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CRIMES ON CAMPUS

Papazian discusses hateful acts

By Luke Johnson STAFF WRITER

San Jose State University President Mary Papazian held a press conference on campus last Thursday to address the recently reported attack on a female Muslim student.

SJSU released details of the incident in an email to students and staff the day before. It stated that a Muslim-American student was assaulted by a male suspect who pulled her hijab—her head scarf causing her to choke in the Fourth Street Garage that afternoon.

"We care deeply about students' safety," Papazian said. "It's impossible to learn and thrive in an environment where you fear, and so our commitment to you is to ensure that we are as vigilante as we possibly can be to create as much safety as possible."

The alleged attack came in

the wake of Donald Trump's presidential election victory, and several students consider this a "hate crime."

"He's a leader and he's speaking against other people," said Aman Singh, a business administration senior who was born in India. "That's not good, because it gives people confidence to do harmful things."

Singh added that the reported attack did not make him more or less fearful for his own safety, because he already had a preexisting extent of fear and said the incident did not surprise him.

"I think people have interpreted the election from all kinds of perspectives," Papazian said. "We're always concerned with anything that creates approval for bullying."

The San Jose Police Department is currently investigating the situation. The suspect was described as a fair-skinned male,



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San Jose State University's President Mary Papazian addresses members of the media Thursday afternoon in Clark Hall in regards to an attack on a Muslim student

wearing a dark "hoodie" with khaki pants. There are no security cameras in the West Garage and there are no known witnesses or bystanders at this time. Papazian said consideration for installing cameras is on the SJSU administration's safety agenda moving forward.

Two days after the female was attacked, a South Asian student was "verbally accosted" while studying in the Engineering Building according to Papazian, and was told to "go back to his country."

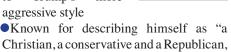
"There has been an ongoing conversation and outreach in hopes to try to create assurances [for] all students who are concerned about their safety," Papazian said. "We recognize that these are unsettling experiences, and we wanna make sure that all the students involved have the resources they need."

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TRUMP'S TEAM

MICHAEL PENCE Vice President Governor of Indiana

Often seen as the counterpart Trump's more



Originally endorsed Texas Senator Ted Cruz for president during the 2016 presidential primaries.

STEPHEN BANNON

in that order."

Chief Strategist Executive Chairman of Breitbart News

Veteran of the United States Navy

Many are upset over Bannon's impending

appointment due to concerns over his conservative beliefs

•Worked in film industry and in the banking industry for Goldman Sachs

REINCE PRIEBUS Chief of Staff Republican National Committee Chairman

Worked on campaign at age 16

Elected following major success in home state Wisconsin

 Backs Trump's desire to pursue a special investigation of Hillary Clinton and her alleged scandals.

Information gathered from the Washington Post, New York Times CNN and GOP.com

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ARE THE PROTESTS AGAINST DONALD TRUMP CONSTRUCTIVE? **VOTE ON TWITTER** @spartandaily

SELF-DEFENSE

UPD teaches a RAD lesson

By Karianne Sudyka STAFF WRITER

This past weekend, the University Police Department held a Rape decided to enroll. Aggression Defense (R A D) selfdefense class to teach women how to defend themselves from attacks; anytime, anywhere.

Many of the participants were students but some non-students and employees of the university.

Employee of the SJSU research foundation Angelique Duysings found the course on the UPD website and said, "I thought it would be a great class to take seeing as I have a daughter and if I show her that I'm interested in learning how to defend myself then it would become important to her as well."

Junior child and adolescent

development major Magali Yanez discovered the class through SJSU's Aspire program and

Taking place over two days, the class went over how to be more aware of surroundings as well as how to use the voice to alert passersby of trouble.

Both days contained hands on training as well led by Officer Rafael Vargas with others from

They taught the girls how to produce powerful jabs in front or behind them in order to get away from possible attackers. In addition, the officers would perform one-on-one simulations on a mat in order to turn a

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Officer Vargas almost gets thrown to the ground by one of the participants of the self-defense class.

ANTI-TRUMP

SJ students protest: 'Not my president'

By VICENTE SERNA-ESTRADA STAFF WRITER

Hundreds of high school students walked out of school and marched to San Jose City Hall downtown in

protest of Donald Trump's election Thursday afternoon. Students marched from their classrooms against staff's advice, chanting and holding up signs against Trump.

