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Shuttle buses pack students to campus



By Laurie Phillips
Staff Writer

As university officials fret about parking shortages, 1,100 university parking spaces sit unused every day.

These spaces are not on campus. Anyone who has ever circled the Fourth, Seventh or 10th Street parking garages knows that the 4,533 student spaces fill fast. Parking Coordinator Lolita Powell says the garages tend to close to students with commuter permits between 8:30 and 9 a.m., depending on the day of the week.

"The first day I came here, I drove around the parking garages for an hour and a half and didn't find a place to park," aerospace engineering student Ben Lopez said. "This," he added, gesturing to a Park and Ride bus, "is really the only choice in the mornings."

"This sucks," said senior Stephanie Rutkowski, who missed a shuttle and needed to wait for the next one. "I'm late to class. You have to plan on arriving 40 minutes early to get to class."

Instead of waiting for a parking space — the University Police Department said each space is used an average of 2.3 times per day — students can drive to a South Campus lot and ride the 1.7 miles to the main campus on a Park and Ride shuttle bus.

"We can park everybody if people are willing to park on South Campus," said Lt. Bruce Lowe of the UPD. The lot, which is located on Seventh Street between Alma and Humboldt, contains about 900 spaces. Lowe said 800 spaces at most are used there daily. Should this lot ever fill — which Lowe said has not yet happened this year — a second lot containing 1,000 spaces would be opened at the San Jose Ice Centre.

San Jose State University began a 20-year lease for this lot in 1996, which is located on Alma between 10th and Senter streets.

Anyone wanting to park there pays \$1 per day or \$40 per semester, half the price of parking on campus. In exchange for these rates, people must wait for the shuttle buses to take them to the main campus. The lot is open from 6:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily and accommodates drivers with C, D, E, R and N permits.

Ben Lopez, an aerospace engineering student, said wait time from the South Campus lot can be as little as five minutes. On Tuesday, Thursday or Friday mornings, however, he said students might wait there 30 minutes for the shuttle to pick them up.

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(Above) Students squeeze into seats on the Park-and-Ride shuttle bus to San Jose State University on Monday morning. Sometimes the Park and Ride shuttle line is so long students must wait for two or three buses to make their rounds before they can get a seat. Other students, desperate to get to class on time, squeeze three people into a two-person seat or even sit on the school bus aisle floor.

(Right) Students scramble for seats on the shuttle bus from the Park and Ride lot, located at Seventh and Humboldt streets, to get to class. Tuesdays and Thursdays are the Park-and-Ride lot's busiest days.



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Protest leads to termination of agreement with Carl's Jr.

By Julia B. Wright
Staff Writer

Protest from a gay and lesbian association resulted in the cancellation of a contract which would have allowed Carl's Jr. to open a franchise on campus.

The new restaurant food court opened its doors Wednesday to San Jose State University without the fast-food chain famous for its television ad slogan, "If it doesn't get all over the place, it doesn't belong in your face."

The university pulled out of the franchise contract with Carl's Jr. a few weeks before the scheduled opening based on a confidential business decision, according to Jerry Mimnaugh, executive director of Spartan Shops, Inc.

"A mutual agreement was made between the university and the Carl's Jr. corporation not to proceed with the contract," Mimnaugh said.

A presentation made by the university director of counseling services, Wiggy Sivertsen, to the board members of Spartan

Shops in an emergency meeting in August prompted reconsideration of the contract.

According to the board meeting minutes, Sivertsen — representing the Gay, Lesbian, Bi and Transgender Staff and Faculty Association — voiced concerns to the board members over the university's decision to do business with a company's former owner, Carl Karcher, who she said had used profits from his business to "abuse(d) the gay/lesbian community solely based on their status."

"Carl (Karcher) has a history of discriminating against the gay community that goes way back," Sivertsen said. "In 1978, he supported a proposition on the November ballot that, if passed, would have eliminated gay and lesbian teachers from the classroom."

Sivertsen said she doesn't think the university should pour money into Karcher's pocket for his political ventures.

Karcher is no longer the owner of Carl Karcher Enterprises, but is still a board chairman emeritus holding about 5 percent of the company

stock, according to Mimnaugh's comments in the Spartan Shops board meeting minutes.

The decision and terms of the agreement to terminate the relationship with Carl's Jr., according to Mimnaugh, was confidential and could not be discussed.

"All I can say is that it was in the best interest of both parties. It was a very amicable process," said Mimnaugh, who would not make any further comments about the Spartan Shops board's decision, or the financial aspects of the contract agreement.

Suzi Brown, manager of public relations for Carl's Jr., said it would not make sense to economically move forward.

