnessed elevators stopping one foot below the ground level.

"There's only one elevator working for the whole building, so it slows down everything," Hill said. "I've been late to class because one of them (is) broken."

Kevina Brown, a representative for the Housing Services, said the university contracts out its elevator maintenance crew, which comes from off-campus.

Brown also said that a lot of the elevator problems lie with the students.

"Students get on and they jump in the elevators. They make it bounce in the shaft. (They are) damaging the doors, pushing buttons unnecessarily," she said. "The more that the wear and tear happens, the more there's going to be maintenance issues."

Hill said he doesn't think anything is being done to improve the elevator problems.

"I think normally when they break down, they fix it just to fix it," Hill said.

Elevators are supposed to be inspected once every year, said

Debra Tudor, senior safety engineer for San Jose's Department of Industrial Relations under the Division of Occupational Safety and Health Elevator, Ride and Tramway unit.

"It's just like a car registration, except it's an elevator car," Tudor said. "We have different tests for different types of elevators."

Generally, the inspectors test the elevators for working emergency telephones, emergency lights and operation under basic emergency conditions, she said.

Garcia said the elevators in Campus Village Building B were recently fixed, "but I don't think it's going to last another month." He also said he noticed that the certificates were expired in the elevators before but that they are now up to date.

Tudor said that expired permits are common because there aren't enough workers to test all elevators that need inspection.

"We inspect 13,000 elevators out of this office from Foster City to King City," Tudor said. "(We) go to the oldest expired elevators and we inspect those first."

She also said that after receiving a request to have an elevator checked, the Safety and Health unit sends a notification back saying that the request was received.

Unfortunately, elevator inspections can sometimes go for as long as six months before being checked, Tudor said.

Bowdish suggested that the housing department employ an on-campus maintenance crew to remedy the constant elevator problems.

"In the week, it seems that people come pretty quick to fix them, but on weekends nobody's around," she said.

Benton said the department should do whatever it takes to fix them.

"It just needs to be done right away so nobody gets hurt," she said.

Along with maintenance issues, the elevators are notorious for being filthy, some students said.

Nuvia Aguilera, a junior criminal justice major, said of her time

living in Campus Village Building B, "They were always dirty. People would spit in there. There would be trash, vomit, mud."

Joe Nicosia, a freshman business major residing in Campus Village Building C, has also experienced trashy elevators.

"There (have) been plastic bags and bottles and trash in (the elevators) here. And a couple days ago there was a bunch of yellow stuff all over the doors inside," Nicosia said. "People leave their alcohol in there."

Hailey Harms, a junior broadcast journalism major and resident of Building B, said she has also encountered trash and mess in the elevators.

"One time there was puke in the elevator and there was a lot of glass bottles around," Harms said. "Usually the maintenance people come after the weekend and they clean it up. But throughout the weekend, the puke will be there all day."

Other students confirmed that custodial services are not offered on weekends.

Hill said, "It's not bad during the five days they work, but Saturday through Sunday, it builds up after a while."

"They should have people working on weekends to clean them," Aguilera said. "I think they should put cameras in there to see who's messing up the stuff, because maybe they could hold people responsible."

An alternative for students to avoid using the elevators is to take the stairs, said Camille McFadden, a freshman political science major.

"One flight of stairs is not going to kill you," she said of second- and third-floor residents.

Bowdish suggested that students take less stuff with them so that the walk up the stairs isn't difficult.

However, that option is not the better alternative for some residents.

"On the 12th floor, there's really no way to get around it," said Hill. "You don't want to walk 12 floors up and down. It's kind of difficult."

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## ROAD▶ Tour helps students plan, register for college

community, we have to change our paradigm: Education is the business of making it personal," he said, "really caring and expending the effort."

Students, teachers and counselors will partake in an interactive experience on laptops and will also receive handouts to take with them.

