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## @FHDA\_Police use Twitter: #parking and news tweeted

**P**eople who park at De Anza College have a new service from the Foothill-DeAnza Police Department, encouraging safety throughout the campus, via a social networking website, Twitter.

For the first week of each quarter, the Foothill-De Anza Police will use Twitter, for posting real time parking information. Each tweet tells students where they can find available parking.

Since the first week entails heavy traffic and parking lots flooded with used up spots, this usage of Twitter is aimed at relieving the burden for students in need of parking.

The FHDA Police Department understands the effectiveness of social media among students, and how it can rapidly disperse information to a wide audience in a matter of seconds, according to FHDA police chief Ron Levine.

"Twitter is part of life and not using Twitter would put us at a disadvantage," he said. "Law enforcement agencies must embrace new technology, just as other sectors (public and private) have done. A review of the demographic information of college age students shows that the majority of our population uses technology such as Twitter on a daily basis, so we must reach out to our target audience in a manner that they are accustomed to and comfortable with."

FHDA's police force began using Twitter to inform patrons with parking updates back in Fall of 2009. Levine, along with circulating dispatchers, post

the tweets regarding both De Anza and Foothill parking, accumulating 1,054 followers on the page. While the parking tweets are mainly for the first week of each quarter, students may also get notified anytime the campus parking spots start becoming scarce.

"We send out parking information the first week or two of the new quarter," said Levine. "Of course, if there are special events or circumstances on campus, we will make the appropriate tweets about those as needed."

Despite being accessed through mobile devices, the issues of cell phone usage while driving is another matter. California's Wireless Communications Device Law, which was enacted in Jan. 1, 2009, makes texting or reading through a cellular device an infraction. The state law poses paradox in conjunction with the department's premise for using Twitter.

"People send and receive text messages, tweets, Facebook updates all the time and they should be aware of the California law prohibiting this activity while driving," said Levine. "However, this should not discourage organizations from sending out information via social media. It's incumbent on the person receiving the information to read the messages in a safe and legal manner."

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## Pell Grants get tough New criteria for grant recipients

Ami Bruce  
Staff Writer

De Anza College students receiving a Pell Grant may find obtaining their financial aid more confusing than ever.

The way students get their money has been altered due to a bill recently passed in Congress and is causing a lot of confusion among students who receive the grant.

The Pell Grant is a federally funded grant that provides financial assistance to students in need based on a number of criteria.

An email was sent on April 20 specific to Pell Grant recipients who received a grant in summer or transferred mid-year after receiving aid at another school. Students were told amounts received in the summer term of the 2011-12 year may need to be deducted from their spring quarter disbursement because of annual maximums.

"Last year students were given an extra quarter – another \$1975 – for summer. The federal government said no more year-round Pell," said Hieu Huynh, De Anza College financial aid assistant.

Huynh referred to Congress'

modification to the old Pell Grant guidelines, essentially changing Pell disbursements to two semesters a year, which leaves quarter system schools like De Anza and Foothill College spreading the sum out over three quarters. The Pell Grant award year begins July 1 and ends June 30 the following year.

"Students are getting less money for spring because if you are fully eligible for the Pell, that is \$5,550 split between three quarters," said Huynh.

see **PELL** pg 3

## May Day in San Jose



**SPEAKING UP-** Louis Rocha Jr, an organizer for Communications Workers of America, speaks to the May Day rally crowd. DOMINIQUE PIEB | La Voz Weekly

see **MAY DAY** pg 3

**MONDAY, MAY 7**

**BANNED BOOK DISPLAY**

**Library**  
The library's banned book display will be up all day at the library through June 13. Admission is free. Contact Pauline Yeckley for more information at 408-864-8303 or email yeckleypauline@deanza.edu.

**TUESDAY, MAY 8**

**STUDENT ART SHOW**

Euphrat, through June 14

**MEET AUTHOR CHERRIE MORAGA**

1:30 to 3 p.m.  
Campus Center Conference Rooms A & B  
Women's History Month is the sponsor of the event. The writer and poet Cherrie Moraga will be doing a reading. Student reception for Moraga will be held from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. in MCC Conference Room.