Students from San Jose



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Students brought Mexican Flags and signs calling out President-elect Donald Trump as homophobic, a rapist and a racist on Thursday at San Jose City Hall.

High School, ACE Charter High School, Cristo Rey San Jose Jesuit High School, DCP Alum Rock High School, KIPP San Jose Collegiate High school and more participated in the strike.

What started off as an internet joke from San Jose High School juniors, Eileen Huerta and Stephanie Medel, turned into a real protest.

"I'm going to be really honest, me and my friend at first we were just joking about it," Huerta said. "I told her let's just make a post and see where it takes us and if a lot people comment and share then we'll do it."

The post blew up, and students planned to walk out of their classes at 11 a.m. and head to city hall. Huerta said her principal at San Jose High School was not happy about the protest.

Students chanted se puede" and "not my president" as they made their way to city hall. Cars honked and cheered as they drove by.

"We've been discriminated and stereotyped our whole lives," Huerta said. "We do have a say in it, but we're in between. We don't really know what to do, so we're trying to express ourselves."

Vice Mayor Rose Herrera stopped by the protest to speak and show her support to the high school students.

"They're participating in democracy right now," Herrera said. "This is democracy in action. This is what our constitution allows us to do. Unlike other countries where if you go out and protest you might see tanks coming down the street.

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This is what America means and I'm so gratified to see they're out here how they feel. This is the future of our country."

Students poured in waving multiple Mexican flags. The high school students carried signs in support of the Mexican, LGBT and Muslim communities. Other signs called Trump out as a racist, rapist and bigot.

"It's our first amendment right to speak our voices and to be heard," said Heidi Ortez, an ACE Charter High School senior. "What he has said, it's something that can't just be ignored ... We took one step forward with

Obama and now it's like two steps back."

Students from different schools came and went in waves chanting and cheering. Students' speeches about the Mexican community and LGBT rights were met with cheers and chants.

"Our families came here for a purpose. Our families came to give their children a future, a job, a life, a life they never had in the country that we came from," said Dulce Tirri, a San Jose High School student. "To have somebody to come and rule our country and dictate the fact that cannot have that, taking away our dreams. It's not right."

Protests have continued throughout San Jose and all over the United States following Trump's victory.

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San Jose high school students rallied up in front of San Jose City Hall to protest against the results of the presidential election.

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dangerous situation in their favor if laying down or on the ground.

Lasting a total of 12 hours over the two days, the extensive basic training was focused on awareness and how to mold the situation in favor of the women.

Vargas, while still being serious with his teachings, made each exercise easy to understand and follow with bits of humor thrown in here and there; in order to make each participant feel comfortable with the instructors. Though real life situations would make the participants almost improvise each move they make, the program and its instructors tried to make the environment as safe and open as possible.

Each time a scenario played out, Vargas made sure to emphasize a fast, strong defense to limit energy expulsion so that an escape attempt would be more likely successful.

"Moving a lot could get tiring," Vargas said. "So don't overdo it."

One of the exercises had participants one at a time laying on a mat in a defensive position against a "perpetrator." Each woman laid on their side, propped up on a forearm with legs slightly curled in order to spin themselves and kick the assaulter as necessary.

"Make them react. Keep an eye on them, watch them. Pay attention," Vargas said. "If the guy is standing still, there is absolutely no need for you to move around. You can dictate [the scenario]."

Toward the end of the training, the women were taken into a side room in order to put on protective gear. One at a time, they were allowed back into the main gym setting. Vargas explained that each girl was going

to experience three scenarios based off of daily pathways and possible encounters they may face.

The scenarios generally ranged from waiting at the bus stop and being approached by a stranger to walking back to the dorms at night. In order to evaluate what each woman would think to do at that moment in time without preparation in the scenarios, participants would not be allowed into the gym area until it was their turn.

Instructors and participants put on protective padding in order for them to more accurately simulate an altercation. Participants were allowed to go full force on the instructors as they need to if attacked in real life.

Each woman was faced with three different situations. With a dozen students in the class and two instructors leading in the simulations, the instructors were certainly worn out upon completion.

After completing the course, several of the participants felt accomplished.