The laptops are setup with links to a student Web site divided by grade level focusing on middle school through 12th grade, and one for educators and counselors, according to the

CSU's Web site. The Web site provides resources such as CSU Mentor, FAQ's and even student videos that students have made giving recommendations for what they would have done differently in college.

"We so are interested in getting students aware of the idea of college that we are getting their names and e-mail addresses and sending out reminder e-mails to remind them about college application deadlines," said Erik Fallis, the media relations specialist for the CSU.

The tour bus itself is 40 feet long and 25 feet wide with an exterior canopy and interior extended walls.

The bus is draped in CSU's "Road to College" theme and has the laptops on board ready with links to the CSUMentor Web site for students to start the registration process, according to the CSU's Web site.

Three 12-by-12-foot pop-up tents with tables and chairs will accommodate students on computers and will also be usable for collateral materials. The bus will

run on biodiesel fuel, according to the Web site.

During the stop, students will be able to explore all 23 of the CSU's, begin a student planner, fill out a college application, and receive information about financial aid and scholarships.

AT&T's foundation contribution should be used to fund the CSU College Corps pilot program, which could help the CSU upper division and graduate students in counseling and related career programs.

## BUDGET▶ New state budget addresses no long-term problems

ing housing and others," Rizvi said. "I'm concerned about people who can't work the extra hours to pay."

Melinda Jackson, an assistant professor of political science, said other than having to pay higher tuition fees and having a harder time to enroll in classes, there is another less immediate but equally important potential impact to students.

"It'll become harder to attract and keep quality faculty members when they don't get paid much," Jackson said.

The faculty is supposed to receive a 2 percent general salary increase and health premiums, which need to be funded from the existing budget, Lee said.

Jackson said the situation is not as bad as it could have been, but this year's state budget is a short-term solution and does not address any of the state's long-term problems.

There also will not be a general obligation bond, which funds the capital budget for facilities, on the ballot this November, Lee said, which means SJSU will not get any funds to repair and maintain the campus buildings.

"We had been scheduled to get funding to renovate the Spartan Complex building, where there are leaks in the roof and a swimming pool that hasn't been used in years," Lee said. "Now we may get delayed funding or no funding."

Lee said there is a list of items to repair in SJSU that total up to \$40 million.

Two major reasons contributed to the delay of this year's state budget, Jackson said.

The first reason is that a two-thirds majority is required to pass a state budget in the state legislature.

Jackson said the Democrats,

who agreed on a tax increase and do not have two-thirds majority, needed some support from Republicans, who did not support any tax increase.

As the result, Jackson said, the state budget is late almost every year and this year is the latest it has ever been.

"It makes sense politically because Republicans are always the minority in state assembly and state senate," said Jackson. "And the only way they can have leverage is to hold up the budget."

The second reason is the way the districts are drawn by the state legislature. There are safe Democratic seats and safe Republican seats, which makes it difficult for voters to hold those elected representatives accountable, Jackson said.

"If the districts are drawn more equally and the representatives know there's a realistic chance of losing their seats in the next election, they might try a little harder," Jackson said.

Jackson and Lee both said one way the state legislature wishes to make up for the state budget deficit without raising taxes is by privatizing the state lottery.

The state would allow a private company to run the lottery and generate revenue from the company for the rights. It still needs approval by the voters during a special election, which will be held next year.

"The root cause of the problem in California isn't being addressed, and that's why we have the same budget problem every year," Jackson said.

SJSU changed the application deadline to Aug. 31 for Spring 2009 and Nov. 30 for next Fall as part of the effort to manage its enrollment, according to SJSU President Jon Whitmore in his Fall welcome address.

## CAMPUSIMAGES



Rick Cardenas and Mark Rosenberg do their bench press routine at the Sport Club Fitness Center.

