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ERC proposes new mandatory fee

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At a recent Associated Students meeting, a proposal was brought forth to add a mandatory five dollar fee to student dues.

The issue was proposed by members of the Environmental Resource Center and was received positively, but must go through several more stages before it becomes policy, said Cheryl Vargas, A.S. executive director of administration.

The fee would be paid by every member of the student body and would create a sustainability trust from which students can draw funds to create environmental and sustainability projects on campus.

"They're just pitching an idea. It's not a formal request at this point," he said. "There's more dialogue that needs to take place."

Cathy Busalacchi, executive director of the Student Union, said there are specific processes in place to ensure that any increase in student fees is approved by the chancellor of the CSU.

Any proposed mandatory fee must first be approved by the campus' chief financial officer and a committee of students, Busalacchi said.

The campus financial officer is appointed by the university president, who is appointed by the CSU chancellor, who must eventually approve any mandatory fee increases from the students Vargas said.

If eventually approved by the chancellor, Vargas said, the fee increase will be put on a student ballot.

Despite the unpopularity of fee increases, initial surveys of student opinion showed the majority in support of the sustainability trust, she said.

One issue that A.S. hopes to address through the promotion of sustainability projects is the promotion of a more vibrant campus.

"You go into another campus, you know where you are," she said. "(One walks) on this campus, you think you're in a historical park. One of the things we're trying to dissolve is commuter versus non-commuter. You're a student, I don't care how you got here."

Herlinda Aguirre, a junior art history major and member of the SJSU Environmental Club, said that she felt the trust was a good idea.

"It's supporting sustainability ideas and creativity in that area," she said. "Being sustainable, being able to sustain an environmentally friendly consciousness is very good for the future, for the community and country."

Although Aguirre said working toward a healthier environment is important, the additional fee might prove a weighty burden on already strained student funds.

"The one reason I'm kind of iffy about it is where the money comes from," she said. "To put it on our fees, you're adding on something that is already too high."

If music be the food of love, teach on



Photo: Michelle Terris / Spartan Daily

Professor Gus Lease holds a favorite recording in his office.

Alex Wara
Staff Writer

Students or faculty who listen closely in the SJSU Music Building may catch Gus Lease whistling or singing a tune on the way to class.

Lease, a music lecturer at SJSU, has been teaching music for 66 years in higher education and said he does not plan on stopping anytime soon.

At the age of 88, Lease has traveled around the world performing in various groups and shows but said he has found a permanent home at SJSU.

Coming into his 61st year of

teaching at SJSU, Lease shared why he still continues to step into the Music Appreciation class he teaches.

"It has been so much fun teaching all these years and inspiring to be a part of students' lives," Lease said. "I always think that if I can reach a least one student then I am not a failure."

Lease began his love for music when he was in elementary school when he attended the show "Hansel and Gretel" in Sioux City, Iowa.

It was from there that Lease fell in love with music and knew that it

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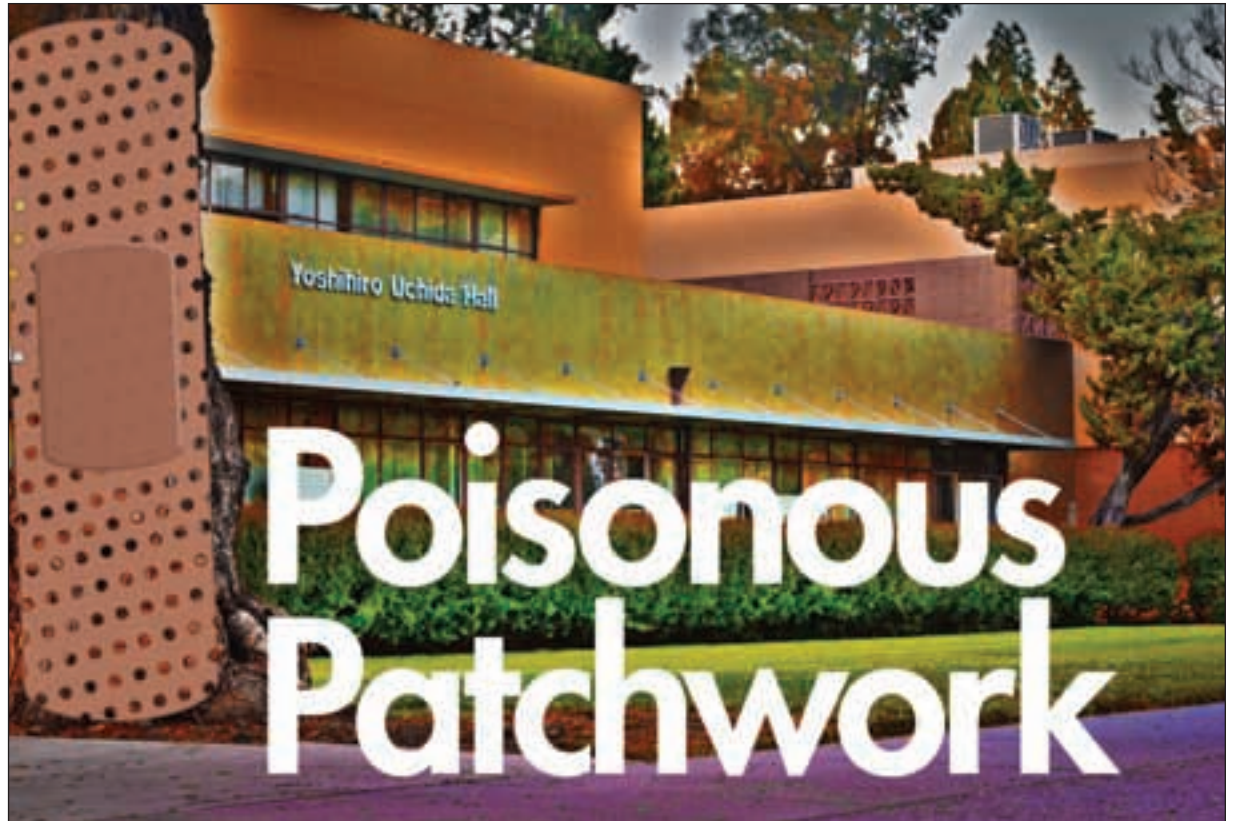


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Yoshihiro Uchida Hall, an 80 year-old building has not met asbestos standards since 1985. YUH has been prioritized to receive funds for improvement but has not undergone renovation.

Funding delays in YUH improvement

Lyell Marks
Staff Writer

The corridors of Yoshihiro Uchida Hall display the prominence of a structure that has housed countless SJSU events and awards, but a closer look reveals the wear and tear of a facility that has garnered scarce funding from the state since it opened 80 years ago.