"I cannot say anything more than we mutually agreed that the relationship would not be a good business decision for either party," Brown said.

The problem with the whole thing, according to Sivertsen, was no one knew about the contract with Carl's Jr. until the last issue of the Spartan Daily for spring semester 1998 mentioned it in an article.

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No, it's not on the line



Kathy De La Torre/ Spartan Daily

Owen McCumber, 21, and Scott Keller, 19, add up their scores during their archery class Tuesday afternoon at the South Campus practice field. McCumber and Keller said they signed up for the beginning archery class because it would be a fun way to fulfill a general education requirement.

Censoring 'Lolita' wrong; story serves as strong warning



"Lolita, light of my life, fire of my loins. My sin, my soul. Lo-lee-ta."

The narrow-mindedness of society never ceases to amaze me.

In 1955, Vladimir Nabokov penned two of the most unforgettable, unforgivable and unrelenting characters in the history of literature in the forms of Humbert Humbert, a middle-aged, love-struck, obsessed pedophile, and Lolita

Haze, the 12-year-old "nymphet" object of his lust. Widespread shock and outrage ensued.

In 1962, Stanley Kubrick took his adaptation, with partial scripting from Nabokov, to the big screen. This time tacking two years onto Lolita's age. Ever more controversy was ignited, which cemented Lolita's everlasting popularity.

Last week, Adrian Lyne's latest film version, with Lolita at 14 and holding, slowly began opening around the country, prompted by Showtime's airing a month ago, after the movie had been banned in the United States for two years.

Oh Lolita, what a shame that society still can't see past its own strict moral code to view you with an objective eye.

For, if it could, it would see, not a man who revels in his pedophilia, but rather a man who is destroyed by it.

If it could, it would see the worst thing that happened to you, Lolita, was not that your misguided guardian consummated a relationship with you, but rather that you were deprived of experiencing the innocent joys of childhood.

If it could, it would see a movie so tame, and at times outright boring, it was hardly worth all the controversy and conjecture and certainly not worth being banned for the last two years.

Lyne's "Lolita," surprisingly true to Nabokov's tale, is more erotic than it is graphic. The sex is largely implied — surprising considering it came from Lyne, the man behind such kinky romps as "9 1/2 Weeks" and "Fatal Attraction."

Fifty years ago, Nabokov purposefully picked subject matter that would offend and outrage.

The fact that he hit on arguably the only sexual act that has remained socially unacceptable from the 1950s right up to nearly the turn of the century speaks to his genius.

Nabokov's novel has since been hailed as a classic and a masterpiece, but today the name Lolita has gotten an unjust bad rap.

Anyone who looks up Lolita on the Internet is besieged by a host of porn sites. When Amy Fisher made headlines earlier this decade, she was branded by the media as "The Long Island Lolita." Distributors were frightened into rejecting the new "Lolita" for the last two years by zealous anti-porn groups, who had never seen the movie and yet still felt comfortable branding it "highbrow pornography."

Wrong. Lolita wasn't porn when it came out in 1955, it isn't porn half of a century later and it's an outrage to consider it as such.

"Lolita" should never have been banned. Rather it should be respected.

Much like "Fatal Attraction" scared philanthropists men the world over, the downfall of Humbert is a tale that would strike fear in the heart of any child-lover.

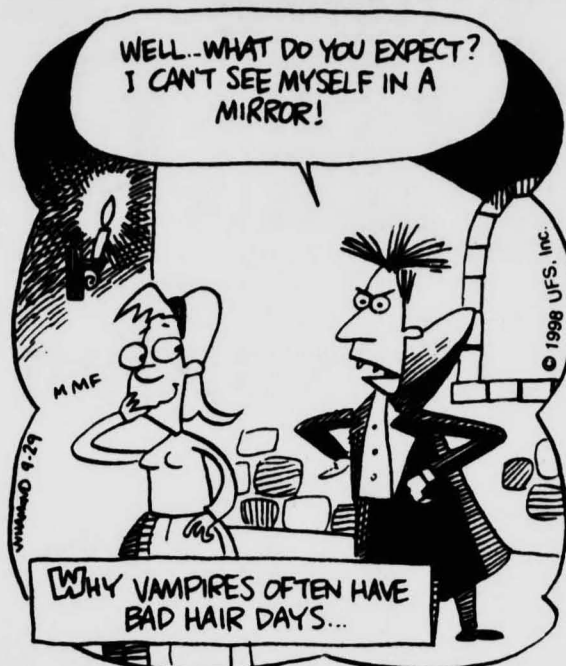
Pedophilia is immoral, reprehensible and unacceptable.