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 9**

**2012 GRADUATION OPEN HOUSE**

3 to 7 p.m.  
SCS Building, Counseling Office  
Students eligible to graduate this spring or summer can visit the Counseling Office from 9 to 1 p.m. and 5 to 7 p.m. to learn about degree request and attending the commencement ceremony on June 30. Friday, May 18 is the last day to apply and get your name in the printed ceremony program. Sponsored by Counseling Department. Contact Counseling Office for more information at 408-864-5400.

**THURSDAY, MAY 10**

**"SLAYING THE DRAGON: RELOADED"**

10 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
Visual & Performing Arts Center  
Film maker and UC Berkeley professor Elaine Kim presents her film, a documentary

on the representation of Asian and Asian-American women in film. This screening is sponsored by Women's History Month. Contact Christine Chai for more information at 408-864-5560, chaichristine@deanza.edu

**MONDAY, MAY 14**

**FREE CHAIR MASSAGE**

3:30 to 5 p.m.  
Outdoor Quad area by Fountain and Library  
Spring chair massage class will be giving free 15-minute chair massage. Sponsored by Massage Therapy Program chair massage class. Contact Deb Tuck for more information at 408-864-8205, tuckdeborah@fhda.edu

**TUESDAY, MAY 15**

**MANAGING RELATIONSHIPS**

11:30 to 12:30 p.m.  
Hinson Campus Center, El Clemente Room  
A workshop for managing relationships sponsored by Health Services and Psychological Services. Contact Mary Sullivan for more information at sullivanmary@deanza.edu

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 16**

**PHOTO LECTURE SERIES- BINH DANH**

7 to 9 p.m.  
A11  
Artist Binh Danh to visit De Anza as a part of 2011-12 Visiting Speakers Series. Sponsored by the Creative Arts. Contact Diane Pierce or Chia Wen for more information at piercediane@deanza.edu or wenchia@deanza.edu

**THURSDAY, MAY 17**

**ELSA DAVIDSON**

1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.  
Conference Rooms A & B  
Speaker Else Davidson will visit De Anza as part of 2011-12 Visiting Speaker Series. Discussion on the factors that influence Silicon Valley high school students and how the affect differs according to class

and race. Sponsored by DASB Diversity and Events Committee. Contact Tom Izu for more information at 408-864-8986 or izutom@deanza.edu

**AT FOOTHILL COLLEGE**

**INTERNATIONAL NIGHT**

May 18, 5:30 p.m.  
Campus Center Dining Room, Smithwick Theater  
Student-run multicultural celebration to start with a banquet at 5:30 p.m. and cultural performances and a fashion show at 7 p.m.. For more information, call 650-949-7105 or e-mail inightmarketing@gmail.com.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY REPRESENTATIVE VISITS**

May 9:  
10 a.m. FIDM University  
10 a.m. National Hispanic University  
May 16:  
10 a.m. SF State University  
11 a.m. California South Bay University

**MASSAGE THERAPY PROGRAM**

Got tight hamstrings? A research team from De Anza College Massage Therapy Program is currently testing a new massage therapy technique's ability to improve hamstring flexibility and strength. If you are between 18 and 62 years, have tight hamstrings (the muscles on the back of your thigh), and are not currently suffering from any low back pain, knee pain or knee contact the program. For more information, call 408-864-5645 and leave a voice mail to be contacted back.

**CLASSIFIED AD**

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**HAPPENINGS**

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**Looking for Community Service?**

An easy way to participate in community service is to work with another group with existing connections to community organizations. St Jude's Episcopal Church is such a group, and is nearby (corner of McClellan & Stelling). An open house event is being held Sunday, May 20th, from 3 to 6 p.m. featuring facility tours, food and music. There will be information about community service (San Jose Family Shelter, Habitat for Humanity, and more). Come by! Contact [debaets@hotmail.com](mailto:debaets@hotmail.com) if you are interested but cannot attend May 20th.



