

# ERVES WITH HONOR

**1970, TONY JACKSON** was a defensive end and captain of the San José State football team. He also served as the spokesman for a group of Spartan teammates who boycotted the 1968 game against Brigham Young University, citing racial reasons for their protest. As a football captain and campus activist, Jackson demonstrated the qualities of a true military leader.

Today, Major General Anthony L. Jackson is among the highest ranking African-Americans in the United States Marine Corps. He's currently stationed in Stuttgart, Germany, as the director of operations and logistics, U.S. Marine Command. He turns 60 in June, which will give him 30 years as a Marine. "I will stay on active (duty) as long as the commandant of the Marine Corps needs my services," he says.

Gen. Jackson, '71 BA and '73 MA History, agreed to discuss his college days and military life in a late-March change of emails. We start the interview with his time as a student-athlete at San José State.

## High but formative times

Your years at SJSU were challenging," he says. "Balancing football, academics, social life and the politics of a very active civil rights movement on campus was difficult, but not

impossible. I had to mature very fast and stay focused on the end goal—a better life, not just for me, but for everyone who wanted to take part in the American ideals."

When he left Oakland to attend San José State in the mid-1960s, there were only, by his recollection, 73 black students out of 24,000 enrollees on campus. Most of the blacks, he says, were scholarship athletes, including Tommie Smith and John Carlos, the symbols of protest at the 1968 Olympics in Mexico City.

"Race was a factor in those days," Jackson says, "particularly in 1968 with the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. After the actions of our fellow students at the Olympics, we were energized to be activists also."

Jackson became president of the Black Athletes Federation on campus, which led to some black football players sitting out the '68 game against Brigham Young University because of the perceived anti-black religious views of The Church of the Latter Day Saints that governed the school. BYU had no black football players at the time. SJSU won that game, 25-21.

"Those were tough times," says Jackson. "We were criticized by some for doing too little and others for doing too much in combining race and politics with sport. I was the public face for the black athletes. At 19 years old, that was a challenge for me. In the end, it was worth it."

Jackson was a starter all four years at San José State, moving from linebacker to defensive end as a senior and co-captaining the team with quarterback Ivan Lippi. SJSU was a combined 9-31 during Jackson's career, but when the Spartans upset Oregon, 36-34, his junior year, he was named the Spartans' Player of the Game.

### Family factors

Jackson married Susan Steinbach, '70 Economics, whom he met at SJSU, during semester break of his senior year. They've been married 38 years and have two sons: Brian, 24, UC Irvine class of 2006, and Blaine, 23, a fifth-year senior at Sacramento State, who has completed his football eligibility

as a defensive end—just like his dad.

At SJSU, Jackson was a history major and had no inkling then that he would join the Marines—or any other military branch, even though he spent his freshman year in the Army Reserve Officers Training Corps (ROTC). Tommie Smith, then an SJSU senior, was his company first sergeant.

"Every now and then, someone would say something negative to you on those days when we wore our uniforms on campus," Jackson recalls. "The anti-war feelings focused on Vietnam ran pretty hot on campus. However, coming from a military family, with a father who was both a World War II and Korean War veteran and an older brother who was a Vietnam veteran, I was supportive of our national goals and lined up with the 'my country right or wrong' crowd regarding the war."

But he resigned from ROTC before his sophomore year to focus on academics and football. After graduating from SJSU, he took some master's-level classes, coached football at Merritt

Community College in Oakland and tried the insurance field. Then on May 10, 1975, he enlisted in the Marines.

"I chose the Marine Corps," he says, looking back, "because I thought I would only serve for three years. So I wanted to be in a service that I thought would most likely be involved in something significant ... I wanted to be tested in a crisis."

### Sources of inspiration and influence

"The most intense period was in Iraq in 2004," he says. "I was on the staff of the First Marine Expeditionary Force in Fallujah. As a staff member, I was not engaged in direct combat, but I faced consecutive days and nights of enemy rocket/mortar fire. Seeing our Marines going and coming from combat each day was an experience I will never forget. Those injured were anxious to return to the fight and rejoin their comrades. They wanted to be in the contest, no matter the hazard. Those Marines will always be an inspiration for me."

At other times, Jackson experienced life-and-death situations himself. "Anytime someone is shooting in your direction, you realize just how mortal you are," he says. "I have been shot at and had some very close mortar and rocket fire. But I have been fortunate. No battle scars and no physical scars."

As a young boy, Jackson perhaps sensed that the military was his destination. His father, Sergeant First Class Matthew Jackson, was a career Army man who came to Oakland in 1963 and retired there three years later. Matthew and wife Ruth had seven children. Their son Tony excelled in sports and studies at Oakland High School, lettering in football and wrestling and earning acceptance in the Upward Bound academic program.

