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## Greatest threat to U.S. is government



ADRIAN DISCIPULO | LA VOZ STAFF

Students from City College of San Francisco rally outside the Hinson center to advocate the reinstatement of their Board of Trustees on Monday, Nov. 17.

## CCSF, De Anza protesters want local trustees restored

Jay Serrano  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Students and instructors from City College of San Francisco and De Anza College protested outside the Hinson Campus Center before the California Community College Board of Governors met inside on Monday, Nov. 17.

The protesters called for the reinstatement of the CCSF Board of Trustees, the removal of Special Trustee With Extraordinary Powers Robert Agrella, and they demanded the Board of Governors stop relying on the ACCJC for college accreditation and find a new, fairer agency.

Many protesters described the ACCJC – Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges – as a rogue agency.

“What we’re here for is restoring the Board of Trustees,”

CCSF student Mike Sierra said. “It was on the ballot for San Francisco County. We want have people to vote to bring back the Board of Trustees to our school.”

The board was suspended in 2013 after the ACCJC said it would revoke CCSF’s accreditation this year.

The Board of Governors said they installed Special Trustee Agrella in an attempt to stop the school from losing accreditation.

Agrella is not popular among the students and instructors who protested before the Board of Governor’s meeting.

“There’s no transparency, there’s no way of people voting on things,” Sierra said. Everything is being recommended to him by the chancellor and other administrators.”

He said the absence of a local board has led to problems

“There’s been 110 classes cut this semester, there’s issues of

our campus police being armed with guns, so there’s a lot of stuff going on and we want that transparency back where we can have a discussion with the board of trustees where people can sit in and listen.”

Protesters also said they were working on getting the school’s accreditation restored and wanted to show the ACCJC all the progress CCSF has made.

“We’re filing for a restoration status,” said Oscar Pena, CCSF Associated Student President, Ocean campus. “What that means is having the ACCJC body come back to our school and look at all the sanctions they gave us to reevaluate how much we’ve improved.”

When the Board of Governors meeting began, the protesters moved inside to attend the meeting.

Adrian Discipulo contributed reporting

Jay Serrano  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

The federal government as the biggest threat to national security today, former Secretary of Defense Robert Gates said.

“The most significant challenge to national security can be found within the two square miles containing the White House and Congress.”

He spoke as part of the Celebrity Forum Speakers Series at De Anza College’s Flint Center on Nov. 19, 20 and 21.

Gates served in Washington as a CIA analyst, CIA director, national security adviser and secretary of defense for Presidents George W. Bush and Barack Obama. He served eight different presidents before retiring from politics.

“Of all the positions I held, Gates said, “being secretary of defense was the greatest honor of my life.”

He said it was an honor because of his experiences with the members of the United States military serving in Iraq and Afghanistan.

“Every man and woman in uniform was in harm’s way

because I signed the order that sent them,” Gates said. “We must not honor them just on Veterans Day like last week, but every day.”

He also spoke about the egos of politicians he worked with during his time as a public servant.

“It’s hard to match the new biblical self regards found in Washington D.C.,” Gates said. “It’s the only place you can see someone walking down lover’s lane holding their own hand.”

Gates criticized the lack of compromise in government and the reduced room for moderate candidates.

“The center, the foundation of the political system, is falling out,” he said.

Part of the reason is every single issue has become a partisan battle pitting Democrats against Republicans, forcing politicians to pander to their party’s more extreme elements.

“The cameras at a political conference have the same effect on politicians as a full moon on werewolves,” he said.

One reason politicians can get away with this is only about 40 seats out of 435 in the House said.

SEE GATES P. 3

## Men’s soccer captures NorCal Conference title with 1-0 win

SEE STORY P. 12



STEVEN HALL | LA VOZ STAFF

The De Anza men’s soccer team celebrates its 1-0 victory over Hartnell College on Friday Nov. 14. The Dons play in the second round of the NorCal regional playoffs on Tuesday Nov. 25 at 2 p.m. at De Anza.

## Tuesday Nov. 25

### MEN'S SOCCER NORCAL PLAYOFFS: SECOND ROUND GAME

2 - 4 p.m.  
Soccer field  
Men's Soccer will play against the winner of the Las Positas and CCSF 1st Round NorCal game.

To view the tournament listing of schools, visit [http://cccaasports.org/Soccer/Men/2014\\_M\\_SOCKER\\_NORCAL\\_REGIONAL\\_BRACKET.pdf](http://cccaasports.org/Soccer/Men/2014_M_SOCKER_NORCAL_REGIONAL_BRACKET.pdf).

## Wednesday Dec. 3

### TRANSFER ADVISING: JOHN F. KENNEDY UNIVERSITY

10 a.m. - 1 p.m.  
Dining Hall  
General information about John F. Kennedy University will be available at Information Table 6 in the Dining Hall of the Hinson Campus Center.

No appointment is necessary to talk with a university representative at an information table.

### TRANSFER ADVISING: CSU EAST BAY

11 a.m. - 2 p.m.  
SCS building, second floor  
Appointments and drop-in advising will be provided.

For a complete list of college and university representative visits, please go to <http://www.deanza.edu/transfercenter/repvisits.html>

### TRANSFER ADVISING: PALO ALTO UNIVERSITY

11 a.m. - 1 p.m.  
L Quad  
General information about Palo Alto University will be provided at an Information Table in the L-Quad. No appointment is necessary to talk with a university representative at an information table.

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## Friday Dec. 5

### DE ANZA CHAMBER ORCHESTRA

7:30 - 9 p.m.  
Visual & Performing Arts Center, Auditorium  
Performance by the De Anza Chamber Orchestra.  
\$10 general admission.  
\$5 De Anza students.

## Announcements De Anza

### CREATIVE WRITING WINTER 2015

Office of College Life  
- **EWRT 30: Introduction to Creative Writing**  
Kim Palmore, M/W 11:30-1:20, in L-73  
- **EWRT 40: Fiction Writing**  
Suzanne Helfman, M/W 1:30-3:20, in L-64  
- **EWRT 41: Poetry Writing**  
Ken Weisner, T/TH 1:30-3:20, in L-64  
- **EWRT 65 & 65X: Literary Magazine, National Edition**  
Ken Weisner, Monday 4:00-5:50, in L-42

### CAFÉ DE ANZA STUDY HALL

Through Fall Quarter  
Monday - Thursday  
10 a.m. - noon  
St. Jude's Episcopal Church  
20920 McClellan Road  
Cupertino, CA 95014  
Café DeAnza is offering free wireless Internet access, coffee and tea to De Anza College students. There is an indoor study hall as well as outdoor tables and numerous power strips to recharge electronic devices.

### CELEBRITY FORUM

Throughout 2014 - 15 school year  
8 p.m.  
Flint Center at De Anza College  
The following people will be speaking as part of this year's series:

Anderson Cooper  
Jan. 21, 22 and 23

Platon  
Feb. 18, 19 and 20

Walter Isaacson  
March 25, 26 and 27

Soledad O'Brien  
April 22, 23 and 24

Alan Alda  
May 13, 14 and 15

Tickets are available in packages for Wednesdays, Thursdays or Fridays. To purchase tickets, go to the celebrity forum website at <http://www.celebrityforum.net/vendini.php>.

### ASTRONOMY & LASER SHOWS

#### Fujitsu Planetarium Nov. 29

Closed for Thanksgiving.

#### Dec. 6

4 p.m. - Secret of the Carboard Rocket

5 p.m. - Cosmic Journey

6:30 p.m. - Black Holes

8 p.m. - Laser Wizard of Oz

9 p.m. - Beatles Anthology

#### Dec. 13

4 p.m. - This is Our Sky

5 p.m. - Cosmic Collisions

6:30 p.m. - Holiday Magic Laser Show

8 p.m. - Holiday Magic Laser Show

9 p.m. - Holiday Magic Laser Show

#### Dec. 20

4 p.m. - The Moon

5 p.m. - The Magic Tree House

6:30 p.m. - Holiday Magic Laser Show

8 p.m. - Holiday Magic Laser Show

9 p.m. - Holiday Magic Laser Show

### FREE LEGAL ADVICE

Office of College Life  
DASB sponsors free legal advice to currently enrolled students (DASB card required). Attorney and part-time business law instructor Ronald A. Goularte offers services twice a week. Goularte will provide referrals for those who need further assistance or representation. To make an appointment, visit the Office of College Life or call 408-864-8756.

### DE ANZA AND FOOTHILL ART FACULTY/STAFF SHOW

Through Dec. 4  
Euphrat Museum of Art  
The De Anza and Foothill Art Faculty/Staff Show highlights the diverse yet interconnected works of art created by faculty and staff from De Anza College in Cupertino and Foothill College in Los Altos Hills. Painting, drawing, prints, mixed media, photography, sculpture, ceramics and more will be on display. Also included are special projects with summer Artist-in-Residence Titus Kaphar and De Anza students in the Black Leadership Collective and a Puente class Día de los Muertos installation.

