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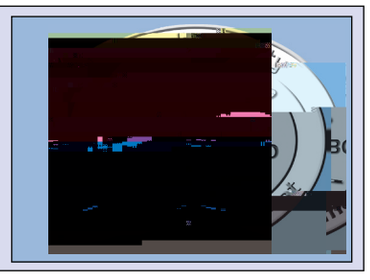

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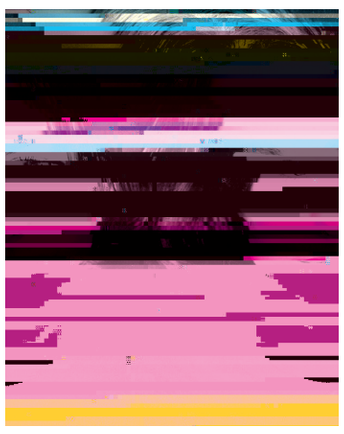

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r. Jane Lopus was named last week as the George and Miriam Phillips Outstanding Professor Award winner for 2006 as Cal State East Bay's top professor.

A Michigan native, Lopus is an economics professor at CSUEB and director of the university's Center for Economic Education. She has been a CSUEB professor for 27 years and a member of the university community for even longer.

"It's very exciting for me because I've been at Cal State since 1974," said Lopus. "Cal State has been such an important part of my life."

Don Sawyer, chair of the Academic Senate, said there are specific criteria upon which nominees are evaluated. Professors who have scholarly and professional achievements at the university and in the community are eagerly sought.

"Professor Lopus is well-respected with wonderful achievements here at the university, and I am pleased to be her colleague," said Sawyer.

After earning a bachelor's degree in political science at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Lopus began her graduate studies at CSUEB in 1974, where she earned a master's degree in economics and education.

She began teaching at the university in 1979 after teaching high school economics, where she developed a love for the field.

According to Eileen Barrett, English professor and chair of the faculty affairs committee, all of this year's candidates were admirable. However, a subcommittee formed for the selection of the winner was impressed with Lopus' commitment to economics education, especially her work having to do with middle school and high school students.

"Professor Lopus has a national and international reputation for her commitment to economics education," said Barrett.

Lopus became director of the Center for Economic Education in 1982. Since that time, she has been a part of such educational instruments as the center's on-line stock market simulation game.

Five thousand middle school and high school math and economics students compete in the online game each year. They are given $100,000 in an imaginary investment portfolio of publicly traded stocks and mutual funds and play the game in teams by applying economic and mathematical analysis.

Lopus received her Ph.D. from UC Davis and is

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he clouds did not rain on the parade Sunday in San Francisco.

The 15th annual Spring Celebration and Easter Parade even managed to soak up a little sun on Union Street between Fillmore and Gough.

"What a fine way to end the parade, on this sunny Sunday," said Tom Sinkovitz from Channel 4 News who was the event's master of ceremonies. "I didn't think we'd be able to say that again."

The Spring Celebration, which prevented cars from using Union Street for more than eight blocks, included many kid-friendly activities. Included was an Easter egg hunt at Allyne Park, which hosted more than 100 kids, according to volunteer Flora Ballard.

Children could also take a picture with the Easter Bunny, ride on carnival-style rides like swings, teacups and motorcycles and pet farm animals and ride ponies.

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him to call the sheriffs department.

Rose suffers from agoraphobia, a mental disorder described as a morbid fear of open places characterized by panic attacks and avoidance of public places. Rose suffers from severe panic attacks and depression.

She is also confined to a wheelchair, her left hip is a prosthetic, her right hip is broken and she is currently awaiting surgery. At the time of the incident she could not walk and she still cannot walk now.

"I told the police she suffered from agoraphobia and panic attacks and was in a wheelchair and could not walk," said Claude, who has four grown children with Rose. "They did not listen to me, though."

When the police surrounded her house Rose said she became frightened and did not understand what was going on. She admitted to firing a gun three times by accident into the ceiling, but not at police.

"I would never hurt anyone," she said. "I'm very sorry for everything that happened, but I would never shoot at anyone, especially a police officer."

Rose standing at 105 percent of their capacity.

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When asked how a reservoir can be at 105 percent capacity, Hardy explained that it means the reservoir is full and five percent of the total water is constantly sloshing over the banks into the spillway.

"The spillway allows water to escape before it tops the dam and feeds into a creek," said Hardy.

Normally, EBMUD releases water through controlled valves, but with the reservoirs overflowing, they do not release water if it might have a negative impact on surrounding areas.

"A lot of people complain about the constant rain," Hardy said. "I'm smiling because as long as it's not flooded, water is a good thing."

Hardy said that while the Bay Area has plenty of water now, it is important for Californians to remember to maintain water conservation habits. Historically, there have been drought conditions in California one in every three years—although the state has not suffered a drought for about 15 years now.

"We've been lucky here lately, but over time it all evens out," he said.

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tudents getting ready to graduate from Cal State East Bay should iron their business attire, make copies of their resumes and prepare to speak with potential employers at the campus' "Last Chance Job and Internship Fair" on April 27.

Literally a last chance for many graduating students, the event is the final job fair of the 2005-2006 school year and many students' last opportunity to connect with a wide variety of potential employers—all in the convenience of their own campus.

"Students will have the opportunity to do some networking and really explore the job market that is exploding right now," said Rae Ann Ianniello, Career Development participation, Ianniello said. Event coordinators are expecting a record 1,500 to 2,000 students and about 140 employers to participate.

"We can only fit 150 (employers) in the gym, so right now we're trying to decide what to do if we exceed our 150 cap," Ianniello said.

The employers were contacted via a mailing list that targeted employers with longstanding relationships with the university formed after positive campus hiring experiences in the past, said Ianniello.

Whether a student is looking for an internship or a full-time job at either a non-profit organization or a major corporation, there will be multiple employers present with various positions available, she said.

For a complete list of participating employers and positions available, Ianniello recommends visiting the CDC's Web site. The site also provides links to each company's Web site as well as tips on how to make the job fair benefit each attendee.

Located in Warren Hall, the CDC offers career counseling, résumé critiques and comprehensive job databases and is open during daytime and evening hours.

"There's no substitute for face-to-face career counseling," said Ianniello. "Many students think they know how to find a job, and they do. But is it a career job?"

The fair will be held in the PE Building from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

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