Jackson initially had designs on the Air Force Academy, which wanted him to attend prep school for a year. But with his brother Donald already attending SJSU, and the Spartans offering him a full-ride football scholarship, Jackson chose to complete his college education in four years, not five.

The 6-foot-1 Jackson played defense at 205 to 215 pounds for a defensive end. But he was quick on his feet and took advantage of his high school wrestling moves to stop



our mental acuity  
tied to your  
physical fitness."

run and to out-manuever heavier offensive linemen to the quarterback. No sack statistics were kept back then, but Jackson had his share.

### **Gung-ho, Marine style**

Jackson weighs 199 these days because he's even more committed to physical fitness. He works out every day, rarely taking a day off. By 4:45 am, he's off on a run of four to five miles. He follows that up with weightlifting and stretching, then heads for work. It's all part of being a Marine.

Gung-ho is a Chinese term meaning 'working together,' says Jackson. "Marine Raiders adopted that ethic from their experiences working with the Chinese against the Japanese prior to their entry into World War II. It is also meant to signify someone who is highly motivated to achieve. The Marine Corps boot camp or officers training program brings it to the surface, enhances it, and turns it into an 'esprit de corps' mission focus."

"You cannot lead," he says of Marine duty, "if you're lagging and puffing in the back of a formation when the Marines are on the move. In addition, you never know when your fitness may mean the difference between success or failure on the battlefield. Your mental acuity is tied to your physical fitness. Your life and the lives of your people depend on it. Football and the Marine Corps both require a team ethos and it is part of their appeal to me."

### **Always on the move**

Constantly on the move as part of his work, Jackson doesn't miss many SJSU football games. But he's seen two games as the head coach. Dick Tomey became head coach in 2005. He mostly keeps track of the Spartans through newspapers and the Internet.

"Once I joined the Marine Corps, I became a world traveler," he says. "But I was really honored to attend a game last year and be an honorary team captain with other veterans. After retirement, I promise to be a rabid fan and get to games as often as possible."

A two-star general, Jackson is one of seven African-American generals in the Marine Corps. Only one of them, Lieutenant General (three stars) Ronald Coleman, had more

rank when this story went to press. Walt Gaskin (*note: not SJSU's Wally Gaskins*) has been nominated for his third star. However, Jackson has made it a point throughout his military career to work hard and not worry about rank. Thus, "I have exceeded my own expectations," he says.

His military travels have taken him to Hawaii, Japan, Korea, the Philippines, Iraq, Afghanistan, Africa, Algeria and Kenya. He's had stateside duty in Virginia, Florida, Georgia, Pennsylvania, California, and at the Pentagon.

He currently serves in Stuttgart as the principal advisor to the commander, U.S. Africa Command, who oversees U.S. military operations and its support on the continent of Africa and its associated island nations.

### **Focus on the rifleman**

Speaking of the U.S. military in general, Jackson says that "we have the best soldiers, sailors, airmen and coast guardsmen in the world. They have no equals and we each add to our national defense when called upon. Marines focus on the rifleman. The focus of all Marines is to do whatever they do the best they can to ensure that the individual rifleman is successful on the battlefield.

"Keep in mind that the usual rifleman is 18 to 20 years old and he is the one who confronts each challenge up close and personal. So no matter the rank or specialty, whether a general or whatever, all Marines serve that 18- to 20-year-old who does this nation's bidding. And each Marine is trained to take his place should he fall." *Semper fi.*

"*Semper fidelis* means never forgetting those who have earned the title 'Marine' and all that that stands for in American history," Jackson notes. "It means passing on the traditions and battle prowess of previous generations of Marines to the next generation of Marines. It means serving others before serving self; service before self. Always displaying honor, courage and commitment."

After this Marine, Major Gen. Anthony L. Jackson, has finished serving his family, his country and his alma mater with pride, he knows exactly how he will salute Father Time when "Taps" is played. "In my casket," he says, "I will be in a dress blue uniform, so there will be no mistaking what I am when I get to my next destination." ❖

—Dave Newhouse, '64



# beaches to mountains

This summer rediscover Northern California

**“Travel has become** an important part of our society and lifestyle. Even though people are cutting back on expenses, no one is saying ‘we’re not going to take a vacation at all.’ People will still travel—they’ll just do it differently.”

So predicts Laura Del Rosso, ’79 Journalism, award-winning journalist and veteran travel writer.

“Different” will likely come in the form of briefer trips, closer to home. For those of us lucky enough to reside in the Bay Area, there’s no shortage of options. Visit beach town Capitola during its annual festival honoring the begonia, first hybridized there. Spend the night at a haunted hotel in Calaveras County. Tour the Delta town of Locke, the only town in the country built by Chinese laborers for Chinese residents. Del Rosso’s latest book, *Great Escapes: Northern California*, covers both the region’s better and lesser known destinations for the traveler interested in getaways that last a day or a long weekend.

