CSU system fees increase for eleventh year in a row
Police injured as demonstrators voice their anger

The board voted 9-6 at its Long Beach headquarters on a $49 increase to annual student fees to be implemented in the Fall of 2012.

According to Erik Fallis, spokesperson for the California State University Chancellor’s Office, the budget approved at the meeting requests additional revenue to address $333 million in state funding, to provide an additional $135 million in state funding for the upcoming fiscal year.

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Walkout march sparked by student activist coalition

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More than 250 students participated in a walkout Wednesday to protest high tuition costs while a nine percent increase to fees was approved by the California State University Board of Trustees on Wednesday.

“If the state comes through and provides the funding, this fee policy can always be revisited,” Fallis said in a press conference Wednesday.

“Personally I think its ridiculous because prices just keep going up, and we can’t afford school as it is, even though we are already over-packed,” said Rochelle Mason, a sophomore pre-nursing major at SJSU.

See WALKOUT PAGE 2

Clean Slate program provides fresh start for citizens

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One day Luna was walking through Target when he said he was approached by Juan Avila, a youth outreach specialist for San Jose’s Clean Slate program.

Avila gave him his business card and said if he ever wanted to get his tattoos removed to give him a call.

Luna did.

San Jose’s Clean Slate Tattoo Removal Program was started in 1994 and created through the Mayor’s Gang Prevention Task Force.

According to its website, the program was created to address youth...
The crowd responded with cheers, organizing a silent walkout that was planned to take place during this time and after the meeting as a forum, "This is the biggest demonstration I've ever seen and I am so proud of the students," said Derrick Arthur, a junior geography major at SJSU, said the CFA has been prominent in the protest, and asked that the protesters be given the opportunity to speak. No sitting president has relinquished power since the McClatchy Tribune contributed to this report.

"I mean, there’s a lot of people that want to fight with us," he said. "Others mentioned getting faculty involved with the movement as well as organizing a sit-in protest and march."

Jasmine Jimenez, junior child and adolescent development major, said she is exhausted of waiting. "We work 20 to 30 hours a week, two jobs and can only take two classes at a time," Jimenez said. "I have been here two years and I don’t see a way out."

Jordan, a sociology and math major, and lecturer, was one of the few faculty members in attendance during the walkout and sit-in at Tower Hall. "If that’s the case, then the administrators ought to be tokenizing brown bread or something that will help," Jordan said.

"I hope you are as inspired as I was at the protest of people coming together to try to make things better," he said.
related crimes in San Jose and particularly gang activity.

To register for the program the person must be between the ages of 14 and 25, a San Jose resi- dent; tattoo must be on hands, wrists, neck or face and must have a gang-free lifestyle.

"I was with my kids," Luna said. "He saw that I had a family and had tattoos. Noticeable ones!"

Luna said at his construction job his employers are support- ive of him removing his tattoos.

"They just don’t mind doing something positive and making changes with my life," he said.

Avila has worked for Clean Slate for 11 and a half years and said he enjoys working with young people.

"It’s very rewarding, working with the youth to help in the transformation from negative to positive," he said.

Avila said when he was be- ing considered for the job he was asked if he would remove his tattoos of the get the position.

"I said, ‘Yes I would; leader- ship by example,’" he said.

People who join the program want to change the way they live their lives, Avila said.

"They’re tired of the gang lifestyle," he said. "They want to become better role models for their kids!"

For Hector Sanchez, Clean Slate was an opportunity for him to end a life of incarceration. Sanchez, 25, said he grew up in San Jose and started hanging out with gang members near Alman Avenue and Fomoso Aven- ue when he was 15 years old.

Around the same time he got into serious trouble when he and one of his friends stole a pair shoes, he said.

"I didn’t think much about it at the time."

This is also around the same time that he got his first tattoo. Sanchez had multiple tattoos on his body such as neck, arms, hands and face.

"I don’t like them," he said. "Sometimes I’m embarrassed to wear short sleeves because of my tattoos that show."

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"It was a fun experience ac- tually cut them in the mean- tums," Sanchez said. "They made us run three miles and work out and stuff like that!"

When he returned home, he was not able to stay out of trouble and was charged with attempted murder when he got into a fight in the street with an- other man.

"The victim was from Hon- donia," he said. "He wasn’t legal here and so during the course of fighting the case for three years he got deported."

The prosecutor no longer had a witness so they offered a plea bargain of assault and battery with a deadly weapon.

"It was a Clean Slate thing," he said. "So I called it and got en- rolled in the program.