And so is a little thing called censorship.

Terri K. Milner is a *Spartan Daily* senior staff writer. Her column appears every Thursday.



REALITY CHECK® by Dave Whamond



Impeachment inquiry a sorry partisan display

It remains to be seen if 20 years from now Monica Lewinsky will be remembered as the woman who brought down an American president or as the intern who doubled as the presidential humidor.

Judging by the way the current impeachment proceedings are going, don't count on it being the former.

The current political battle in Washington might have started with the former White House intern. She is quickly being forgotten as partisanship takes over.

Since the U.S. House of Representatives Judiciary Committee began investigating whether to open an impeachment inquiry against President Clinton, it has been nothing but party politics.

When the committee formally voted to send the impeachment inquiry to the House, there were 21 votes to send on the inquiry and 16 votes against it. There were 21 Republicans and 16 Democrats on the committee. It doesn't take a rocket scientist to figure out who voted for what.

House members weren't the only ones prostrating themselves to their parties. Senate members are already counting heads to see if they have the votes to remove the president from office.

There hasn't been a vote by the House to impeach the president nor has there been a trial yet, but the Senate is already saying they know which way the votes will go.

This isn't a tax reform bill. It's the removal of the most powerful man in the world from office. The Senate shouldn't be counting votes until the trial has concluded.

With that in mind, the president should be fairly relaxed.

There are only 55 Republican-controlled seats in the Senate, and while the Grand Ole Party is expected to pick up a few more Senate seats in November's election, they will still not have enough to reach the magic mark of 67, the number of senators who need to vote to remove the president.

Not that it won't be a hot time when the trial starts.

The U.S. Constitution doesn't allow the president



Scott Shuey
Executive Editor of the *Spartan Daily*

to have a jury trial for his impeachment trial and that there is no real procedure for how to run a trial that would reverse a national election.

The crowd won't be easy to please either.

Clinton is going to be impeached by a Republican-controlled House and tried by a Republican-controlled Senate in a trial presided over by William Rehnquist, the Supreme Court Chief Justice appointed by Republican President Ronald Reagan (he was appointed an associate justice by Richard Nixon).

You can be sure they'll be fair and impartial. (Nudge, nudge. Wink, wink.)

If the U.S. Congress really wanted to nail government officials for abuse of power, they ought to go after themselves.

One of the most horrific abuses of power is in the number of impeachable offenses the House is considering. The House is considering charging the president with 15 impeachable charges, one of which charges the president for perjury in a case where he said he forgot something.

Let that sink in. Not remembering is now considered a felony. Too bad that didn't come to light when Reagan was under the gun for the Iran-Contra Affair. Fortunately, Republicans and Democrats weren't as vindictive then as they are now. Maybe this is the Republicans' way of striking back at the Democrats for spoiling their 12 years of wine and roses. Or maybe it's revenge for 1974. However, President Nixon in 1974 was only charged with three articles of impeachment.

The U.S. Congress needs to seriously examine why they are following the impeachment process of Clinton. The last I heard, it was supposed to be over whether he perjured himself and obstructed justice in the Paula Jones case. That seems to be no more than an afterthought now.

Which isn't too bad in itself. There is no reason to advertise that in this country you can avoid impeachment if you sell arms to a Middle Eastern tyrant and then start a war over oil with that same tyrant. Use a cigar on an intern, though, and you're going down.

Scott Shuey is the *Spartan Daily* executive editor. His column appears every Thursday.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Criticisms about 'Die, Die, Diana' musical miss real purpose of satire

Your September 14, 1998 editorial criticizing SJSU Theatre's upcoming musical comedy "Die, Die, Diana" missed several important points about the theatre department's motives in producing this wickedly funny satire on the last days of Princess Diana.

Of course we know that the controversial subject

matter of the play will draw attention. We're happy to have it, not only because it brings people to the theatre, but also because we hoped that our production would stir discussions about the nature of satire, the ways that the media elevate and distort public figures, and the truly hilarious, sometimes tragic, antics of the

British royal family.

Satire attracts attention by its outrageousness. Remember Jonathan Swift's "A Modest Proposal" (1729) suggesting that the problems of the poor in Ireland could be solved by simply eating Irish children?

The purpose of satire, though, is to get people thinking in new ways by

stretching the boundaries of what is "acceptable." Should any thing or anyone be above this kind of examination?

As it happens, Scott Sublett's marvelous new play (which it seems you haven't read and can't have seen, since it doesn't open until Oct. 23) creates a portrait of Diana that is much more human and sympa-

thetic than the porcelain figurines, commemorative cookie tins, and Beanie Baby Dianases that have appeared in the past year. Now that's bad taste.

