Bike lanes aim to improve safety, ridership

By Kimberly Diaz

New bike lanes were constructed in downtown San Jose this past July in order to encourage safer streets and encourage bike riding in the city. On August 9th, city official by Councilman Sam Liccardo opened the lanes to the public with Liccardo riding the new pavement.

There are 7 miles of buffered bike lanes installed on Third, Fourth, 10th and 11th streets, according to the San Jose Department of Transportation.

The bike lanes are being funded by state gas tax revenues used for roadway maintenance and also by state Transportation Development Act, Article IV grants, according to John Brazil, Bicyclist and Pedestrian Program Coordinator.

Liccardo, also a local political lite-site at SJSU, said he has been pushing for bike lanes for over four years.

"This isn’t just about bikes," Liccardo said. "It’s about slowing down traffic by eliminating lanes such a car was more of a sense of curiosity. Liccardo said that some of the car lanes in downtown San Jose have been reduced from three to two to encourage safer and slower traffic in neighborhoods. This is not only for cars but bicycles also for pedestrians.

California law that can in downtown can merge into the bike lane to enter parking spaces, driveways, or at intersections starting at 200 feet away.

Carlos Babcock, San Jose Bike Party route coordinator, said he finds positives about the new bike lanes and said he rides them everyday. He is also the chair of the San Jose Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission.

"I feel incredibly safe," Babcock said. "They cut down on traffic to slow it down and make it safer for bikers. On 10th street, the speed limit was 30 miles per hour, but cars were going at 25 miles per hour, which was too fast for me to ride along with them. Now, with the new bike lanes, traffic has slowed down and feels safer."

Babcock said the most mound bike party had an attendance of more than 4,500 people as they rode down the newly renovated 10th street.

In addition to these bike lanes, Babcock will also be introducing a new bike sharing program, which will allow people to rent bikes from different parts of downtown San Jose, according to Brazil.

"It’s like a little island," he said, and the shark is the main predator on that island."

Brazil said the new lanes, along with the bike share program, will go along with the city’s master plan to get more people on bikes.

"Our main goal is really to provide more transportation options for people,” Brazil said. "The city’s general plan is to have 15 percent of transit by bicycle by the year 2046. The city also has a plan to reach five percent by 2020.

Brazil said that the bike share program is being funded by a combination of federal, local and regional grants. A majority of the grant funding comes from the Metropolitan Transportation Commission’s Climate Initiative grant program, which has contributed $4 million.

SJSU grad snaps up new shark species

By Jacqueline Orvis

A San Jose State University graduate student discovered eight potentially new shark species during an exploratory expedition to the Indian Ocean earlier this year.

"It was like Christmas morning," Paul Clerkin said, recalling his excitement when he found the first mystery shark in a cave the next morning, "It was really focused on it just studying."

Clerkin spent two months on a commercial trawler Shark-Rock of the island of Mauritius sifting through bycatch — or fish unintentionally caught in the trawl — hoping to learn about several different species of sharks living on a semi-enclosed deep-sea ocean.

"It’s like a little island," he said, "and (the shark) are the apex predator on that island."

Clerkin said the sharks circling the seamount are potentially very important, "It’s a two-month mission, but it’s difficult to tell at this point."

"Their biodiversity is fascinating and ranges far beyond the typical great white," Clerkin said.

"But we know nothing about these sharks. They don’t even have names."

David Ebert, program manager for the SJSU Ocean Research Center, said the naming process is visible to the recognition of the new species.

"There is such a huge immigrant population here (in San Jose), so learning the language is relevant to a lot of people," Aghazadeh said.

The class is the start of what the Iranian studies department hopes is a series of language classes that enriches understanding of Iranian culture offered at the school.

"Ultimately, if somebody is learning the U.S., according to SJSU graduate student in U.S.-Iranian studies department head Persis Karim. "Ultimately, if somebody was really interested in foreign services and diplomacy, (learning Farsi) makes you a very desirable candidate for employment."

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"We’ve gotten all kinds of requests for the course."

Farsi is defined by the Department of Education and the State Department as a strategic language that is pertinent to foreign policy and diplomacy, which can lead to careers in the United Nations or NATO, according to Karim.

Two months past the conclusion of the "Farsi for Foreign Policy Professionals" class at SJSU, a United Nations official from Iran has been coming to teach the class.

"It’s been really exciting," Aghazadeh said. "It’s an absolute dream."
**Outbreak**

Hantavirus syndrome is a life threatening disease spread to humans by rodents that has symptoms similar to influenza.