Researching the book, Del Rosso discovered that northern California residents tend “to take the region for granted. We acknowledge its beauties, but we don’t really go out in it all that much.”

Del Rosso’s San Francisco neighbors, born and raised in northern California, had toured Europe but never driven to Big Sur. Somewhat sheepishly, she admits she’d never been to Yosemite in winter before writing the book—an experience, she reports, “that was simply amazing.”







### Roots, ambition and artichokes

Del Rosso's father arrived in the United States in the 1920s and with his older brother farmed artichokes in San Gregorio and in the Linda Mar section of Pacifica. Those farms were sold before Laura's birth, but her father continued to grow artichokes and other vegetables on the acre that surrounded their Pacifica house.

"When I was little, I didn't appreciate artichokes all that much," Del Rosso confesses. "We only ate the hearts. My mother, who was also Italian, braised them in garlic and olive oil."

She may not have cultivated a taste for artichokes early, but Del Rosso knew she wanted to be a journalist in high school and contributed columns to the *Pacifica Tribune* as a teenager. She studied at Skyline College in San Bruno with SJSU alumnus Sam Goldman who was "phenomenal," she says, and "in his eighties is still going gangbusters. Because he was such a great SJSU booster, a lot of Skyline grads went on to SJSU and I followed that path. I always recommend San José State's journalism program—it's one of the very best."

At SJSU, Del Rosso was features editor of the *Spartan Daily* at the same time Linda Zavoral, current travel editor at the *San Jose Mercury News*, served as editor-in-chief of the university's daily. After Del Rosso made the switch to travel writing from general news reporting for community newspapers in Menlo Park and Redwood City, those *Spartan* ties proved valuable.

"Linda ran one of my travel pieces in the *Merc*. We've reconnected, and that's been wonderful," Del Rosso says.

### A travel writer's MO

Del Rosso "travels light. I have one of those 22-inch suitcases that expand. All my clothes do double duty and I carry two pairs of shoes—max."

On the road, researching, she's "forced to be efficient." Although it's impossible to eat in every restaurant and sleep in every hotel, she does go in and chat with the managers of those mentioned in her articles and books. She also canvasses locals on the street for their favorite restaurants and recreation ideas.

Vacations turn sour when people try to adhere to a tight schedule and to cram too much in, she's noticed. Del Rosso's advice: Be prepared but don't over-prepare. Have a sense of where you're going but don't plan everything out. Leave time for things to happen spontaneously. Leave time to relax.

Del Rosso recommends visiting Villa Montalvo in Saratoga on the first or third Saturdays of the month (between April and October). Free, docent-led 30-minute history walks of the grounds start at 10 a.m. Bring a picnic to enjoy on the front lawn and hike up to Lookout Point, one of the many hiking opportunities on Villa Montalvo's 175 acres of formal gardens and trails.





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[greatescapesnorcal.blogspot.com](http://greatescapesnorcal.blogspot.com)  
updates on her latest finds.  
check out the SJSU Alumni travel program  
[www.sjsualumni.com/](http://www.sjsualumni.com/).

## Best bang for the buck

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—Laura Del Rosso

Her own travel “disaster” occurred on a trip to Patagonia. Del Rosso contracted a norovirus on the cruise ship and didn’t leave her cabin for 36 hours. “As we sailed around Cape Horn, the cruise director announced that we were passing the most incredible glaciers, and I’d pull myself over to the port-hole to catch a glimpse as we floated by,” she remembers. “It was just awful.”

## Changing with the times

Before Del Rosso went freelance with her travel writing, she worked for the magazines *Travel Age West* and *Travel Weekly*, reporting on travel agencies, tour companies, and trends. She received the Society of American Travel Writers’ Silver Lowell Thomas Award for an article published in *The Travel Professional*, profiling the rise and fall of a mega-travel company that “collapsed in a spectacular way,” Del Rosso says.

“In the old days—the old days even before my time—to get information about airfares and hotel rates you had to go to a travel agent. Now the Internet provides consumers with an enormous amount of information—some of it good, some bad.” Among the online sites she considers trustworthy: the Lonely Planet and National Geographic websites, [www.worldhum.com](http://www.worldhum.com), and the travel archives of major newspapers.

“A lot of travelers currently get information from Tripadvisor and Facebook. Social net-

working has opened up a new way for people with similar interests and styles of travel to share knowledge,” Del Rosso explains. “Looking for a great hotel in Paris? Email one of your Facebook friends for suggestions.”

The proliferation of websites and online travel information has also, in some quarters, caused “a bit of a backlash,” according to Del Rosso, benefiting traditional travel agencies who now charge for their services because they no longer receive commissions from airlines. “There are people who feel utterly bewildered by the amount of information available,” Del Rosso says. “They want someone who is an expert on Hawaii or France to plan the trip for them.”