Shirley Reekie, chair of the kinesiology department, arrived at SJSU in 1982 and can remember concerns that were raised then about Yoshihiro Uchida Hall that still have not been addressed to this day.

"It's been very frustrating the last 28 years," Reekie said. "We've had architectural drawings done four separate times and nothing has been done to date. I would like to think I have done everything personally that I can."

Concerns about the building were punctuated later in the 1980s when the Baker Consultants of Los Angeles visited SJSU as part of a CSU-wide survey to determine the level of asbestos existing in school buildings.

In 1985, SJSU received the Baker report, detailing 24 buildings on campus that had been deemed hazardous because of unsafe levels of asbestos.

It recommended removal within 12 months, ranking the buildings on a scale from one to seven.

Buildings listed in category seven were considered to have the highest levels of asbestos, requiring attention and/or removal within 12 months, according to the report.

Yoshihiro Uchida Hall was listed as a high priority under category seven, yet a 2006 Feasibility Study revealed that asbestos still exists in the tiles of the first floor corridor and in pipe insulation throughout the building, more than 25 years after the Baker report was published.

The metamorphoses of a mineral

Asbestos, a group of fibrous minerals first banned for use in the United States during the 1970s, was later inspected by the Environmental Protection Agency during the 1980s, resulting in the agency's first asbestos protocols, according to the U.S. Congress Office of Compliance.

Used extensively in shipyards, automotive brakes and in buildings as a fireproofing material during the 1960s, a link between asbestos and mesothelioma was discovered by Dr. Irving J. Selikoff, who noticed an alarming rate of mesothelioma among Asbestos Union workers who were enrolled in Patterson Clinic in New Jersey where he worked, according to

his obituary in the New York Times.

Before Selikoff published many of his findings, the asbestos industry was a cog in the industrial wheel, earning such praises as the "magical mineral" before its identity changed in America.

Fifteen out of the 17 patients from an asbestos manufacturing plant nearby tested positive for asbestos-related diseases in Selikoff's clinic, a statistical alarm that rang even louder when workers who had 20 years or more of exposure were considered, according to a journal Selikoff published in 1964 entitled "Asbestos Exposure and Neoplasia."

Of the 392 workers who were examined by Selikoff with 20 or more years of exposure, 339 had asbestosis (scarring of the lungs), according to his findings published in the Journal of American Medicine.

This rate surprised Selikoff enough to publish and speak out against asbestos, but his findings threatened to thwart the booming industrial market of America and were met with resistance.

The EPA's 2005 Asbestos Project Plan states that the construction in-

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Officials clarify bin Laden death

McClatchy Tribune

WASHINGTON — Osama bin Laden wasn't armed when U.S. forces hunted him down and killed him, the chief White House spokesman said Tuesday.

That was but one of several details that press secretary Jay Carney corrected in the public account of Sunday's raid on a compound in Pakistan where the long-sought leader of the terrorist group al-Qaida was hiding.

The initial accounts of the raid released by admin-

istration officials, including counter-terrorism adviser John Brennan in an on-camera White House briefing Monday, were made in "great haste," Carney said, in an effort to tell Americans quickly as much as possible as details came in.

Separately, Pakistani officials in Abbottabad, the site of the raid, said Tuesday that bin Laden's young daughter, age 12 or 13, saw him being killed.

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dustry installed more than 1.4 billion square feet of asbestos in the 1960s alone, during the same decade Selikoff's work began circulating.

Consumption peaked in 1973 at 885,000 tons of asbestos, but it is estimated by the EPA that 3,000 tons of asbestos is imported by the U.S. despite the last domestic mining plant's closure in 2002.

Part of the industrial boom was fueled by America's early understanding of asbestos as a fireproofing material, spraying it on steel beams to prevent structures from warping or collapsing in the event of a fire, according to the EPA's asbestos website.

Asbestos boiler insulations saved energy and asbestos brake linings saved lives, according to a UK medical journal that argued it would be "ludicrous" to outlaw this valuable mineral in 1967.

According to the journal, "asbestos could save more lives than it could possibly endanger".

Selikoff's research eventually altered a paradigm within the industrial culture, prompting health and safety changes throughout industries and schools that first started to surface in the 1970s, earning him the title of the world's foremost authority on asbestos, according to his obituary.

But while his findings were clear as far back as the 1960s, the EPA assumes every building built up until 1980 has a high probability of containing asbestos.

The dangers of asbestos exposure

Breathing asbestos fibers can result in a variety of illnesses, spanning from asbestosis to mesothelioma and lung cancer, according to a report by the U.S. Congress Office of Compliance.

Mesothelioma is caused almost exclusively by exposure to asbestos and is an untreatable cancer of the membrane lining of the lungs, chest, heart and abdomen, and health effects generally do not develop for more than 20 years after first exposure to asbestos.

"All of the asbestos is well encapsulated and undisturbed," stated William Shum, director of facilities and planning at SJSU, in an email. "Should the asbestos contained materials (ACMs) be disturbed, either due to the needs of a construction project or by accident, the situation will be immediately mitigated by our certified staff."

Shum stated that the encapsulation was less expensive than the alternative of completely removing the asbestos, but that this method does not prevent ACMs from being disturbed in the future if the force is significant enough.

While removal eliminates the threat of further disruption of the asbestos fibers, encapsulation is a method that temporarily covers the ACMs, using a sealant to protect it from disruptions, Global Encasement Corporation states on their asbestos removal website.

"Total removal is undeniably the best approach if funds are available," stated Anton Kashiri, associate vice president of Facilities Development and Operations at SJSU, in an email.

Removal of asbestos incurs costs of 50 percent to 75 percent higher than encapsulation, according to Global Encasement, but eliminates the threat of damage down the road from further disruption once the abatement is completed.

Asbestos has a tendency to fracture into a dust of tiny fibers that can float in the air and be inhaled or swallowed, according to SJSU's Asbestos Management Plan.

"The ACMs within the buildings on campus occur primarily in the pipe insulations, floor tiles and fire proofing," Kashiri stated. "There were in-

cidents (in other SJSU buildings) that ACM were disturbed, due to the movements in the buildings during a seismic activity. Certified university staff performed the cleanup and abatement immediately."

SJSU's Asbestos Management Plan also states that insulation and surfacing material found in buildings on campus pose the greatest risk of exposure.

Concern for disruption

This danger is heightened if the asbestos becomes friable, meaning it can be crumbled, pulverized or reduced to powder by hand pressure, according to the management plan, and the existing asbestos has the potential to become friable during renovation, installation and maintenance activities.