**Symptoms**

- Early
  - Chill
  - Fever
  - Headache
  - Nausea, vomiting
  - Shortness of breath
- Later
  - Cough
  - Respiratory distress; illness that worsens quickly

**Prevention**

- Wear gloves and shoe coverings when cleaning rodent habitats
- Wash your hands after cleaning rodent habitats
- Avoid contact with rodents
- Store and eat food in rodent-proof containers
- Clean up rodent droppings

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Pedestrians, bikers aided by lanes

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**Health**

Hantavirus outbreak kills Yosemite visitors

By McClarkey Tribune Wire Service

WASHINGTON — The National Park Service has discovered eight Colorado-based epidemiologist and a 38-year-old man based at the public health official to investigate the disease that most likely killed two Yosemite National Park visitors and potentially endanger other park-goers.

Several Yosemite visitors who stayed in the park's privately run Curry Village "signature" tents along mid-high were being warned upon their return by park officials said Tuesday. The park officials were being advised to watch for signs of the disease, which causes pneu- monia, pulmonary symmetries, caused by poisoning in- fected rodents.

"We're asking people that if they see any signs of the disease to seek immediate medical attention," Yosemite spokeswoman Michele Butler said Tuesday.

The park officials had no definitive proof yet connects the Curry Village guests to the Yosemite hantavirus cases, three indi- cations in New Mexico have con- tacted hantavirus this year had stayed at the popular Yose- mette, California area.

"Citizens say they have seen dead mice in the Yosemite area," the fourth Yosemite hantavirus potential case.

"Although, this makes the Yosemite hantavirus episode the most widespread of all, we still see public health clu- droses."

"Most cases of hantavi- rus occur as isolated cases, thus a cluster in a commu- nity with Curry Village is something to watch for," Dr. David Wong, a commander in the U.S. Pub- lic Health Service and former chief of the epidemiology branch of the Park Service's Office of Public Health, said Tuesday. In all of 2011, the Park Service recorded a total of 24 hantavirus discoveries, but no cases were confirmed.

"The illness starts between one and two weeks after expo- sure, marked by fever, chills and muscle aches. This eventu- rally fills the lungs, with one survivor telling the CDC that the feeling was like "a tight band around my chest and a pillow over my face."

"To oversee the case Yose- mette investigation, veterinary epidemiologist Dr. Danielle Higgins, director of the Park Service’s Office of Public Health, said Tuesday.

"Among other tasks, Buttke and her team have been trapping and testing the deer mice prevalent in Yosemite Valley. Between 15 percent and 20 percent of the deer mice population test positive for hantavirus, Ellis Buttke, a veterinarian, told the American Veterinary Medical Association.

Buttke had already been to Yosemite about a week and a half ago, following the initial Yosemite discovery. California Department of Public Health officials have been on scene.

In addition to being a veterinarian, Buttke holds a doctorate from Cornell University and a master’s in public health from Johns Hopkins University. She has served as an "epidemiologic intel- ligence service officer" with the CDC.

"With such numbers of rodents at Yosemite are getting a great deal of time on the news as well," U.S. Public Health Service Capt. Charles Higgins, director of the Park Service’s Office of Public Health, said Tuesday.

"As a career path, med-icine offers the po- tential to make a differ- ence," U.S. Public Health Service Capt. Charles Higgins said Tuesday.

"They’re going really fast and can really be frightening. I think the best thing to do is to stay away from the rodent burrow, between the bike lane and the car, you just feel a little safer."

Despite the positives feedback from a student, several student drivers who have concerns about the lanes.

"We're doing a combo of that by slowing the road. We're doing construction is slated to begin this fall, accord- ing to the city’s web site.

Creedly Diaz is a Spartan Daily staff writ- er, @SD_KDiaz as well as an avid bike rider.

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**NEWS**

Sharks:

Eight potential new species

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"I really wanted to see the sharks that make it all the way up into the air."

"I'm really excited to see as many sharks as I could," he said. "Diversity is important here."

"As far as continuing field work, we can't wait to get back to the park," he said. Buttke is waiting to hear from the California Department of Public Health about the Curry Village tents.

The Park Service has also been working with the California Department of Parks and Recreation to come up with a plan for waterfront areas such as Yosemite Valley and the Guadalupe River Trail.