## Smaller groups, special interests

Even so, travel agents have accepted that they can’t be “all things to all people” and have focused on “capturing a niche market,” specializing in group tours and special interest tours—tours for quilters or bicyclists or families,” Del Rosso explains. “There’s a saying in the industry: *Find a Pied Piper*. Go to the country club, talk to the local golf pro about setting up a golf package to Scotland for him and his club’s members. Network. Find the people who will lead you to others in your community.”

The good news? “For those who do have some discretionary income,” Del Rosso says, “it’s going to be a great year in terms of rates. The Bay Area, in Monterey, Sonoma and hotel rates are dropping steeply.”

Del Rosso’s own summer travels will take her back to Italy for a wedding. “I have relatives who live in western Italy in a small town between Pisa and Luca. It’s a beautiful spot.”

And her home base in San Francisco, she can hear the “foghorns bellow on the bay”—not too shabby a destination either.

—Kat



# from LUMS

**Atkinson**, '36 Kinesiology, inducted into the Antioch Sports Hall of Fame in honor of his coaching career. In addition to coaching at Antioch High School, he coached California League baseball and co-founded, in 1952, the Contra Costa Football Officials Association.

**ling**, '48 Business Administration, a P-47 fighter pilot during WWII, served in the Air Force for seven months in Stalag Luft 3. Retired from the U.S. Air Force as a lieutenant colonel. After retiring from a 31-year teaching career in California's Central Valley, he taught at Fremont High School, then at Southern California where he served as national director of the Air Force Reserve, commander of the California Air National Guard, and junior vice commander of the San Diego POW

**battle**, '53 Industrial Arts, retired from his 50-year photography business, his second year. In 2002, he retired from Sonoma College where he taught art photography.

**Harney**, '52 Business, is an art teacher in San José.

**Janice McDermott**, '58 Education, retired after 41 years of teaching in the Ukiah Unified School District.

**Dorothy McDonough**, '51 Education, retired from teaching in the Cupertino Union School District and has since enjoyed traveling to Russia and the French Riviera.

## 1960s

**Martin Hollmann**, '69 Aviation, a private aircraft designer who designed many of the aerobatic planes that have performed at the California International Air Show in Salinas and who, as a teenager, designed and built the hot rod roadster featured in the TV shows "77 Sunset Strip" and "Dobie Gillis," continues to work out of his office in Monterey's Ryan Ranch.

**Jerry Janssen**, '67 Art, who has made a career of selling Asian art and antiques in San Francisco, Honolulu and Beverly Hills, returned to the Monterey Peninsula to embark on his childhood dream of owning and restoring the Marsh Building in Monterey, built in 1927 to sell Asian art and artifacts. He has continued that legacy by opening Orientations in the Marsh Building, his sixth store specializing in Asian art and antiques.

**Robert Nichols**, '67 BA Social Science, '73 MA Education, retired from the Campbell Union High School District after 38 years of teaching and is currently education manager of Silicon Valley Education Foundation.

**Virginia Scales**, '69 Linguistics, an instructor teaching in the San José/ Evergreen Community College District, is president of the Academic Senate of San José City College.

**Cliff Sowder**, '68 MA Art, who established a glass blowing program at Shasta College and taught at the college for 36 years, recently exhibited his own glasswork at the Shasta College Art Gallery in Redding.

## 1970s

**Michael Bishop**, '78 MFA Art, is chair of the Art Department at CSU Chico. His artwork spans a variety of media, including photography and sculpture.

**Kim Bokamper**, '76 Physical Education, former Miami Dolphins linebacker turned broadcaster, has joined the CBS4 sports team as sports anchor. During the 1990s, he served as a football analyst for Channel 33's "Sunday Night Sports Rap" and hosted "Sports Talk" on 560 WQAM. Bokamper was Miami's first-round draft choice in the 1976 NFL draft and was a starter on the Dolphins' "Killer Bees" defenses of the late '70s and early '80s.

**Bruce Epperly**, '75 Philosophy, professor of practical theology and director of continuing education at Lancaster (Pa.) Theological Seminary, is the author of 15 books on progressive theology, spirituality and ministerial excellence. His most recent, *Holy Adventure: Forty-one Days of Audacious Living*, is his response to Rick Warren's *Purpose Driven Life*.

**Arabella Grayson**, '79 Public Relations, curated an exhibit at CAFAM in Los Angeles titled "Paper Cuts: 200 Years of Black Paper Dolls" that ran from January through March. She also contributed to the recently published *Go, Tell Michelle—African American Women Write to the New First Lady* (SUNY Press). For more information about the book: [www.sunypress.edu](http://www.sunypress.edu).