Additional events:

#### - Nov. 30

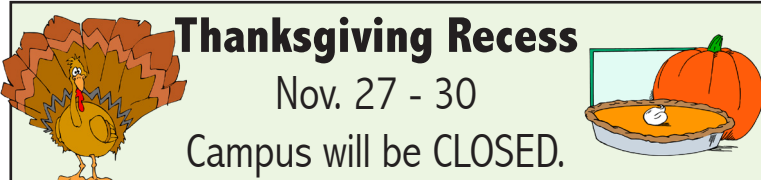
6 - 8 p.m.  
3rd Thursday Film Festivals

#### - Dec. 4

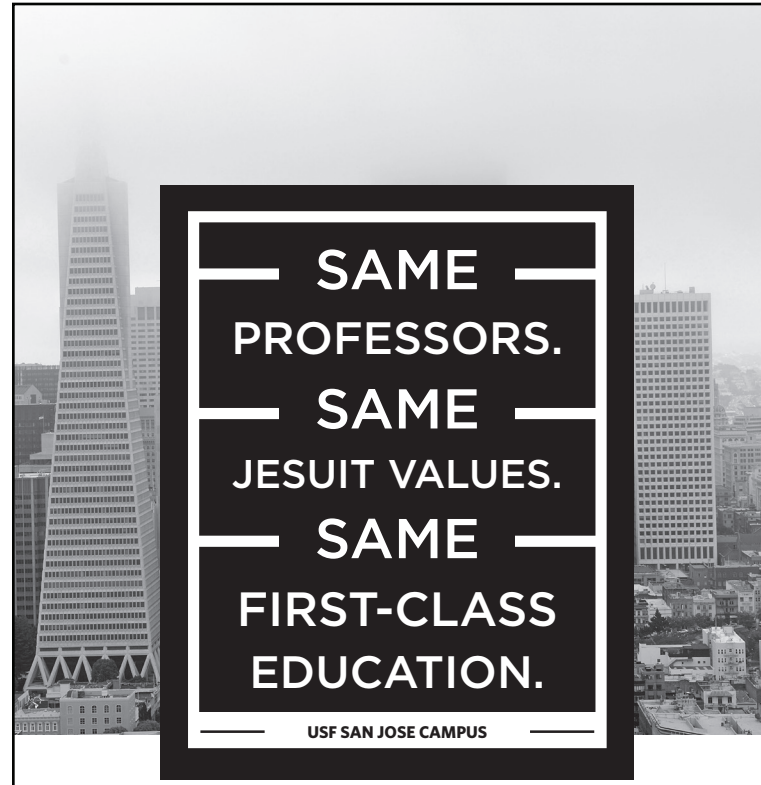
5 - 7 p.m.  
1st Thursday Open Mic Nights

Museum Hours: Monday to Thursday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Open to tour groups by appointment  
Call 408-864-5464 for more information



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## Final Exam Schedule

Classes meeting on Thursday (plus any other combination of days):

- Class: 7:30 a.m.**  
Exam: Dec. 11, 7 - 9 a.m.
- Class: 8:30 a.m.**  
Exam: Dec. 12, 7 - 9 a.m.
- Class: 9:30 a.m.**  
Exam: Dec. 9, 9:15 - 11:15 a.m.
- Class: 10:30 a.m.**  
Exam: Dec. 10, 9:15 - 11:15 a.m.
- Class: 11:30 a.m.**  
Exam: Dec. 11, 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
- Class: 12:30 p.m.**  
Exam: Dec. 12, 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
- Class: 1:30 p.m.**  
Exam: Dec. 9, 1:45 - 3:45 p.m.
- Class: 2:30 p.m.**  
Exam: Dec. 10, 1:45 - 3:45 p.m.
- Class: 3:30 p.m.**  
Exam: Dec. 12, 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Classes that do not meet on Thursday:

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**WEDNESDAY November 26th**

**THANKSGIVING DINNER**

**Roast Herbed Turkey**  
**Sour Dough Stuffing,**  
**Rich Gravy, Baked Sweet Jams**  
**Smashed Potatoes**  
**and Spring Mix**  
**Side Salad**

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FROM GATES P. 1

are truly competitive because of politician-controlled redistricting. “California has been trying to be part of the solution by taking away redistricting from politicians,” Gates said.

He shared his concern about Congress’s inability to reach a compromise on any major issue or even move the discussion forward.

“You don’t automatically solve big problems in one bite,” he said. “I really do worry about what is going on in Washington.”

Gates shared his views on how foreign policy should be handled and how his views differed from others serving in politics.

“Neither of them (Sen. John McCain and former Vice President Dick Cheney) never saw a national security problem that could not be solved by blowing it up,” he said.

He had the same opinion about the most recent presidents.

“They’re too quick to reach for a gun,” Gates said.

He also talked about events outside the U.S., spending time on the situation in Russia.

“The biggest obstacle to progress is Russia’s de facto president for life,” he said. “He is a man who lives very much in the past.”

**““Even though the U.S. faces several obstacles,” Gates said, “many of them are self inflicted. Which means we can overcome them.”**

– Robert Gates

Gates analysis of the situation is that Russia is not a serious threat.

“Despite its recent muscle flexing, Russia cannot be considered a rising power,” he said.

China is not a threat to national security either, he said, despite popular worries.

He urged policy makers to be careful when dealing with China.

“If we treat China like an enemy, it will become one,” he said.

At the end of his speech, Gates reaffirmed his belief that modern Washington politics are a threat to U.S. security.

“Even though the U.S. faces several obstacles,” Gates said, “many of them are self inflicted. Which means we can overcome them.”

## DASB senate elects eight new senators

Alena Naiden

STAFF WRITER

DASB senate elected eight new senators during a lengthy DASB meeting on Nov. 20.

The newly elected senators are: Mina Aslan, Thy Doan, Naeema Kaleem, Hilary Trang, Druvangi Shan, Thao Le, Hiro Chika and Michelle Perdana.

The day before the election, there were seven available senator positions. But at the beginning of Wednesday’s meeting, senator Mehdi Mahmoodi announced his decision to resign from DASB senate. He wished all the candidates good luck and left the room.

With eight spots available, the senate did not need to fill all of them.

“We need to choose people based on their capabilities, and not to fill a gap,” said Kandice Gunawan, 20, human development major.

The senate invited candidates to the room one by one, where each of them had two minutes for a speech and one minute to answer three questions. The questions were one general and two related to the DASB senate committees the candidate applied for.

In their speeches, candidates

talked about their experience, passion and things they want to improve in the senate and on campus.

Aslan, 18, psychology major, said she wanted to bring more social equality and female empowerment to De Anza College.

Kaleem, 17, political science and communication major, said Facebook and Instagram can help to promote events.

Chika proposed to make more events related to diversity, and Shan called carpooling a good solution for the parking problem.

Many candidates spoke about the importance of involving more students in senate.

One of the frequently asked questions for the candidates was how they plan on balancing the time between senate, school and other activities.

Each candidate said he or she has perfect time management.

Jia Hong Seow said, “If you enjoy something, you won’t be tired.”

After all the candidates’ presentations, senators took more than an hour to discuss their qualifications.

Senators explained whom they would like to elect and why.

“Will they be voices on the

table, or are they followers?” asked Kevin Wilson Suarez, DASB senate vice president.

Pedro Alberto Enriquez, reminded the other senators that neither they nor the candidates are perfect, but it is important to give people an opportunity to learn.

“When you want someone to perform, you have to give them the floor,” Enriquez said.

From the 16 candidates who ran for a senator position on Wednesday, only eight were selected.

The other eight will continue to be interns on the various committees.

“It was a really difficult decision,” said Jaydeep Singh, DASB senate chair of administration.

While elected candidates were posing for photos, senators offered words of encouragement to those who were not elected and were hugged them.

“If you are not elected, it doesn’t mean you don’t matter,” Enriquez said. “Senators have more responsibilities (than interns), but if you are passionate about something, keep going. Please.”

## De Anza Associated Student Body Senate Meeting Times:

### General Senate Meeting:

Wednesdays @3:30pm in the Student Council Chamber A/B

### Finance Committee:

Mondays @3:30pm in the Student Council Chamber A

### Marketing Committee:

Mondays @4:30pm in the Student Council Chamber B/C

### Student Rights and Services Committee:

Thursdays @3:30pm in the Senate Office

### Administration Committee:

Fridays @10:30am in the Senate Office

### Environmental Sustainability Committee:

Fridays @11:30am in the California History Center

### Diversity and Events Committee:

Fridays @12:30pm in the El Clemente Room

### Executive Committee:

Wednesdays @2:30pm in the Senate Office

## Join our meetings!



## De Anza students take home awards from Journalism Conference

Susan Garcia  
STAFF WRITER

Adrian Discipulo and Rajvir Kaur, La Voz staffers won awards at this year's Journalism Association Community Colleges NorCal Conference at Sacramento State University.