"We’re not fishing for them yet, so we cannot manage them, " he added. "But we have them yet, so we cannot manage them, " he added. "But we have..."
Spanish: Emphasis on medical terms
effort of Anne Fountain, a physical therapist who de-
signed the course, and Le De la Calle, who wrote the class
textbook with her, an emer-
gency room nurse.

She has a particular focus on students such as Ashley Vashian, a
mental therapy major with
a minor in Spanish and


"I like that it teaches you health care, so you would
use these Spanish terms which
are close to the terms you
work with. I want to work in a
health promotion and right now it
suits me because it is a health
promotion class," said
Cristine Wolff, senior, a
health science major. 

"We work with a school that is
bilingual with Spanish speak-
er and I thought that being
bilingual would be a good as-
sert to have," De la Calle said.

De la Calle said he believes
there is a local need for this
form of class. "I believe there
is need for caregivers because
as we are in an area with
for the past 8 years. De la Calle
also found that the school is
bilingual with Spanish
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the educational therapy
student, "especially with medical
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the language is Spanish - so
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Inspired by a “battle between man and his own nature” Smith and the set design crew spent two to three months on the set, spending weeks on just creating the vines that blanket the front steps and walls, for example.

He said that the creative process involved researching ancient civilizations, drafting technical drawings of individual elements and building a full-color model to pitch the design details before beginning construction of the set.

“They look like they’ve been sitting on the steps for 2,000 years” said Smith, “and the set design process became much easier once the design started taking direction.”

Even though they are done building the set, there is still a lot of work to be done timing costumes, adjusting lighting and painting the set before opening night, he said.

The process of creating and coaching the performers on their French is a dedicated role, as well, said language coach Lea Frey. “Most didn’t need coaching,” she described, “the acting that the performers are experts in.”

In conjunction with her artwork, strength training has also been a big part of her daily life. “I’ve only discovered, fully embodied as an adult, a real sense of confidence from being physically engaged with the world,” she said. “I’m physically reclaiming my place in the world.”

Nowacek said she hopes to encourage artists, as well as her audience, to find the fearlessness in their art and their goals in life.

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@SD_SBarraza

Open San Jose gave a preview of the upcoming Opera “The Pearl Fishers” in the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Library Tuesday afternoon, giving a behind-the-scenes look at what it takes to create a show.

Three cast members – Monica King as Leila, James Callon as Nadir and Zachary Bockman as Zurga – also attended the preview, each singing arias – or melodies meant as a “window” into the characters, which included mostly art students, was invited into the gallery. Some didn’t know about was the kind of material reality of Silicon Valley. “I’ve only discovered, fully embodied as an adult, a real sense of confidence from being physically engaged with the world,” she said. “I’m physically reclaiming my place in the world.”

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Stephanie Barraza/special to the Spartan Daily reporter. Follow her on Twitter at @SD_SBarraza.
Vice presidential nominee
Ryan rallies GOP convention

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**McClatchy Tribune**

TAMPAS, Fla. — Paul Ryan on Wednesday portrayed himself as the choice of the new generation, a potential rival to President Barack Obama. The Republican was making stops around the country to encourage risky steps to reshape the government and new America's economic policies.

"We accept the calling of our generation to give our children the America that is given to us, with opportunities for the young and security for the old — and I know that we are ready," the 42-year-old Wisconsin congressman said in remarks prepared for prime-time delivery Wednesday at the Republican National Convention.

"We will not duck the tough issues — we will lead. We will not spend four years blaming others — we will take responsibility. We will not try to replace our founding principles, we will reap- ply our founding principles," he said, according to tran- scripts.

"The issues New England faces are the same issues ev- eryone faces. At the end of the day, the key issue is what you can afford," he said. "That's the issue Republicans have been discussing for decades, it's about the ticket. Their can- didate did not address the convention but was instead featured in a video. He's Ron Paul, a Kentucky sena- tor, addressed the delegates Wednesday. Of those backing Romney, many delegates, partic- ularly those in Northeast and Pacific Coast states, worried that Ryan might appear as too doctrinaire to undecided voters in the general election campaign.