STEFAN ARMIJO / Contributing Photographer

## SPARTAGUIDE

### EVENTS CALENDAR

### 01 TODAY

#### Midweek Mix-up

Music in the Union featuring Mike Maimone in the genre of piano rock. 12 p.m. in the upper pad of the Student Union. Contact 924-6269 or events@as.sjsu.edu

#### Delta Zeta Bake Sale

Bake Sale hosted by Delta Zeta to raise money for our sorority. October 1, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. outside of the Student Union. Come support us! Contact Natalie Minnis at queen\_of\_harts12@yahoo.com.

#### Considering Graduate School?

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### 02 THURSDAY

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#### Student Showcase Hour

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Contact professor Joan Stubbs 924-4649.

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#### iLEAD 2008 Be the Change

iLead 2008 Be the change, will honor local organizations and youth who have done exemplary work in promoting peace and also features local youth artists and refreshments. 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. in the Dr. Martin Luther King Library. Contact Maaheem Akhtar at maaheem\_a@hotmail.com.

#### Society of Latino Engineers and Scientists 3rd General Meeting

3rd General Meeting, speaker from Northrop Grumman and free food. 6:30 p.m. in Engineering 189. Contact Jesus Gonzalez at jgonzalez831@gmail.com



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Student Culture

October pays homage to all vegetables

**KAAJAL MORAR**  
Staff Writer

Today, World Vegetarian Day will kick off celebrations for Vegetarian Awareness Month.

Vegetarian Awareness Month strives to educate people about the benefits of being a vegetarian, according to the World Vegetarian Day Web site.

“I think it’s a good idea to have more awareness about vegetarians,” said Patti Fasang, an occupational therapy graduate student.

The Web site states the day was founded by the North American Vegetarian Society in 1977.

The organization’s focus is to provide vegetarians and organizations a place to network as well as “informing the public about how vegetarianism benefits humans, other animals and our shared earth.”

The Web site also encourages non-vegetarians to participate in activities on World Vegetarian Day and for the rest of the month. The Web site attempts to inspire visitors to practice vegetarianism and to notice the positive changes it can make.

Some of the benefits the Web site lists include reducing the risk of heart disease and stroke, saving animals from being slaughtered in factories and preserving wildlife habitats.

“It’d be great if everybody was vegetarian,” said Antonia Romo, a junior health science major.

Romo said she used to be vegetarian for one-and-a-half years.

“I felt a little bit healthier when I was going vegetarian,” she said. “Now that I’m not, I tend to do more of the fast food.”

But what, exactly, is vegetarianism?

Several SJSU students have similar ideas about what vegetarianism means.

Humberto Sanchez, a senior accounting major, said his interpretation of vegetarianism is “not eating any meats, just vegetables.”

“It’d be great if everybody was vegetarian.”

**ANTONIA ROMO**  
junior health science major

Starlet Ballt, a junior liberal studies major, said that vegetarianism is a diet that excludes any meat.

According to Webster’s dictionary, the definition of vegetarianism is, “the theory or practice of living solely upon vegetables, fruits, grains and nuts.”

The most common problem vegetarians can encounter is finding restaurants that serve food they are able to eat.

SJSU student Fasang said her vegetarian friends have to go out of their way to find restaurants that serve food they can enjoy.

Sanchez said he and his vegetarian friends also have problems finding food for them to eat.

Romo said her mother’s friends can have a hard time because their husbands are not vegetarians.

The wives must create meals that adhere to their own needs and their spouses.

The Vegetarian Resource Group Web site states there are four different types of vegetarians.

A lacto-ovo vegetarian eats eggs and dairy products.

An ovo vegetarian eats eggs but not dairy products.

A lacto vegetarian eats dairy products but not eggs.

A vegan does not eat eggs or dairy products.

All forms of vegetarianism do not eat meat, fish or poultry.

Because there are different types of vegetarianism, it leaves a fair amount of wiggle room for people who are willing to let go of meat for a trial run, according to the Web site.

The Vegetarian Resource Group Web site lists a number of reasons people become vegetarians, such as, “health, ecological and religious concerns, dislike of meat, compassion for animals, belief in non-violence and economics.”