An earthquake, even one minor in scale, could potentially disrupt encapsulated asbestos, as one has already disturbed ACMs in Yoshihiro Uchida Hall during seismic events a few years ago, Kashiri said.

While it has withstood several Bay Area earthquakes since its construction in 1931, Yoshihiro Uchida Hall hasn't been seismically retrofitted since, according to Kashiri.

Reekie said she has been told that the most current date for proposed construction is January 2012, making this attempt the fourth time during her 28-year employment that architectural drawings have been done for the building.

"Should the proposed construction fund for the complex remain (as a part of) the final budget, construction of the project will indeed start fiscal

year 2012," Shum stated.

Reekie said the current proposal to renovate looks to be the most realistic, but she has had no confirmation on any construction with the uncertainty of the state's budget for the upcoming year.

"I've been told that this time is more hopeful than any of the other three times," she said. "My fingers and toes are permanently crossed because the building is falling down."

Reekie said renovation would deal with the existing asbestos, compliance with the American with Disabilities Act and the outdated seismic standards, pending approval from the Chancellor's Office which decides which CSU projects receive funding for fiscal year 2011/2012.

The cost of safety

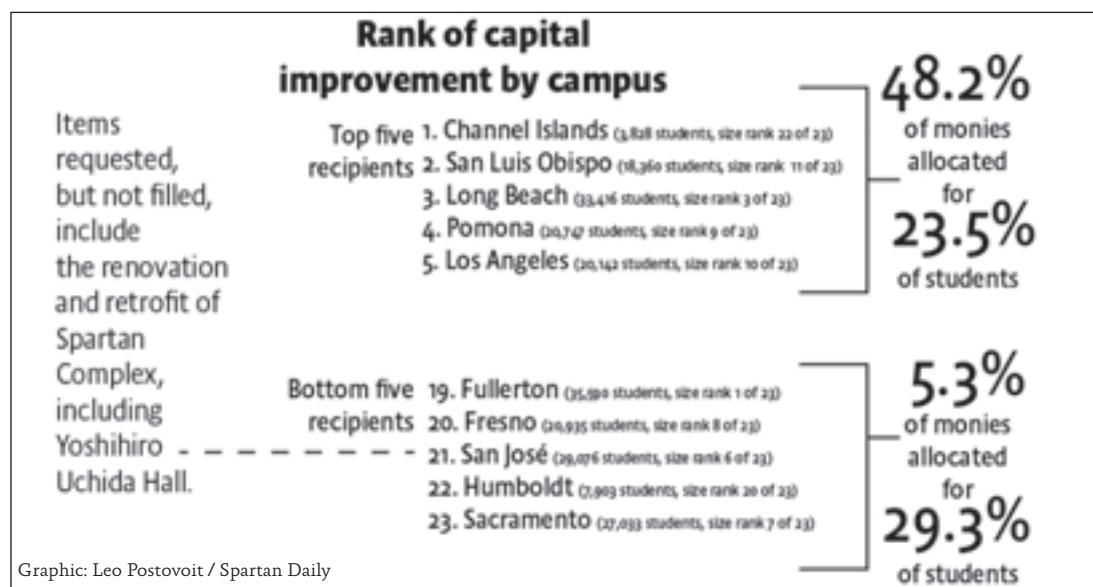
The projected cost for the seismic upgrades and renovation project is \$53.5 million, according to Kashiri.

An overall lack of handrails for stairways, exposed piping and inadequate electrical systems are other building issues raised in a 2006 Feasibility Study — issues that would be addressed in January 2012, if construction is approved.

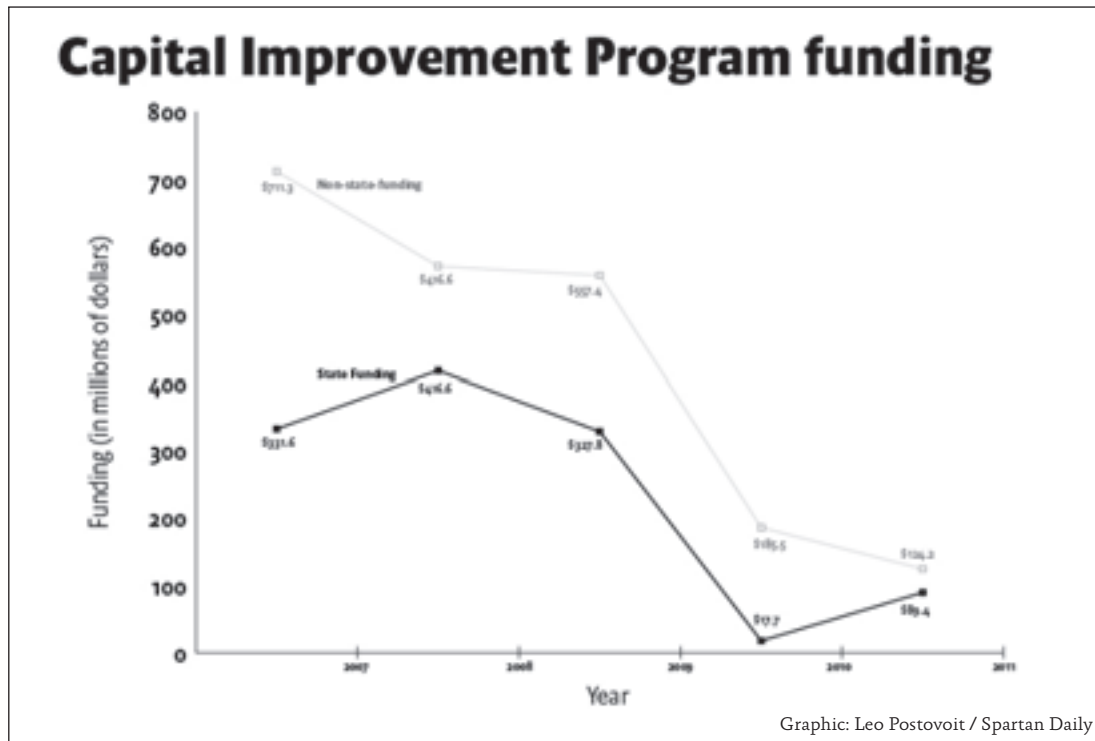
The study also points out how the building envelope and fenestration (defined as an opening in a structure) permit air leaks and energy loss while most areas use fluorescent fixtures that produce low-quality light with substantial glare.

"Tiles drop off the ceilings, there are leaks everywhere," Reekie said. "We are very much look-

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She was one of eight or nine children and two women in the compound who were left behind after the raid, said an official with Pakistan's Inter-Services Intelligence spy agency. He spoke only on condition of anonymity because

of the sensitivity of the issue.