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Continued to prepare for their didn’t let the injury bring said the coaches and players guard, center and some tackle. “absence. “He was able to play the repercussions of Bendixen’s MacIntyre said when detailing of this season’s early games. Bendixen injured his kneecap more offensive guard Keith a major blow when sopho- ing. “So we hope to rectify Stanford, “MacIntyre said except for the first one against MacIntyre’s T-shirt are the SJSU football head coach Mike against Stanford this season top-25 according to ESPN, the Stanford Cardinal defeated SJSU last year with a score of 17-13, maintaining the team — chemistry of the 2012 season. There’s a huge improve- ment in the chemistry of the overall speed, strength and conditioning Hisashi Imura athletic trainer Players were sprinting, smacking and launching themselves across Spartan Stadium’s playing field Tues- day morning in preparation for the season opener. “The intensity (had def- initely gone up,” said SJSU junior quarterback David Fales, asking the team was pumping themselves up for a game that seemed to have taken an eternity to arrive. While this is the first time Fales is facing Stanford, the SHU starting lineup holds five offensive and five defensive players that start- ed in last year’s opening games against the Cardinal. Among those returning in junior linebacker Vince Buhagiar, who had a season- high of 10 tackles against the Cardinal in last year’s game. “We expect to see some good stuff from them,” Buhagiar said as he explained his and his teammates’ men- talities regarding Friday’s game. “We’re working hard and we’re trying to prepare as best we can.” According to SJSU Athletics, this Friday’s game will be the fourth season in a row and ninth time in school history that SJSU faces off against a ranked team as a season opener — and after eight game will be the fourth of beating Stanford Friday time in school history that of our beating Stanford since a 35-34 Spartan victory against time since 2008, when they de- feated the UC Davis Aggies with a score of 17-14. Spartan football closed out the 2011 season in a two-game winning streak against Navy and Fresno State, edging out both opponents by three points. SJSU will be taking on Stanford on Friday, Aug. 31, at Stanford Stadium at 7 p.m. Cardinal Daily Staff daily staff writer. Follow her on Twitter at @camillediem.

### SJSU Football Starting Lineup

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GULFPORT, Miss. — Although the Weather Service downgraded Isaac late Wednesday afternoon, the slow-moving tropical storm continued to menace the Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama coasts with high winds, heavy rains and flooding as it drifted slowly northward.

Isaac had made landfall earlier in the day as a Category 1 hurricane, exactly seven years after Hurricane Katrina struck the region, and even after its downgrading it was expected to pass over the coastline well into Thursday with 90 mph winds, storm surges as much as 12 feet and localized rainfall of as much as 20 inches.

“Now is not the time to let your guard down,” New Orleans Mayor Mitch Landrieu said in a news conference.

Stronger lows in New Orleans fueled after Katrina, appeared to be the hold.

“Eight one, two, you’s in good shape,” said Ricky Bryant, a spokesperson for the Army Corps of Engineers

New Orleans District, which manages the levee system. “The system is doing exactly as designed to do right now.”

The Mississippi coast appeared to have escaped much of the storm’s wrath, with minimal damage and no reported injuries. But officials said a full damage assessment wouldn’t be possible until after more of the storm’s rain had fallen.

In a haunting reminder of Katrina’s aftermath, Louisiana National Guard troops rescued dozens of people from their flooded homes in Plaquemines Parish, and that officials had lived on the Gulf Coast for years after Hurricane Katrina, “everything can be fixed,” she said. “Every single thing,” she said. “Everything that has been done, everything that has been said, is going to happen.”

The Mississippi coast, about 1,500 National Guard troops were ready to come, not just in Baton Rouge but other parts of our state as well,” Jindal said. He had said he had asked President Barack Obama for federal disaster assistance in all 44 of Louisiana’s parishes, the equivalent of counties. Obama on Thursday approved a disaster declaration for a limited area of Plaquemines Parish and other parishes, and that officials were working on the storm’s impact, and he later spoke by phone with Coast Guard commanders, mayors and emergency responders, the White House said.

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Jindal, who canceled his appearance this week at the Republican National Convention in Tampa, Fla., advanced Louisiana’s evacuation to hurricane mode, with the storm expected to linger in the Gulf for days and forecast to move farther into Louisiana and southern Arkansas on Thursday and Friday.

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Jindal said that as many as 4,000 Louisiana National Guard troops could be called to assist during and after the storm. On the Mississippi coast, about 1,500 National Guard troops were ready to help with search and rescue efforts. Baucus said there was some damage, but everybody seems to be OK.

“That’s the most important thing,” he said. “Everything else can be fixed.”

Mark Kirsch and his family lived on the Gulf Coast only a couple of years, but he’s a hurricane veteran. Kirsch, who worked as a meteorologist in the Coast Guard, has ridden out other hurricanes along the East Coast.

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