If ever, perhaps this is the most appropriate day to give vegetarianism a shot and see if the lifestyle change is the right one for you.



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# A chance for others to get in a word or two



DAVID ZUGNONI  
RECYCLED TOILET PAPER

Sometimes I take for granted the privilege of having a weekly column, so I gave the space to 28 students this week. I asked them what they wanted to say to their fellow students, and this is what they said:

“Don’t give up, don’t stop trying, even though it gets hard sometimes.”

-Monica Mendez, a junior civil and environmental engineering major

“Work hard, study hard, and have fun at the same time.”

-Robert Ribeiro, a senior art major

“I don’t feel this school is focused on higher education. There are too many cuts on things. I’m embarrassed because this school is not the way it used to be toward education for students, help, services, resources.”

-AnhThu Vu, a junior conservation in biology major

“Get involved with the clubs. Those are going to be your connections for the rest of your lives.”

-David Wickman, a senior animation/illustration major

“Study hard. I just started doing that this semester and it’s paying off.”

-Katrina Velarde, a junior justice studies major

“Hi.”

-Mohit Malkani, a software engineering graduate student

“Don’t criticize what you can’t understand.”

-Jackie Michaelsen, a senior kinesiology major

“Do your best in what you’re trying to pursue.”

-Enrich Jante, a junior biology major

“What you have is a basic standard to live on, which may seem sufficient until you look at the bigger picture of America.”

-Sherry Tu, a freshman undeclared student

“Enjoy life more because you only get to live life once.”

-John Le, a freshman business major

“The shiny thing in front of Tower Hall really doesn’t go.”

-Michelle Cesena, a senior behavioral science and psychology double major

“What are you doing with your lives?”

-Sheryl Sims, a sophomore television, radio, film and theatre major

“Study hard. Don’t waste your money.”

-Vincent Glass, a junior health science major

“If you are using the elevator to go up one floor — and you are physically capable of doing so, take the flight of stairs. Get your workout for the day.”

-Isabella Lomuljo, a junior political science major

“Don’t forget to register to vote.”

-Taruna Chhabra, a public administration graduate student

“Keep track of your book-reading. Otherwise, you’ll fall behind.”

-Daria Switala, a junior sociology major

“Just think of others.”

-Dylan Kasano, a senior graphic design major

“Study hard.”

-Jennifer Hernandez, a freshman nursing major

“Beat Fresno State.”

-Kevin Kramer, a junior civil engineering major

“Don’t give up.”

-Kenneth Forrest, a senior psychology major

“Why is that it seems everyone is so disconnected? It seems like everybody is in their own world.”

-Ladora Browning, a freshman interior design major

“Je est un autre.”

-Arthur Rimbaud, a junior French major

“Be friendly.”

-Mark Rosenberg, a freshman business major

“Go to class and mind your own business.”

-John Hultz, a junior history major

“Study hard and do good in school.”

-Greg Leong, a senior occupational therapy major

“Go Spartans. Beat Utah State. Check out Inferno XX. The funds go to a really good cause. We donate books to elementary school kids. Have fun when you’re in college, because when you’re out, the real world begins.”

-Denis Cajina, a junior marketing major

“If you smoke, stay away from the buildings.”

-Wayne Hung, a senior civil engineering major

“If you’re going to fight for anything on campus, fight for your education.”

-Amar Albassam, a junior civil engineering major

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# If Wall Street falls, so does Main Street



COLLEEN WATSON  
CHRONICLING MEDIOCRITY

So the House of Representatives decided that they weren’t going to bail out Wall Street with \$700 billion of taxpayers’ money.

Divide 700 billion by the United States population of 303,824,640 and that would be a little over \$2300 per person. That’s counting kids and inmates, neither of whom pay taxes.

I’m still not sure how I feel about the bailout.

