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Acknowledging Adrian

SJSU guard Adrian Oliver receives national honor

Kyle Szymanski
Sports Editor

Following two impressive games against Louisiana Tech and New Mexico State, SJSU guard Adrian Oliver was named the Oscar Robertson National Player of the Week by the United States Basketball Writers Association.

Oliver began last week by torching Louisiana Tech on Thursday for a career-high 39 points in a win before going for 22 in the Spartans' victory against New Mexico State on Saturday.

He finished the week with a 54 percent field goal average, shooting 19 of 35 and was a near flawless 19 of 20 from the free-throw line over the two-game stretch.

"I really haven't been doing anything," Oliver said. "I guess the ball has just been bouncing my way. I feel like we have a much more confident team as of late. Guys are confident. Guys are making harder cuts, which is allowing me to get open."

Oliver's big night against Louisiana Tech helped the

Spartans end the Bulldogs' 10-game winning streak last Thursday.

His follow-up effort helped SJSU rally from an 18-point deficit to defeat the Aggies 93-84 on Saturday. The Aggies entered the game against SJSU as co-leaders of the Western Athletic Conference.

Oliver has scored 20 or more points in four consecutive games, leading the Spartans to their best start in the conference season since 1999.

"He's helped our team every minute of every game when he is on the floor," said SJSU head coach George Nessman. "Adrian is an excellent college basketball player. He is an extremely hard worker who pays great attention to detail."

The Spartans are now 11-8 and 4-3 in WAC play.

"He's doing great right now," said Spartans power forward C.J. Webster. "It is really exciting to watch him play. I think he is really in the zone right now. He's real hard to stop."

Oliver was named the WAC Player of the Week before

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Oscar Robertson National Player of the Week Adrian Oliver drives toward the basket in last week's game against New Mexico State.

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SJSU employs large workforce

Andrew Martinez
Staff Writer

SJSU is ranked the fourth largest Silicon Valley employer based in San Jose, according to the Jan. 1 issue of the Silicon Valley/San Jose Business Journal.

SJSU, with 4,693 full-time-equivalent employees, is also the 17th largest employer in Silicon Valley and was one of two universities listed in the top 100. The other university listed was Santa Clara University, ranked 77th with 1,233 full-time equivalent employees, according to the Business Journal.

Pat Lopes Harris, director of media relations for SJSU, said that SJSU alumni make up the workforce of many significant Silicon Valley companies.

"Our mission is to train for the workforce, and there are many who are employed by organizations larger than ours," she said.

"What that tells people is that lots of people have ties in

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Organization aims to prepare students

Eric Bennett
Staff Writer

The main goals among chapter organizations almost always revolve around grade-point averages and developing students' preparedness for their respective jobs, said a vice president of an SJSU chapter organization.

Cherita Young, vice president of the SJSU chapter of the Black Alliance of Scientists and Engineers, said that providing students with access to opportunities to work with professionals is one of the more effective ways to ready them for their future careers.

Young said she is currently juggling an internship at Hewlett-Packard Co. with coordinating her chapter's events, such as the upcoming third annual Diversity Career Fair.

"One of the advantages of be-



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Vice president of the Black Alliance of Scientists and Engineers, Cherita Young, in front of the engineering building Wednesday evening.

ing a member of BASE is access to the programs that we host, such as biweekly study jams, socials, and professional develop-

ment and academic workshops," Young said.

The alliance is open to non-engineering and science ma-

jors as well, and Young said the group's goals are to increase and retain the number of African-Americans and minorities in the science and engineering departments.

Babatunde Onadele, SJSU BASE chapter president, said the group also strives to ease the tensions on nervous students nearing life after college, using their diversity career fair as an opportunity to do so.

"This event will bring 12 corporate companies and draw 800-plus students in this recession," Onadele said. "By having companies come to our regular meetings we help students extend their network and provide them with experiences that might not have been offered to them without joining BASE."

Onadele said BASE has helped

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U.S. Health Secretary urges vaccinations

Kevin Hume
Staff Writer

The United States Secretary of Health and Human Services said she wants young people to know the swine flu hasn't disappeared.

"Flu season isn't over yet," said Kathleen Sebelius in a Jan. 26 conference call with college newspapers. "We often have less flu in January."

Sebelius said she wanted to reassure the public that the H1N1 flu vaccine is safe and that more than 61 million people in the United States have been vaccinated against H1N1.

"We have a safe and effective vaccine," she said.

Sebelius also said eighteen to 24-year-old people are six times more likely to be hospitalized.

"Just being younger puts folks at greater risk," Sebelius said.

Kari Olandese, a junior nutritional science major, said she doesn't believe H1N1 is any different from seasonal flu.

"I think it's just like any other flu going around," she said. "You just have to be ready."

Olandese said she doesn't plan on getting vaccinated.

"I am never going to get vaccinated," Olandese said.

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Foreign students adapt to SJSU life

Jasmine Duarte
Staff Writer

For some international Master's students, adjusting to life in the United States can be challenging.

Siddharth Verma, a master's student in electrical engineering from India, said he had to adapt to the environment of the United States.

"Meeting different friends and getting accustomed to different ways of communication (were tough)," Verma said. "The studies are also different and the education system is different."

"The accent is different and the some of the words are different, English is a second language back home, so adjusting to a first language here which is a second language back home is somewhat challenging."