La Voz editor in chief Jay Serranp also won an award for copy editing.

Adrian Discipulo received two awards for photography. He won second place for both news and feature photos.

These were the first awards he'd ever received for his photography.

"I was pretty surprised to hear my name called," Discipulo said. "With so many other schools present, I admit it was really intimidating."

One of the photos was from Take Back The Night, a candle light march to show solidarity with survivors of sexual assault hosted on De Anza's campus.

Discipulo said, "Getting a good photo definitely requires looking out for what's going on."

He said photography is important because it's one of the few things he has been confident about.

"I'm definitely not the best since there's always room for improvement, but I'm pretty happy with where I'm at now," he said.

He's been a photographer for about two years and with La Voz for three quarters.

"I've always been interested in

"Photography is very much a hands-on learning experience,"

– Adrian Discipulo

photography as a tool to record moments in time," Discipulo said. "I Like street photography, so taking pictures for the paper worked hand in hand with my interests."

His advice to other photographers trying to achieve their goals: "Don't stop taking pictures I've only ever taken two formal classes on photography, and most of the technical stuff I learned from doing plenty of reading."

He explained the importance of knowing your camera and the right settings to use to take pictures.

"Photography is very much a hands-on learning experience," he said.

"I learned most of what I know from carrying my camera with me every day looking out for things to take pictures of. Find something to take a picture of, then look at that

photo and think about how you can do better."

Kaur won an award for her reporting of a sports story.

"Honestly, I was a little surprised," Kaur said. "

Knowing that the JACC picked my story over countless others makes it special."

She said she had absolutely no idea this was possible.

"I don't think it's something you can 'make happen,'" Kaur said. "I love what I do as a journalist, so maybe that had something to do with it."

She shared some tips for students who are trying to achieve their goals when it comes to writing stories.

"I still use what I was taught, which is to report the main point right away and then make the rest of the story."

She won the award for a story about a 51-year-old former crack addict who got a few minutes of playing time in the last game of the 2014 season.

It was more than just a regular

"I still use what I was taught, which is to report the main point right away and then make the rest of the story."

– Rajvir Kaur

basketball game," Kaur said. "There was a lot of emotion involved and my main goal was to capture as much of that emotion as I could."

"I wanted the readers to be able to imagine what it would have felt like to be in the gym, at that moment."

She advised students to write articles as the reader and think to yourself "is it something I would read?"

She said, "Try to write it as if you are going to be the one reading it in the paper. And then ask yourself 'Is it something I would read?'"

She explained that this method could be applied to all types of stories, such as news or features.

Cecilia Deck, faculty adviser for La Voz, said she was proud of both students.

She said in order for students to accomplish their goals in journalism, they have to take news and writing classes, participate in La Voz and not be afraid to compete.

## Opinion: Separate designated vaping area

Donovan Rios  
STAFF WRITER

In recent years, smokers have found healthier alternatives to traditional cigarettes and nicotine. The most popular among them are e-cigarettes, also known as vaporizers.

Vaporizers have gained their popularity because of the lack of smoke and odor they produce, making it less offensive than regular cigarettes.

While they tend to be placed in the same groups, smoking and vaping are inherently different.

De Anza College has considered creating a separate area for those who use vaporizers as opposed to standard cigarettes.

Secondhand smoke, one of the main issues regarding cigarettes, causes people who don't actually smoke to inhale the dangerous chemicals.

Avoiding this problem is possible with vaporizers, one of the many features that have drawn such a large crowd to its user base.

However, the vapers on De Anza's campus aren't concerned with their fellow student's smoke, contrary to previous beliefs.

Some of the students who frequent the smoking areas, said it quickly becomes apparent that a sense of community exists.

For many of these students, both smoking and vaping are social activities. Breaking up the two groups would contradict their

philosophy.

K.T. 20, automotive and engineering major, said that while smoking and vaping is not the same thing, it is not a strong enough argument to separate the two groups.

He said vapes lack the health hazards for outside parties, unlike cigarettes, and therefore should be usable.

Those within the two social circles do not feel the need to separate from each other.

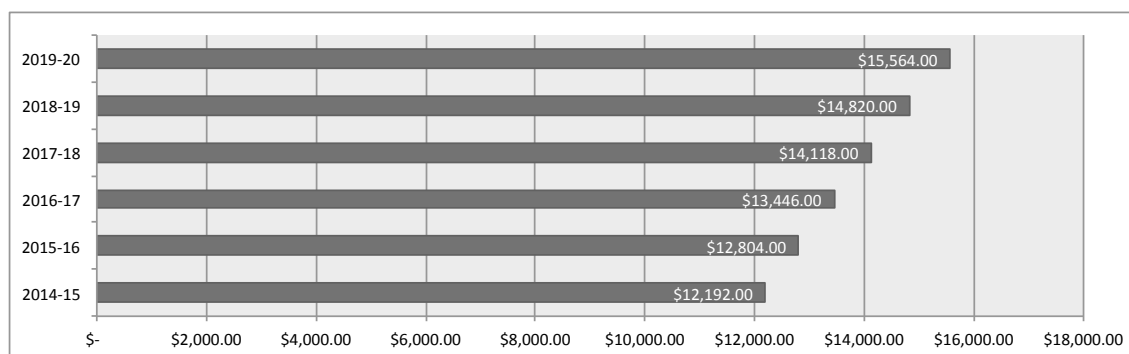
When asked about the situation, Associate Vice President, Donna Jones-Dulin stated there are currently no plans to create a designated vape area. Ideas are forming but concrete plans have yet to be made.

### PROJECTED TUITION COSTS WITH FOR UC STUDENTS

5 percent tuition hike over next five years

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<http://regents.universityofcalifornia.edu/regmeet/nov14/13.pdf>



# Planning to take ECON1 or ECON2 in Winter 2015?

There is a new prerequisite for ECON1 AND ECON2:  
***Elementary Algebra.***

Please visit the department website to find out how you can clear this prerequisite:  
<http://www.deanza.edu/econ/>

Any questions/concerns, please email:  
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# Turkey, stuffing and bargains