Moving beyond troubled pasts

Correction

On the Nov. 16 issue of the Spartan Daily was a story appearing on page 4 misidentified Jennifer Stahl Newsom, the writer and director of the film "The Representation of the Spartan Daily" on the occasion.

"The Representation of the Spartan Daily" is a film by San Jose State alumnus Jennifer Stahl Newsom. Newsom is a writer and director who has a passion for telling the stories of those who are often overlooked.

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The SJU women’s volleyball squad sneaks by Red Raiders in full five-set thriller

by Jacob Wright

The SJU women’s volleyball squad defeated Texas Tech on Tuesday in its final home match that lasted five action-packed sets.

The victory comes just a week before SJU’s match against New Mexico State in their first match of the Western Athletic Conference tournament.

“Thought that we played really together,” said junior setter Caitlyn Andrade, who tallied 56 assists. “Even though we lost two sets, I really think we pulled through and had a lot of confidence and just believed that we were going to do it.”

In the Spartans’ first set and third and fifth sets, losing the second and fourth to the Red Raiders, possession consistently changed throughout the entire match.

Coach Oscar Crespo said through the team had some matches that had gotten away from them, the team was able to stay focused and “reel in” the game.

“Tonight, that could have happened after the second set, really it could have happened after the fourth set,” he said. “We were able to reach out, regroup and really execute where we needed to make some changes and the team allowing things to occur out on the court so that the team can be successful.”

The game was hard-fought against the Red Raiders (13-15, 4-12, Big 12), a team that the Spartans (11-16, 6-8 WAC) had not previously lost.

“This team coming in, we didn’t know anything about them, because they’re not on our conference,” said junior defender Alexa Alaka, who scored 19.5 points out of 28 total attempts.

“With our win tonight, there’s a lot of teams that are going to be facing us and we can’t see we’re going to lose anymore. We’re going to come back and win every set against them.”

Spartan senior setter Rachel Bloomer knocks a point past two Red Raider defenders during SJU’s five-set victory over the 21st in Las Vegas, he thinks the team will do well.

“I’m pretty pleased and pretty happy,” Andrade said. “I feel that the team is ready for the WAC tournament especially with this win, we have some confidence behind us, and we have a few practices left and I think we’re going to do pretty well,” she said.

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**COMMENTARY**

The best way to describe the Ultimate Fighting Championship’s first visit to San Jose this weekend is with one phrase — lights out.

It’s probably the same main event between Nazario “Shogun” Rua and Dan Henderson, as well as the co-main event between Wanderlei Silva’s “The Ax Murderer” vs. San Jose’s “Cung Le,” are all notorious for their highlight reel knockouts in their careers.

The fights, which will take place at San Jose’s HP Pavilion, are sure to be plenty exciting.

In the co-main event, we see a battle between two powerful fighters in Silva and Le.

Silva is the more famous MMA career—being a former Pride middleweight champion who has a total of 15 wins in his mixed martial arts career with 25 of them being by knockout.

Le’s MMA career however is much smaller, being a former Strikeforce middleweight champion with only eight fights in his career since 2006 but with only one loss in that time.

Le has a good striking pedigree as well with all his wins coming by knockout.

Neither fighter has a particularly strong stand-up game so it’s most likely that the fight will stay standing.

Though Silva can never be discounted in a fight. The Ax Murderer has been known to stand still in his UFC career since coming in from Pride.

Silva has a mock 3-3 record and has struggled for the most part, and is coming off a quick knockout loss to Chris Leben this past July at UFC 132.

Le, however, is the hotter commodity right now and is looking to make a strong impression in front of the hometown fans in his UFC debut.

I see Le winning by way of knockout in the second or third round and sending “The Ax Murderer” into retirement.

Now the main event is easily the most anticipated fight of the evening as light fans finally get to see two former Pride champions, “Shogun” and Henderson, go at it.

Once again both fighters possess great knockout ability with “Shogun” earning 17 of his 20 wins by way of knockout and “Hendo” with his patented “H-Bomb” over-hand right punch, winning 15 of his 28 wins by knockout including his last four wins.

Once again neither fighter is well known for their ground game, but Henderson is well-versed in Greco-Roman wrestling and is more than ready to fight Shogun in the clinch if he has to.

That said, this fight will most likely stay standing, just the way the fans probably want to see it.

While I definitely give the edge in overall knockout power to Henderson, Shogun is the more technical striker possessing powerful punches with his legs and not just his fists.

Henderson, however, is arguably fighting at the high-set level of his career despite being 41 years old and is coming off an impressive win over Fedor Emelianenko.

While Shogun’s win over Forrest Griffin at UFC 114 was impressive too, Griffin looked hardly motivated in that fight.