Rosemary Henze, professor of linguistics and language development, said that before international students come to SJSU, they must take and pass the test of English as a foreign language.

"One-third to one-half of master's students in the (linguistics and language development department) are international students," Henze said.

She said the only issue some students may encounter when they come to SJSU is hearing English verbally.

Henze said most students in the linguistics and language development department are from Korea and Taiwan, and many of these students come to SJSU to earn a master of Arts degree in teaching English to speakers of other languages.

Students earn their mas-

ter's degree in TESOL and return to their home countries to teach English, she said.

When students arrive at SJSU from their home countries, they do well in their classes and are well prepared in their home countries, Henze said.

While students may pass the foreign language exam, and may know grammar and spelling, Henze said they will struggle in the classroom if they don't have much practice with English orally.

"You have to be involved in stuff and still keep up your grades, so it can be hard," Anuj Bhargava, a master's student in electrical engineering.

Bhargava, an international student from India, said people in America are friendly, so it was easy to make friends.

Verma said international students should "take the challenges one day at a time, social challenges and cultural ones."

Both Verma and Bhargava said they have been in the United States for at least three years and have fully adjusted to the culture and the language and look forward to getting their master's degrees in December.

Bhargava said he plans on potentially moving back to India, depending on where he is offered jobs.

"I am looking for what is best for me," Bhargava said. "I would love to go back to India, but if I am offered more money and a better job in the United States, then I will stay here."

"Have education as a priority and everything else will fall into place automatically," Verma said.

Trendy bike gears up students

Matt Santolla
Staff Writer

There is a new underground subculture riding through the streets of downtown San Jose, according to the iMiNUSD bike shop Web site.

Rudy Schwartz, a freshman mechanical engineering major, said that riding fixed-gear bikes is more fun than normal bikes.

"It's a really smooth ride," said Schwartz. "You can get a lot of momentum and go real fast. It is cool."

A fixed-gear bike is a bicycle that has no freewheel gear, meaning it cannot coast, according to the Fixed Gear Bikes Web site.

The pedals always move in the direction of the rear tire, meaning the rider can brake by resisting the pedal momentum or ride the bike backwards.

iMiNUSD Fixed Gear Boutique is a store located blocks from SJSU that sells fixed gear bikes.

The bikes have drawn interest due to their versatility, low maintenance and low cost, according to the Fixed Gear Bikes Web site.

Schwartz said he works at a bike shop and likes the low cost of owning a fixed-gear bike.

"You can piece your bike together so it is a lot cheaper to build," Schwartz said. "I can build a bike without having to spend a bunch of money."

The Fixed Gear Republic Web site contains galleries of people



Clifford Grodin/Spartan Daily

Computer engineering major Daniel Torre Franca rides his fixed gear bicycle down 7 street Wednesday morning.

using their bikes to perform stunts and tricks in order to galvanize their supporters.

"It's a fun way to move around campus," said Wilson Yee, a junior computer science major. "I like the workout it gives because there is only one gear. It can be a

challenge."

Web sites like Fixed Gear Republic and Fixed Gear Bikes are places where this evolving community can come together and talk about its interests.

Some Web sites that sell fixed-gear bikes go beyond just being

an online store.

Riders of fixed-gear bikes can post blogs, photos, and video all in to support their hobby, according to the Fixed Gear Bikes Web sites.

The Web site has tutorials on how to do tricks, bike maintenance, and how to build a fixed-gear bike from scratch.

The Fixed Gear Republic Web site has several photos and provides forums for users to connect with other riders and also has several social networking sites linked to their page in order to build the fixed gear bike community. The site also has links to buy apparel and other types products that are fixed bike riders might be interested in.

The iMiNUSD Web site states that it is a place for people in the San Jose area to come together and share their love for fixed gear bikes, and has its own Twitter account and Facebook page.

iMiNUSD also has a professional fixed-gear biking team. According to the shop's Web site, these professionals perform stunts and tricks while riding fixed-gear bikes.

All of these fixed gear bike Web sites share an enthusiasm for a new lifestyle and culture.

Katalyn Ford, a junior linguistics major, said that she has heard of fixed-gear bikes and was aware of their popularity among students.

"It forces you to pay attention," Ford said. "Riding those bikes are a lot of fun."

CAMPUSIMAGE



Stefan Armijo/Spartan Daily

The sun sets Wednesday evening as Dennis Freeman, a graduate student in urban planning, heads home after class.

Obama gives first State of the Union

WASHINGTON (AP) — Declaring "I don't quit," President Barack Obama fought to recharge his embattled presidency with a State of the Union vow to get jobless millions back to work and stand on the side of Americans angry at Wall Street greed and Washington bickering. Defiant despite stinging setbacks, he said he would fight on for ambitious overhauls of health care, energy and education.

"Change has not come fast enough," Obama acknowledged Wednesday night before a politician-packed House chamber and a TV audience of millions. "As hard as it may be, as uncomfortable and contentious as the debates may be, it's time to get serious about fixing the problems that are hampering our growth."

Obama looked to change the conversation from how his presidency is stalling — over the messy health care debate, a limping economy and the missteps that led to Christmas Day's barely averted terrorist disaster — to how he is seizing the reins. He spoke to a nation gloomy over double-digit unemployment and federal deficits soaring to a record \$1.4 trillion, and to fellow Democrats dispirited about the fallen standing of a president they hoped would carry them through this fall's midterm elections.