Crossword by  
Cecilia Deck

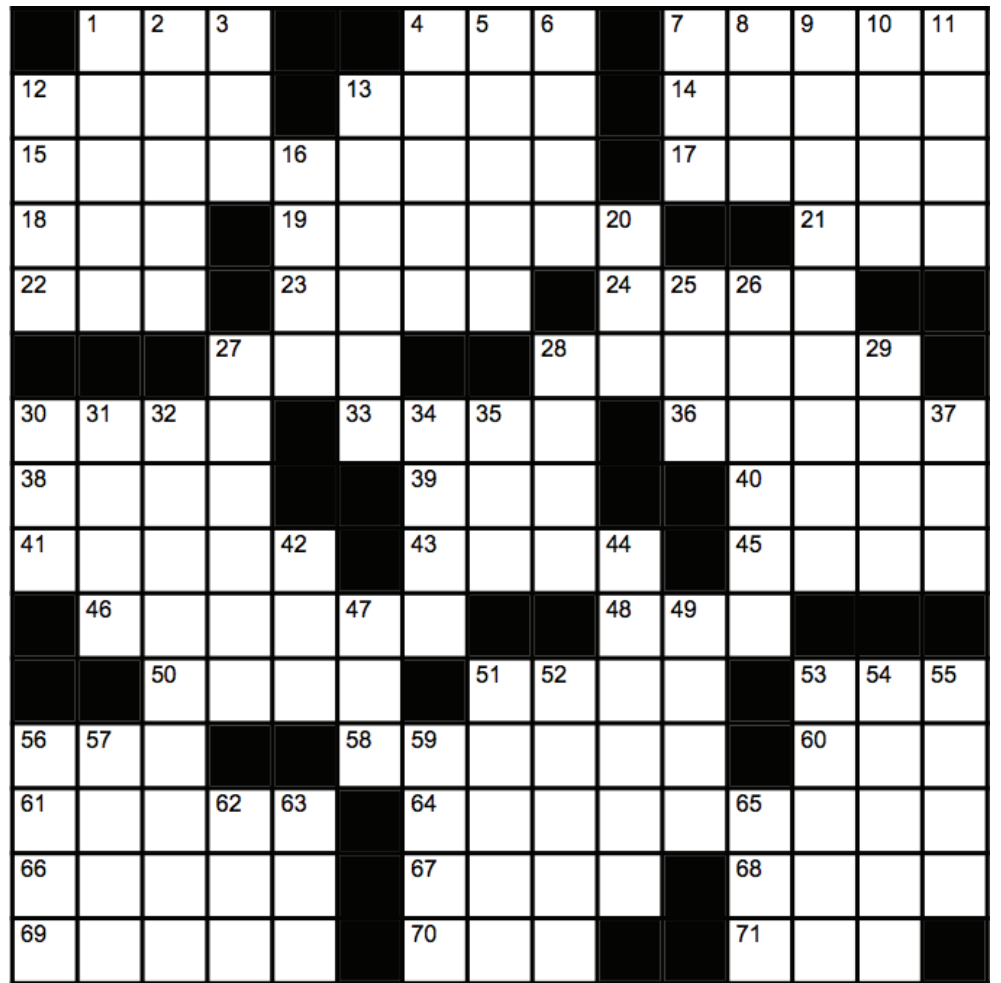
## Across

- 1. Certain special FX
- 4. A sleeve covers it
- 7. Mea \_\_\_\_
- 12. Conflicted
- 13. Word with family or shoe
- 14. Bailiwicks
- 15. What you'll find in some malls on Thursday**
- 17. With 28-across, big shopping day**
- 18. "Comprende?"
- 19. Least wild
- 21. Hi-\_\_\_\_ image
- 22. Nine-digit ID
- 23. Like a control freak
- 24. \_\_\_\_ all-time high
- 27. Aggravate
- 28. See 17-across**
- 30. \_\_\_\_ row
- 33. Loafer, e.g.
- 36. Leafy shelter
- 38. Hathaway of "Les Miserables"
- 39. Bran source
- 40. Aquatic plant
- 41. \_\_\_\_, I'm Adam

- 43. Talk big
- 45. "Go, \_\_\_\_!"
- 46. Mashed or sweet carb**
- 48. Land in l'océan
- 50. "Scream" star Campbell
- 51. "I \_\_\_\_ at the office"
- 53. Q-U connection, alphabetically
- 56. Pumpkin, e.g.**
- 58. La Brea attraction
- 60. Propel, in a way
- 61. First name in talk shows
- 64. \_\_\_\_'s Fire, 1985 movie
- 66. Fried topper for casserole of 2-down**
- 69-across**
- 67. Rating for many sitcoms
- 68. "Thanks \_\_\_\_!"
- 69. Stringy veggies**
- 70. Affirmative vote
- 71. Fed. air marshal's org.

## Down

- 1. Manages
- 2. Color of some 69-down**
- 3. B & B
- 4. Bouquet
- 5. Drive away
- 6. Bungle, with "up"
- 7. Hack
- 8. www.yahoo.com, e.g.
- 9. Like a skill you can pick up
- 10. Walk back and forth
- 11. Calls upon
- 12. Light throw
- 13. Theme of this puzzle, with 44-down**
- 16. Asterisk
- 20. Driveway surface
- 25. Acapulco aunt
- 26. Cost of a commercial
- 27. Conceive
- 28. Greek cheese
- 29. Eastern discipline
- 30. "Casablanca" pianist
- 31. \_\_\_\_sack (backpack)
- 32. Jakarta's country
- 34. Bindle bearer
- 35. Propel, in a way
- 37. Battering device



- 42. Dallas cager, briefly
- 44. See 13-down**
- 47. \_\_\_\_ Offensive
- 49. Native of Latvia
- 51. Ladle it on**
- 52. What Santa smokes
- 53. Buns on the table**
- 54. Striped Girl Scout cookie

- 55. Gait between walk and canter
- 56. "No \_\_\_\_!"
- 57. Actress Skye
- 59. Nick and Nora's dog
- 62. Charged particle
- 63. Coast Guard officer: Abbr.
- 65. "Dig in!"

## D.A. VOICES: WHAT DO YOU WANT FOR CHRISTMAS AND WHY?



**Vy Le**  
27  
medical lab technician  
"A robot that cleans a house. I don't like to clean a house by myself"



**Chris McBrian**  
20  
physics  
"A telescope; I want to look at the sky."



**Charlene Mudzinski**  
23  
nursing  
"A Macbook Air. It'll be my first one!"



**Geraldine Hernandez**  
22  
liberal arts  
"A new pair of Uggs because they are cute and make my feet warm and an iPhone 6 because I'm two generations behind."



**Jenna Cianelli**  
24  
behavioral therapy  
"I want a trip to Hawaii so I can have a vacation and relax."



**Omar Contreras**  
21  
biology  
"New iPod because mine doesn't work."

## Five alternative things to do on Thanksgiving Day

Adam Del Rio  
STAFF WRITER

### 1. GO OUT TO EAT SOMEWHERE PRICEY

One of the easiest Thanksgiving alternatives is going out to eat. Going out to eat is quicker, easier, and cheaper on Thanksgiving than any other day because most restaurants offer Thanksgiving deals. Also, pick a good place beforehand and you are almost guaranteed a good seat because everyone else will be at home celebrating with their families.

### 2. VOLUNTEER AT A HOMELESS SHELTER

It is easy to find shelters of all kinds in your area at [www.homelessshelterdirectory.org](http://www.homelessshelterdirectory.org). Helping at a shelter does not even take up the whole day, in case you were worrying about nonstop labor on one of your days off, but it is a great way to help others celebrate their Thanksgiving if you do not know how to celebrate your own.

### 3. TRAVEL SOMEWHERE INTERESTING

A local getaway is another way to spend your Thanksgiving. Find a place online and spend the weekend somewhere new, but beware of overpriced hotels, they are common during this time of year.

### 4. SHOP TILL YOU DROP

Lastly, you could always spend Thanksgiving shopping, one of the most popular alternatives these days. Put all that money towards shopping that you would have otherwise spent on travelling or making a Thanksgiving meal.

Most stores open on Thanksgiving evening now, making it easier than ever for shoppers to score deals earlier. Don't forget how important it is that you strategically plan out where you need to go for specific deals because nowadays Black Friday starts mid-Thanksgiving and we've all heard the Black Friday horror stories.

### 5. CELEBRATE SOMETHING ELSE

Just because you do not celebrate Thanksgiving does not mean that you can't celebrate in general. Throw a party! Invite others who don't know what to do on Thanksgiving and give them a reason to celebrate as well. Holidays are what you make of them. If you want to celebrate, you do not need to have a reason.



### Obscure Thanksgiving Fun Facts!

- California ranks No. 9 among the top U.S. states that love green bean casserole. (No. 1 is Kentucky)

- Top five "secret ingredients" for green bean casseroles: Bacon, cheese, mushrooms, bread crumbs and almonds

- Green bean casserole was invented in 1955 by Campbell Soup Co.

Sources: Del Monte Foods, Campbell Kitchen

## D.A. VOICES:

What is your favorite Thanksgiving Day dish?

Diana San Juan  
STAFF WRITER



**Ryan Ceverns,**  
19  
undecided major

"Mashed potatoes my grandma makes, full of everything like bacon and salmon."



**Martin Rico,**  
20  
film major

"Tamales because of my culture. It is something I grew up with."



**Andrina Meza,**  
18  
undecided major

"Turkey with stuffing because it's traditional and gets you in the spirit."



**Lisbeth Aquino,**  
18  
psychology major

"Mashed potatoes, pasta Alfredo, and pork tamales on the side because it's traditional."



**Miri Yoshida,**  
22  
film major

"Apple pie because it's tasty and sweet."



**Albert Burse,**  
18  
music major

"Sweet potato pie because it's been in my family and it's my grandma's recipe."

## OFF CAMPUS HANGOUT Santana Row; great ambiance

Samantha Uybcico  
STAFF WRITER

Santana Row in San Jose is the ultimate upscale hangout spot of the South Bay with a variety of shops and restaurants and an overall well-kept outdoor ambiance.

Located just across Stevens Creek Boulevard from Westfield Valley Fair Shopping Mall, Santana Row seems almost redundant, but the big difference is that Santana Row offers an outdoor shopping experience reserved for those with refined taste and a penchant for fresh air.

Students can find comfort in new study spots at the coffee shops and bakeries that reside in Santana Row. Peet's Coffee, Starbucks, Cocola Bakery and Fantasia are just the beginning of a list of quaint, clean spots where students can unwind while enjoying a nice cup of tea or coffee.

For those who are looking for an elegant dinner experience for their next date, Santana Row is definitely the part of town that will end the search. There is a plethora of fancier spots in the small neighborhood of Santana Row.

Straits is a popular Singapore/Chinese themed restaurant that has a firm grasp on the 21 and over demographic. Here, you can

find a social environment paired with not-so-fancy prices.

Santana Row seems like it can be on the pricier side, especially for students, but you can find some great deals offered by many of the establishments. "Happy Hour" is a popular term among businesses on the Row.