Dr. David Kahn
director of SJSU theatre

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SPEAK YOUR MIND



Sparta Guide

Thursday

Sigma Alpha Phi

"Cancers affecting women" Information will be provided on cancer, especially those affecting women from 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. in front of the Student Union. For more information, call Gemma at 286-2042.

Catholic Campus Ministry

Daily mass from 12:10 - 12:35 p.m. and Bible study: Chapters 11 and 12 of Luke from 7 - 9 p.m. at the Campus Ministry Center, located at the corner of 10th and San Carlos streets. For more information, call Ginny or Father Bob at 938-1610.

Gay and Lesbian Awareness Week

Food and Games from 3:30 - 5:30 p.m. in the Student Union's Guadalupe Room. Admission is free. For more information, call Martha O'Connell at 924-1967.

Career Center

On-campus recruitment fair from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. in the Student Union's Ballroom, and Co-op Workshop in the Student Union's Costanoan Room at 2:30 p.m. For more information, call 924-6033.

SJSU Women's Rugby Club

First practice of the season at Spartan Field from 4 - 5:30 p.m. New players bring cleats and mouthguard. For more information, call Christina at 244-7494.

SJSU Men's Rugby

Practice, tryouts and new players welcome from 3 - 5:30 p.m. at South Campus Field. For more information, call Carlos Melo at 226-5206.

School of Art and Design

Student galleries art exhibits from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. in the Art and Industrial Arts Buildings. For more information, call Scott or Jenny at 924-4330.

Child Development Club

A mandatory meeting for all graduating seniors at 4:30 p.m. in Sweeney Hall Room 100. For more information, call Michelle at 379-

8239 or Jennifer at 287-6406.

Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Alliance (GALA)

Celebrating National Coming Out Day at 3:30 p.m. in the Student Union's Costanoan Room. For more information, call Juan Ramos at 456-5058.

Human Resource Management Association (HRMA)

Strategies for marketing yourself and the role of the Internet recruiting from 4:15 - 6 p.m. in the Student Union's Almaden Room. For more information, call Sydney at 937-4714.

Le Cercle Francais

Presents French film "Chacun Cherche Son Chat" with English subtitles at 6 p.m. in Sweeney Hall Room 100. For more information, call Jean-Luc DeSalvo at 924-4611.

Counseling Services

Asian and Asian-American student discussion group from 3 - 4:30 p.m. in the Administration Building Room 201. For more information, call Jovina Navarro or Mang-so Tsoi at 924-5910.

Nutrition and Food Science Department

Measure your percent body fat using bio-electrical impedance from 11:30 - 1 p.m. in Central Classroom Building Room 103. Prices are \$5 for students, faculty and staff and \$10 for all others. For more information, call Jill Christensen at 924-3110.

Pre-Med Club

Weekly meeting at 1:30 p.m. in Duncan Hall Room 345. Dr. Oscar Battle will be speaking on health education and academic medicine. For more information, call Pedram Hajarian at 569-5490.

The Listening Hour

SJSU Concert Choir and Choralliers: Folk songs from around the world from 12:30 - 1:15 p.m. in the Music Building's Concert Hall. For more information, call Dr. Charlene Archibeque at 924-4631.

Campus Crusade for Christ

"Nightlife": Christian fellowship, praise and games at 8 p.m. in the Art Building Room 133. For more information, call Travis or Eddie at 294-4249

Golden Key National Honor

Society

New member meeting for those who have just received a letter of acceptance from 7 - 9 p.m. in the Student Union's Guadalupe Room. For more information, call Andrea at 832-4432.

Sigma Alpha Phi

Cancers affecting women guest speakers from the American Cancer Society and Student Health Services from 10 - 11:30 a.m. in the Student Union's Council Chambers. For more information, call Gemma at 286-2042.

Friday

Golden Key National Honor Society

Golden Key/Humane Society Blanket and Towel Drive in conjunction with campus awareness from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. in front of the Student Union. For more information, call Andrea at 832-4432.

Student Life Center/New Student Advising and orientation

Recruitment of new leaders. Applications are available through Nov. 2 at the Student Life Center. For more information, call Harriet Pila at 924-5950.

Gay and Lesbian Awareness Week

National Coming Out Day at SJSU from 12 - 2 p.m. in the Student Union's Amphitheater. Any questions will be accepted from the audience. For more information, call Martha O'Connell at 924-1967.

SJSU Recreation 97' Class

"Hakuna Matata" Free carnival games and prizes from 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. at the Seventh Street Plaza. For more information, call Jose Arreola at 298-5915 or page at 397-2239.