With State of the Union messages traditionally delivered at the end of January, Obama had one of the presidency's biggest platforms just a week after Republicans scored an upset takeover of a Senate seat in Massachusetts, prompting hand-wringing over his leadership.

conferences the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention have given on H1N1.

Sebelius said the Web site contained a flu vaccine locator, powered by Google Maps, where people can find places to get vaccinated by plugging in a city or address.

Google Maps will come up, showing numerous locations within a few miles of the indicated address that have the H1N1 vaccine, seasonal flu vaccine, or both, according to the government flu Web site.

The government flu Web site states the government has also tried to reach out online by creating a Facebook application called "I'm a Flu Fighter," which gives users a chance to create a "Flu Fighting" character, tell their friends they got a flu shot and encourage them to get vaccinated.

There is also a Facebook fan page for the government's plan to fight H1N1, according to the government flu Web site.

Nursing student Garcia said he thought the government's use of social networking and online outreach was a good idea.

"I would hope that they would gain popularity," Garcia said.

Olandese said the government could be spending its resources on better things.

"Certain programs, like women's shelters, lost a lot of money with the budget cuts," she said. "I think the money could be used in a more effective way than just mediating the masses with these advertisements about H1N1."

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"I'm against it."

She said she is preventing herself from getting sick by eating nutritious foods to help boost her immunity, exercising, getting of rest and washing her hands before eating.

Sophomore chemistry major Fauz Ahmad said he also doesn't plan on getting vaccinated, as he isn't worried about becoming infected with swine flu.

"I feel as though it's not going to affect my life," he said. "I feel I will not get it."

Ahmad said he wasn't doing much to prevent getting sick.

"I'm not doing anything in particular," he said. "I try to stay healthy in general, but other than that, absolutely nothing."

Senior nursing major Joshua Garcia said he was vaccinated to protect himself.

"I found out that the school was offering it for students, and so I thought it would be a great idea to get vaccinated," he said.

Sebelius said the government has attempted to reach out to people online by creating a Web site to educate people about both the seasonal flu and H1N1.

According to the government flu Web site, people can watch public service announcement videos about H1N1 and videos on staying healthy that star Sesame Street's Elmo, singer Marc Anthony and athlete Jackie Joyner-Kersey. People can also watch all of the news

3 WEDNESDAY

Wednesday Feb. 3
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"Road Trip, Birth of Car Culture" Exhibit and Lecture Program begins at 7:00 p.m. on the 5th floor of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Library. The exhibition will be on view January 25 through May 16. Contact Charlene Duval at cduval@cruzio.com.

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Silicon Valley, and perhaps to SJSU.”

Joseph Moreno, a senior behavioral science and anthropology double major, said that SJSU’s ranking does not come as a shock because of SJSU’s high student population.

SJSU has an enrollment of more than 31,000 students, according to a Spring 2009 assessment from the SJSU office of institutional research Web site.

“That’s a population unto itself. We could secede from San Jose. Vatican City of San Jose,” said Moreno, alluding to the administrative center of the Roman Catholic Church within the city of Rome.

District 3 Councilman Sam Liccardo stated in an e-mail that the city has been looking to do everything it can to better integrate SJSU into the life of San Jose, and that he looks forward to continuing those efforts.

“I’m grateful for SJSU’s presence here in our downtown,” Liccardo said. “The students, faculty, and employees breathe life into our core and make for a more vibrant community.”

Ramon Vizcarra, a senior sociology and Spanish double major, said he was curious about the recent distinction because last semester SJSU employees were talking about job security and who had the most to lose.

“Even with all the layoffs and stuff?” he said. “That’s interesting.”

SJSU currently has four tenure-track positions available in the colleges of Applied Sciences and Arts, Business, Education and Engineering, according to the SJSU office of faculty affairs Web site.

The SJSU human resources Web site stated that the university considers itself an equal opportunity and affirmative action employer committed to nondiscrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, gender status, marital status, pregnancy, age, disability, or covered veteran’s status consistent with applicable federal and state laws.

According to the Business Journal, a sample of the starting benefits for full-time equivalent employees include medical, dental, vision, life insurance, disability and retirement benefits.

The Business Journal stated that Cisco Systems Inc. was named the largest employer for the second year in a row. It offers similar benefits to SJSU, but includes on-site child care, on-site health care and a working mothers program.

The Business Journal also stated that Facebook Inc. was ranked 89th with about 1,000 full-time equivalent employees.

The Silicon Valley survey was made up of Santa Clara, San Mateo, Alameda, San Benito, Santa Cruz and Monterey counties, according to the Business Journal.

SJSU professors discuss climate change

Angelo Scrofani
Staff Writer

Free organic cookies and milk made it easy for students to educate themselves on climate change at an event called “How Long Can We Go?” held in Morris Dailey Auditorium on Wednesday.

The event focused on two subjects — what happened at the United Nations summit on climate change in Copenhagen this past December, and the impact of having an ecological footprint, said Katherine Cushing, SJSU sustainability director and environmental studies professor.

Evan Sarina, a recent SJSU alum, said he was unsure what student turnout was going to be like.

“My hope is that the whole place will be full,” he said. “But most likely, there will be around 70. Any panel is for student awareness. Students just want to have to listen.”

Environmental studies lecturer Alexander Gershenson is one of three professors at SJSU who has committed to teaching a course on climate change emphasizing awareness.