Amber India, which (surprise) serves Indian cuisine, has an amazing happy hour every day of the week from 5-7 p.m. in the lounge area, where you can order appetizers for a mere \$5 a plate.

To top it off, Santana Row has a movie theater with a very appealing layout that's sure to set a good mood for you and your date.

The Cinearts Century Theaters sits on its own independent block of Santana Row with a convenient parking lot right next to it.

In fact, parking isn't at all hard to find at Santana Row: nearby parking lots and parking structures that can be found throughout the area.

Although Santana Row is better known for its elegance and price, younger folks can find opportunities to kick back and enjoy the scenery. The Row is one of the few areas in the South Bay where you just might see your dream sports car drive right by, but without feeling like you don't belong.

Nov. 24, 2014

## “Unsung Holiday” poet laureate event at Euphrat

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STAFF WRITER

Artists and listeners gathered in the cool hall of the Euphrat Museum of Art on Nov. 13 for a poetry reading and open mic night.

Jennifer Swanton Brown, Cupertino Poet Laureate, hosted the reading and opened it with a poem dedicated to her father, “Hold What He Made.” Two featured artists and 10 guests also performed.

The event, the third in a series titled “Unsung Holiday,” addressed Chaos Never Dies Day and the chaos that exists in creativity.

Brown introduced David Perez, the Poet Laureate of Santa Clara,

who was voted “Best Author in the Bay” by the San Francisco Bay Guardian in 2012.

Inspired by Brown’s piece, Perez read a poem with a family theme in which he spoke warmly about his mother.

Perez’s performance was followed by another featured artist, Kim Johnson, the 2013 grand prize winner in the adult category for the Library Foundation Silicon Valley Reads poetry contest.

Johnson attended De Anza classes while still in high school and said this is where her poetry journey started.

A high school teacher encouraged Johnson to focus on the poetry and her love for metaphors, and after attending

the first poetry slam in her life, Johnson was moved by the spoken word.

“It’s nice to be back here after all these years,” she said.

Johnson started her poem by addressing stage fright and her “constant battle with it.” Johnson said that in the past, she was terrified to perform and that feeling has never gone away.

“But there is something about the fear that really drives the work, drives the performance,” she said.

The poem started with a joke about how to fight stage fright: “I was told it is relatively painless if you picture the audience naked ... and I think you all look amazing.” The audience members accepted the unexpected compliment and

laughed out loud.

Johnson finished her poem with a touching phrase that mesmerized the audience: “When the curtain goes up, I hope that I can unzip my stomach and release all my butterflies into the audience.”

The rest of her reading was no less emotional and involving, as she looked directly into the eyes of people in the audience, skillfully manipulated the volume of her voice and smiled sincerely and openly.

“Both of them were such big voices!” said Adrian Kolb, Cupertino library commissioner, about Johnson and Perez. “They were just great performers, and I think they captivated the audience.”

After the featured artists’ performance, an open mic started, and 10 people used it as a chance to fight their own stage fright. These performers — and the audience in general — were mainly older than college age, but the topics they brought, philosophical, personal or sexual were ageless.

Erica Goss, current Poet Laureate for Los Gatos, a good friend of other poet laureates at the event, said the three of them spend a lot of time together, planning interesting poetry reading for the public.

Many others who attended the event knew each other. After the reading, almost everyone stayed to talk to the artists, to ask when the next performance will be.

## APP REVIEW:

### “Ginger Page” a great new tool for students who need writing help

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STAFF WRITER



Everybody makes writing mistakes, even if English is your first language, and now there is an app to help with that. “Ginger page” is an app created to make writing a little easier for those who struggle with grammar.

According to the iPhone app store, “Ginger Page” is the world’s No. 1 proofreader. It is a one-stop shop for all your writing needs. It claims to contextually detect and correct six times more grammar, spelling and punctuation mistakes than the spelling corrector on any computer.

“Ginger Page” is free for Androids and iOS. You can also download it on your laptop, but

it will only be free for a limited number of automatic corrections per week. Even after this limited number, “Ginger Page” will continue highlighting mistakes; you just need to correct them manually.

When you first download “Ginger Page,” there is a short

tutorial on how to use the app. The setup shows a main screen where you can type your text, which will be checked immediately. It will show you the mistakes that should be corrected, which you can change with just a click from your mouse on computer or tap from your finger on phone. Next time, you will know your mistake and how to avoid making it

again.

If you highlight a certain sentence, “Ginger Page” will give you suggestions and synonyms to replace repeating words. It gives you a list of synonyms, phrases of the day and even a personal dictionary, where you can type your own words and in so that they will not appear as mistakes.

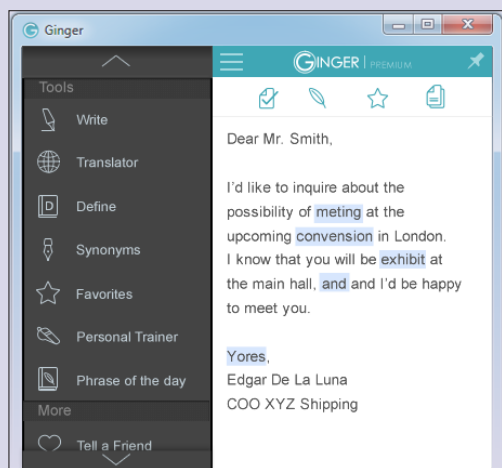
Another great feature of the app is that it has a translator

function with 43 languages in which you can write a message in a language other than English and “Ginger Page” will translate it to English.

There is only one negative aspect that I found: “Ginger Page” needs an Internet connection to correct your text. However, nowadays almost everybody has access to Wi-Fi or phone data, so this is a very small problem.

“Ginger Page” is not only useful for non-native English speakers and students who struggle with writing, but is a useful tool for students who are already strong writers but are interested in improving the quality of their writing.

Overall, “Ginger Page” is an extremely useful app and I give it five stars.



## TELEVISION REVIEW:

### “Gotham” puts new spin on Batman story, focuses on the criminals

**Jay Serrano**  
Editor-in-Chief



“Gotham,” Fox’s new sort of Batman prequel, is one of those shows that gets better with each episode.

The show begins as all Batman stories do, with Thomas and Martha Wayne, Batman’s parents, being shot to death in what appears to be a mugging gone wrong.

The case is assigned to idealistic rookie detective Jim Gordon and his cynical partner Harvey Bullock.

A series of corrupt investigations, betrayals and refusing to look the other way at some of the Gotham Police Department’s illegal practices gets main characters Gordon and Oswald “Penguin” Cobblepot in trouble with the Falcone crime

family.

After Gordon is ordered to kill Penguin, but disobeys and fakes Penguin’s death, their fates become intertwined setting up some of the show’s greatest scenes and plotlines.

managed to set itself apart again. Part of the credit goes to the show’s amazing villains and part of it goes to the set design and cinematography crew.

Penguin, played by Robin Lord Taylor, depicts pure evil: A power-hungry sociopath who will kill or betray anybody he needs to in an attempt to make a name for himself in the Gotham crime families.

Eddie Nygma, later known as the Riddler, played by Cory Michael Smith, manages to be quirky, funny and awkward all while proving he is always the smartest man in the room.

The set design crew, cinematographers and writers created a city that is more than

a boring backdrop for the main characters’ adventures.

In the show, Gotham City feels just as alive as any of the characters. The characters even

refer to it as they would a living being.

There are references throughout the show to ideas such as: Gotham is always willing to devour its rich, Gotham doesn’t want to be saved and Gotham doesn’t care if you’re a good man.

The last one is a central theme of the show: Can a good man make a difference, or even survive, in a city so corrupt?

The show’s theme is dark, because viewers know Gotham won’t be saved until Batman comes along. In the show, Bruce Wayne is only about 12 years old, a long way away from becoming batman.

Because we know the city won’t be saved for years, all that’s left to do is sit back and watch it fall apart.

Watching a losing battle has never been this much fun.



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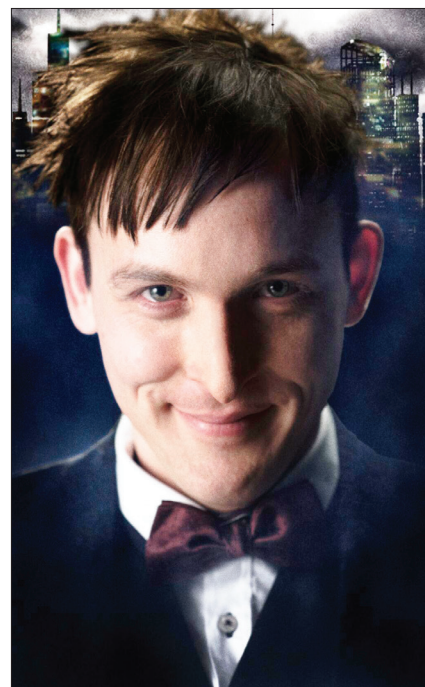


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# MOVIE REVIEW:

## “The Hunger Games: Mockingjay Part One” stays true to the book series

Kayla Grizzle  
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The newest installment of “The Hunger Games” trilogy, “Mockingjay Part 1,” stays true to the books in every aspect, but still leaves the impression of an extended trailer for “Mockingjay Part 2.”