"We have no independent confirmation of Osama bin Laden being there or dying there, except what we got from the daughter," the official said, adding that those left behind said bin Laden had been there for some months.

Carney said bin Laden resisted capture, but he declined to specify how. He said "resis-

tance does not require a fire-arm" and that others in the compound were armed and there was a firefight.

Carney said the U.S. assault and killing of bin Laden was appropriate.

"He was enemy No. 1 for this country and killed many, many innocent civilians," he said. "No apologies."

Whether to make photographic evidence of bin Laden's death public is under review. Carney said officials were weighing whether it would serve or harm U.S. interests to release the photographs, given their "gruesome" nature and the prospect that they "could be inflammatory" in the Muslim world.

Carney wouldn't discuss which officials have reviewed the photos nor confirm that the president had reviewed them.

Leon Panetta, the director of the CIA, told NBC anchor Brian Williams that some photographic evidence of bin Laden's death will be made public.

"The government obviously has been talking about how best to do this, but I don't think there was any question that ultimately a photograph would be presented to the public," Panetta said in an interview broadcast Tuesday night.

Clarifications on Osama's Death

- Bin Laden wasn't armed when he was shot.
- A wife of his was shot in the leg, not killed as originally reported.
- Bin Laden didn't use her as a shield before he was shot. She rushed at a U.S. attacker but she wasn't armed.
- Two helicopters were used in the raid.
- The raid lasted 40 minutes.
- In addition to bin Laden and some of his family members, two other families were at the compound in Abbottabad, about 35 miles from the capital of Islamabad. One family was in a separate structure. Another was on the first floor of the main building.
- On the first floor, two al-Qaida couriers were killed, as well as a woman who wasn't bin Laden's wife and who apparently was caught in the crossfire.
- Bin Laden and his family were on the second and third floors. His wife was in the room with him. She was shot first, then he was shot and killed.

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ing forward to a renovation and very grateful to everyone who is making it happen.”

Plumbing systems are also past their useful life, according to the feasibility study.

Reports of backed-up sewage during heavy rains are also common, indicating heavily damaged storm drains and piping.

“The university has indeed addressed many of the issues raised in the study,” Shum stated. SJSU has repaired the building steam traps, installed new heating units, replaced the condensation tank, repaired underground steam line leaks and repaired the heating ventilating and air conditioning system.”

While SJSU did receive state funding ranging from \$3-4 million on three separate occasions since fiscal year 2006/2007, the university has requested \$51.5 million for construction to go along with \$1.3 million for equipment to complete the renovation of Yoshihiro Uchida Hall and the rest of the Spartan Complex, according to the CSU System-wide Seismic Retrofit Program 2011/12.

Guarded Optimism

From fiscal year 2006/07 to fiscal year 2008/09, the state funded more than \$1 billion worth of capital improvement projects throughout the CSU system, according to the Capital Outlay Program that can be found on the CSU website.

This financial trend halted in fiscal year 2009/10 when \$17.7 million was spent on CSU’s, roughly \$310 million less than had been spent one year before on capital improvement throughout the system.

The Capital Outlay Program is a rank-ordered list of requests sent to the state by

the 23 CSU campuses, prioritizing which projects are of the most concern, stated Erik Fallis, media relations specialist for the Chancellor’s Office, in an email.

Toward the bottom of the 200-plus-page document, starting on page 235, the Spartan Complex Renovation project is listed as the second-highest priority for fiscal year 2011/12, ranking behind a CLA Replacement Facility project for Cal State Pomona that would cost a projected \$78.2 million.

Sonoma State (\$6.9 million) and Humboldt State (\$9 million) are the three other CSU schools that have received less funding during that span, according to the Capital Outlay Program.

In the last five years, SJSU has received \$11.4 million in funding from the state, compared to \$121 million that has gone to Capital Improvement Programs for Cal State Channel Islands since fiscal year 2006/2007, according to the Capital Outlay Program.

CSU Chancellor Chuck Reed was unable to comment on the issue because of a high volume of emails, but Fallis stated that state funding has been very scarce of late and how state funding for capital projects comes from two sources: general obligation bonds and lease-revenue bonds.

“The state of California is involved in issuing either type of bond,” Fallis stated. “General obligation bonds are often required for renovation because they are backed by ‘the full faith and credit’ of the state. Lease-revenue bonds are typically only for new construction because they are backed by the potential revenues from those new facilities.”

Fallis also stated that the state’s current financial situation makes general obligation bonds harder to come by, but hasn’t completely prevented the state from issuing lease-revenue bonds in recent

years. “The CSU annually makes a request to the state to address renovation needs,” he stated. “Retrofits are high on that list. The CSU is dependent on the state to approve the offerings.”

While SJSU has made repeated requests for retrofits since Yoshihiro Uchida Hall originally opened 80 years ago, the 2006 Feasibility Study detailed how many structural concerns still need to be addressed.

“In the preliminary meetings everyone seems to be maintaining a positive attitude regarding construction,” said Greg Payne, former chair of the kinesiology department and an associate dean in the College of Applied Science and Arts. “But with the state economy these days, who knows what will happen. Hopefully this is our time.”



Photo: Jesse Jones / Spartan Daily

A faulty heating unit is one of the many outdated items inside Yoshihiro Uchida Hall.

With the projected cost of the Spartan Complex Renovation project surpassing \$53 million, funding both projects would incur costs to the state of more than \$131 million, a combined total that eclipses the \$107 million the state has spent on all 23 CSUs in the last two fiscal years.

“Construction has not been approved,” stated Rose Lee, SJSU’s vice president of administration and finance, in an email. “If SJSU receives funding it would be through state lease-revenue bonds. The earliest would be (fiscal year) 11-12 budget, if even then.”

Lee also stated that CSUs have not received funding for major capital projects in the past three fiscal years, a trend that has made SJSU the fourth lowest-funded CSU in the system since fiscal year 2006/2007.

Sacramento State (\$3.7 million),

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would always be a part of his life.

By the time he was 15, he was singing in church choirs and receiving of money to pay for vocal lessons.

When he turned 16, headed to California on a freight train to perform on the Don Lee television show, one of the first television networks.

The turning point in Lease’s life came when he had to decide whether to join Broadway at the age of 18 or go to college.

“My mom said that I was going to college,” he said. “I never regretted that one bit.”

For years he headed the “Gus Lease Show,” a show that traveled overseas to entertain members of the armed forces who were serving at the time.

“Being in music has kept me happy and on the bright side of life,” Lease said. “Music can keep you up or make you down depending on what you listen to. The same is with people — there are the ones that lift you up and make you happy.”