“It’s a course that explores the social, scientific and political aspect of climate change,” he said.



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(left to right) Sarah Lee, Jennifer Gorospe and Matt Lambert, all graduate students in environmental studies, show students how to shrink their ecological footprint by changing the way they eat on Wednesday.

Gershenson, principal and founder of EcoShift Consulting, spoke about some of these same points during Wednesday’s event, alluding to the Kyoto Protocol, an agreement binding 37 industrialized countries to reduce greenhouse gases, which is set to expire in 2012.

Gershenson said part of what the United Nations summit discussed last winter was

a strategy that would not only replace the Kyoto Protocol in two years, but also include the United States, who had no ties to the original agreement.

The U.S. must be an active participant in the goal of reducing greenhouse gas emissions 80 percent by 2050, Gershenson said.

Greenhouse gases, along with carbon emissions, create what is known as an “ecologi-

cal footprint,” said SJSU meteorology Professor Eugene Cordero.

He said an ecological footprint is marked by the amount of waste produced by people all around the world, which he said contributes to the damage of the environment.

According to Cordero’s slides, there are 6.5 billion people on earth, and each person adds to the planet’s carbon

emission rate.

The ecological footprint is calculated by the amount of land, in acres, necessary to consume the carbon emissions each individual person creates through such things as product packaging and consumer waste, Cordero said.

He also said each person would require 38 acres in order to cover the amount of waste produced, which is equivalent to 6.35 earths.

Communication studies Professor Anne Marie Todd said the challenges in communicating climate change and the environment lie in both a lack of awareness for our own personal impact as a society and information saturation.

Todd said that continuously choosing to buy bottled water rather than using a reusable container, which Todd points out pays for itself in just six uses, reinforces a new green movement convincing consumers that contoured water bottles reduce packaging. Amanda Soon, junior environmental studies major, left the event not realizing how many of her peers were in attendance.

“It’s more people than I expected,” she said. “I didn’t expect a whole auditorium, but I was surprised to see how many people showed up.”

BASE

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many of its members, including himself, as he currently interns for Kaiser Permanente. Young said members have worked or currently work for the companies such as IBM, Cisco Systems Inc., PG&E, Intel Corp., Yahoo!, and BAE Systems. He said BASE members have also partaken

in summer research programs at universities including Johns Hopkins University and UC San Diego.

Young said the relationships she was able to build with recruiters trying to fill current job and internship openings during her chapter’s events has helped lead her to early success within her prospective career.

“At many of our meetings we have corporate recruiters talk to the membership about vari-

ous topics,” she said. “This way, the membership has plenty of opportunities to build relationships with recruiters from various companies to fill internship and full-time positions.”

Onadele said the alliance, which was established in the early 1970s, helped him obtain his current internship and has also had a direct impact on his ability to perform within his prospective profession.

Becoming team-orientated is something Onadele said he has learned a lot about while working with an executive board of 40-plus members.

“The leadership experience that I have gained from BASE has allowed me to advance in my internship with Kaiser Permanente,” he said.

Linda Ortega, director of the Mathematics, Engineering and Science Achievement Engineer-

ing Program, said the alliance has achieved success within the industry because of how assertive it is.

“BASE does a lot of things well, such as taking initiative and getting out there with the industry and community,” said Ortega, who also serves as the group’s adviser. “They are very active in terms of trying to develop academically and professionally.”

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Justin Cole brings down an opposing player during the Spartans win against Cal Poly on Sept. 26. Cole was selected to play in the Senior Bowl in Mobile, Ala. on Saturday.

Cole to play as all-star

Kyle Szymanski
Sports Editor

Former SJSU defensive end Justin Cole began Monday having only heard about the Under Armour Senior Bowl.

But by day's end, he was on a plane to participate in it.

"This invite was completely out of the blue," Cole said. "I got the invite Monday afternoon, and flew out Monday night. Unfortunately, this opportunity came at the expense of another player getting hurt, but this is a huge opportunity for me, and I'm going to take full advantage."

The Senior Bowl, which will take place Jan. 30, features the country's best senior college football players and top NFL prospects competing against each other on two teams that represent different sections of the country, according to the Senior Bowl Web site.

Cole, who played for the Spartans from 2006 through 2009, is coming off a season where he led the Spartans with nine tackles for loss.

"Justin Cole is a player that works very hard and has unlimited potential," said former teammate Justin Willis. "He has the ability to single-handedly take over a game and that is rare."

His best statistical season came during 2008 when he had five sacks and three fumble recoveries.

Cole is ranked sixth on the SJSU career list after finishing with 30.5 tackles for loss and 13 sacks over his four-year career. He was twice named second team All-Western Athletic Con-

ference while playing at SJSU.

"Hard work pays off and he is the hardest worker I know," said Cole's former teammate Carl Ihenacho. "God blesses people that are patient and deserving. Justin deserves everything he has accomplished plus more."

Cole will be only the 10th Spartan player to appear in a Senior Bowl since 1971 and the first since Coye Francies in 2009.

"I want to showcase my skills and talents," Cole said. "If they like me, that's great. I just want to show the type of player I am and give a little insight into the skills I can bring to a team."

About 100 players will take part in the nationally televised game, including 2007 Heisman Trophy winner Tim Tebow and Alabama's Terrence Cody.