"I feel like I could defend myself a lot more than before," said junior psychology major Ashley Emerson. "I never thought that I could do what I did today during training."

UPD's RAD women's self-defense training is offered twice each semester, usually on weekends. Course dates can be found on the UPD website. Vargas hopes more attendees will participate in the future.

"This two day training gave me the security and the confidence that I need so I can use these strategies in a real life situation," Yanez said. "I'm glad I attended this training because it really made a positive impact in my life."

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Politicians React to Trump's Win





"It is no secret that the President-elect and I have some pretty significant differences... but we are all ruiting for his success in uniting and leading the country."

U.S. President Barack Obama

"I hope that he will be a successful president for all Americans. This is not the outcome we wanted, what we worked so hard for, and I'm sorry we did not win this election."







"Barbara and I congratulate Donald Trump, wish him well as he guides America forward as our President. His family is in our prayers."

-George Bush

"To the degree that Mr. Trump is serious about pursuing policies that improve the lives of working families in this country, I and other progressives are prepared to work with him. To the degree that he pursues racist, sexist, xenophobic and anti-environment policies, we will vigorously oppose him."

-Bernie Sanders



Information gathered from CNN
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PREVIEW

Students assess future planning potential

By Estephany Haro Staff writer

San Jose State University students from the Urban and Regional Planning Department will be hosting a Northside Neighborhood Open House meeting on Nov. 16 at 6 p.m. at Grant Elementary School in San Jose. The organization will have a discussion on current neighborhood planning priorities to help shape Northside's future by sharing its assessment work. The open house is available to the public.

This project is part of a course called Community Assessment, which is a six credit course, said Richard Koss, one of the instructors of the course. Students collaborate closely with residents and business owners to assess San Jose's Northside neighborhood.

The Northside neighborhood is bordered by E. Hedding St. on the north, Highway 101 and Coyote Creek to the east, N. 7th St. on the west, and E. Julian St. on the south, according to the course syllabus. According to its website, the Northside Neighborhood Association (NNA), formed in 1965, is the oldest neighborhood association in San Jose.

"Students learn the techniques for assessing a community — that is, comprehensively documenting the current will conditions of a community, including its demographics, assets and problems, transportation and many more topics," Koss said.

Koss said that in the Open House the students plan to show the results of their assessment work to community members. Their assessment work will include maps, charts, graphs, photos, video and engage the residents in casual discussions about their findings as well as their priorities for neighborhood improvement. Koss said Mayor Sam Liccardo of San Jose and councilman Raul Peralez will stop by the meeting.

"We, the students, assess the community,

conduct a neighborhood survey to better understand the community, and design/ conduct an open house for the community to elicit community input," Jessica Prasad, a concerned citizen and SJSU student, said.

After the Open House on Nov. 16 the students will complete a final Community Assessment report in mid-December and present it to their association.

The finished report will be of great value to Northside leaders, the City of San Jose planning staff and District 3 Supervisor Peralez. Also, it will serve as a solid reference for partner organizations, local neighborhood business groups and other key stakeholders with a strong interest in improving the health and vibrancy of the Northside neighborhood, the syllabus states.

"It is quite a remarkable course, which enables students to engage in service-learning and I must also add, all work, with the guidance of instructors and CommUniverCity, is conducted by students," Prasad said. "This includes planning, researching, gathering materials, communication, marketing, writing, and conducting the Open House."

The Northside Neighborhood community meets monthly at Joyce Ellington Library at 7 p.m. according to the San Jose City neighborhood group's website. The Northside Neighborhood Association's website welcomes its visitors with a message about the efforts done by the association to beautify the community and the destination of their funds, which go towards developing, servicing and bringing together the neighborhood through special projects, neighborhood events and ensuring that they have a strong and unified representation working for them in the City of San Jose government.

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Alicia Keys leaves her strong voice behind in 'Here'

By Vicente Serna-Estrada STAFF WRITER

Alicia Keys' newest album, 'Here' leaves behind the classic vocals and ballads and takes on an edgy, urban and gritty sound while preaching on society's troubles. Keys' eighth studio album takes on a fresh sound that regrettably leaves behind her powerful vocals and trades them in for an edgy pianofocused vibe.

'Here' was released on Nov. 4, available on all platforms including both Apple Music and Spotify. The album has yet to chart on any top list in the United States.