Greek Letter Organizations

Greek Olympics from 4:30 - 6 p.m. at South Campus. For more information, call Brian Rosa at 297-9029.

Chinese Mandarin Bible Fellowship

Bible study, life sharing, songs, games and refreshments from 2 - 4 p.m. in the Student Union's Montalvo Room. For more information, call Joyce Lim at 993-8006.

Catholic Campus Ministry

Daily mass from 12:10 - 12:35 at the corner of 10th and San Carlos streets, across from the residence halls. For more information, call Ginny at 938-1610.

Campus Center

Intel Employer Presentation from 11:30 a.m. - 2 p.m. in the Student Union's Costanoan Room. For more information, call 924-6033.

Cambodian Student Association

Third meeting from 12 - 1:30 p.m. in Hugh Gillis Hall Room 215. For more information, call Amy at 225-4710.

Monday

School of Art and Design

Student galleries art exhibits from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. in the Art and Industrial Studies buildings. For more information, call Scott or Jenny at 924-4330.

Chicano Commencement

Meeting at 6 p.m. in the Chicano resource Center. For more information, call Mike at 631-2699.

Black Graduation

First planning session at 6 p.m. in Washington Square Hall in the AFAM Department Office. For more information, call David J. Ross at 924-7942.

SAPPS The Botany Club

"Gardening Party II" at 1:30 p.m. in the SJSU Botany Garden. For more information, call Catherine M. Clark at (650) 347-8239.

SJSU Marketing Association

Kim Delavette from Southwest Airlines will discuss aspects of marketing in the travel industry from 4:30 - 6 p.m. in the Student Union's Almaden Room. For more information, call Andy at 559-8018.

School of Art and Design

Student galleries art exhibits from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., student galleries art receptions from 6 - 8 p.m. in the Art and Industrial Studies buildings, for more information, call Scott or Jenny at 924-4330.

Tuesday night lecture series:

Documentary Film from 5 - 6 p.m. in the Art Building Room 133. For more information, call Andy at 924-

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President Thomas Jefferson

"Moral indignation is jealousy with a halo."

H.G. Wells
British writer

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All-time assist leader earns WAC award



Clayton Stalter/ Spartan Daily

Volleyball setter **Michelle Sarkees** contributed 43 assists to San Jose State University's win over Fresno State University Saturday night, bringing her career total to 3,299 and breaking the previous

two-year-old SJSU career record of 3,257. Sarkees was named Western Athletic Conference volleyball player of the week after Saturday's match. She leads the WAC in assists per game with 14.13.

By **Hugo Rivera**
Staff Writer

With a little help from her hair and a lot of determination, Michelle Sarkees broke a record and won a national award last week.

Sarkees, a setter for the San Jose State University volleyball team, achieved her 3,299th assist on Saturday as the Spartans defeated nationally ranked Fresno State University. Sarkees broke the two-year-old career record held by Melizza Benitez (3,257).

She was also named Western Athletic Conference player of the week for her efforts in that game.

Sarkees said a ritual she performs before every match probably helped her achieve this accomplishment.

"I put my hair in two braids. I've been doing it since the beginning of the season when we beat Santa Clara," Sarkees said.

She believes putting her hair up in a ponytail and then having teammate Darcy Walker tie it in two braids helps her perform better on the court.

Sarkees said she is not the only person on the team who has a superstition.

"We all have our own things," she said. "Some girls like to go off to a corner and think."

Sarkees said the women on the volleyball team have a close relationship on and off the court.

Sarkees shares an apartment with her teammate, middle-blocker Melissa Myers, who sees the determination Sarkees puts

into volleyball.

"She is an intense player," Myers said. "She likes to win."

Spartan outside hitter Walker admires Sarkees for her commitment to the sport and the team.

"She has a lot of heart. She wants our team to succeed more than anything," Walker said.

Sarkees is originally from Laguna Beach. She began playing volleyball in the seventh grade and was a member of the Santa Margarita High School volleyball team.

Sarkees believes she owes much of her success to her high school volleyball coach, who had a special way of seeing which girls had the determination that would get them on the team.

"He would make us go to the ocean and stand on a surfboard," Sarkees said. "If you couldn't stand on the board you wouldn't make the team."

Sarkees said this activity taught her she could do something she had thought she could not do. It also taught her she liked surfing, which is now one of her hobbies. One of Sarkees' other hobbies is beach volleyball, which she plays during summer.

"Beach volleyball is awesome," she said. "I love it."

The Spartans are on a three-game road trip this week.

They defeated Saint Mary's College 15-5, 15-11, 15-2 in Moraga last night. Sarkees added 41 assists.