The North team will be coached by the staff of the NFL's Detroit Lions, while the South team will be coached by the staff of the NFL's Miami Dolphins.

Cole will join Boise State defensive back Kyle Wilson and Fresno State running back Lonyae Miller as the only three WAC players chosen for this year's team.

Cole, who also has an invitation to play in the 2010 Texas vs. The Nation All-Star Game, said he will remember his time spent at SJSU with fond memories.

"Every year, I gained some valuable experience," Cole said. "I learned something from each and every coach I had at SJSU, and every year I've grown as a player into the player I am today. I still have a lot of room for improvement."

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SJSU guard Adrian Oliver drives toward the basket during SJSU's win Saturday against New Mexico State. Oliver was named the Oscar Robinson National Player of the Week on Tuesday.

OLIVER

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receiving the national honor Tuesday.

"It's a great example for our younger players since we have five freshmen on this team," Nessman

said. "It's a great example for them because he is very much a creature of habit. He works really diligently at what he does, and that is a great template for them to understand that is how you build success."

Oliver will now be placed on the Oscar Robertson Trophy watch list, which will be announced at mid-season, according to the U.S. Basketball

Writers Association Web site.

At the end of the season, finalists will be chosen by the USBWA. The winner of the Oscar Robinson Trophy will be announced April 5.

Oliver is leading the WAC in scoring with 21 points per game to go along with five rebounds and two assists.

COMMENTARY

Sharks destined for another playoff run

Joey Akeley
Executive Editor

So far, after 53 games, the San Jose Sharks find themselves in familiar territory, atop the league in points with 78 entering Wednesday.

Led by wing Patrick Marleau and center Joe Thornton, who lead the league in goals and assists respectively, the Sharks have won 16 of their last 18, giving them a two-point edge over the Western Conference's Chicago Blackhawks.

But, ever-present in the minds of the Sharks faithful is the team's playoff flop against the Anaheim Ducks last year.

In that six-game playoff upset, the top line of Thornton and Marleau were dominated by the Ducks top line, led by Ryan Getzlaf. Ducks goaltender Jonas Hiller outplayed Sharks goaltender Evgeni Nabokov for the whole series. The Sharks' middle lines were almost nonexistent as well, whereas the Ducks middle lines contributed to the scoring punch.

This year's team is simply better in all the phases the Sharks got burned in during last year's playoffs.

First is the presence of offseason addition Dany Heatley to the top line.

The winger is tied for fourth in the league in goals with 30, and when Marleau, Thornton and Heatley play together on the same line, they look unstoppable.

All three made the Canadian Olympic Team, and there have been multiple rumors that they will be the top line for Team Canada next month.

The Canadian trio is clearly the best line in hockey, but they aren't the only ones scoring goals.

Recently, the Sharks have been receiving production from their other lines. In their last five games, the Sharks have scored 26 goals, and only eight have been scored by the Canadian trio.

Center Joe Pavelski, wing Devin Setoguchi and wing Ryane Clowe have stepped up during the Sharks five-game win streak, scoring three goals apiece.

When the Sharks get that kind of production from their second, third and fourth lines, they are nearly unbeatable.

Overall, the Sharks are second in the NHL in goals scored per game, and they have been receiving great goaltending as well.

Nabokov is playing at a new level. His save percentage is .928, which is the best of his career. He looks more comfortable than he has in years past. He is third in the league in save percentage and second in the league in wins.

The only question that remains is whether Nabokov will burn out from playing so much. The Sharks would be smart to give him some rest down the stretch to keep him fresh for the playoffs.

The feeling I get watching this team is they have a different kind of confidence. They have by far the best road record, which speaks to this team's character.

With the best top line in hockey, a hot goaltender and a supporting cast contributing in every game, the Sharks are destined for a long playoff run.

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LOOK OF THE WEEK



Photo and interview by Jasmine Duarte

Name: Lily Wong
Year, Major: Senior psychology major.
What inspired your look today? I was just trying to dress warm and keep dry from the rainy weather.
What do you hate most about fashion? Sometimes it's hard to keep up with the current fashion trends.
Where are your favorite places to shop? Right now I like thrift stores since I'm on a budget. Other than that, I go to the sale racks at Forever 21 and then try to throw my own spin on things. I will invest in key pieces like a jacket, and then use a belt to give my own spin.
In what clothing are you the happiest? I'm a dancer, so I am happiest in tights and a leotard. Other than that, sweats and a T-shirt are really comfortable.
What is your most treasured item of clothing or accessory and why? My snow jacket. I use it as my raincoat, and it's very useful, especially when it's cold since I don't always like to carry an umbrella, but today I did.

Strawberry and banana fields forever

Tapioca smoothie drink pleases the palate

Jasmine Duarte
Staff Writer

While most students prefer hot coffee and tea in this cold weather, I still get the urge to enjoy a cold refreshing drink.

The first day of school can either be exciting or stressful or even both. My first day was thankfully not stressful and more exciting.

To celebrate a smooth first day after my last class I decided to go buy a smoothie.

Smoothies, no matter the weather, are sweet, refreshing and satisfying. The strawberry and banana smoothie with pearls from Hydration Coffee and Tea is no exception.

Located about a block away from campus, on South Third Street, Hydration has a convenient location and is easy on the wallet.

A strawberry and banana smoothie alone is \$3.65, but if you add the tapioca pearls it's an extra 50 cents.