In any case, this fight will likely garner either “Knockout of the Night” or “Fight of the Night” bonuses, or even both.

With all this said, it’s hard to call this fight — to be honest, I see it going either way.

Henderson has never been knocked out, and Shogun is always dangerous whenever he enters the octagon and is hungry to win back the light heavyweight title.

I say it’s either Hendo by knockout in either the first or second round or Shogun by unanimous decision by controlling the pace of the fight and slowing down Hendo with strong leg kicks.

In any case, whether you are going to HP to see the fights in person or hitting up one of the many downtown sports bars this weekend to see the fights instead, UFC 139 is going to be lights out!
Coach Mac Corner: With bowl hopes dead, SJSU aims to salvage season

With SJSU seeming to have an inability to run the ball during its three-game losing streak, it will be facing a team this weekend that has no problem rushing, the football at will.

The Spartans will host Navy, a team that boasts the No. 2 rushing attack in the country, on senior day at Spartan Stadium on Saturday at 1 p.m.

SJSU’s last two defeats were by less than three points each. The first a 52-48 loss to Idaho and the second a 34-19 heartbreaker to Utah State last Saturday that eliminated the Spartans (3-7, 2-4 Western Athletic Conference) from bowl game eligibility. Both games saw SJSU blow double-digit leads in the fourth quarter.

Coach Mike MacIntyre said he felt both games were there for the taking.

“We've played six dominating quarters of football the last two games,” he said. “Probably better than any time than I've been here, and then we've played two quarters not as good as we like and couldn't put games away.”

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“Running the football at the end of the game definitely could help you win the clock out, run some time out, put more pressure on their offense and we weren’t able to do that as well as we like,” he said.

Senior running back Brandon Rutley hasn’t rushed for more than 100 yards in four straight games.

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“Hopefully we won’t let anyone pop wide open where they have an easy pass or easy touchdown, but every game you see it happen,” he said.

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The first item to be said is that the crimes Jerry Sandusky is accused of committing are beyond atrocious.

The grand jury report charging Sandusky of sexually assault at least eight young boys over a 15-year period has exploded into a media frenzy. After stepping down as a coach of Penn State’s football team in 1999, he continued to use the program’s facilities for an organization he created called “The Second Mile,” which program he founded in 1975, is aimed at helping troubled youth.

The grand jury report highlights that the university’s athletic director, Tim Curley, was informed of a number of Sandusky’s inappropriate actions, and that he testified to reporting those actions to university vice president Gary Schultz and to the executive director of Second Mile, Mike Jay Reckover.

Curley and Reckover banned Sandusky from the football program. But really, as an 84-year-old, “remember the children.” As someone who was abused, albeit in a different way, I can attest to the atrocious pain that comes with those sort of acts.

The system that everyone is so upset with is purely and simply, messed up. We are corrupt. We insist that employees cover up for the criminals, that there are no consequences for the bad actions of those who have shammed the university.

We give the power over many into the hands of a few, so that when Sandusky couldn’t take his gross little fingers off of those innocent, child like boys, those in power concern themselves with what is in their own self-interest. We are OK with institutional malignance and visual ignoring.

And make no mistake, we are not discussing the problem.

Joe Paterno was made the face of this issue, with everyone from your mother to your professor discussing the consequences of Paterno’s inaction. Much like the war on terror, this problem does not have a face. However, it does have an evil intent. For us to focus on the face and not the problem is to miss the forest for the trees.

As a society, we need to recognize that our systems are not perfect, and we need to take actions to change them.

As Elie Wiesel, who famously won the Holocaust revealing novel “Night,” spoke out against indifference in a speech to President Bill Clinton on April 19, 1999, “Indifference is more tempting — more than that, seductive,” Wiesel said. “It is no such an easy way to look away from victims.”

We are marginalized three types of peoples wrongdoers, victims and bystanders.

In this case, name calling those involved removed Penn State from passing the buck is still standing by because they are moving forward without making the mistakes, not looking back and being angry at these mistakes.

Sandusky is the bad guy here. But the evil rests in our systems.

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Amanda Hay

illustrated acknowledged that he做到了 nothing wrong, but then ranted about how the coach “failed in his duty as a human being.”

Doug Papa, a longtime radio personality, called that the biggest hypocrisy in American sports history on 95.1 The Game on Monday, though he did not contest the test the problem with Paterno’s inaction. Papa said Paterno should not be the focus in this.

Papa, who also hosts Chronicle Live on CSN Bay Area, said instead of making Paterno “feel the heat” on the issue, the university should have canceled its football season.

ESPN’s Rick Reilly wrote, boasting that we should “remember the children.”