SJSU (12-3) takes on the University of Texas at El Paso on Friday and the University of New Mexico on Saturday.

MIXED MEDIA

by Jack Ohman



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Shuttle: Alternative ride

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Considering the alternatives, junior Ellen Kenny thinks the Park and Ride service is worth the wait.

"I can always find a parking spot here," she said.

Kenny said she often takes the shuttle to campus after water polo practice at Simpkins Stadium Center, located across the street from the lot.

Despite the availability of the South Campus spaces, students continue to wait in garages on campus for a parking space.

"You do it if you get desperate to get to class," said freshman Eric Nicolas, a mechanical engineering student. He drives to campus from Daly City.

Nicolas said people often wait in their cars inside the garages. They then ask people emerging from the stairwells where they parked and give them rides to their cars.

Senior Loan Anh Nguyen chooses to circle the Fourth Street garage instead of parking at the South Campus lot.

"Most of my classes are around here, so I need (to park in) this garage," Nguyen said.

Shuttle driver Gloria, who declined to give her last name, said ensuring low wait time for the shuttles is important.

"People complain that we wait for ten minutes, but we can't wait until the bus is full," she said.

She explained that two buses usually run between the two sites, with two smaller vanpool vehicles ready to assist people between pickup times. The buses carry at least 51 people each, and the vanpool shuttles can accommodate 15 people.

According to a sign posted at the South Campus lot, the first shuttle departs from Duncan Hall, the main campus stop, at 7:15 a.m. The sign says until 4 p.m., buses will pick up students every 15 minutes at either site. From 4 p.m. until 9:45 p.m., the vehicles stop every 20 minutes.

Shuttle driver Azzam Qanamsi, who has driven Park and Ride shuttles for 3 semesters, said the drive between the two sites takes about 5 minutes.

"Earlier in the day, between 8:30 and 9 a.m., there's traffic, so it takes 7 to 10 minutes," Qanamsi said.

Students said the shuttles usually arrive by the posted wait times, with some exceptions.

"(The buses) are usually crowded and you have to wait for more than one bus, but another one is sure to come," said sophomore Josh Galarpe.

Junior Quang Nguyen said he doesn't mind using the Park and Ride shuttles, but would rather get to school at 7:30 a.m. for a 9 a.m. class to secure a space in one of the main campus garages.

"I do this out of necessity," Nguyen said. "I'd rather park in a garage — it saves me some time."

Business management student Darwin Agar has been employed as a Park and Ride vehicle driver for a year. He said the service is falling into place, but still hears complaints about the buses breaking down.

"All we can do as drivers is direct questions to the lieutenant (Lowe)," Agar said. "We do the best we can."

Lowe said the most recent problem happened four weeks ago, when both buses broke down. He said they were taken to a mechanic several weeks before school began, which resulted in brake problems.

According to Lowe, one bus was running again after one day, but the other took three days to fix. The university used additional vehicles to alleviate delays. Additionally, Park and Ride service has been extended to accommodate evening classes, with the last stop at 10 p.m.

The South Campus lot has existed since 1988, when Spartan City, housing for married students, was destroyed. According to UPD Chief Ric Abeyta, the facilities contained asbestos, which posed a risk to the inhabitants. The space was paved over and became the Park

and Ride lot.

As a short-term solution, Lowe said the university has contracts with three local bus companies to assure that out-of-service vehicles would not present new problems. He said bringing in on-call drivers costs approximately \$800 per day.

Long-term solutions include buying four new buses and hiring two new drivers, which Lowe estimates would cost less than \$500,000. Each bus costs between \$85,000 and \$100,000, and driver salaries range from \$25,450 to \$30,600.

"People complain that we're taking their parking away and that we don't care — and that's not true," Lowe said.

Jobs still available from employer reps at fair

By Cecilia Afrelus-Alm
Staff Writer

Franklin Davis, an industrial and systems engineering major graduating in May 1999, has been offered a full-time position at a job fair before.

"Last year I was looking for an internship," he said. "This time I'm looking for a job for after I graduate."

On Wednesday, full-time and internship positions were offered when students came to the San Jose State University Student Union Ballroom. The On-Campus Recruiting Job Fair had 75 businesses represented.

According to Irene Peck, coordinator for recruiting services, the Career Center expected

about 500 students at the fair. One hour before closing for the day, the actual attendance was close to 700.

"We are very pleased and so are the employers," Peck said. "It has been jammed all day and there have been lines nonstop."

Companies such as Compaq Computer Corp., Walgreens and State Farm Insurance Co. were represented. Kevin Hogan of Adobe Systems Inc. said they had received about 100 résumés.