Her 16-track album is full of deep messages on society and encouragement, but lacks memorability. With five weak interludes, it throws the focus at the rest of the tracks, which are quite lackluster for the most part.

The R&B sound that Keys seems to aim for is there, but it does not suffice for the fouryear break since her last album. Though her sound is disappointing, the messages within the lyrics cannot be ignored.

Her first track off the album is 'The Beginning,' the first of multiple superfluous interludes. The poetic and intense lyrics set up the album for a strong start. This interlude does what it's meant to do, transition into the next song, which I can't say for the other interludes.

The second track, 'The Gospel,' has a worthy sound, is as close as you're going to get to her older releases. Lyrics touching on Black history and a light rap on Keys' part make it impactful.

'Pawn It All' gets you excited for some of Keys' boundless and catchy vocals like those found on the 2007 hit 'No One,' but disappoints with jaded notes. Though I cannot neglect the spiritual lyrics touching on material things meaning nothing without love.

Keys writes about other people's struggles throughout her tracks. In 'She Don't Really Care_1 Luv' she sings about a strong and independent New York queen and in 'Where Do We Begin Now' she speaks on an LGBT person. In 'Illusion Of Bliss' Keys talks about a woman who's in love and addicted to drugs.

These tracks help get Keys to the message she's trying to send, which is touching on societal problems. This tactic doesn't bring any personal development or connection with Keys, and instead brings focus to the issues, accompanied with solid bluesy beats.

'Work On It' is the tenth track on the album, and by far one of the best. Talking about the battles of a struggling relationship, Keys really embodies the right emotions in her lyrics and sound. The arrangement of the song blends well, alternating between the heart-felt song and a recording of a conversation between Keys and multiple discussing physical insecurities.

'Holy War' and 'More Than We Know' are the closest tracks that resemble Keys' powerhouse vocals from tracks like her 2003 mega hit 'If I Ain't Got You' and most recently, 'Girl On Fire' from 2012. With catchy choruses, powerful notes and heavy lyrics these tracks got it right.

Though the new album isn't what was anticipated, it still remains solid in the sound Keys wanted to reach. Her consciousness on society adds to the impact, but lacks the sound we know to be Alicia Keys.

Keys has been active in the R&B game for 15 years, coming out with catchy, emotional and heartfelt hits. She has earned the right to experiment with her sound, and the sound she came out with was alright. Though she made it apparent that she was going for heartfelt, the sound was faulty missing her powerful vocals.



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Alicia Keys Chart History

Song	Year:	Chart Peek:	Duration:
'No One'	2007	0	39 weeks
'Fallin'	2001	0	34 weeks
'If I Ain't Got You'	2004	4	33 weeks
'A Woman's Worth'	2002	7	20 weeks
'Diary'	2004	8	18 weeks
'Girl On Fire'	2012	1	27 weeks
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Information gathered from Billboard.com INFOGRAPHIC BY VICENTE SERNA-ESTRADA | SPARTAN DAILY

Fountain Alley gets decorated and painted by the public



ESTEPHANY HARO | SPARTAN DAILY

People who wanted to participate in the art project got the opportunity to paint what they wanted on a canvas.

By Estephany Haro

STAFF WRITER

The public came together at Fountain Alley in Downtown San Jose on Friday and Saturday where they were able to get creative and create a painting. Fountain Alley, located south of E Santa Clara Street between 1st and 2nd Street doesn't have any artistic attractions and the organizers decided to change that.

Erin Salazar, Executive Director and founder of a nonprofit called the Exhibition District, was one of the organizers of this event and said that it attracted more than 200 people in both days.

"I thought it was going to be a lot less, I didn't think I would have to primer in between to start over so this time it was a lot more," Salazar said.

The event itself was two different projects. 100 Block, lead by Salazar, is a prototype meant to hire 100 artists that will create mini murals that will be put together in a mosaic. There is a community outreach aspect of the project having people from the public come and paint anything that they want.

"It's our goal to create economic opportunities for artists through city beautification. We mainly coach artists to create big pieces of public art and murals," Salazar said.

Salazar hopes that the mosaic stays in Fountain Alley but said they're still waiting for a response. "We're waiting to hear back from some of the property owners who we have to work with before painting their walls," Salazar said.

