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Students may receive fee refund in class action suit

Oakland Mayor Jean Quan has experienced poverty, racism and gender discrimination. As a student, she went on strike at UC Berkeley in support of ethnic studies and boycotted grapes to support farmworkers. She fought to prevent the eviction of poor Asian seniors from the International Hotel in San Francisco, and she considers Compton, Chavez and Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. her heroes.

But after Tuesday’s predawn raid on the Occupy Oakland camp at Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, followed that night with police in riot gear shooting tear gas, bean bags and rubber bullets into large crowds of protesters, Quan finds herself in an unusual position.

After less than a year in office she is being criticized and hosed by the working class, unemployed and underemployed — the so-called 99 percent she has supported, fought for and defended her entire life.

“I’m pretty sad, and obviously it’s very painful,” she said Friday. Somebody in the national media ‘said I had no business being mayor after what happened while I was in town.’

As the mayor of the city’s first Latino school district, Quan said she believes she is being held to a different standard, especially if tuition is raising and classes are being cut. “That’s why I apologized to the family of Scott Olsen.”

Quan, interim Police Chief Howard Jordan and City Administrator Deanna Santana made the decision last week to remove the Occupy Oakland camp from Ogawa Plaza because it had become a public safety hazard and efforts to communicate with the organizers had failed. Jordan and she needed five days to make the arrangements.

Quan said everyone’s priority was to hold off, though she said she wished she had more time to think about politics. I have to keep people safe.

“I’ve been able to organize the community and balance the budget. I had to have all your work defined by one thing. The city probably did make some mistakes. That’s why I apologized to the family of Scott Olsen.”

Quan has two tours of duty in Iraq, was struck in the head by a tear-gas canister and known unconfirmed. He was rescued by other protesters who rushed him to the hospital where he underwent brain surgery.

Jordan, Quan and Santos have said they want to justify the city’s use of force. They have launched an investigation to determine if it was used properly and whether law enforcement agencies called in to provide mutual aid during the protests followed Oakland’s policy.
Pulse flows information into the palm of the hand

**APP REVIEW**

I wake up every morning and check the same mix of my favorite informative websites and blogs, ranging from what is going on in the news to who won that game last night.

It keeps me up-to-date on current events while keeping me ahead of the game when it comes to breaking news.

In an age where we need everything quick and easy, in one easy place, it was almost a burden for me to manually check every website and blog — that was until I found Google Reader, which is now easy-to-use free RSS and Atom feed reader.

The application from Google Labs takes the hurdle out of keeping up-to-date on the latest news in my respective interests, organizing all the latest news from my favorite websites in one sidebar. Instead of searching for the latest news, the latest news now comes to me, as Google Reader notifies me of each and every new post in my favorite websites.

As a sports fan, Google Reader may be one of the best applications available, despite its non-flashy, non-sports-affiliated look.

Google Reader allows me to create a simple number in parenthesis of sports websites and blogs in one corner of the page.

A breaking news junkie like myself can appreciate receiving a notification when a player is injured, trades occur or what happened in that one game.

My favorite part of Google Reader is its ability to subscribe to websites and blogs, a feature which is still unavailable in the competition.

I am able to subscribe to the latest posts from my favorite sports writer or blogger, as well as subscribing to my favorite team, which allows me to keep up-to-date on their newest posts and results.

However, there must be more Google Reader can do with this. Since Google Reader’s inception in 2005, the application has seemed rather unchanged in the way it functions.

That may be changing as Google announced last month that it is planning to do able Google Reader’s sharing features in an attempt to integrate the application with Google’s social network Google+.

With today’s companies promoting the latest and greatest technology, Google Reader unthinned. Although that seems unlikely, Google Reader was as basic as it gets, which is why people are no doubt tearing their hair out to be drawn to it.

In that same, some things may be better left unchanged.

**WEB SITE REVIEW**

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‘The Exorcist’ delivers realistic terror

By Mark Elmasian
Spartan Daily

In a film world that produces horror films involving such things as a vampire, a man who attacks victims in their dreams and another guy slowly chasing you with a razor blade but always seems to be right behind you, victim’s voice comes to mind — phony. Why be scared by a made-up murderous monster that does not exist nor has likeness to any human being or any earthly existence? “The Exorcist”, the scariest movie of all time, is based on something real and brings terror to followers of many religions — the devil.

The film’s main character, Regan MacNeil — played by Linda Blair — becomes possessed by a demonic spirit, turning her into a terrifying being that somewhat resembles a human. MacNeil’s face turns gangrene green, her teeth become rotten and she acquires a deep, divisive voice that scares the hell out of me when I watch it at the first time.