I go to Hydration about three to four times a month and have tried a couple of their smoothies, but my favorite is the strawberry and banana.

The strawberry and banana smoothie looks pink and fluffy like cotton candy and tastes just as sweet.

As I sip the smoothie through the wider-than-normal straw to catch the pearls, the seeds from the strawberry can still be felt on the tip of my tongue. I cannot taste the banana, but the strawberries have a potent, artificial-sweet taste.

I saw my smoothie maker use strawberries, bananas, filtered water and a powder. He did not add milk, which was good because, being a

vegetarian, I do not drink regular milk.

The first pearl gets pulled through the straw and there is not much of a flavor to the pearl, but it's very chewy and squishy compared to the flavored-jellies option.

If tapioca pearls do not sound appealing, Hydration has different flavored jellies, like mango, green apple and rainbow.

While the smoothie is well... smooth, the tapioca pearls provide texture, and its plain taste pairs well with the sweetness of the sugar and strawberries.

There was an odd, powdery feel to the drink when it hit my taste buds. It's what gives the berry smoothie the sweet factor that sometimes makes me forget there is fruit in the drink.

The smoothie does have an artificial flavor to it, but for less than \$5, I cannot complain. It still satisfies my smoothie craving.

Don't get me wrong, I love organic smoothies, but if they were not expensive, I would get them two to three times a week. The organic smoothies I have tried have been great.

Even though economic times are rough, I still feel like enjoying something sweet and refreshing. Hydration is the place to go.

The fruit, sugar and pearls make a perfect combination for a drink that on any hot, summer, cold or rainy day will make me feel hydrated.

It was suggested to me that I should try Hydration's green bean smoothie.

I thought about it for a second, but was not sure how I felt about the idea of green beans mixed with water and sugar. Maybe next time.



Jasmine Duarte / Spartan Daily



Top 10

Alternativo En Espanol

Artist	Song
King Coya	Villa Donde
El Hijo de la Cumbia	Conciencia de Barrio

Electronic

Artist	Song
Chromee	Night By Night
Boys Noize	Power

Jazz

Artist	Song
Dana Hall	Conversation Song
Lucero	What Are You Willing To Lose

Subversive Rock

Artist	Song
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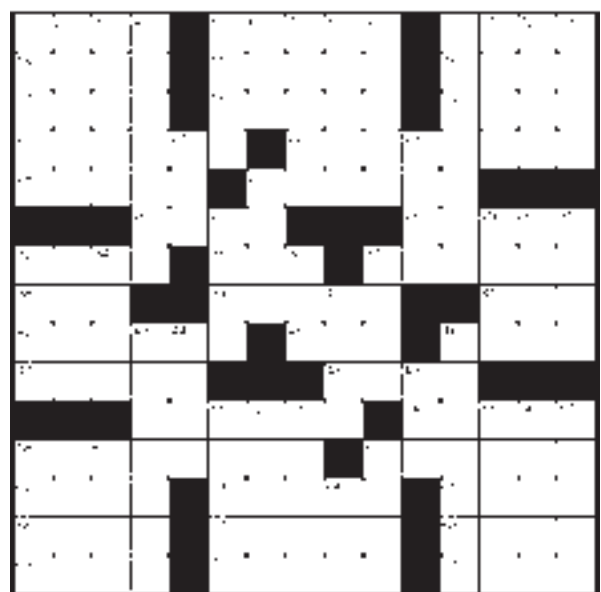
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Skipping the pill

I dumped the 28-pill pack in the trash.

It all started three months ago on the Sunday after my period.

I popped a miniature yellow pill out of its case, dropped it in my mouth and swallowed.

I was taking the most popular birth control method, assured by its nearly 100 percent effectiveness that I would not get pregnant.

The process seemed simple enough. Just remember to take a pill every day at the same time.

Then I noticed some changes. Big ones.

Within a month, I was eating double the portions my boyfriend ate, my face looked like a teenager in the midst of puberty, and I turned into an emotional psycho.

Putting aside the acne and weight gain, let me explain the emotional psycho part.

Time after time, I was accused of being too "sensitive" or "emotional." I put up my shield of denial as long as I could until my crying sessions began.

The sobbing could start anywhere at anytime. It happened in the car while driving home, at school after lunch, even at three in the morning after watching a romantic comedy movie.

If a comedy could make me cry, especially "Bridget Jones's Diary," something was wrong with me!

For the sake of birth control, I was willing to gain a few pounds



Michelle Gachet
Rebel With Michelle

and get three or four pimples on my face, but I was not going to start crying for no reason.

These little round pills were playing a hormonal game on my body.

I started getting flashbacks of the possible side effects the doctor had recited for me before she handed me the prescription.

I went online to refresh my memory.

Compiling the information from various Web sites, the list includes mood changes, a decrease in sex drive, depression, high blood pressure, high cholesterol, blood clots and a change in appetite.

This made me wonder, if there are hormonal contraceptives for females, where are the male hormonal contraceptives?

And if these were available, how many males would agree to take them?

An article on the Time Magazine Web site titled, "The Long Wait for Male Birth Control," by Adam Goodman, suggests major pharmaceutical companies

have stopped investing money in the development of male hormonal contraceptives because there isn't a big enough market.

This made me really "emotional."

According to the article, a male contraceptive researcher from the University of Washington said "science needs to progress" in order for the pharmaceuticals to invest.