However, there's a chance that the art the public created over the weekend is showcased in a vacant property until they use the canvas board again and she hopes to do this more often.

"I feel a lot of people are finding this to be very therapeutic and also an expression on how they might be feeling and affected by this year's election," Salazar said.

Jason Su, an SJSU alumnus, is the main organizer of the Fountain Gallery Alley, a pop-up art gallery that works closely with Salazar's 100 block project as they support each other. "We've worked with each other before in other projects and we've done the same fellowship together... it always helps to have teammates," Su said.

The Fountain Gallery Alley is part of Emerging City Champions, a partnership between the Knight Foundation and 8 80 Cities, two community-based organizations. The partnership is also supported by the Downtown San Jose Association.

It's the first time hosting the Fountain Gallery Alley and Su hopes to organize it again.

"This is the first one and after this event I want to get a download from everyone that attended and see what they thought of it," Su said. "If they think is good and if we find additional funding for another one then we'll do it again and the intent is that every time we do the event we leave the place a little better than we found it."

Su said that one of the reasons why he chose Fountain Alley is to attract more people to it.

"It's a space that most people don't go through, most people have a bad perception of but when you really take the time to look at it is not a bad place, it needs more things happening in it,"

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4 OPINION

Paper and pen bring hope to the Muslim community



DIANA SAN JUAN

STAFF WRITER

This year has been filled with nothing but heartache, sorrow and disbelief.

Donald Trump will sit in the Oval Office in 2017 and he has been the main cause for many of these feelings. Despite having to face the fact that we live in a horrible world, a small gesture of love brings muchneeded hope.

presidential year's This election put several communities in the US at the center of hateful acts. One of the communities that was hit hardest was the Muslim community.

In the quest to win the presidency, Trump proposed a ban of all Muslims to the US in addition to making horrid comments about their community and proposing to have a database system that would track all Muslims in the US, according to NBC.

When my worst nightmare came true on election night, I realized that what were once presidential candidate's unlikely promises, could be America's reality.

According Mashable, to someone in Fishers, Indiana shared a note that he found on the door of his local mosque left by a concerned neighbor.

"I am sure things must be scary for you all right now. I hope the coming weeks and months are peaceful, but no matter what, please know that many of us appreciate what you bring to this community and wish you nothing but love. Thank you," read the note signed with a heart by "a concerned neighbor."

Though I am not Muslim, reading the handwritten note warmed my body after the shock of Tuesday left it cold.

Every Facebook post, every trending tweet and every news channel is filled with news that give us nothing but pessimism. It's sad how desperate I was for something like this to pop up on my news feed.

The note gives us a glance at what humans living within the diversity that is the U.S. should

be like and think like.

In the midst of all of the hate and what seems like a neverending storm, a little light shines through pen and paper.

People from different backgrounds took to Twitter to share the photo of the note and share their feelings. Some even posted a picture of their crying faces with captions like "got me feeling like," "the fact that we needed this ... " "beautiful and heartwarming" and "Wow. Just wow."

People's concern for the Muslim community is justified. Beyond the Muslim ban, NBC reported that the Presidentelect planned to have a database system that would track all Muslims in the US.

There have been several peaceful protests following

Trump's win for the sole purpose of reminding people to love.

According to NBC, in some of the protests that have taken place in San Jose, Oakland and Berkeley signs protesters have held read "Not my President," "Let young America live!" and "Say no to hate, racism, violence, Trump."

We must all take a lesson from whoever wrote the friendly note. Now more than ever, we need to stand together not just as Muslims, Mexicans, Americans or Asian, but as people.

A small gesture of love gets us one step closer to finally being able to say five words we've been so desperately needing: Faith in humanity is restored.

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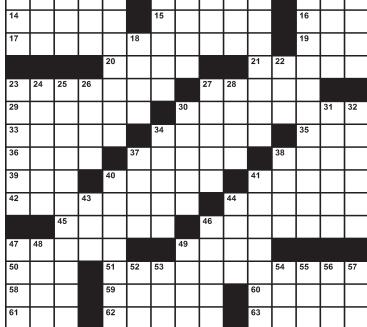
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The passing of Prop 64 is not a victory for everyone



DIANA SAN JUAN

STAFF WRITER

As a 22-year-old Bay Area native, it may come as a shock to all of you reading but ... I have never smoked weed. Yup, and get ready for this one: I voted "no" on Proposition 64.