Aside from the lack of the main character, the film’s beginning scene captures a truly bone-chilling entrance to the plot like no other horror film. The scene shows the priest the family has chosen to conduct an exorcism on the possessed girl being dropped off in front of the house. He’s in the middle of an eerily dark street with a single lamplight glaring down upon him as he prepares to enter the house. He has no idea what is to come his way, and every single frightened step he takes, it becomes more and more obvious this film will keep you up at night.

Although there have never been instances where a possessed girl being dropped off in front of the house, the image of this girl suddenly becoming possessed by a demonic spirit is much more terrifying than monster-based films because it embodies something that I believe can truly happen to a human being.

The evil ghost in the film through the possessed girl is absolutely bone-chilling. Her voice and the shrieks that come from the room in which she is barricaded are some of the most horrible sounds you will ever hear.

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IMDb’s Top Horror Films

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‘Tremors’ gives both chills and thrills

by Angela Wilkes
Spartan Daily

Tremors

Give me noble horror over in-your-face guts and gore any day. No other horror film delivers me more than ones with bloodshed, unseemly actions and those creepy crawlies we call spiders. Aside from psychological thrillers, I’d go with a movie that has terrifying creatures attacking people using the ground as their weapon.

One such film that comes to mind is one of my favorite horror — the first “Tremors” that came out in 1990, a comedy-horror starring Kevin Bacon and Fred Ward.

I eventually came to realize that every time I checked the TV listings and noticed “Tremors” was showing or would be showing, I immediately clicked to that channel or put a reminder to watch it at the designated time. Sadly, it’s rarely on.

Just to recap in case you weren’t aware of this film, “Tremors” revolves around strange, brown underground worm-like creatures that eat the natives of a small isolated town called Perfection, one by one.

At the very beginning, handymen Valentines “Val” McKee, played by Bacon, and Earl Bassett, played by Ward, are shown near the edge of a canyon, taking a break from driving.

Meanwhile, graduate student Rhonda LeBrock, who is played by Finn Carter, is on the desert part of the town investigating possible earthquake readings with a seismograph.

Val and Earl see her and introduce themselves. She mentions to the two how her seismographs are getting odd readings and asks whether they know of any construction work happening nearby as an explanation for the random activity.

Val and Earl are shocked, then leave her to head back to town.

Soon after, the scene cuts to Rhonda around an area in the desert where a lamp of dirt slightly pulsates, indicating one of the creatures is underground waiting to attack. Naturally, Rhonda gets away. However, it was a close call.

What causes me to watch this particular horror movie repeatedly is the mystery of who will be next, alongside the chemistry of the entire cast, the comedic timing of Bacon and Ward, and how they end up killing the creatures.

The first scene that showed the creatures in its entirety made me scream — “Oh my God! What is that?” They’re nasty with their muddy red-orange stumps, the long claw-like tooth in their mouths, and the tenticles with heads that shoot out when they attack.

It gives me the shivers just describing them. The movie is especially effective when it cuts to a scene of an impending doom. The creatures’ plan of attack is fit for being underground — sneaky and quick. The camera is tilted at an angle then becomes straight again when the creature is about to kill. Because the creatures are grotesque, the dirt bulges up in a reverse domino effect as it moves through the ground.

The way the movie keeps up the mystery of who is next to die, and how Val, Earl and Rhonda actually use their brains to figure out ways to outsmart the creatures always entertains me.

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Sports Report

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SJSU (3-5, 2-2 WAC) held the lead twice in the game, the first coming after a 1-yard touchdown run from senior running back Brandon Rutley.

The Spartans’ second lead of the game came with 8:29 left in the first half, and could have been SJSU’s biggest highlight of the game – a 60-yard touchdown drive to begin the third quarter. On SJU’s drive following Court’s touchdown, Faulkner would be intercepted by senior linebacker Jay Dudley, who returned it 16 yards to cap the 20-play punt return and put Louisana Tech ahead 21-14.

“Today, a lot of my mistakes and those turnovers,” Faulkner said. “I messed up in the one-meter dive with a score of 294.75 – the record was 298.95, so maybe we didn’t do the best we could,” MacIntyre said. “Actually, it’s not just us, it’s everybody – but I think we need to do better.”

Faulkner said Louisiana Tech’s defense was very well coached and created great havoc for the SJU offense in the first half.

“Sometimes, things aren’t happening the way they normally do,” he said. “In the beginning of the game and at the start of the second half, it definitely showed. Whatever we was going on, we finally settled it and just started moving the ball, relaxed and playing loose like how we can.”