The movie picks up in District 13, the forgotten district, as Katniss, played by Jennifer Lawrence, tries to cope with Peeta’s, played by Josh Hutcherson, capture by the capitol, as well as pressure by District 13 to become the face of the revolution that has started in Panem since “Catching Fire.”

Lawrence’s performance is both revealing and personal, as her character, Katniss, realizes the devastation and horrors that the capitol has inflicted on the 12 districts since she has been in District 13. Lawrence proves that she is reigning Hollywood queen yet again as she easily had the audience hanging on to every word she says, not an easy feat when you are playing a depressed, crying teenager for two hours. She manages to perfect the mixture of

passion and purity that is the basis for Katniss’ personality.

All of the newer cast who were added to the trilogy were brilliantly chosen; Julianne Moore is the most convincing President Coin that could have been found. As a proud reader of all three books, I can say that Moore does a great job of being uptight, controlling, and just all around creepy, the exact way that President Coin made me feel while reading the series.

Also, the addition of “Game of Thrones” star Natalie Dormer as Cressida was a wonderful touch. While there isn’t enough of her in this installment, it will be interesting to see where the producers take her part in the next movie.

Those who have read the series will be happy to hear that the movie matches every detail to the book seamlessly,

even adding extra detail to scenes that were only alluded to in the book. But I will resist giving anything away.

This is one of the rare movies

book. However, while that is the greatest asset of the movie it is also its greatest weakness.

Many critics have been slamming the movie for being one long lead-up to “Mockingjay Part 2.” While director Francis Lawrence, director of the well-known zombie flick “I am Legend,” has denied these accusations in multiple interviews, stating that the movies were

divided into two parts to give the audience a chance to form more of an emotional attachment to the people of District 13 as well as to Katniss, the lack of action in the movie and numerous shots of Katniss crying over the same things over and over again point more towards the critics being correct.

While I enjoyed the attention to

detail and not straying from the book, the span of the entire two-hour movie takes place over the course of only about one-fourth of the third book. It might have been stretched too far.

The movie had one and a half action scenes in total, and extremely short ones at that, as well as a lot of standing around and talking scenes that continuously led up to climaxes that never happened.

That being said, the imagery and scenery that director F. Lawrence uses puts a darker spin on the revolution of Panem that was missing from the first two movies and are very necessary to break the series out of its childish mold. The images of the burned bodies of District 12 and wounded people cowering in small rooms adds a seriousness to the movie that the previous installments could not achieve.

Overall, the movie does achieve what it set out to do: make the audience crave more. I guarantee that the same critics who slammed Part 1 are going to find Part 2 that much more amazing after all of the build up.

As for the fans, the second you finish Part 1, you be anxiously awaiting the next installment.



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## Thanksgiving lost in bustle of early Christmas activities

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Merry Christmas, Wait! No! Happy Thanksgiving!

Yes, there is a holiday in between Halloween and Christmas, but it is often left forgotten in midst of the chaotic shopping for Christmas.

Once Halloween ends and November begins, you head out to your nearest stores and see Christmas decorations, gifts and great sales for the winter holiday that people live for.

The day after Halloween, I went to my local Walmart with my mother and, as soon as we walked in through the gardening section, we were greeted by blown up polar bears in a snow

globe and a variety of Christmas trees.

I looked over at my mom and she had the same thought I did.

"Do they not realize Thanksgiving hasn't even passed?" my mother wondered out loud.

But my mother, being a Christmas lover as much as any other person, quickly forgot about her first thought and was hypnotized by all the Nativity scenes.

"You've got to buy them early so you can get the best price," she said.

After I left my hypnotized mom in the many aisles of Christmas goodies, I ventured off to see if I could find one thing Thanksgiving related.

Sure enough, I found a single rack of Thanksgiving decorations, but to my surprise they were

mixed in with Halloween items.

The only Thanksgiving items were table settings and more table settings, not one single greeting card or anything of that matter. How am I going to give thanks to my family members who live far way, when there aren't any Thanksgiving cards?



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Consumerism is the main reason Thanksgiving is forgotten. Buying people gifts that they don't need and might later return has overshadowed a holiday where you actually give thanks for what you already have.

You can't blame people for wanting to save that extra buck, but you can blame the corporations and businesses that bombard us with deals and an explosion of Christmas as early as late October.

You can't ignore Christmas when all you see and hear are Christmas related things, and when you can't even find one thing for Thanksgiving.

Thanksgiving has really become Black Friday eve. Many people stand in line on Thanksgiving Day to be the first to grab that one item on their list, instead of being surrounded by friends and family eating yummy food.

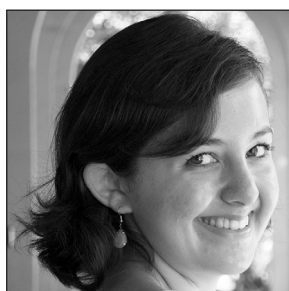
A tip for the Black Friday shoppers from a retail employee: many stores have their Black Friday sales going on all week, and trust me when I say they have more in their stock rooms.

So instead of standing outside in the cold, enjoy your family and friends who put up with you all year round, and thank them because that is what the holidays are all about.

It is sad to see that the one holiday that is not about giving someone the best gift, but thanking them for being there and being thankful for what you already have is slowly being forgotten.

## Columbia U.'s shameful response to rape protest

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After Emma Sulkowicz's performance art piece spread throughout the country, anti-rape protests have made their way to colleges everywhere. She carried around her dorm room mattress everywhere she went to represent the weight that she carries with her for attending the same school as her rapist.

One such protest took place at Sulkowicz's own school, Columbia University.

Hundreds of protesters gathered with 28 mattresses stacked at the front doorstep of Columbia University President Lee Bollinger's house. They did this in hopes of getting Sulkowicz's rapist expelled from Columbia and bringing their cause to the school president's attention.

As part of the protest, the students left the mattresses in front of the president's house after the protest was over to emphasize the importance of this matter.

The protesters are now being charged \$471 in clean up charges

for leaving the symbolic stack of mattresses on the doorstep.

These charges are not only unwarranted and ridiculous, but they represent an egregious disregard for the purpose of the protest.

Instead of seeing the seriousness of this matter, Bollinger saw the whole thing as an ordeal and a mess.

He was focused only on himself and did not look deeply into the meaning of the protest.

Bollinger could clearly not care less about this cause.

The root of the problem lies in the lack of respect this country shows for rape victims.

It is unbelievable that Sulkowicz's rapist is being allowed to continue attending the same school as her and that the police are not getting involved in the matter.

Especially considering she has reported having severe phobic attacks on campus due to the post-traumatic stress of the rape.

When Sulkowicz originally reported the rape to authorities, no one believed her, which is all too common a problem that rape victims must face.

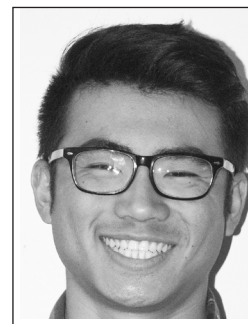
Victims are not taken seriously when they report rape and are often blamed for the incident. This is exactly what happened to Sulkowicz.

That is what makes the university's cold reaction to the recent protest so shocking.

Charging the students to remove their symbolic mattresses from the president's doorstep is an unabashed insult to Sulkowicz and rape victims everywhere.

## 5 percent a year UC tuition hike a sad but necessary evil

**Harold Shi**  
STAFF WRITER



The University of California Board of Regents approved Thursday, a 5 percent tuition increase per year for the next five years, total of 25 percent.

This tuition increase is necessary. You heard that right, a college student like myself, already struggling to pay off his bills and maintain his own financial freedom, is supporting a tuition hike.

It would be wrong, almost sacrilegious for me, a student and believer in the idea of an affordable public education for all, not to argue and raise my hands up in protest against any plan that increases the price of college for my fellow classmates and myself.

But when we take a step back and look at the bigger picture, we begin to see the facts more clearly.

The fact is, the UC system has been increasing enrollment steadily through the years, opening its door to more and more qualified students. As enrollment numbers increase, the level of funding given both by the state and the federal

government to the UC system has been decreasing.

The rising demand for a college education, coupled with the economic turbulence felt in recent years, means the money must come from somewhere. Quite simply, that money must come from us.