Prior to teaching at SJSU, he spent time teaching at the music departments for the University of Oklahoma and the

University of Colorado, but he eventually moved to the Bay Area because he thought there would be more opportunities.

Lease shared how the SJSU campus has changed during his time here.

“We were located between Fourth and Seventh Street,” Lease said. “We had about 5,000 students and when you first walked on campus it was shaped like a square, so that’s why we called it Washington Square.”

Lease is credited with starting the first men’s glee club on campus and starting a student singing ensemble boasting more than 350 performers.

“On the night of our big performance there was a line of about 600 people,” he said. “At the end of the show, because it was such a hit, they carried me from the stage to the old library because it was such a magnificent turnout.”

Lease has sang at every graduation ceremony since he started working on the campus, leading the crowd in the SJSU song “Hail Spartan Hail.”

In his free time Lease said he keeps busy by being part of unions, part of the Phi Kappa Phi National Honor Society, and helps produce music for the Kiwanis Club.

Inside the classroom, he said

he keeps teaching to reach students and let them know about the importance that music can have in their lives.

“He knows his material very well,” said Thuy Nguyen, a freshman pre-nursing major. “He does his best to tell us about music history and I have learned a lot from him.”

Lease has developed a lot of personal relationships with faculty and students, said Scott Pierson, Spartan marching band director.

“He has got a tremendous love for the university,” Pierson said. “When you spend over 60 years somewhere you just adopt it as your university. He has been a great spokesman for the university.”

Lease said he thinks anyone can find a type of music that they can relate to.

“Even rap is music,” he said. “A lot of people say that it isn’t but yes it is because music is sound. Any music is sound and of course music and life go hand in hand. You can’t get away from it — it is around you all the time.”

Lease does not plan on going anywhere anytime soon.

“I feel much younger than some of my students sometimes,” he said. “I go in whistling and sometimes my students are half asleep.”

Asbestos Facts

Uses for asbestos

- Soundproofing
- Fireproofing
- Insulation

Harmful effects of asbestos exposure

- Asbestosis
- Mesothelioma
- Cancers (lung, colon, pancreas, esophagus)

Asbestos Policy

- Outlawed in Europe
- Somewhat regulated in U.S.; 30 million pounds used annually
- Fines are often levied against institutions that are caught using or illegally removing

What to do

- **Remove Legally**
Pro: Totally removes cancer-causing substance
Con: Most expensive
- **Encapsulate**
Pro: Up to 80 percent cheaper than removing legally
Con: Freezes substance; will eventually need to be removed; can be released in an earthquake
- **Remove Illegally**
Pro: Cheapest of the options available; removes the substance in question
Con: A poor job can often be worse than leaving asbestos contamination alone

Sources for all graphics: U.S. Office of Compliance; 2006 Spartan Complex Feasibility Study; CSU Chancellor’s website; CSU Capital Improvement Program Documents; European Environment agency; Environmental Protection Agency



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Drink of the week

By: Alex Wara



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For \$6, the pink PF-X is full of sweet ingredients reminiscent of summer.

As summer nears, sweet and refreshing drinks are starting to make a comeback at the bars. The PF-X is a drink that can quench your thirst for an alcoholic beverage, but be warned — it may send you into summer mode.

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Served at P.F. Chang's, the PF-X drink will cost you \$6 during the restaurant's happy hour from 3-6 p.m. Served in a bucket glass and topped with an orange slice, this drink has the right mixture of liquor served with Sprite and sweet and sour.

Usually being one to stick to the classics such as a Jack and Coke, I usually stray

away from fluorescent-colored drinks that will send your mind into a sugar rush of pain.

However, I took a risk and gulped down this drink, leaving me satisfied with my choice and opening my mind up to the other drinks bars can offer, even if they are not a natural color.

This pink beverage can be dangerous to anyone who likes to have more than one alcoholic drink when they go out. Not being able to taste the alcohol can lead to ordering more than one and feeling, well, let's say "on top of the world."

This drink will leave summer flooding back into your mind.

Just remember that the semester is not over yet, but when sipping on this drink you can take a few moments to think about summer plans.



Photo Courtesy: Allmoviephoto.com

"Madea's Big Happy Family" showcases Loretta Devine (left) as the cancer-ridden Shirley, accompanied by director and screenwriter Tyler Perry (right) as Madea.

MOVIE REVIEW

Perry's comedic 'Madea' returns in newest film

★★★★☆
Whitney Ellard
Staff Writer

"Madea's Big Happy Family," a comedic drama, is filled with big laughs.

By this I mean a linebacker-sized grandmother played by the film's director and screenwriter Tyler Perry dressed in drag as Madea Simmons — a gun-toting, tough love, "Heller, how you der'n" woman from the South.

Fans of Tyler Perry's franchise who wanted more of his dragged-up character on the big screen got it in this film with his best comedic performance to date.

In Perry's other films the character Madea does not have big roles, but this film is her largest part to date and it is far from disappointing.

Perry has been making plays since 1993 and brought them to film in 2006, which proved successful at the box office.

"Madea's Big Happy Family" is based on Perry's 2010 musical play, but this family is far from happy.

After Madea's niece Shirley, played by Loretta Devine, finds out that her cancer has returned, she asks for

Madea's help with getting her children together for a Sunday dinner so she can break the news to all of them together.

However, dinners with this quarrelsome bunch end before the food even makes it out of the kitchen.

Aunt Bam, played by Cassi Davis, is a recurring character in Perry's plays and makes her pot-smoking debut on the big screen, assisting Madea with Shirley's children.

Shirley's daughter Kimberly, played by Shannon Kane, is an uptight real estate agent who constantly belittles her loving husband played by Old Spice pitchman Isaiah Mustafa, who disappointingly keeps his shirt on.

She constantly fights with her sister Tammy, played by Natalie Desselle Reid, challenges the manhood of her passive husband Harold, played by Rodney Perry, and steadily ignores her ill-mannered brats-from-hell sons.

Shirley's son Byron, played by rapper Shad "Bow Wow" Moss, is trying to turn his life around from a criminal past, but has a hard time because of two women who are constantly hassling him about money.

Byron's bedazzled and an-

noying, gum-chewing baby mama Sabrina, played by artist Teyana Taylor, is every man's worst nightmare.

She constantly nags "By-roonnn.....ennnnnnn" and makes you want to get up from your seat and strangle the siren-sounding broad.

Byron's current gold-digging girlfriend Renee, played by Lauren London, wants him to get back into his criminal lifestyle to make a quick come up to satisfy her high-maintenance lifestyle.

Tyler depicts the female characters of this film as ungrateful, evil and manipulative women who constantly make their men's lives a living hell.

The film reveals long kept family secrets, with one airing on an infamous "You are not the father" Maury Povich Show.