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According to Chapin, the Trustee’s stated that by July, many CSU students were already billed and had paid fees that come up to the increase and payment deadlines had al- ready past at the CSU/Online, "When I get some time, I have to pay money, he’s not too con- cerned about the lawman."

“Will I win, he said “If I don’t, it doesn’t really affect me that much.”

On a civilian, a junior branch management major, said that while it was wrong that students were already charged ad- ditional fees, he was not surprised that the state was going to have to cut more CSU budget. "You can’t pay the students money, they can’t be paid, they go in the end, so just fire these students,” he said. "Even if you can place blame, in the end we all screwed

The Career Center has been a big problem for her. I think there will be less for you to do when they have this over it is still happening, and she needs to step up, to the incriminate the actions of the police and the Board of Trustees the right of the protesters.

The Career Center had been supporting the Occupy movement and were distressed that they were required to par- ticipate in dismantling the camp.

When asked if she would be able to present a repeat of Thursday’s event, the two or said “I’m going to try my dammedest.”
Researchers have found that safety drills help people to be calm or at least a little calm in these situations. While we may feel that we are too old for these drills as just something that is time consuming and exam, but they have a lot of uses. We may see these drills as disruptive, but from a technical aspect it is not impressive. While Android phones finally got moving two years after the release of the first iPhone, they were trounced by the new competition. The iPhone came out at the same time as a 3G — its technical specs were much higher. iPad camera versus SHD, HD video in 720p versus VGA video in 88p. It also had a faster processor, a larger screen and a better battery. Voronin had it all of this for a reasonable price of $399. Now Apple is playing catch-up with the Android phones. Android phones continue to gain market share and are predicted to dominate the market in the years to come. In these words, I’d say my Android is faster, stronger and smarter. Matthew Brix
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Interviews misrepresented true intention of newly passed act
In your recent article, "Students have mixed reactions toward Dream Act", when teaching on the subject of the Dream Act, I feel as though the article did not reflect on the real aspects in which the Dream Act is intended. I have witnessed these firsthand from interviews. Your interviews, David Norman, reflected on students not knowing the true purpose of the newly passed Dream Act. His idea was that the administration and police department should do more informing on the act of targeting those that are in the United States, not just the real ones. I think he is correct in targeting those that were trounced by the new competition. The iPhone came out at the same time as a 3G — its technical specs were much higher. iPad camera versus SHD, HD video in 720p versus VGA video in 88p. It also had a faster processor, a larger screen and a better battery. Voronin had it all of this for a reasonable price of $399. Now Apple is playing catch-up with the Android phones. Android phones continue to gain market share and are predicted to dominate the market in the years to come. In these words, I’d say my Android is faster, stronger and smarter. Matthew Brix
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Apple products stand head and shoulders above the competitors
On your article (What’s the big deal about Apple products?), (10/11/11) you mention that owning an Apple product makes life so much easier. I’d like to agree with you, and mention my experience with Apple as a student.
I was introduced to Macintosh when I was about 5 years old. My parents thought it was a fun and educational tool. I used it for the 36 years I was a student of the CU business. It was used extensively for the Macintosh Classic desktop computer, and it blew my mind.
Now I have a MacBook Pro that I use for college, and I’d like to say the best thing about it, besides the usability and customer support, is that it’s virus-free. A brand new Hewlett-Packard laptop was bought with a $200 allowance and was ready pre-installed. A Mac comes with peace of mind knowing that you won’t need an antivirus software. I recently acquired an iPad 2 and my mind was blown away once again. I don’t have to carry a notebook for every class I have. I can just take notes on my iPad – it’s amazing.
Also, the device feels natural, and its light weight makes it really portable. Besides, all the content can be accessed online and I can read them on my iPad. I don’t have to carry the textbook anymore and my backpack feels lighter than ever.
Needless to say I am a big Apple fan, and I’d like to end this answering your question “Who doesn’t want their lives less tangled in this fast-paced world?” And my answer is every Apple fan. They don’t want their lives less tangled because they are compartmentalized. I guess if it’s true what they say “Once you go Mac, you never go back”.
Aesthetic population needs stricter drivers license training

By Chris Marlan

I’ve seen a lot of bad things out there on the road.

After more than a decade behind the wheel, I’ve driven over the nearly 150,000 miles of busy city streets, winding country roads, and long stretches reportedly driven on a daily basis at all times and in all weather. I’ve seen some of the worst the national transportation system can offer.

We take driving very much for granted, but mostly for the wrong reasons... although it seems like it was only one incident in all accident, fortunately it wasn’t much of one. I’ve been stuck in traffic for a solid hour with my head on the wheel and nearly 150,000 miles in all weather, I’ve seen some of the worst the national transportation system can offer.