And if these were available, how many males would agree to take them?

I threw away my birth control pack because I refuse to be the only one in the relationship with the wacky crying episodes.

While women submit themselves to all the possible side effects, men may occasionally ask, "Hey babe, did you remember to take your pill today?"

When will it be my turn to ask that question?

According to the article, not any time soon.

"Rebel With Michelle," runs biweekly on Thursdays. Michelle Gachet is a Spartan Daily multimedia editor.

Spring cleaning the method of class instructions for 2010



Leonard Lai
An Honest Lai

Spring semester, the start of school again.

We all know what that means.

It's time for all students to stare blankly into space as instructors figure out who still needs to add the class, and begin to butcher our names.

The class grinds along with the instructor spending 10 minutes figuring out if the "z" is silent in a person's name and spending another 36 minutes going over page 45 of the course syllabus.

Everybody who has a laptop and is still awake at this point is either on some social networking site, checking their e-mail or playing a game of solitaire.

The instructor has the nerve to finally say, "I'm sorry that this class session is god-awful boring."

I can't believe a professor would even say that.

I will give the benefit of the doubt that any class can be exciting no matter the content of the course, and it is usually never the class's fault for being boring.

The problem lies in the methods instructors use to present their class.

Students are warned not to use laptops for anything besides note taking, because other activities would detract from the "learning experience."

fallen asleep in class before, and all the students nodded.

Even though the question was asked, I wonder if the instructor ever gave thought to themselves if they can do anything to change the way they teach — what to do to make students not fall asleep?

It seems as if they're just content with teaching the same way Socrates taught — lecturing to onlookers and other people who were eager to listen to his preaching.

Problem is, onlookers and other people now have access to technology allowing people to look up everything no matter where they are, and it's getting harder and harder to keep our attention.

Instructors need to realize they need to keep up with the times. In a world full of technology, they need to figure out how they can use it for themselves.

Certain school departments recommend students bring in laptops.

Instead of having instructors not allow their use in class, they should figure out a way for us to use laptops during class time, so our eyes are actively moving instead of staring at a static talking head.

"An Honest Lai," runs weekly on Thursdays. Leonard Lai is the Spartan Daily opinion editor.

MLK boycott is understandable but done in poor taste

A recent brouhaha erupted in San Jose during the annual Freedom Train ride that celebrates the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

According to the San Jose Mercury News, the San Jose chapter of the NAACP decided to pull its support from the event following the train organizers' acceptance of a \$5,000 donation from the San Jose Police Officers Association.

Chapter President Jethroe Moore said it was inappropriate for train organizers to accept money from the police union because reports have surfaced that San Jose police officers are more likely to use force against people of color.

Moore furthered the NAACP's disconnection with the event by insisting all NAACP logos be removed from event materials.

Freedom Train organizer

Daniel Hoffman said this year's event would not be possible without the help of the police officer's union because some key corporate sponsors backed out.

All this seems a bit ridiculous.

At the same time, it's a perfectly sensible way for the NAACP to protest the San Jose Police Department's involvement.

After all, the SJPD has come under fire for unfairly targeting people of color.

A story in the Mercury News from November 2008 said San Jose police officers arrest more people for being drunk in public than most large cities. Of those arrested for being drunk in public, 57 percent were Latino.

Last October, two San Jose police officers were accused of beating and using a Taser on a



Kevin Hume
Staff Writer

Vietnamese man who happened to be an SJSU student. The incident was brought to light after the Mercury News obtained a videotape of the incident.

The NAACP protesting the involvement of the police union in the festivities is its way of keeping important community issues like these in the public eye.

With the constant barrage of news coverage people are faced

with every day, it's easy to let stories like these be forgotten.

This is why community organizations exist. They have the ability to support communities through social services, but also by being there when individuals' rights are in danger of being violated.

I applaud the NAACP for sticking to its principles and pulling out of the Freedom Train ride.

With the constant barrage of news coverage people are faced with every day, it's easy to let stories like these be forgotten.

I am slightly saddened all this happened surrounding the celebration of the life of one of

the most important figures in the Civil Rights Movement.

"Is nothing sacred?" comes to mind.

Dr. King was highly revered by people of all creeds and colors. His birthday was turned into a national holiday not to give people an extra day off of work or school, but to celebrate his life and continue the ideals he fought for some 40 years ago.

With the constant barrage of news coverage people are faced with every day, it's easy to let stories like these be forgotten.

The San Jose Police Officers Association was merely doing its part in supporting the great-

er community by contributing a donation to the Freedom Train.

The leaders of the Freedom Train ride even admitted the celebrations wouldn't have happened this year without the donation from the officers union.

So, which is worse: Holding an annual event to celebrate the life of a slain civil rights leader that is boycotted by the largest civil rights group in America, or having the celebrations be canceled because of lack of money?

The cancellation would be worse.

I understand and agree with the NAACP's choice of boycotting the event.

But, I feel the celebration of Dr. King's life is an important event, something bigger than all parties involved.

I guess sometimes in life you've got to stick to your guns.

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Rate your professors on the go

Kristen Pearson
Staff Writer

Rate My Professors has just moved to the iPhone.

The application is slightly different from the Rate My Professors Web site, but still has the same general idea of rating, commenting on and looking for good or bad professors or college campuses.