According to Hollywood Reporter, a recent deal with Lionsgate shows this will not be the last time fans will get to enjoy a Madea film and I am definitely looking forward to that.

"Madea's Big Happy Family" is hilarious, very entertaining and worth seeing for people looking for a good laugh.



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WORLD NEWS

America's new top terror target: al-Qaida's second-in-command

McClatchy Tribune

CAIRO — With Osama bin Laden dead, U.S. authorities are training their sights on his top deputy, an Egyptian surgeon-turned-jihadist whose tactical acumen will be tested as al-Qaida struggles to regroup.

The U.S. government has a \$25 million bounty on Ayman al-Zawahri, 59, who's presumed to be bin Laden's successor — though al-Qaida has yet to make a public announcement since U.S. Navy SEALs stormed a compound in Pakistan early Monday and shot bin Laden dead.

Political analysts say Zawahri faces his biggest challenge yet: finding a way to restore al-Qaida's relevance to Muslim causes while at the same time evading capture as the FBI's new most-wanted terrorist.

Most students of militant groups believe Zawahri has been the de facto leader of al-Qaida for the last several years while the bigger target — bin Laden — was on the run.

"Bin Laden was the symbol and the more charismatic figure, but Ayman Zawahri was the executive and the real leader," said Hossam Tammam, an Egyptian university professor who studies militant groups and has written extensively on the subject. "He was the deeper and more effective leader of al-Qaida and, if nothing exceptional like his death or severe illness happens, Zawahri will head the network."

Zawahri, whose militancy was hardened in brutal Egyptian prisons, comes across as dour and charmless in his many videos and audiotapes of the past several years. But what Zawahri lacks in the charm department, he makes up for with a nimble mind

that's helped al-Qaida evolve into a global franchise operation with self-proclaimed members acting independently or with little direction from the official leadership.

Born into a prominent family of doctors, clerics and academics in the upscale Cairo district of Maadi, Zawahri was only 15 when he formed his first underground cell devoted to overthrowing the government and creating an Islamist state, according to an exhaustive account of his early life in Lawrence Wright's Pulitzer Prize-winning book, "The Looming Tower: al-Qaida and the Road to 9/11."

From an early age, according to Wright, Zawahri demonstrated "personal fearlessness, his self-righteousness, and his total conviction of the truth of his own beliefs — headstrong qualities that would invariably be associated with him and that would propel him into conflict with nearly everyone he would meet."

Zawahri was among the militants imprisoned in connection with the assassination of Egyptian President Anwar Sadat in 1981. After his release, Zawahri participated in the Egyptian Islamist uprising of the 1990s, which the now-deposed President Hosni Mubarak crushed. Zawahri

moved to Pakistan, where in about 1998 his exiled militant group Egyptian Islamic Jihad joined forces with bin Laden in what would become al-Qaida.

U.S. authorities say he helped mastermind the 1998 bombings of U.S. embassies in Tanzania and Kenya.

Zawahri is still at large, believed to be hiding in the rugged terrain along the Afghan-Pakistan border, though Monday's assault on bin Laden's compound in a Pakistani military enclave, a two hour drive from the capital, shows that fugitive militants could be anywhere.

Location doesn't matter as much as the ability to control and spread al-Qaida's message of violent resistance to the United States and its allies in the region, analysts said. In that, Zawahri has experience.

"The real leader of al-Qaida is Ayman Zawahri. He's the executive leader, the one that runs the communications and planning for all the attacks. He mobilized al-Qaida while Osama bin Laden was just the shimmering figure," said Montasser al-Zayat, an Islamist attorney and onetime jailmate of Zawahri's who wrote a scathing biography of the militant called "Ayman al-Zawahri As I Knew Him."

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BASEBALL

Offense sputters in loss to No. 28 Stanford Cardinal

Whitney Ellard
Staff Writer

The Spartans held the No. 28-ranked Stanford Cardinal to only three runs Tuesday night, but fell 3-1 at Municipal Stadium. Although big hits were an issue, pitching went well for SJSU. "I came out ready to attack this team," said junior pitcher Roberto Padilla. "It was going to be hard to get these guys out."

Padilla had three strikeouts in the five innings he pitched. He said working pitch-by-pitch enabled him to throw strikeouts and have success pitching.

"Stanford is a really good team and holding them to three runs is pretty good for our pitching staff," he said.

Padilla said he and fellow pitchers senior Eric LeBaron and freshman D.J. Slaton did a good job holding Stanford last night.

"Our pitchers put away guys when we needed to," he said. "That got us out of some jams."

Head Coach Sam Piraro also said his team was successful on the pitching mound.

"I liked the way our pitching staff attacked the zone and gave as a chance," he said. "Overall, our energy was good."

Senior infielder Craig Hertler scored the Spartan's only run of the game in the bottom of the sixth inning after senior outfielder Jason Martin singled up the middle.

However, the Spartans were generally unsuccessful getting hits with a player in position to score.

"Earlier in the game we had some opportunities we weren't successful in," Hertler said. "If we had a couple more hits in the right situation I think we would've come out on top."

Piraro also expressed his concerns about the team's hitting opportunities.

"We need to hit with runners in scoring position," Piraro said. "That's why you put the uniform on."

He went on to say that his team understands the important aspects of the game, but there are still things they need to work on.

"Our guys understand that every pitch in every inning in every game is meaningful, but there is a lot of detail that needs to be taken care of offensively," he said.

Defense went well for the Spartans.

"Our defense making plays was another big factor," Padilla said. "They came out clutch in certain situations and got the big out."

The Spartans will travel to play the Aggies of UC Davis today at 2:30 p.m. before an upcoming game-free weekend.



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Spartan baseball players walk off the field in disappointment Tuesday night after losing 3-1 to the Stanford Cardinal.



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Spartan sophomore outfielder Andrew Rodriguez strikes out. SJSU batters struck out nine times Tuesday.



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Stanford scores as SJSU's junior catcher Michael DiRocco looks on during Tuesday's matchup with Stanford.