If we choose to not pay more, and if the state refuses to increase funding for public education, then budget cuts will have to be disbursed across every part of the system, leading to fewer and fewer students that can be enrolled and diminishing the rate of return on the quality of faculty and teaching staff.

The result would be a drastic drop in the level of excellence and the quality of education the world-renowned institution has been known to provide.

Of course, there must also be a call for transparency in the way the UC system has been managing its funds. We have to make sure this new money is going to classes and programs that benefit students.

We must trust our public officials to perform their duty of allocating our money in a way that is both innovative and efficient, while taking all possible measures to not cut corners and to not excessively spend.

As students and the primary financial stakeholders of the UC system, we have a duty to uphold as well, a duty that goes beyond joining Facebook groups and attending walk-in demonstrations without knowing what the facts are and where the money's going.

Students, you get what you pay for.

## Women's basketball season preview: The starting lineup

Samantha Lopez  
STAFF WRITER



### LAUREN LETE

Freshman  
Point Guard

"Our team Dynamic is fairly young. There's not many of us, but so far I can tell we have potential. We're a strong little unit."

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### TIFFANY RACZYNSKI

Freshman  
Guard/Forward

"We're still getting to know each other so there's still that chemistry to find, but we are all experienced players just looking to get better."



### MADISON MICHELIS

Sophomore  
Forward

"I would describe the team as a 'hustle' team. We play hard."



### MELISSA CABRERA

Sophomore  
Point Guard

"There is some diversity. Most of us are very young, but we have experience. I'm excited to see how the season turns out because we are a completely new team including coach Hankins."



### STEPHANIE RUDD

Freshman  
Guard

"The team dynamic is strong. We all care for each other, so that pushes everyone to want to win and play their best. The team also knows what each person's role is, so that helps everyone know what is expected of them on the court."

## Coach profile: Megan Hankins



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MEGAN HANKINS

Adam Del Rio  
STAFF WRITER

Building up a team from scratch is a difficult task, but head coach of the De Anza College women's basketball team Megan Hankins decided to take it on.

Hankins has been able to simultaneously strengthen the women's basketball team, work as a marriage and family therapist, maintain a relationship with her boyfriend and squeeze in some quality time with her dog over the quarter.

Hankins said one of the ways she has been able to connect with her team so quickly and easily is because of her background in counseling. Hankins has a master's degree in clinical psychology with an emphasis in marriage and family therapy.

She works at Therapy Works, a private practice in Los Gatos whose website describes her as a therapist who "creates a safe space for clients to strive for relief and growth." She

said she creates a similar atmosphere for her players as well.

Madison Michelis, the only sophomore player on the team, said coach Hankins not only helps her read the defense and see the floor better, but also helps her attitude with teammates and coaches.

Hankins said one of her favorite parts of the day is coming home to her white boxer, Hooper.

"I love spending time with him," she said. "Anytime I can get some alone time with him, just he and I, is nice."

The SoCal native not only has passion for singing and music, but also a long-lasting passion for basketball.

"I've been playing probably since I could walk," she said.

She has played throughout her whole life. From Flintridge Sacred Heart Academy, she got a scholarship to play at Notre Dame de Namur University. She then started coaching at the College of San Mateo during grad school.

Since entering the coaching

world, she has traveled around much of California and has now settled at De Anza, her sixth coaching job.

Hankins said she looks forward to the future of the team.

"We're pretty fast," she said. "We're going to be hard to stop offensively."

The team's defense is another story and Hankins admits that it is the team's weak spot. "They know it, too," she said. "It's an area they don't like much, but they're learning to like it."

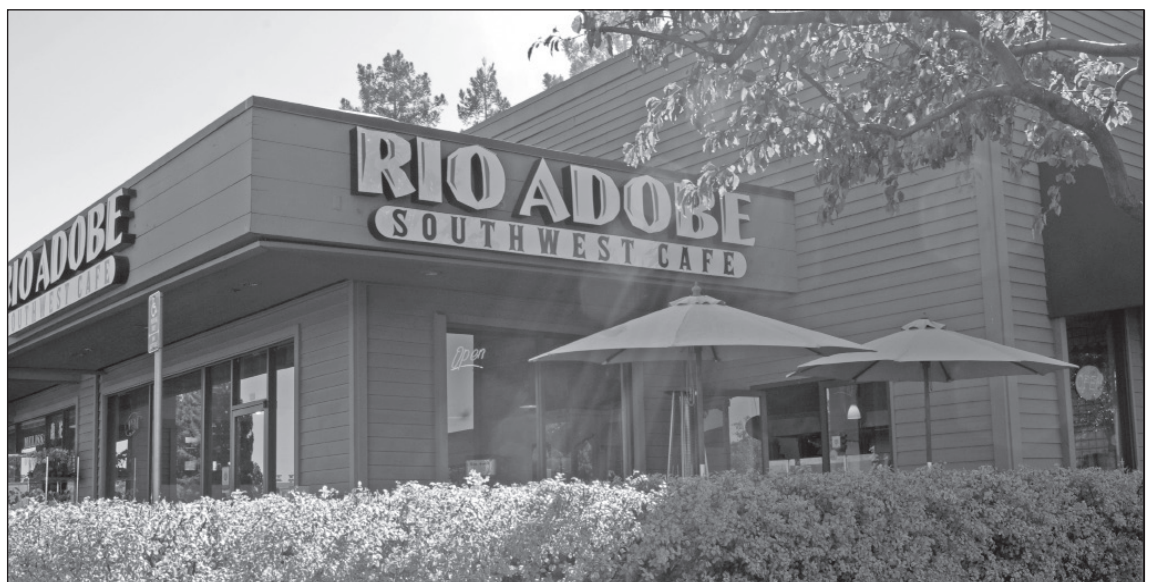
The Dons' next home game is on Tuesday Nov. 25 at 5 p.m. against San Joaquin Delta College.

"All of our coaches are hardworking, dedicated, enthusiastic. They fundraise, and they put a lot of energy in their programs," said De Anza's athletic director, Kulwant Singh.

He said he believes Hankins will continue to make a smooth transition and carry the same spirit of determination that many of De Anza's coaches exhibit.

### WOMENS BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

| Date       | Time   | Opponent                  |
|------------|--------|---------------------------|
| Nov. 25    | 5 p.m. | vs. San Joaquin Delta     |
| Dec. 1     | 7 p.m. | vs. Ohlone College        |
| Dec. 5     | 5 p.m. | at City College of SF     |
| Dec. 12-14 | TBA    | Solano College Tournament |
| Dec. 19    | 7 p.m. | vs. San Jose City College |
| Dec. 28-30 | TBA    | Mike G. Memorial Classic  |
| Jan. 7     | 5 p.m. | at Monterey Peninsula     |
| Jan. 9     | 5 p.m. | vs. Mission College       |
| Jan. 14    | 5 p.m. | vs. Gavilan               |
| Jan. 16    | 7 p.m. | at Foothill College       |



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## Coach profile: Jason Damjanovic

Samantha Lopez  
STAFF WRITER

Esteemed by many, head coach of the De Anza men's basketball, Jason Damjanovic, also known as Coach D, is respected both on the court and in the classroom.

In 2005, Damjanovic was named head coach of the Dons, bringing character and motivation. Now in his tenth season as head coach, Coach D said he knew that the key fundamentals to a successful team were devotion and a self-effacing attitude.

Damjanovic has brought significant improvement to the men's basketball program and led the Dons to the Coast Conference playoffs the last two seasons.

His upbeat and determined focus to succeed took the Dons to third place in the Coast Conference South last season with a record of 8-4 in conference and 13-13 overall. His hard work ethic has been an inspiration to fellow students, and an astonishment to colleagues.

"I'm impressed with his work ethic; I sometimes see him working on the weekends, which means he's working hard preparing for his next step," said athletic director Kulwant Singh. "That can only mean that he wants to excel, and that's a good way to do it."

Singh said that over the



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years he has seen Damjanovic work hard to recruit local players, training them to excel in the game. Damjanovic said his ultimate goal is to see his players compete at a four-year college.

Whether on the court or in the classroom, Coach D said he believes the fundamentals to a becoming a good player is being well rounded.

"Not just be a good player on the court, but excel in everything that surrounds you," Damjanovic said. "If you want to succeed you cannot be one dimensional."

Freshman guard Daniel Paulson said Coach D prepares the team for games.

"The coach can be very strict when it comes to keeping your head in the game, but he never

puts a single player down," Paulson said. "He's always giving us confidence outside and in the court."

Sophomore guard Chris Shaw added, "He's also easy to play with, very easy going but never a pushover. He does know when to crack down the whip."

Damjanovic said he teaches his players to comprehend the importance of a team and remain selfless.