Kim Uhlík, assistant professor of hospitality, recreation, and tourism management, said iPhone applications are reflections of where technology is headed today.

"These applications are reflective of technology and what people want to know," Uhlík said. "Humans are naturally curious. The Rate My Professors application will be nice for students to have access to it quickly the day before registration. It's a perfect way to see what professors they want or don't want."

Alison Fivecoat, a junior fine arts major, said she was annoyed when she found out Rate My Professors was not a free application for the iPhone.

"I would not download it because it's not free," she said. "I'm not sure what to think of the app, but I think it should be free."

Sophomore photography major Travis Howland said the application can help students find the teacher for them.

"The Rate My Professors system allows students to identify teachers that best fit their learning style," he said. "Understanding how a teacher works before starting a class gives students a helpful head start and allows them to understand how to learn the best from each professor."

Tony Ma, a senior biological forensics major, said he was going to download the application right away.

"Since school just started,



Stefan Armijo / Spartan Daily

The Rate My Professor iPhone application lets students comment on each others ratings and review instructors.

it'll be nice to keep track of my professors and see who I should drop," he said.

Ma said the Web site had helped him a lot in the past and he regretted when he hadn't used it.

"I got into a class last semester and forgot to check the professor," he said. "She was difficult, and I would've saved money by checking Rate My Professors and not taking the class."

Jackie Dwyer, a senior communication studies major, said she thinks the application would be helpful in the first week of school.

"An application like that would be nice to use when you're on the go, when you're adding a class," she said. "And if you don't like a certain teacher, it'd be nice to use to try to find another class."

Junior art major Jonathan Glabas said he used to use the Rate My Professors Web site when he was in community college.

"I feel that I have no use for it now because I can't choose my

professors anymore, since I'm in a specific department," Glabas said.

The Rate My Professors application can be downloaded for 99 cents, according to information found on the online iPhone App Store.

To use the application, the App Store states that users should go into a department or search for a specific professor directly from the SJSU forum. Once in a department or on the main SJSU page, users should then scroll down to search for a professor by the first letter of his or her name.

The App Store also state that the names of professors are in their departments, similar to the Rate My Professor Web site. To find more details on the professor, tap the professor's name and the specific ratings will pop up.

To rate the professor, click on "rate," according to the App Store information.

A representative from the Rate My Professors Web site was not available for comment.

Featured Tweet

@ArnsnP: the name sounds like a women's product, and the actual functionality seems like an itouch I wouldn't want to carry around.

Some students wary of Apple's toy

Hannah Keirns
Staff Writer

Amid Apple Inc.'s excitement over the arrival of its newest, highly anticipated computing device, the iPad, mixed reviews by SJSU students have taken a bite out of Apple's unveiling.

At a press event held in San Francisco's Yerba Buena Center Wednesday, Apple CEO Steve Jobs said the iPad will create a third category of mobile device between an iPod Touch and a netbook.

"The iPad is a glorified iPod Touch that was released too soon before certain, small qualms were fixed, like Flash support for Web sites, a camera or high-definition games," said Jake Humbert, a senior radio, television and film major.

Humbert said Apple revolutionized the e-reader market through the advent of the iPad and its appeal to students through a wide variety of textbooks on a color display.

"Apple has a smart business strategy by offering the iPad at a variety of price points because it enables students and professionals alike to benefit from the product and its features," said senior business major Jeremy Inman. "This must be where their projected \$1.4 billion in revenue for 2010 is expected to come from."

"It is a pretty cool device that I wish was at a more student-friendly price" said junior kinesiology major Nikoo Nakai.

The half-inch thick, 1.5-pound device will feature a 9.7-inch LED multitouch widescreen that runs the same operating system as the iPhone, allowing users access to its 140,000 applications

via the App Store, Jobs said at the event.

Apple's Web site describes the App Store as a service for users of the iPhone and iPod to browse and download a suite of applications from entertainment to business and education to finance.

During Wednesday's press event, Jobs said that perhaps the most significant among the iPad applications is iBooks, which is an electronic bookstore exclusively made for the iPad that previews and sells texts through Apple's relationships with five major publishers — Hachette, Penguin, HarperCollins, Simon & Schuster and Macmillan.

Jobs said his company wants to maintain its position at the "intersection of technology and liberal arts." He said Apple reimagined a set of key software for the iPad to allow users more personal interaction using gestures such as pinch and zoom, flick, tap and swipe.

Familiar Macintosh software include Safari, Mail, iPhoto Al-

bum, iTunes, iWork, Maps, Notes, iCal, Address Book and Spotlight Search, Jobs said.

The device is designed to work in any orientation — portrait or landscape — so users can use it comfortably at any angle during its battery life of 10 hours, according to Apple's Web site.

Jobs said the new iPad device passes Apple's environmental checklist of being both highly recyclable and free of toxins such as arsenic, mercury and polyvinyl chloride.

Apple is offering 16GB-64GB iPads at prices ranging from \$499 to \$829, depending on its network capability of WiFi and/or 3G, according to Apple's Web site. Jobs said during Wednesday's press event that all iPad 3G data plans will be subscription-based solely through AT&T.

At the close of the press event, Jobs said that Wi-Fi-only versions of the device would be available worldwide in March, with the more expensive 3G models coming 30 days later.



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Steve Jobs unveils Apple's new gadget, the iPad, in San Francisco on Wednesday morning.

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