Hate me yet?

Before you do, let me say that I am not against the consumption of marijuana and don't judge anyone who partakes in it.

I did not vote no on Prop. 64 because I want marijuana to go away but there are ways of doing it without having to legalize and commercialize it. People know how to get their hands on it, obviously, and have been able to smoke it without a problem so there is no need to encourage it any further.

One of the benefits of the legalization of marijuana is that you'll be able to grow it at home. For all of you "plugs," you'll now be competing against "Bud and Breakfasts" and other athome growers.

Consumers will now be able to buy marijuana at pot-shops but that won't be happening until 2018, according to TIME magazine.

With its legalization, marijuana will continue to be baked into sugary bites like brownies and cookies and it will now even be in vegetables.

There is no need to taint a perfectly fresh vegetable with this drug.

With it being in common foods, the likelihood of children getting their hands on marijuana-infused products is greater than it just being rolled into a blunt.

According to the New York Times, "A study published on Monday in the journal JAMA Pediatrics says that in Colorado the rates of marijuana exposure in young children, many of them toddlers, have increased 150 percent since 2014, when recreational marijuana products, like sweets, went on the market legally."

I don't understand the point in legalizing something that has been going on for so long without a problem.

According to the New York Times, public health experts say that there have been insufficient studies of the drug's effects and that law enforcement agencies lack reliable tests to determine whether a driver is impaired by marijuana.

According to The National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws, "Cannabis intoxication has been shown to mildly impair psychomotor skills

... this impairment is typically manifested by subjects decreasing their driving speed and requiring greater time to respond to emergency situations."

This alone should be a big enough argument for the vetoing of marijuana legalization.

According to Science Daily, "Fatal crashes involving drivers who recently used marijuana doubled in Washington after the state legalized the drug,

according to the latest research by the AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety."

A recent study conducted by St. Luke's University Hospital Network proved that heart attacks, strokes and stress cardiomyopathy have been linked to marijuana particularly in young men.

According to CNN, "Greater availability of marijuana, particularly for recreational use, has heightened concern in the medical community about cardiac risks."

According to The Impact of Marijuana Policies on Youth: Clinical, Research, and Legal Update by the American Academy of Pediatrics, "Marijuana alters brain development, with detrimental effects on brain structure and function, in ways that are incompletely understood. Furthermore, marijuana smoke contains tar and other harmful chemicals, so it cannot be recommended by physicians."

It was always a shock to me how many kids in my middle school smoked on a regular basis.

Now, we can expect more young kids to do it because they'll think it's okay now that it's legalized.

We have to remember, it is still a drug.

The decision of voting no on Prop. 64 did not come because I am a prude or want to stop people from doing what they like to do. It was a personal decision that I stand by. There is no need to commercialize marijuana any further.

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The Ugly Truth About Smoking Marijuana

Marijuana contains 50 to 70 percent more cancer-causing substances than tobacco smoke.

One single cannabis joint could cause as much damage to the lungs as up to five regular cigarettes smoked one after another.

Mental functions of people who have smoked a lot of marijuana tend to be diminished.

Marijuana can change the structure of sperm cells, deforming them. Even small amounts of marijuana can cause temporary sterility in men.

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Teacher should not be punished for expressing how he feels



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Phil Morales, the principal of Milpitas High School, was put on administrative leave on Thursday after saying "F*** Donald Trump" during a student walk out in protest of the new Republican President-elect Donald Trump, according to the Mercury News. The slur was shortly uploaded to Twitter.

The rally was held in the school's football field where the

students who attended expressed their concerns over Presidentelect Donald Trump. Morales contributed his own concerns as a Hispanic person. Morales was later notified that he was put on leave.

He shouldn't have been punished for voicing his opinion.

"Outside of being a principal, I am a human being, I am a Latino, and I have concerns and fears of being a Latino, Mexican of my skin color," Morales said during an interview with the Mercury News. "I'm scared and I share in their [the student] fears as well."

I agree with the principal in expressing his feelings the way he did. The Nov. 8 presidential election left more than half of the country speechless and shocked. It's only normal for anyone to express what they're feeling without thinking

about it. I do agree, though, that as an educator you need to have certain standards and language when you're talking to students.