I’m a renter, so I’m not really affected by the mortgage fiasco that is eclipsing our nation. All I see is that prices are coming down so that there is a small chance that I might be able to afford a home in a decade or so.

Of course I have friends who are debating about letting their homes fall into foreclosure and I see the pain and stress that they are going through and I wouldn’t wish that on anyone.

I also have some money in the stock market. So that impressive 777-point plunge that hit on Monday affects me, even if it’s just a bit. Sure it jumped a bit yesterday but didn’t even halve Monday’s historic fall.

And even though employment rates are going down, I work at a newspaper, so that job should be recession-proof because papers are doing just fine ...

I’ve started to wonder if I should take all my money out of the bank and keep it in my mattress. But I’m pretty sure the lump caused by \$57.82 would make sleeping impossible.

Now I am both for and against the bailout. I hate that taxpayers have to help those who hurt us. Wall Street, with predatory lending practices and risky investments, did this to themselves.

Of course I’m also a little bit leery of our government owning Wall Street. America has a, supposedly, free market economy, which I feel the government should stay out of as much as possible.

Already it has given huge loans to the airline industry and we have Social Security. Now it looks like they will be saving our financial sector and possibly bailing out General Motors as well?

This is supposed to be North America, not Europe. A capitalist economy will regulate itself, right? Well maybe not so much.

But if taxpayers don’t help out, it will be like cutting off our noses to spite our faces.

Yes, Wall Street is full of overly rich people who could care less about those of us at the bottom, but if we don’t help them it will negatively affect the world’s economy, which sounds too big to affect those of us here.

But you know what they say about butterflies ...

They’re pretty ... no wait, that’s not it, something about cause and effect.

Anyways, as expensive as the bailout seems, I don’t think there is a better way to avoid a complete financial meltdown. Feeling disenchanting with the government and our financial system is no reason to let the economy collapse.

The underlying basics of the bailout are sound, with ways for taxpayers to possibly get money back and no golden parachutes for leaving executives. There also needs to be oversight on how the bailout funds are being used.

I worry that this bailout will be pushed through too fast and that once again we will all get reamed, it will be a piece of bubble gum in the dam. But then it seems that if we take too long, we’ll get completely flooded.

Basically, it’s a lose-lose situation. But one loss probably won’t hurt as much in the long run as the other one. It hurts to say this, but I think we need to suck it up and bail out Wall Street.

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# There’s a lot more than just Generation X



ADAM BROWNE

“Thirty-something” used to be a term that was used as the title of a TV series in the late 1980s. As some people back in the day approached 40, they were so concerned with it that it got into pop culture, adding it to movies and TV and commercial ads. Originally used to describe the late period between the so-called “baby boomers” and the then unnamed “Generation X,” being 30-something back then seemed like being really old, about ready to go to pasture, buy the farm or kick the bucket.

Well, I’m not going to kick the bucket. I’m going to stick around for as long as it takes to tell the story of our misunderstood generation. Middle age will not be defined for me in three years, but in 13. I refuse to think 40 is old now. Ha.

Generation X is defined, as I understand it from relatives and from pop culture, as those currently ages 26 to 46, sitting on the edge of two other generations.

Baby boomers are about 47-years-old to 67 and most are nearing retirement age, according to my “Boomer” siblings.

Boomers used to drive SUVs and BMWs, but now they can’t afford them, with the gas prices, so the cars are starting to look like the slightly

used and beat-up Toyotas they gave to their kids to attend college.

Generation Y sits at the edge of 6 to 26, from little kids to teens to adults in the current period. Sorry preschoolers: your generation isn’t yet defined.

Now that pop culture has given “Generation X” a name, albeit too generic for my taste, it seems that there is another unnamed generation on the rise to fill it. We’ve almost accepted the title because it sounds cool, like we’re comic book heroes, but it’s not all that easy being in the middle of it.