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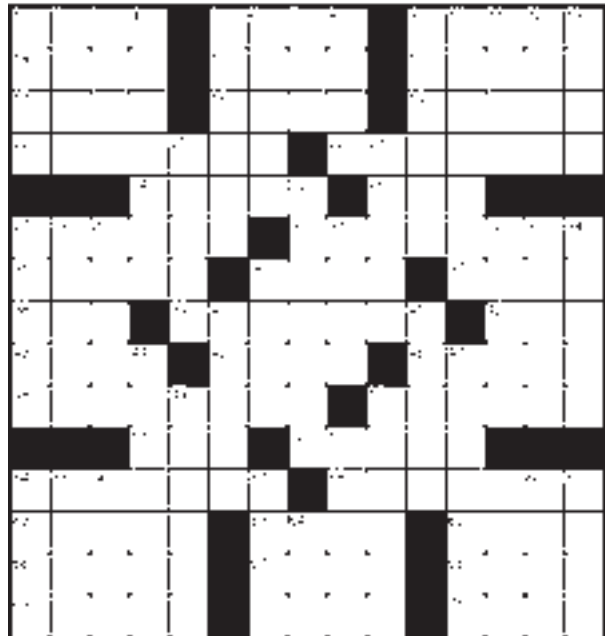
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There's nothing cute about lobsters

As I was walking to class yesterday, I noticed a number of people lying out on Tower Lawn getting some sun. It was a beautiful day, so I don't blame them.

However, I spotted one woman wearing a tube dress with her back to the sun — her back was as red as a lobster.

I wanted to shout to her, "What are you doing? Go home, put on some aloe vera and a long-sleeved T-shirt and think about what you did."

Why girls whose complexions are as white as snow are determined to burn every inch of their bodies in the hopes of becoming slightly tan is beyond me.

There is nothing wrong with a light complexion and if you're so obsessed with tanning, please just go buy some self-tanner instead of baking your skin to death.

Skin cancer is alive and well, and we are all at risk.

"Melanoma is now the most common form of cancer in young adults 25-29 years old," according to the Skin Cancer Foundation.

Notice how I suggested using self-tanner instead of taking a trip to a tanning salon.

I've had plenty of friends who use tanning beds and, I'm not going to lie, even I have tried it once or twice.

However, after reading about the risks of skin cancer involved with tanning salons, I quickly stopped and traded my tanning glasses in for a tube of tanning lotion.

"Despite a link between indoor tanning bed use and an increased risk of melanoma, the deadliest form of skin cancer, 2.3 million teenagers visit tanning salons every year," according to the foundation.

Use of tanning salons can lead to cancer and can also advance signs of aging.

"Ninety percent of visible skin changes commonly attributed to aging are caused by exposure to UV radiation," according to the foun-



Amber Simons
Simons Says

datation. "Tanning accelerates the signs of aging, including wrinkles, leathery and fine lines, which can be seen as early as in one's 20s."

Who wants to be 20 and look like they're 30 without the use of makeup?

Wrinkles aside, cancer is not something we should take a chance on.

"Skin cancer is the most common of all cancers. It accounts for nearly half of all cancers in the United States," according to the Cancer Society of America. "More than 2 million cases of non-melanoma skin cancer are found in this country every year."

Why play with fire when you know you could very well get burned?

"Basal Cell Carcinoma and Squamous Cell Carcinoma are the major two forms of non-melanoma skin cancer," according to the Skin Cancer Foundation. "Between 40 and 50 percent of Americans who live to age 65 will have either skin cancer at least once."

That percentage is way too high to ignore.

A friend, who happens to be white, asked another friend, who is black, if she wanted to go tan with her — we all laughed at the time. She didn't comprehend at first that a lot of black people don't lay out in the sun because they don't need to tan.

"Melanin helps protect the skin

against effects of the sun such as skin cancers and premature aging," according to the Skin Cancer Foundation. "In African-American skin, melanin provides a sun protection factor approximately equivalent to 13.4, compared to 3.4 in white skin."

A lot of black people think they can't get skin cancer. Like them, I thought I was lucky to be mixed because I thought it meant I had a lower chance of getting skin cancer.

How mistaken I was. Anyone can get skin cancer, regardless of skin color.

"Unfortunately, many patients and even some physicians are under the impression that non-Caucasian people are immune to the disease," according to the foundation. "That is one reason people of color are diagnosed with skin cancer at later stages. These delays mean that skin cancers are often advanced and potentially fatal, whereas most skin cancers are curable if caught and treated in a timely manner."

Skin cancer can be deadly if you don't take action.

While most cases of skin cancer are of non-melanoma, according to the foundation, melanoma accounts for about 3 percent of skin cancer cases but causes 75 percent of skin cancer deaths.

According to the Cancer Society of America, melanoma, the most serious type of skin cancer will account for most (about 8,700) of the 11,790 deaths due to skin cancer each year.

"Risk factors for non-melanoma and melanoma skin cancers include: Unprotected and/or excessive exposure to ultraviolet (UV) radiation, fair complexion, occupational exposures to coal tar, pitch, creosote, arsenic compounds, or radium, family history, multiple or atypical moles, and severe sunburns as a child," according to the society.

Everyone should take precautions when venturing out of the house every day, no matter the weather.

"Some people think about sun protection only when they spend a day at the lake, beach or pool," according to the society. "But sun exposure adds up day after day, and it happens every time you are in the sun."

Don't take skin cancer lightly, don't lie in the sun until you resemble the Kool-Aid Man and don't forget to protect yourself.

"Simons Says" is a weekly column appearing on Wednesdays. Amber Simons is the Spartan Daily Opinion Editor.

Skin Cancer Prevention

- Avoid the sun between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.
- Seek shade.
- Slip on a shirt.
- Slop on sunscreen with a Sun Protection Factor (SPF) of 15 or higher even during hazy or overcast days.
- Slap on a hat.
- Wrap on sunglasses with 99 percent to 100 percent UV absorption.
- Avoid other sources of UV light including tanning beds and sun lamps.

* compiled from the Cancer Society of America website

How popular opinion can be maddening



Alex Spicer
Sporty Spice

When Electronic Arts announced which National Football League player would grace the cover of the 2012 installment of its top-selling Madden video game franchise, the people at EA most likely let out a giant sigh of relief.

One would think otherwise, considering that player is Peyton Hillis — you know Peyton, the running back from the Cleveland Browns?

Okay, maybe not.

But considering the fan-voted bracket tournament that decided this year's Madden cover athlete featured a final between the relatively unknown Hillis and (apparently) everyone's favorite dog-killing ex-convict and quarterback Michael Vick, the outcome could have been worse.

Regardless, EA shot itself in the foot on this one.

What began as a harmless idea to involve the Madden fan base by creating a 32-player bracket to decide the next Madden cover athlete, quickly turned into a contest to decide who would be most inappropriate on the new face of EA's big moneymaker.

I'm sure the EA bigwigs are clenching their jaws at the thought of the selection.

It's really no fault but EA's own, though. In this day and age, leaving a decision such as the front cover to the public — which can have a big impact on a game's sales — is a bad idea.

Remember, this is the Internet we're talking about here. The majority of people on the Internet feed upon the misery of others, and naturally the voters went with the silliest options available.