"It's hard to say how many positions are open because it is such a large company," he said. "We have new openings all the time."

According to Hogan, student recruiting is both important and fun. Adobe often attends recruit-

ing fairs on university campuses across the nation.

Even though the Student Union Ballroom was crowded, Tanisha Bernard of Applied Materials, Inc. expected more students at the recruiting fair.

However, according to Bernard, Applied Materials doesn't have very many job openings at the time.

"The company is doing OK," she said. "We have been facing challenges and have a minimum of jobs to offer. We are planning for next year."

Today is the last day of the recruiting fair. It will be held between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in the Student Union Ballroom. To register for the job fair, students need to bring their pink transit

card and five résumés to the top floor of the Student Union to the Career Center table.

The 76 businesses attending today are different from the companies that attended on Wednesday. AT&T, Wells Fargo Bank and Mercury Insurance Company are a few of the companies that will be there today.

Of all the companies that attended the recruiting fair, Davis had visited 15 when he was waiting for the Philips Semiconductors' employer to be able to talk to him. He is planning on coming back for today's fair because most of his favorite companies will be there.

"There are still several (employers) I want to talk to (today)," he said.



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Concert choir to perform 'Kenya Mass' in premiere

By Shane Lewis and
Adam Paviacka
Staff Writers

The San Jose State University Concert Choir will have its 1998 Bay Area premiere 8:00 p.m. Friday at the First United Methodist Church of Campbell.

According to Charlene Archibeque, director of choral programs, the choir will be performing a "Missa Kenya," or a Kenya Mass.

"It's a traditional Catholic Mass inspired by African music rhythms," Archibeque said.

Annette Macdonald, SJSU

professor of dance, choreographed the visual performance that will accompany the choir's music.

According to Macdonald, the piece is a mix of European and African styles.

"There is a lot of European musical form fused with an African ground base," Macdonald said.

Macdonald teaches an Afro-Caribbean dance class at SJSU and said she thought the choice of an African dance was perfect.

"I was glad that she (Archibeque) chose it because of the recent bombings and media attention in Kenya," Macdonald said. "I

thought it was timely."

With the exception of a guest artist, all of the dancers are students from Macdonald's Afro-Caribbean dance class.

The guest artist will be Aimee Lam, a member of the Robert Henry Johnson Dance Company in Oakland.

The SJSU Concert Choir will be performing on campus at 12:30 p.m. today in the School of Music Concert Hall.

Both performances are free to students.

The choir can also be seen tonight at 7 p.m. on KPIX Channel 5's "Evening Magazine."

Clinton signs bill to slash student loan interest rates

By Lisa Marie F. Arellano
Staff Writer

Julianna Goad will be graduating in December from San Jose State University with a degree in liberal arts in one hand and an \$11,000 debt in student loans in the other.

Goad has six months before she starts paying her monthly minimum fee of \$50. Goad said she plans to pay her loan off in two or three years.

However, President Clinton signed a higher education bill Wednesday that will help ease the financial load on students like Goad.

The bill slashed student loan interest rates to 7.46 percent, its lowest rate in almost two decades. Before the cut, the student loan interest rate was set at 7.66 percent.

"Any sort of interest rate cut is good news to me," Goad said. "Any way the government could help me pay less is wonderful."

The White House said a typical student borrower at a four-year college, graduating with \$20,000 in debt, would save about \$1,000 over a 10-year repayment period.

According to Richard Pfaff, assistant director of Financial Aid at SJSU, 7,000 students applied for student loans last year, borrowing a grand total of \$20 million.

"Student loans have become a large part of student aid," Pfaff said. "Grant money has not kept up with demand, so student loans have become the dominant player over the last 10 years."

Pfaff said there are several kinds of student loans, but the loan most students have is the Stafford Loan.

Bank of America, Citibank and Wells Fargo are the three major lenders under the Stafford program, providing 80 percent of the funds.

The higher education bill cre-

ates a new interest rate formula, based on Treasury bill rates and added points, for student loans.

As a result, the rate for students would be 7.46 percent, a 0.8 percent reduction, for graduates starting to repay their loans.

Rates may not be set higher than 8.25 percent.

The bill also sets the 7.46 percent interest rate until 2003.

Students who refinance their loans could get lower interest rates if they applied before Jan. 31, 1999.

To some students, however, the interest rate on a student loan is just a minor factor.

"School is first. Worry about the interest rate later," said Anthony Randolph, a mechanical engineering major at SJSU. "I don't really have a choice. If I didn't get a loan, I wouldn't be in school."