**Raymundo Jimenez**, '75 Kinesiology, is an Eastside Union High School District special education teacher and football, wrestling and golf coach.

**Al Kovalick**, '72 Electrical Engineering, author of *Video Systems in an IT Environment*, is a strategist and fellow at Avid Technology. From 1999 to 2004, he was CTO of the Broadcast Products Division at Pinnacle Systems. Earlier in his career, he worked as a digital systems designer at Hewlett-Packard.

**John LaTorra**, '73 Aviation, is building and inspection manager for the city of Redwood City and a member of the International Code Council Board of Directors.

**William Meloy**, '76 Criminal Justice Administration, is manager of the Code Enforcement Division, Planning and Development Services, for the city of Boise, Idaho.

**Marshall Mitzman**, '71 Music, was elected Chabot Community College District trustee and received the Gladiator Award, Chabot College's highest service award. He attended the Effective Trust-

eeship Workshop in Sacramento and National Trustee Legislative Conference in Washington, D.C., earlier this year.

**Sherman Moore**, '76 Accounting, retired as CFO of the Superior Court of California, county of Sacramento, and is now "busy as a sculptor," he reports. See his work at [www.shermmart.com](http://www.shermmart.com).

**Paul Resch**, '75 Accounting, who has worked for Santa Clara County for more than 35 years, is currently the county director of IT Services, Department of Revenue.

**Paul Stewart**, '75 Journalism, is CEO of the Sunnyvale Chamber of Commerce. From 2001 to 2005, he served as CEO of the Santa Clara County Association of Realtors.

**Cynthia Thomas**, '77 MA Art, multimedia artist, recently exhibited work at the Blue Whole Gallery in Port Angeles, Wash. From 1979 to 1992, she worked in the jewelry industry.

**Ken Yeager**, '76 Political Science, a member of the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors, was appointed by Governor Schwarzenegger to the California Air Resources Board. The board is charged with protecting public health and the environment through the reduction of air pollution and with implementing AB 32, the state's landmark global warming bill that requires a reduction of greenhouse gas emissions to 1990 levels by 2020. He has been a lecturer at SJSU's Department of Political Science since 1991.

## 1980s

**Lisa Cole**, '86 Social Science, is assistant director of The Circle of Independent Learning Charter School in the Fremont Unified School District.

**John Conti**, '88 Industrial Technology, works as a supervisor at Jon R. Crase Construction, Inc. in Campbell.

**Jane Di Girolamo**, '84 MA Education, retired as matriculation counselor at Hartnell Community College. She is a member of the Monterey Diocesan Council and recently enjoyed a tour of Italy's cathedrals.

**Kevin Fish**, '84 MA Social Science, published *It Is More than Popcorn: The Life and Times of Orville Clarence* ("Reddy



nbacher (PublishAmerica), a biographer of his grandfather.

**Hodges**, '80 Speech Communication, retired from a 25-year career at Alaska Airlines and now works as a legal.

**Ira Holliday**, '87 Advertising, is ice lieutenant in the Milpitas Fire Department and a Silicon Valley Home Society volunteer.

**icia Keefe**, '80 MA Art, a sculptor and co-founder of the Peninsula Sculptors' Guild, exhibited her work at Wood City's Rotunda Gallery. She works as an art therapist for the City of San Mateo.

**y Kritz**, '87 MBA, an associate professor of marketing at New Jersey's Monmouth University, was awarded the 2008 Academy of Marketing Science's Outstanding Marketing Teacher Award.

**emary Lutus**, '85 MS Psychology, is a marriage and family therapist with a private practice in Cupertino.

**ig Mann**, '81 Business, a teacher in the Ravenswood School District, was elected president of the Santa Clara County Board of Education. He was elected to the board in 2006 and served as the board's vice president in 2008. He has also served on the board's Policy Development Subcommittee and the Joint Legislative Advisory Committee.

**Christopher Mateo**, '87 Economics, was elected a councilmember of the city of San Jose (Calif.) last November.

**vid Olson**, '86 Advertising, is the owner and founder of San José's Teleflex Solutions, providing telecom products and services for small to medium-sized businesses in Silicon Valley.

**ston Owens**, '86 Industrial Technology, relocated from San José to Alabama and currently works as a managerial accountant at Austal USA in Mobile. The company specializes in the design and manufacture of aluminum vessels.

**a Taylor Tulee**, '88 Public Relations, is a manager of Program Performance Support for the city of San José's Environmental Services Department.

## 1990s

**Matthew Anderson**, '91 Journalism, head coach of women's water polo at the University of Michigan, was named Collegiate Water Polo Eastern Coach of the Year after leading his team to a sixth place finish at the 2008 NCAA Championships held at Stanford.