Take last year, for example, when a poll on Justin Bieber's website gave fans a chance to choose which countries he would visit during his world tour.

It began harmlessly enough, but predictably things went downhill.

If Bieber's tour planners had followed through with the original plans, Justin would have been performing in North Korea, followed by a swing through Somalia.

Unfortunately for EA, it will have to live with Hillis as its cover athlete.

It's not so much that he's a bad football player or a bad person, it's just that he's not a star. In the past, Madden has always had big-name players grace the cover of its game.

And now Hillis — who scored 11 touchdowns and ran for 1,177 yards last season — must face the infamous "Madden curse," which has afflicted past selected players who appear on the game's cover, usually causing a decline in performance or injury in the ensuing season.

If there's one thing EA (and everyone else for that matter) can take away from this campaign, it's that you can't place your own livelihood and financial well-being in the hands of others who could not care less about whether you succeed or not.

Especially when those in control are the masses of jokers roaming the Internet.

"Sporty Spice" is a weekly column appearing on Wednesdays. Alex Spicer is a Spartan Daily Sports Editor.

Breaking the silence about religion

Alcoholism, pornography addiction, profanity, near-fatal violence, political corruption and modern dance — throughout my career as a journalist, I have covered many squirmy subjects.

In my day-to-day life, it is not uncommon to hear people discussing various sexual acts, bowel movements and forms of violence.

While I have been guilty of idle or low-brow banter, it seems that the most difficult subject to discuss, in any social situation, is religion.

Throughout history, groups of dedicated individuals, led by the teachings of unique historical figures — the founders of world religions — have made incredible developments.

Islam, the religion based around the teachings of Muhammad, made incredible scientific and literary advances, during a period when many forms of creativity and independent investigation were being stifled in Europe, according to Encyclopedia Britannica.

Middle Eastern poets and scientists are directly responsible for advances in algebra, irrigation systems and architecture.

Early Christians drove forward radical social transformation by establishing a decentralized, progressive code of morality that has today spread worldwide after their leader was killed, according to Religionfacts.com

Despite being responsible for so much social

progress, it seems religion in this society, at least in California, is associated with superstition and blind adherence to tradition.

It is undeniable that most major religions have, at various points in history, utilized peoples' faith as a means for social control, which has almost always had horrible consequences.

Today, however, every individual has the responsibility to investigate the truth for themselves, and to form his or her own framework of how to view the world.

It would be hasty to generalize all people of any belief system as ignorant or "wrong," as individuals often have very strong reasons for believing what they do and we can learn from almost anyone, if we just take the time to listen.

Would it not be arrogant for one group to assume that they are right simply because of the name of their religion, or the allegiance they claim?

Often, there are barriers to even having a conversation about what we believe or what we perceive this existence to actually be.



Francisco Rendon
Francisco's Chronicles

The biggest barrier, speaking personally, is our fear of being ridiculed or misunderstood.

I have felt unsure about sharing my views about what reality is and why we live because I do not want people to feel as though I am forcing my views upon them.

Yet, in a time of so much social turbulence, when unrest is manifested in so many forms, there seems to be a clear need to better understand the foundations of belief that dictate what this world is and how we can work together to make it better.

Our society has to break the cold, sterile silence that keeps us all separate, as passive bystanders while the world worsens.

We must begin learning how to listen and understand people who we think we do not "agree" with, if we are to learn how to accomplish meaningful change.

Lord knows we don't have much time.

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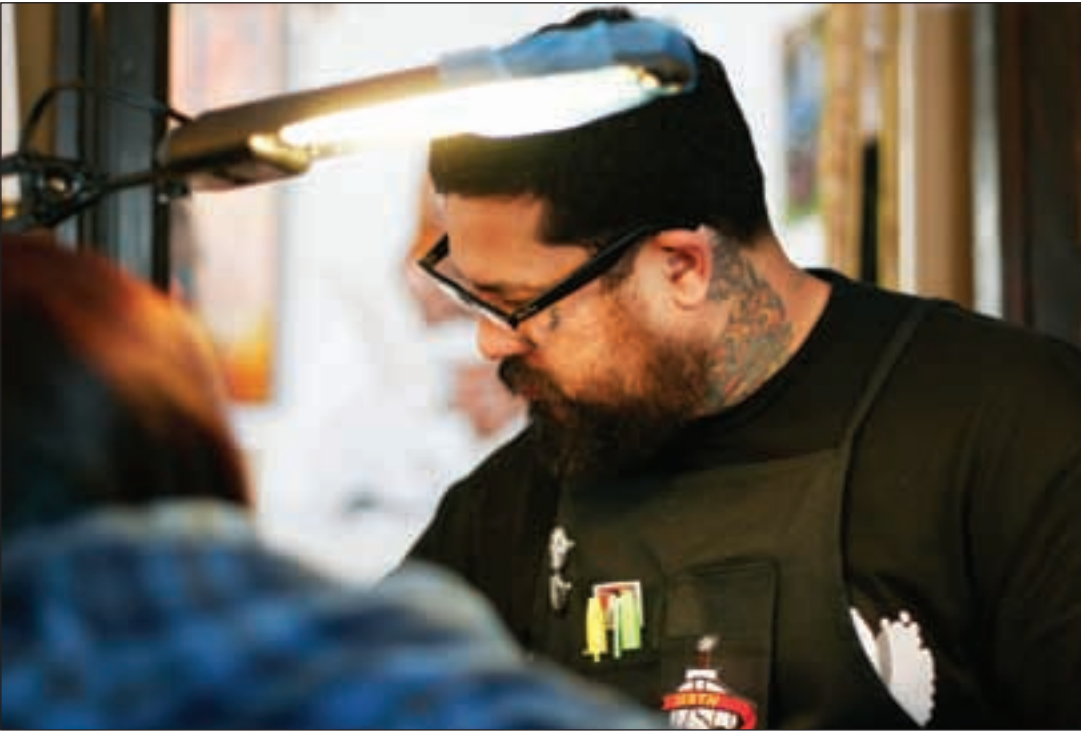
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Marking his canvasses for life

Local tattoo artist decorates bodies through an independently run business



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Clockwise starting from top left: Francisco Valez prepares to tattoo a customer on April 6, 2011, at his tattoo shop Death Before Dishonor on San Carlos Street between Fourth and Third Streets. Valez applies red shading to a banner on the customer's forearm. The customer lies on her stomach as Valez finishes the tattoo

by applying cleansing tattoo soap and Vaseline. The finished tattoo wraps around an existing black and white tattoo of a name — the customer was extremely happy with the final piece. Valez has the setup of any artist: multiple colors of ink, a place to mix his colors and a tattoo gun, all laid out on sanitary towel.

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