Sometimes the established boomers seem to think we’re loafers and slackers, and pop culture has accepted this because of our indifferent and misunderstood natures. It’s not that we’re selfish. It’s just that we don’t understand the world we were raised in. Try defining “MTV children” sometime.

Define “valley talk,” of which we popularized. Now everyone uses “valley talk” like all the time, for sure. In the late 1970s, L.A. area trend-setters first used “valley talk” and inspired us so much that it has become normal California speech for some, even though it has grammatical problems. Teenage girls picked up on it a generation ago and now their kids use it. The language is a cross between surfer speech and stoner speech, with a lot of adjectives and verbs placed where they shouldn’t be. “Like, totally, you know, like oh my gosh, it’s totally awesome and excellent, dude!”

Generation Y doesn’t even care about “Valley Girl,” a popular 1980s

movie in the middle of a generation-defining slew of pop culture-laden movies. The film brought “valley talk” to a generation. Now Hollywood uses pop culture references in movies and tries to imitate and remake ideas from a generation ago.

Some people in Generation X were called “posers” because we couldn’t decide on what we wanted to be, so we tried to be other people. Not me personally, but others around me, and friends from my school days. “Stoner,” “slacker,” “rocker” and “punker” were also common. I wasn’t really one of them, but I knew them.

In the movie, “Fast Times at Ridgemont High,” the teacher, Mr. Hand, in frustration at his slacker class, blurts, “What are you all, on dope?” Future Oscar hopeful Sean Penn, playing a stoner named Spicoli replies, “Whoa, dude, that’s harsh!”

Some of us were defined by John Hughes and Amy Heckerling, by MTV and the glam rock scene, by Springsteen and Bowie and early Michael Jackson, before he went freaky. So partly the label the “MTV Generation” also defines us.

The next generation has been partly labeled “Generation Y,” because the next letter is “Y,” I suppose. Also they’ve also been given interesting names, “Prozac nation,” “Internet Generation” and “iPod Generation,” which sound so much more interesting and nicer than “posers” and “slackers.”

My Generation Y nephews and nieces are so into pop culture that they

couldn’t imagine a world without iPods, Nintendo Wii, Disney Channel and fake reality shows where people pretend to be somewhat famous. They long to be famous even more than we did as though imitating famous pop stars is the ultimate pinnacle of life.

When I was a kid, the coolest thing ever was to attend a rock concert, or get the autograph of a famous celebrity character at a science fiction convention, or to just buy a lot of stuff we now call “collectables” at a toy show or comic book convention. If you could quote lines from “The Breakfast Club” wittier than your friends, you were really awesome.

Generation X may have been first to break into reality TV shows. We practically invented them with the works of John Hughes, if you think about it. “The Breakfast Club” was set in a library where a group of vastly different teens discussed their lives and got to know each other.

When my generation liked their fads, including movies and TV shows, and repeatedly watched them for years, the next generation is quick to change to the next thing as soon as they change their minds.

The rapidly passing trends are too complicated for me. We’re a little slower on the instructions than the next generation, but we get by.

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# Skateboarders unite for worthy cause

ADAM MURPHY  
Staff Writer

Old and new skateboarders alike flocked to Lake Cunningham Regional Skate Park Sunday afternoon for a day of skating, loud music and to share memories of a departed friend.

The 10th annual Tim Brauch Memorial Contest bears the name of the San Jose native who suffered a fatal heart attack at the age of 25, only one year after he won the Vans Triple Crown Street Competition in 1998.

The event was put on by Sessions, a skateboard apparel company that sponsored Brauch from the age of 15, and was free of charge.

“This contest is to keep Tim in our hearts and remember him, never forget as a lot of people say,” said Joel Gomez, owner of Sessions and organizer of the event. “There are a lot of friends here that have shown up from San Diego, L.A., Oregon, from all over. It gets everyone together once a year. We have been doing it in Scotts Valley, and this is the first year we started doing it in San Jose, and Tim was from San Jose, so it’s pretty special.”