**Brent Baer**, '94 Advertising, is director of marketing at Speck Products in Palo Alto.

**Brooke Black**, '96 Anthropology, '05 MLIS, was promoted to chief cataloger of the Manuscripts Department of the Huntington Library in San Marino, where she has worked for the past 11 years. She also sends news of her marriage to David Cruz in June 2008.

**Terri Bonow**, '96 MLIS, is director and head librarian of the South Fayette Township Public Library in Pennsylvania.

**Joe Darretta**, '90 Human Performance, is athletic director at Ripon (Calif.) Christian High School, where he also coaches the varsity baseball team, oversees the high school chapel band, and teaches seventh-grade Bible courses.

**Nancy Hikoyeda**, '90 MPH, retired as director of SJSU's gerontology program.

**Cheryl Houts**, '92 MLIS, previously a librarian at Los Altos Library, is the new community librarian at Campbell Library.

**William Maltz**, '91 Mechanical Engineering, is president of Electronic Cooling Solutions in Cupertino. The company recently celebrated its 10th year of providing thermal design resources to the electronics industry.

**Kevin McDonnell**, '96 Social Science, graduated top of his class at San Francisco Police Academy and served with the U.S. Army Reserve in Operation Iraqi Freedom. He is currently a deputy sheriff in the San Francisco Sheriff's Department.

**Una Mjorka**, '99 MFA Art, an assistant professor at CSU Fresno, had a solo exhibition of her work at the College of the Sequoias titled "Harvest: Ceramic Still Lives."

**Beth Morris-Wong**, '99 MLIS, a library media teacher at Hillview Crest Elementary School and part-time librarian at San Leandro Public Library, received a

grant from New Haven School Foundation's Innovations in Education program for a project titled "Literacy Learning through Puppetry." She also received an ALA Picturing America Award for her library media center at Hillview.

**Bruce Reynolds**, '93 Finance, is director of facilities at Oracle.

**Thomas Schaff**, '91 Political Science, a U.S. park ranger based in St. John, Virgin Islands, works at the Virgin Islands National Park.

**Todd Toral**, '91 History, was elected partner in the firm of Nixon Peabody LLP in February. Based in San Francisco, he specializes in financial services and securities litigation. Prior to receiving his law degree from the University of San Francisco School of Law, he served as an infantry officer in the U.S. Marine Corps.

## 2000s

**Raymond Almeda**, '07 Information Systems Management, works as channel marketing coordinator at Sega of America. He's based in San Francisco.

**Kevin Arnold**, '07 MFA Creative Writing, is president of Poetry Center San José.

**Jack Bastida**, '06 Political Science, is a field representative for California Senator Ellen Corbett (D-San Leandro).

**Kimberly Boynton**, '07 Systems Physiology, is a clinical research coordinator in the Pediatric Nephrology Department at Stanford University Medical Center.

**Evelyn Brady**, '05 Nursing, of San José, is a staff RN II at Kaiser Santa Teresa.

**Wendy Chang**, '03 Political Science, is a program coordinator at the Institute for Local Government in Sacramento.

**Kent Coleman**, '06 MSW, is a child welfare worker II with Alameda County Social Services.

**Steven Derpich**, '00 Industrial Technology, of Watsonville, is a lab supervisor at GARCO Testing Labs.

**Dianna Eckhardt**, '08 Global Studies, of San José, participated in a four-month volunteer program in Uganda, where she helped renovate an elementary school.

**Andrienne Gaerlan**, '06 MLIS, of San Jose, Calif., is digital content librarian at Greenberg Traugott and part-time reference librarian at Azusa City Library.

**Rosemary Hughes**, '08 Business, is a human resources administrator at Stanford University Alumni Association and Office of Development.

**Christine Magnin**, '08 MA Education, is a vocational instructor for De Anza College's Hope Program.

**Danilo Mayorga**, '08 Business, is a logistics coordinator at Google.

**Edie Matthews**, '06 MFA Creative Writing, who teaches in the English Department at Mission College in Santa Clara, received 2008 Outstanding Adjunct Faculty recognition. She was voted for the award recipient.

**Afroze Mohammad**, '07 MS Software Engineering, works as a software engineer at Cisco Systems in San José.

**Charles Payne**, '06 MSW, a registered addiction specialist, is a clinical social worker employed by Napa County Mental Health.

**Lewis Reed**, '06 Environmental Science, is a park ranger for the Livermore Area Recreation and Park District, received a TogetherGreen Conservation Leadership Program fellowship, part of a conservation initiative supported by the National Audubon Society and Toyota. Each fellow receives \$10,000 toward a community-focused project. Reed's project focuses on a cooperative community effort to reduce invasive exotic weeds and to establish native vegetation in the grasslands of Livermore Valley.