"A good team player is coachable and will bring success to his team by making the teams goals and dreams his own," he said.

Damjanovic and the Dons will look to continue their success of the past two seasons when they play Skyline College of Thursday Dec. 4 at 7 p.m.

## Men's basketball season preview: The starting lineup



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(from left) Sophomore forward Kenny Robinson, sophomore guard Kyle Connor, sophomore guard Jordan Belton, sophomore guard Nate Vieira and in the front sophomore guard DJ Rodriguez

### MENS BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

| Date           | Time          | Opponent                       |
|----------------|---------------|--------------------------------|
| Nov. 26        | 5 p.m.        | at College of Sequoias         |
| <b>Dec. 4</b>  | <b>7 p.m.</b> | <b>vs. Skyline College</b>     |
| <b>Dec. 10</b> | <b>7 p.m.</b> | <b>vs. Merced</b>              |
| Dec. 12-14     | TBA           | Foothill Tournament            |
| Dec. 16-20     | TBA           | Modesto Tournament             |
| Jan. 2         | 5 p.m.        | at Ohlone College              |
| Jan. 7         | 7 p.m.        | at Monterey Peninsula          |
| <b>Jan. 9</b>  | <b>7 p.m.</b> | <b>vs. West Valley College</b> |
| <b>Jan. 14</b> | <b>7 p.m.</b> | <b>vs. Gavilan College</b>     |
| Jan. 16        | 7 p.m.        | at San Jose City College       |

## MEN'S BASKETBALL FALLS IN HOME OPENER

### Dons can't contain explosive Cañada offense in 109-81 loss



BASKETBALL PHOTOS BY KAVIN MISTRY | LA VOZ STAFF

Sophomore guard Kyle Connor (15) hits a 3-pointer from the corner after a breakdown in the Colts' defense allowed for the easy basket.



Sophomore guard DJ Rodriguez (24) looks to pass to a teammate while being swarmed by the Colts' defense.

Taylor Bicht  
STAFF WRITER

The De Anza College men's basketball team was shot down 109-81 in its home opener on Wednesday Nov. 12 to undefeated Cañada College.

Cañada College caught fire early draining four 3-pointers in the first 10 minutes to claim an early double-digit lead. Cañada sophomore forward Rohndell Goodwin scored 13 first half points while his team ramped up the defensive pressure to help the Colts maintain their double-digit lead throughout the first half.

The Dons couldn't get over the hump in the first part of the half and at one point were down 17. Even when down, De Anza sophomore guards Nate Vieira and DJ Rodriguez were instrumental from an offensive standpoint and kept the score from getting out of hand.

Before the half ended Dons' freshman guard Daniel Paulson provided a spark off the bench contributing nine points and cutting the deficit to 58-45 at the halftime break.

"I thought we played well at times," said De Anza head coach Jason Damjanovic. "Obviously not well enough to beat a team the caliber of Cañada, but when you have a difficult schedule it is important to play our best basketball at all times."

To start the second half, Cañada College committed five fouls in the first two minutes and the Dons were able to get the deficit under 10 for the first time since the game started.

Vieira and Rodriguez each contributed three free throws in the beginning of the second half while forwards Josh Bongers and Karl Mann provided a strong inside presence to keep the deficit at ten midway through the half.

With eight minutes left in the game, Cañada started to pull away from the Dons with a barrage of threes from freshman guards Crisshawn Clark and Brian Garrett who each popped in two.

Missed shots and numerous foul calls plagued De Anza in the later stages of the game with the score ending in a 109-81 loss.

"Combine our first game of the year and Cañada playing at

a high level equals the result we saw tonight," Damjanovic said. "There will be bright spots in the next few games and we will improve no doubt about that."

"I thought we played well at times. Obviously not well enough to beat a team the caliber of Cañada, but when you have a difficult schedule it is important to play our best basketball at all times."

– Jason Damjanovic  
Men's basketball  
head coach

De Anza starter DJ Rodriguez led the team with 18 points while Cañada forward Goodwin jumped off the bench to produce 24 points in the win.

The next home game for the Dons is on Thursday Dec. 4 at 7 p.m. against Skyline College.

# MEN'S SOCCER WINS CENTRAL COAST CONFERENCE

## Dons rush to 1-0 win over Hartnell College to capture title

Steven Hall  
STAFF WRITER

The De Anza College men's soccer team won its 22nd conference championship with a 1-0 victory over Hartnell College on Friday Nov. 14.

Despite a valiant effort by the Hartnell team and many near misses, the aggressive offense of De Anza proved themselves as a strong adversary.

The only goal in the game was scored by freshman midfielder Roberto Mendoza on a free kick in the 25th minute.

"I'm very proud of having an attacking team," said Rusty Johnson, head coach of men's soccer at De Anza.

"This team and the guys that we have up top are so creative that the other teams can't deal with us," Johnson said.

Daniel Ortega, head coach for the Hartnell men's soccer team, expressed his own views of the De Anza team during halftime.

"They've only lost one match," he said. "They're on a good side, we knew that going in."

Ortega said he felt the match had been pretty easy up to halftime, but his team made a mistake and hit the post with a shot attempt.

At the start of the second half, the game turned more aggressive. Sophomore defender Luis Orendain got injured and spent a short time being checked before returning to the game in a show of his team's discipline and teamwork.

"It's something you cultivate in training camp," Ortega said. "You kind of break them down with all the hard work and then you build them back up."

Both teams continued to push for dominance in the second half after De Anza's second goal 62nd minute of the game.

The game closed into its 102nd minute with a final score of 1-0 in De Anza's favor, which led to displays of jumping, laughter and excitement from the Dons.

"It feels great finally getting a shot for the championship," said freshman midfielder Ruben Hernandez.

The Dons finished the season with a record of 18-1-1 and will play in the second round of the NorCal Regional championships on Tuesday Nov. 25 at 2 p.m. against the winner of the game between Las Positas College and City College of San Francisco.

"We've got to keep pushing," Hernandez said. "It's not done yet."



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Dons' freshman midfielder Daniel Galvan (15) tries to get to the ball before a Hartnell Player. De Anza won its final home game of the regular season 1-0 on Friday Nov. 14, capturing the central coast conference championship and advancing to the second round of the NorCal regional championship.



Freshman midfielder Roberto Mendoza (10) plays a through ball to freshman forward Ahmed Mohammed (17). Mendoza scored the game's only goal in the 25th minute.

## Coach profile: Mark "Rusty" Johnson



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Samantha Lopez  
STAFF WRITER

In his first year as head coach of De Anza's men's soccer team, Mark "Rusty" Johnson has already racked up quite a few accomplishments.

Between leading the men's soccer team to an 18-1-1 record, winning De Anza's first conference championship since 2010 and being named the Coast Conference Coach of the Year, it has been a busy year for Johnson.

After 10 years of being an assistant coach at Santa Clara University, Johnson decided he wanted to coach a team of his own.

He knew and loved the game, and now he wanted a group to transmit his passion for soccer. He

came to De Anza as an assistant soccer coach last season, and in only a year took the position of head coach.

During his years playing at Santa Clara University, Johnson played in two College Cups and one National Championship game. His expertise has been recognized throughout the game, giving him a respectful reputation.

"I'm very happy to be playing with the coach, plus he has a good reputation coming from Santa Clara and all, so I trust he knows what he's doing," said freshman midfielder Roberto Mendoza.

Not only does Johnson have a good understanding of the game, but he also teaches his players to envision the same. Johnson said telling someone what to do or how to do it is less effective than teaching someone the purpose to why it is done that way.

"He's a great motivational speaker, always giving us new perspectives on different game scenarios, puts us in game scenarios and makes us see what would happen if we hit the ball one way or the other," Mendoza said.

Johnson said his philosophy is that you teach a soccer player how to play soccer.

"You must teach them how to attack, and that's one thing that a

lot of teams lack," Johnson said. "Most often you will see players packed at the goal post, and when they play against a good team who knows how to attack, they don't know what to do."

Freshman forward Juan Carlos Bugarin said, "I like that he respects us, treats us like we were his own, always caring."

Johnson said his docile players and his reliance on assistant coach Roheet Sen are the main reasons for the team's success this season.

"[Sen] is a great assistant. I feel confident in letting him lead because I know he knows what he's doing," Johnson said.

Sen, a former player at De Anza, is in his first year as assistant, and handles running the drills of the players to increase strength and endurance.

Sophomore forward Bobak Ohadi gave his take on the reason for this year's success. "We are one big family and that's what's helping us win," he said.

The men's soccer team will look to continue its season in the second round of the NorCal regional playoffs on Tuesday Nov. 25 at 2 p.m. against either City College of San Francisco or Las Positas College.



Dons' freshman midfielder Josue Mendoza (14) and a Hartnell defender jump to head the ball on a corner kick.