The 68,000 square-foot skate park was completed in April according to the Lake Cunningham Regional Skate Park Web Site, and every square inch was in use on Saturday.

“Everyone is raving about this park. On a scale from one to ten, this is a ten,” said Lopez.

For a full day of skating, youths pay \$3 and adults pay \$5.

Hollowed out pools, called bowls, are where the skaters pull off their grabs and grinds.

The main bowl was where the professionals showed their stuff to an admiring crowd while music blared from DJ RS2.

Skateboarding legends Steve Caballero, Christian Hosoi and Steve Alba had the crowd cheering and banging their boards on the ground for more during the grand masters event, which Hosoi won.

“It’s an awesome event, an honor to participate in it and have it here in our city. I wish everyone could have a little piece of it to take it home with them,” said grand master participant Mitchell Mendez. “It’s going to be the mecca again. Hopefully San Jose will be back on the map.”

Announcer David Duncan introduced the skaters before he or she dropped into the bowl. Every skater in the main bowl had two practice runs and one event run that was scored by three judges.

Pros and amateurs alike traveled from all over to be at the event.

“I drove all the way from Huntington Beach to skate this, and it lived up to the expectations,” said skater Kris Reeves. “Most places say they are great, but there is usually something small off. You guys really got it right. It will keep the skaters happy and keep the scene happy.”

Sandwiched between the professionals and amateurs was the women’s skating event.

“The women’s skaters — they have really stepped up and gotten a lot better,” Gomez said.

A collection for the Tim Brauch fund was on display at the event, with all proceeds benefitting the Brauch foundation that promotes skate park construction in cities across the country, according to the Sessions Web site.

“To come out here and support Tim and his family, it is awe-



Matt Sneddon pulls a 5-0 grind in the locals heat of the 10th annual Tim Brauch Memorial Contest at Lake Cunningham Regional Skate Park. The park, which claims to be the largest skate park in California, is located in southeast San Jose.

some to be here,” Hosoi said. “I have been skating for 33 years. (I am) stoked to be here, hanging out with friends and family.”

Local band Jonny Manak and the Depressives played during the final professional event, with Benji Galloway the winner of the

professional event. “Tim would have been stoked right now,” said Joe Spallierio, a friend of Brauch’s.

## Two SJSU football players earn conference honors for performance in win on Saturday



Junior Justin Cole (left) and senior Jared Strubeck won WAC player of the week awards.

Courtesy of SJSU Athletics

Staff Report

SJSU kicker Jared Strubeck and linebacker Justin Cole were awarded Western Athletic Conference honors on Monday for their contributions to the Spartans’ 20-17 win over Hawaii on Saturday.

Strubeck, who made two of three attempts including a go-ahead, 47-yard field goal with

less than two minutes remaining, was named WAC Special Teams Player of the Week.

The senior kicker also made a 50-yard field goal earlier in the fourth quarter. It was a career long for Strubeck and was also the longest successful kick by an SJSU player since 1995, SJSU Athletics reported.

It was the second time in

school history that a kicker made two field goals of at least 45 yards in a single game.

Cole, who had two sacks and two-and-a-half tackles for a loss of yards in the victory, was named the conference’s Defensive Player of the Week.

The Spartans defeated the Warriors for the first time since 2000 on Saturday.

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The article, “SJSU hockey opens season with two losses,” from Sept. 30, stated, “But senior forward Jeff Kuncaitis scored what would be the first goal of a three point rally...” The article should have stated that junior wing Mickey Rhodes scored the goal.

The next paragraph stated, “SJSU sophomore center Robbie Vaughan scored shortly thereafter, bringing it to 4-3. With just 1:08 left on the clock, Kuncaitis managed to score the tying goal.” The article should have stated that freshman center Kyle Dutra scored to make the score 4-3. The article also should have stated that Robbie Vaughan scored the tying goal.

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