## Marriages

**Shelly Hopkins**, '93 Public Relations, married Thomas Geiter on Oct. 1 in Hawaii, where the couple met in 2007 sailing trip.

**Richard Ledeit**, '98 Liberal Studies, married Christina Gloria last March in Houston, Texas. They now live in San José.

**Anthony Machado**, '97 Mechanical Engineering, an employee of Lockheed Martin, married Kimberley Astor May at the Palo Alto Hills Golf and Country Club.



**Ackerman**, '50 Social Science, 14, 2008, in Livermore.

**Andersen**, '49 Recreation, on Dec. 3.

**hop**, '63 Social Science, at age 72, 27, 2008, in Kuna, Idaho.

**wn**, Industrial Technology, at on Nov. 21, 2008, in Palo Alto.

**ns**, '54 Advertising, at age 76, 20, 2008, in Saratoga.

**Carlson**, '71 Management, at age ec. 18, 2008, in Atlanta, Ga.

**avolt Jr.**, '54 Business, on March in Apple Valley.

**Centanni**, Industrial Arts, at age ec. 28, 2008, in San José.

**h Christensen**, History, at age 82, 2, 2008, in Auburn.

**y**, '48 Economics, in September San José.

**ppel**, '76 Art, in Saratoga.

**quette**, '71 Geology, at age 65, 7, 2008, in Oroville.

**Durst**, '48 Education, at age 85, 31, 2008, in Woodland.

**et Schnerr Elrod**, '35 Social Science 95, on Dec. 23, 2008, isé.

**mbley Escott**, '80 Behavioral at age 51, in Rocklin.

**strom**, '91 Engineering, it 2007.

**DeSmet Fuller**, '45 Education, 3, on Dec. 21, 2008, in San José.

**av Georgevich**, '66 BA, '69 MA, at age 98, on Nov. 29, 2008, le.

**Geraci**, '59 Industrial Arts, 7, on Jan. 16, in Campbell.

**ovani**, '82 Accounting, at age 50, 8, 2008, in San José.

**Mullen Graham**, '58 Physical on, at age 71, on Sept. 22, 2008, eld.

**Gross**, '45 Home Economics, , on Jan. 17, in Roseville.

**Seena Hoose**, '86 MS Geology, at age 67, on Sept. 16, 2008.

**Roseann Hudspeth**, '76 Psychology, at age 55, on Nov. 2, 2008, in San José.

**Catherine Hannigan Hunter**, '77 Management, at age 61, in October 2008, in Colfax.

**Joseph Hysong**, '56 BA Business, '62 MA Ceramics/Sculpture, at age 83, on July 12, 2008, in Monterey.

**Lewis Johnson**, Liberal Studies, at age 75, on Oct. 1, 2008, in Mountain View.

**Edith Karas**, '42 Music, at age 87, on Nov. 13, 2008, in Monterey.

**Thomas Kirtley**, '40 Chemistry, at age 89, on Aug. 31, 2008, in Hopewell, Va.

**Mariann Kumke**, '89 MLS, at age 50, on Jan. 14, in Rockville, Md.

**Raymond Larson Jr.**, '55 Engineering, at age 80, on Dec. 21, 2008, in San José.

**Stephen Lawlor**, '83 MBA, at age 60, on Dec. 25, 2008, in Cupertino.

**Grace Lenarwick**, '38 Education, at age 99, on Dec. 21, 2008, in San Mateo.

**John Luckhardt**, '56 Chemistry, at age 74, on Dec. 20, 2008, in San José.

**Judith Kantro McCorkle**, '83 Nursing, at age 70, on Jan. 18, in San José.

**Jennifer McCoun**, '92 Public Relations, at age 40, in February, in Hollister.

**Ty Nakamura**, '92 Finance, on Dec. 24, 2008, in Mendon, Mass.

**Richard Overturf**, '63 Management, at age 69, on Dec. 25, 2008, in Riverside.

**Hilda Fernandez Paxton**, Education, at age 83, on Aug. 17, 2008.

**Thomas Peterson**, '76 Journalism, at age 55, in Midland, Texas.

**Ruth Scott Robison**, '39 Education/Music, on Sept. 28, 2008, in Litchfield Park, Ariz.

**Robert A. Schwartz**, Accounting, on Jan. 9, in Greeley, Colo.

**Norma Lee Selin**, '56, at age 74, on Sept. 9, 2008, in Stockton.

**Sally Ann Shultz**, '69 Recreation Administration, at age 76, on Nov. 27, 2008, in Concord.

**James Smartt**, '56 Industrial Arts, at age 78, on Jan. 24, in Cupertino.

**Elizabeth Grenier Smider**, '92 Systems Physiology, at age 42.

**Laura K. Smith**, '45 Physical Education, in 2006, in Texas.

**Alf Starkie**, MA Education, at age 88, on Jan. 21, in Morro Bay.

**Charles Stevens**, '50 Business Education, at age 81, on Aug. 29, 2008, in Ukiah.

**Clifford Swenson**, Engineering, at age 93, on Jan. 23, in San José.

**Agnes Trinchero**, '38 Social Science, at age 91, on Dec. 29, 2008, in Laguna Beach.

**Jean Linton Updike**, Liberal Studies, at age 84, on Dec. 1, 2008, in Edmonds, Wash.

**Richard Voris**, '48 Physical Education, at age 86, on Dec. 26, 2008, in Hernando Beach, Fla.

**Thomas Walsh**, '75 Industrial Arts, at age 74, on Nov. 7, 2007, in Menlo Park.

**Richard Williams**, '68 English, on Jan. 22, 2007.