“Jim is not about Joe Paterno,” Reilly wrote in a column. “Don’t feel sorry for Paterno. It’s his bad luck. Feel sorry for these boys, because they may never get one.”

As someone who was abused, albeit in a different way, I can attest to the atrocious pain that comes with those sort of acts.

The easiest course to take is that Jerry Sandusky is the bad guy here. But the evil rests in our systems.

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Please calm down. Scandal sinks below Jerry Sandusky down to corruption of our system.
Yes, let us walk. That’ll show them.

by Thomas Webb

I get it. Tuition and fees have skyrocketed, while the percentage of the California State University’s income given to hiring faculty and filling classrooms has dramatically fallen. Fees have increased by 91 percent since 2001 while the number of instructional faculty has increased by a minuscule five percent.

The California Faculty Association feels this is unfair and unacceptable, and today, some of them will strike.

The faculty has a legal right to strike. It’s a bargaining tactic for unions to get what they want and what they think is fair when they feel their working conditions are no longer tolerable and the error that passed against them are inremovable with out direct action.

For public employees, it equates to, “Give us what we want or we will cease to deliver the service you, the State, have been obliged to provide.”

The CFA’s union leaders approved the strike for today with a vote of 90 percent in favor. In should be noted that most unions have the ability to strike. Elementary school teachers, truck drivers and nurses all have the ability to refuse to come to work, and not lose their jobs or face large fines.

Two unions that cannot strike are the police and fire unions. They are legally — and morally — forbidden from striking.

They can negotiate through collective bargaining and management, and have done so quite successfully. This is all to say that a strike is not the only option available, just the most drastic one.

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You know you just sat through a truly bad movie when you went into it with already low expectations and still come out disappointed.

Based loosely upon the Greek myths of "Theseus" and "The War of the Titans," "Immortals" tells the story of a war between gods and Titans and a Greek peasant named Theseus caught in the middle of the power struggle.

After his mother is killed by the evil King Hyperion, he vows revenge, and with the blessings of Zeus himself sets out to take revenge.

Now, Hyperion threatens to retrieve the Epirus bow and unleash the Titans to end the rule of the Gods, and only Theseus can stop him.

Let me first say I had no real expectations going into this film and I left my brain at the door when I walked into the theater. I knew it was by the producers of "300," a film I enjoyed for its intense action sequences, so I assumed that at its best "Immortals" would be a cheap but entertaining clone of that film.

Unfortunately, I found myself consistently snoozing off or checking my phone for the time during the film. The action scenes, while certainly flashy, aren't particularly amazing or eye-popping. They were more repeti- tive than anything and it just felt like director Tarsem Singh was trying to fill time to cover up the shoddy acting and poor character development.

The level of absurdity gets pretty damn ridiculous in this film, and when the film can't even be a good action movie you begin to notice the flaws a lot more.

One of the sillier moments in the film involved the god Neptune creating a gigantic tidal wave to save the hero and his friends from the bad guys.

However, Theseus and the others are able to shield themselves from this wave by simply ducking behind a rock.

Huh?

I'm sorry, but I'm pretty sure water fills in the space it travels through, so really the movie should have ended there with Neptune inadvertently killing the good guys.

Other silly points involved the amount of ridiculous headgear that most of the characters and supporting characters were wearing.

You would have to see the film to understand just how silly they looked but Neptune, King Hyperion and the Oracle and her handmaidens all had the most ridiculous looking helmets, hats and headgear on during the film.

The acting also left a lot to be desired with the cheese level at epic heights at times during the film. Outside of Mickey Rourke, who apparently hasn't changed his hairdo since "Iron Man 2," there were few bright spots in the acting cast.

Freida Pinto, who was good in "Slumdog Millionaire," doesn't do much beyond speaking eloquently and providing eye candy for the male audience.

John Hurt also does little more than narrate parts of the film and be his typical raggedy old English self.

The biggest flop though is the film's star Henry Cavill, who plays Theseus. Cavill often delivers lines with the thickest English brogue and attempts to be a badass but fails miserably.

Considering Cavill will be playing Superman in the reboot that will be coming out in 2013, this was a bit of a disappoint- ment and doesn't help my ex- pectations much.

I feel a lot of these issues though were more a product of bad script writing as the dialogue was often quite terrible and cringe worthy.

Usually I can find one or two things I can enjoy about a film whenever I go out but in this case I could find none.

Between the snooze-induc- ing action scenes and shoddy acting and dialogue I definitely feel I wasted my time and mon- ey with this film.

So avoid this film if you can. You are better off watching "300" at home.