However, for most Hispanics, this is personal. How can a teacher or principal say hopeful things to students when the president-elect has only insulted them and said negative things about them?

Interim Superintendent Cheryl Jordan, who was in San Diego for a conference, placed him on administrative leave shortly before 2 p.m., Morales said in a Mercury News interview.

"As educational leaders we are role-models and are held to a high standard of ethics, we have to be cognizant of our word choices," said Superintendent Cheryl Jordan, according to the Mercury News.

How is it that our President-elect

doesn't have to be cognizant for his words when addressing minorities, the LGBT community and women?

President-elect Trump has mocked a disabled person. At a rally he waved his arms in a way that evoked the disability of New York Times reporter Serge Kovaleski.

He also made rewmarks about the Muslim community, he said he would consider surveillance of mosques and shutting some down and suggested establishing a national database to register Muslims, according to a CNN article. One time Trump said it was okay to assault women in a leaked audio from Access Hollywood.

A history teacher was put on leave from Mountain View High School after he compared President-elect Trump to Hitler. A parent contacted the school via email to express concerns over his comparison. He has now received death threats, according to CBS.

It's ironic that some people get offended when people compared our President-elect to a dictator or when they use the "F" word to express their nonconformity but they didn't get offended when he attacked and insulted different groups of people.

Morales apologized and agreed his statement was not correct, but nobody should be offended and punished by using the "F" word. The fact is, a teacher or principal can't undo all the harm and fear that our president-elect has done himself.

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Threes propel Spartans to dominant win vs Eagles



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E.J. Boyce follows through on of his 12 attempted three pointers he took in the game.

By Jason Dunham Staff Writer

The San Jose State men's basketball team started off its season victorious, outscoring the visiting West Coast Baptist Eagles 109 to 70 in the Event Center on Sunday.

Sophomore guard E.J. Boyce was the leading scorer in his debut for the Spartans with 20 points, 18 of which came from behind the three-point line. Boyce came out of the gate strong in the first half landing four out of his five three-point shots.

"I was just trying to run a transition and my teammates did a good job of finding me," Boyce said. "When the defense lost me in transition I was just knocking down the shots when my teammates were giving me the ball."

Freshman guard Terrell Brown and junior guard Jalen James also came up



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Spartans' bench celebrate after a three pointer made by sophomore guard E.J. Boyce, who made a team-high six three pointers in the win against West Coast Baptist.

big for the Spartans. Brown, who was also making his SJSU debut, finished with 14 points while James had 13.

"It's fun, we all get together, we all play hard, play smart and we have fun games," Brown said. "It's really good."

Three-point shots seemed to be the name of the game for the Spartans. The team kicked the game off with three straight shots from downtown — two by sophomore forward Ryan Welage and one by freshman guard Isaiah Nichols — before allowing the Eagles to get any points on the board.

"It is always important to start the game off well, I thought our guys did a great job at building the lead early," said head coach Dave Wojcik. "We shot 12 of 29 which is 41 percent from three, I'll take that anyday of the week so hopefully we'll continue."

The Spartans ended the first half with a 26-point lead over WCB shooting with

great accuracy, landing over 60 percent of their shots while out-rebounding the opposition by 13 at the break.

In the second half, the Spartans looked to learn from their final exhibition game in which they built a 31-point lead only to be outscored in the second half.

"I think we definitely learned our lesson from last game," Boyce said. "We talked about it in the locker room at halftime and made it a big key, everyone tried to focus on putting the two halves together."

The Spartans did start the second half a little rocky, though, allowing the Eagles to score five points to the Spartans' two in the first few minutes of the half.

The Spartans cleaned it up shortly thereafter and held the Eagles at the same 35 points they managed during the first half before extending the lead to 39 at the final whistle.

"The game went pretty good, we all played hard we all played smart," Brown said. "If we stay disciplined, we'll always have a good game, always."

Moving forward the Spartans look to keep up their strong offensive game by passing the ball and continuing to hit their free throws.

Last year's non-conference portion of the schedule didn't go so well winning just 5 of 13 games.

The Spartans next game is at home on Nov. 15 at 7 p.m. against the University of Portland Pilots who also opened their season with three straight wins.

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