## IN MEMORIAM

## Faculty

**Connie Costantino**, at age 59, on January 1, in London. Born in Buffalo, New York, Costantino moved to Southern California in 1986. Prior to joining San José State's School of Library and Information Science as a professor in 2004, Costantino worked for three decades as a school, public and academic librarian. She served as library director at Alliant International University in San Diego from 1993 to 2003. She consulted for libraries in Mexico City and Nairobi, Kenya. Costantino also chaired the Association of College and Research Libraries' International Relations Committee.

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## AN JOSÉ STATE FOOTBALL RETURNS TO NETWORK TV FOR 2009

For an unprecedented third consecutive year, San José State University football from Spartan Stadium will be shown on network television when the Spartans host the University of Nevada in an ESPN telecast, Sunday, November 8, in a Western Athletic Conference (WAC) contest.

The home game with the Wolf Pack has a 5:15 pm kickoff time, is one of six games from Spartan Stadium on the 2009 schedule and is the Spartans' Sunday showcase game of the season on ESPN.

"The opportunity for San José State football to appear for a fifth consecutive year on a national broadcast is a true testament to Coach Dick Tomey, the coaching staff and the student-athletes, who for the last 60 years have dedicated themselves to building a competitive and highly-respected football program," says San José State Director of Athletics Tom Bowen.

"I'm glad our 2009 schedule is finalized. We have a very ambitious non-conference schedule that will help our team prepare for a rigorous WAC schedule. Our program and the WAC continue to grow and we look forward to the 2009 season," says Dick Tomey, the Spartans head coach, now in his fifth season.

San José State's home schedule for the coming season features four bowl games that played in 2008 bowl games and starts with Sugar Bowl champion Utah, the only team with an undefeated record last season, on the September 12 home opener. Cal Poly, a 2008 Football Championship Division playoff team, follows on September 26.

The Spartans open conference action at home against Idaho on October 10 followed by the Sunday game against Nevada. Hawaii on November 21 and New Mexico State on November 28 close out the home games from Spartan Stadium.

In all, San José State faces eight opponents that competed in last season's action last year. The Spartans are the only Football Bowl Championship Series (FBS) school to face two Bowl Championship Series winners from last season when they open the season at the University of Southern California on September 5. The team's fourth non-conference opponent is nearby Stanford for the 64th time since 1900.

As in the 2008 season, San José State will not play conference road contests on successive weekends. The Spartans head to Fresno State for

an October 17 game and have a bye week before facing WAC champion Boise State in Boise on October 31. Games at Utah State on November 14 and Louisiana Tech on December 5 complete the regular season schedule.

**NOTES** San José State will play its first Sunday home game since November 8, 1942 shutout Homecoming win over San Diego State. From 1979 through 1983, the Spartans had seven network television appearances, but only one from Spartan Stadium. The 2009 ESPN game with Nevada is the eighth network appearance for the Spartans since Dick Tomey took over as head coach. The WAC has had previous Sunday showcase games on ESPN in 2006 and 2007. Under terms of the WAC's ESPN TV agreement, San José State can be assigned TV games on any day at a later date. The December 5 end of the regular season is the latest ending date for a San José State football team since 1947, when the Spartans won two games against Hawaii club teams on December 3 and 10.

### FALL FOOTBALL SCHEDULE : SEPT 1 - DEC 30

#### FOOTBALL

##### HOME GAMES : SPARTAN STADIUM

TIMES LOCAL TO

SEPT. 5 @ SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

SEPT. 12 UTAH

SEPT. 19 @ STANFORD

SEPT. 26 CAL POLY

OCT. 10 IDAHO

OCT. 17 @ FRESNO STATE

OCT. 31 @ BOISE STATE

NOV. 8 NEVADA (ESPN)\*

5:1

NOV. 14 @ UTAH STATE

NOV. 21 HAWAII

NOV. 28 NEW MEXICO STATE

DEC. 5 @ LOUISIANA TECH

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