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I think young drivers should be put behind the wheel and moderately demanding driver’s training, with signifi­cant initial training, beyond the simple how-tos and basic maintenance. As a student pilot, more than half of the time I would envision driver’s training that is controlled by a student who slowly rolled their car through traffic.

So please, do me and my students a favor, instead of screaming into your steering wheel, question­ning the brain matter of those moronic drivers inside the parking garages. You all advice on how we beat the brain matter of those moronic drivers inside the parking garages.

When something is difficult enough to make us wonder how to feel during a scene, it shows us a character and how to feel about someone else, and how to behave as we do.

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WASHINGTON — Graduate students will pay more for loans next summer but that changes will save $21.6 billion by getting rid of a grace period subsidy for undergraduate loans.

The Congressional Budget Office estimates that the changes will save the government $21.6 billion — meaning students would pay that much more or borrow less — over the next 10 years.

Another change that a key Senate committee voted to include in the 2012 federal budget would “save” an additional $6.1 billion by getting rid of a grace period subsidy for undergraduate loans.

The elimination of repayment subsidies and loan subsidies for graduate students was included in the bipartisan deal reached in July known as the Budget Control Act, the law that set 10-year spending caps while raising the federal debt ceiling.

Financial aid departments at colleges and universities are now starting to notify graduate students that Stafford loans they take out next summer will no longer include a subsidy that keeps interest from accruing while they are in school.

“This was one of the few federal subsidies provided to graduate students’ said Haley Chitty, communications director for the National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators. “It is a pretty significant blow.”

Under the new law, students seeking advanced degrees will start owing interest immediately on loans issued after July 1, though they will have the option of deferring payments until they finish school.

“This is definitely not to their benefit, and we always encourage students to pay as they go so in this case it’s not so expensive,” said Ron Nunez, financial aid director at the New Jersey Institute of Technology in Newark.

Exactly how much the subsidy is worth depends on how much a student borrows and how many years he or she is in school.

Nunez said a student borrowing the federal maximum of $65,000 could end up owing an extra $210 a month over 10 years.

Chitty said an analysis by NASFAA found that a medical or dental student taking out the maximum subsidized loan of $8,500 a year for four years got a $462 subsidy while in school.

Even if it’s a much smaller amount, however, students are worried about the impact.

“Students can barely make it as it is,” said Jacqueline Velaste- guer of Kearny, who’s seeking an advanced degree at Fairleigh Dickinson University.

While studying.

“If you can defray the cost of that degree, it will hurt the self-driven student who lacks independent wealth,” she said.

It is exactly the kind of student that our country must encourage to stay in the classroom,” Chitty said.

Congress also voted to end subsidies, starting with loans issued next July, that reward graduates who pay back their loans on time.

Under the program that is ending, borrowers who signed up for automatic debit repayment get a bonus equal to half the loan origination fee they would have paid, said Vincent Tintianni, financial aid director at Endicott College.

Borrowers could keep the rebate if they made their first 12 payments on time.

From the $21.6 billion the two changes to loans are expected to save, Congress applied $4.6 billion to deficit relief and $17 billion to the Pell Grant program, which benefits low-income students.

A spending bill for 2012 approved last month by the Senate Appropriations Committee would end another interest subsidy, this time for undergraduate graduates.

Right now, there is a six-month grace period after graduation during which students who have taken subsidized Stafford loans do not have to make loan repayments.

Under the current system, the government pays the interest during those six months, but that would end under the proposal that the Senate committee said in a report it adopted “reluctantly.”

If the proposal becomes law, there will still be a six-month grace period on loans issued after July 1, but interest will accrue during those six months.

Over the next 10 years, the change is expected to save the government $6.1 billion, according to the office of Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, who is chairman of the appropriations subcommittee that controls education funding.

From that amount, $1.3 billion would go to fill a shortfall in Pell Grants in 2012 and an additional $1 billion would go toward Pell Grants in 2013.

A draft bill in the House Appropriations Committee would have the grace period alone but make changes to Pell Grants eligibility to cover the shortfall.

Harkin’s office said the House changes would make 500,000 current grant recipients ineligible.

The different approaches taken by the House and Senate committees would have to be reconciled before a final spending plan for 2012 is adopted.

Anabel Polloni, a senior at Rutgers in New Brunswick and former state board chairman of the New Jersey Public Interest Research Group, said most students are not aware of the changes Congress is making to loan programs.

“I had no idea about this and I’m extremely well-aware of what’s going on. Everyone knows about the six-month grace period, and no one knows it’s a possibility it might end. That’s a complete shock,” she said.

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