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“What we want to do is something your can do at home very simple and you get the results right to your phone,” Rodriguez said. “Alongside those measurements, if certain hormones like estrogen or progesterone are really low, this means you are heading towards menopause and you can keep those levels up and upgrade your lifestyle choices with diet and exercise.”

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NOW OPEN FOR LUNCH STARTING OCTOBER 1st
Join us for our Happy Hour Specials!
Get any medium pizza with chicken wings for $19.95 or any XL pizza with 10 chicken wings for $39.95.

PIZZA

Cheese P $8.50 / S $10.95 / M $14.99 / L $18.99
Pizza sauce & mozzarella cheese
Pepperoni P $9.50 / S $11.95 / M $15.99 / L $19.99
Pizza sauce, mozzarella cheese, & pepperoni
Pizza sauce, ham, pineapple, bacon, & provolone cheese
Pizza sauce, mozzarella cheese, pepperoni, italian sausage, bacon, & ham
Combination P $9.50 / S $15.99 / M $19.99 / L $23.99
Pizza sauce, mozzarella cheese, pepperoni, italian sausage, bell peppers, mushrooms, & olives
Basil pesto, mozzarella cheese, artichoke, zucchini, bell peppers, mushrooms, onions, & tomatoes
Marinated pork, mozzarella cheese, onions, cilantro, & salsa
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Mozzarella cheese, salami, black olive, yellow pepper, corn, red onions, parmesan

APPETIZERS

Chicken Wings: Bone in or Boneless (6Pc) $9.99
Chicken Strips (3Pc) $9.49
Loaded Tater Tots $11.99
Barbeque Pork Sliders (3Pc) $9.99
Calemari $13.99
Pizza Tacos (2Pc) $10.99
Nashville Style Hot Chicken Sliders (3Pc) $11.99
Mini Burger Sliders (3Pc) $11.99
Artichoke and Spinach Dip $14.99
Sampler $28.99
Sweet Potato Fries $5.00
French Fries $5.00

COMBOS

Combo A $48
1 XL pizza, chicken wings, & loaded tater tots
Combo B $75
2 Large pizza, chicken wings, loaded tater tots, & artichoke dip
Combo C $88
1 XL & 1 large pizza, chicken wings, loaded tater tots, artichoke dip, & french fries

Personal Combo $16.99
Personal pizza, soft drink, & salad or fries

Jumbo Wings $15
10 Pcs (2 Flavors)
20 Pcs (3 Flavors)
30 Pcs (4 Flavors)
40 Pcs (5 Flavors)
50 Pcs (6 Flavors)
100 Pcs

HAPPY HOUR

Well Drink $3.50
Craft Beer $5.50
Craft Cocktails $8.50
Calm down Vin Diesel, sideshows aren’t cool

Brandon Twomey

Sideshows need to hit the brakes and come to an end — we are not in a “Fast and the Furious” world, nor can you drive like Brian O’Conner. Sideshows are found on streets, freeways and other public locations. Cars are the most common vehicle used during the events, however motorcycles and dirt bikes are also a common sight.

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Dungeons and Dragons (D&D) may seem like a difficult roleplaying game involving math and a roll of the dice, but for some San Jose State students, it's a form of art.

Finn Mathews, president of D&D Club at SJSU and communication studies senior, said the club’s main priority is to make sure everyone feels welcome regardless of experience.

“I know, personally, I’ve dealt with a lot of social anxiety. So I do my best to make sure that everyone feels welcome and that we have spaces for all different types of people,” Mathews said.

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By Kyle Tran
SPORTS EDITOR

The San Jose State volleyball team made it all the way to the Mountain West tournament Championship at Moby Arena in Fort Collins, Colo. where they lost to Utah State State 3-1, on Friday night.

After surviving the No. 2 seed, the Spartans earned a first round bye in the tournament, where they would play the winner of the quartefinal matchup between No. 3 seed Colorado State and No. 6 seed San Diego State. The Aztecs eventually toppled the hosting Rams.

The Spartans had state chance at redemption against the Aztecs after SDSU played spoiler on SJSU's senior night the previous week and won 3-1. Just like their previous matchup, the match was a back-and-forth battle. SDSU started hot, taking the first set 25-17. Sophomore outside hitter Madeline Rennebo led the Spartan offense with 6 kills.

However, the Aztecs flipped the script and took the second set 25-17, tying the match at 1-1. In the third set, the Spartans started finding their momentum as redshirt sophomore Hale Fleming had 5 kills en route to winning the set 25-19.

The Spartans were 1 set away from going to the championship game. SDSU carried its momentum from the previous set where it would eventually lead the Aztecs 12-4. SJSU had other plans and gained momentum fast where it eventually tied the match at 1-1.

The Spartans fought back, taking a 2-2 lead with the game winning point coming from an SDSU attack error. (SJSU won the third set 27-25 with the game score being 5-3.) The win marked the Spartans' first MW championship appearance in program history where their last bundle was against No. 4 Utah State. SJSU took the early lead and won the first set from a Utah State attack error in a close finish 26-24.

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