Chemical engineering major Kevin Mullins agreed. Mullins

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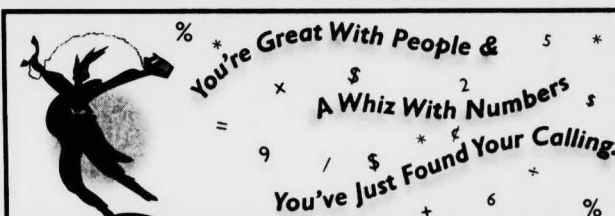
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Chad Pilster/ Special to the Spartan Daily

Bryan, a server at Sbarro, helps one of the many customers at the restaurant's grand opening at San Jose State University Wednesday. Sbarro is open Monday through Friday from 10:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Sbarro, Market Cafe bring back pizza, beer to hungry students

By Ginny White
Staff Writer

Sbarro and the Market Cafe opened Wednesday to crowds of hungry students.

Not all counters were serving a full menu for the grand opening, but the aroma of pizza and espresso filled the air of the new restaurant area previously occupied by the Pub, Redhawk Cafe and the Roost.

The Market Cafe served coffee and espresso drinks, pastries, cheesecake and beer.

The Cafe lunch counter menu offered a selection of five sandwiches served with choice of potato for \$4.25, but the case was mostly empty.

To the left of the lunch counter is a cold drink case followed by a counter of juices, soda and coffee.

Two sizes of Odwalla brand juices are selling for \$1.60 and \$2.59. Discounts on all fountain and self-serve drinks are available to patrons using their own

containers.

The full service coffee bar to the far left serves the usual variety of coffee and espresso drinks for prices similar to the Redhawk Cafe.

International business sophomore Mark Panelo had made his third trip to the Market Cafe for a vanilla latte for \$3.05.

"They are definitely worth it," Panelo said, adding that he was "wired" from the caffeine. "Especially because of where (the cafe) is located — and they're good."

On a free-standing circular display, a selection of fresh fruit is sold by the item with prices ranging from 60 cents for an apple to \$2 for a whole mango.

"Two dollars for a mango? I can't believe it," Uriel Rivera, computer science junior, said. He turned down the fruit and opted for a small water instead.

Beer is sold on tap at the cafe to students with ID and must be consumed within the marked and gated area.

The Sbarro pizzeria had 17 students in line and 10 more at its cafeteria-style counter at 2:30 p.m. With a tray, patrons select from items prepared behind glass partitions.

"The heat lamps give the appearance of keeping the food hot, but they don't," Shaneen Brown, political science sophomore said, adding that the pepperoni on her slice was inedible. "It's kind of greasy and lacking in taste compared to other Sbarro's I've been to."

Biology freshman Berverly Reyes enjoyed her slice of Hawaiian pizza.

"It was good," Reyes said. "It was pretty much like the other Sbarro (I've been to)."

The color scheme is divided in two: brown tables and chairs for the coffee drinkers, black tables and chairs for the pizza eaters.

Two-toned marble-like flooring contrasts with the yellow and purple ceiling which is accented by purple awnings and light tan asymmetrical columns.

Carl's Jr.: Students disappointed by decision

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After finding out a Carl's Jr. restaurant was being built in the old pub location, Sivertsen said her concerns were taken directly to Don Kassing, vice president for administration and Spartan Shops board member.

"There was cause for us to reconsider our business relationship out of respect for campus climate," Kassing said.

"The corporation (Carl Karcher Enterprises) recognizes the controversy surrounding the previous owner and was

sensitive to the issue."

Mimnaugh said Spartan Shops is currently searching for another hamburger franchise for the location originally designed for Carl's Jr.

"We expect to have another franchise here by the beginning of next semester," Mimnaugh said.

Students who were told Carl's Jr. would not be opening up a restaurant on campus were disappointed with the decision.

"I think students should

have had more input. We were completely taken out of the decision-making process," student Shawna McCreery-Garvin said. "We don't even have a dress with stains on it to prove the allegations against Carl's Jr."

Another student, David Truong, said taking issue with something so far in the past is not relevant anymore.

"Everyone has the First Amendment right to believe and support whatever they want," Truong said.

Sivertsen said she also supports Karcher's right to his beliefs and doesn't want to hold the corporation responsible for Karcher's actions, but his political opposition to the gay community cannot be overlooked.

"It's almost like putting a Denny's on campus, and we would never do that because of Denny's social irresponsibility, specifically against minorities," Sivertsen said.

"This decision is a message to campus climate that the university has some social conscience."



Chad Pilster/ Special to the Spartan Daily

The Market Cafe opened Wednesday in place of the old Spartan Pub and Red Hawk Cafe. The Market Cafe is open Monday through Thursday from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Friday from 7 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.

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