**Are you feeling down or stressed out?**

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The Etkin Lab at Stanford University Department of Psychiatry is looking for participants to take part in research studies.

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MAY 7 DREAM OR NOT TO DREAM Main Quad, 10:30 am - 1:30 pm	MAY 9 LGBTQ & ALLIES CONF. Conf. A & B, 9:00 am - 1:30 pm
MAY 8 REAL TALK: UNDOCUMENTED AND UNAFRAID Conf. A & B 10:30 am - 1:30 pm	MAY 10 DARE TO DREAM CONF. Conf. A & B 11:30 am - 2:30 pm
MAY 7 MOVIE NIGHT: 5:30-8:30 pm	



**Join De Anza Clubs!  
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## Corrections *For last issue*

1. Kristine Lowe of Phi Theta Cappa is now Acting President.	2. PULSE was misspelt on the PTK photo on page 3	3. De Anza Voices was compiled and photographed by Kelsey Purpura {April 23 issue}
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from PELL pg 1

"If a student decides to go to school during the summer, the spring and summer are split. We roll down the leftover money from the \$5,550 that hasn't been used up from summer, fall and winter for payment in spring."

Additional changes have been enacted which may affect De Anza students.

Students can now only receive a Pell Grant for 12 semesters where before they were allowed up to 18 semesters. This means that students receiving the grant who are taking their time deciding on a major or transferring may see funds run out before they had expected.

"Students have a total of six years for a Pell payment and once they have used up all six years, they are no longer eligible for Pell," Huynh said.

Huynh warns that students need to be careful and pay close attention to how many years they have been receiving a Pell Grant.

"We run a lot of reports and

some students have been here for more than six years," said Huynh said. These students will be ineligible for future funding via the Pell Grant.

However, as reported in the April 23 issue of La Voz, the maximum award amount for Pell Grants will increase by 1.5 percent, bringing the maximum amount to \$5,635, effective in 2013. This will allow those eligible to receive a small amount more to put toward their education.

Because of these specific changes, it is important for students to make sure they meet all eligibility requirements to ensure they receive the most aid possible.

For more information, Huynh recommends visiting [www.fafsa.org](http://www.fafsa.org) or searching the web for Pell Grant changes for the 2011-2012 award year.

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from MAY DAY pg 1

Vanessa Contreras  
News Editor

De Anza College students joined close to 1,000 demonstrators in San Jose to march in the annual May Day commemoration rally. Participants marched from King and Story Road in East San Jose to City Hall. Groups included local unions, workers, students and the cultural group of Calpulli Tonalehqueh Aztec Dancers.

Themed as "A Day Without the 99 percent," this years May Day was also recognizing immigrant and international workers struggles in the United States. Traditionally, May Day or international workers day is celebrated in more than 80 countries since 1886, when protestors in Chicago went on strike for the eight-hour workday

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**DANCING AT THE HALL** - Cultural dance group of Calpulli Tonalehqueh Aztec Dancers perform traditional dances for a crowd in front of San Jose's City Hall.



**MARCH IN MAY** - South Bay residents march from Story and King Road in East San Jose to City Hall. The San Jose march was one of six rallies in the Bay Area.

Dominique Pieb (2) | La Voz Weekly

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## Testing for diseases at De Anza courtesy of Health Services on campus

**Kelsey Purpura**  
Staff Writer

Lunch bags, frisbees and key chains were not the only items that the De Anza College Health Services were giving out for free on April 26, Club Day. Health workers also provided free HIV tests.

Free material at the booth included, STD pamphlets, condoms, condom cases and lubricant. Even the food guide pyramid had been replaced by "A Great Plate for Adults" showing daily recommended portions for each type of food. Not only that, smoking awareness items like a "Cost of Smoking Calculators," mints and tobacco-free key chains were available.

"We have free patches and gum for

smokers to quit smoking," said Sarah Coote, a De Anza clinic nurse.

Coote also mentioned the free HIV testing and gestured toward the white bus in the middle of the quad. A guy in a bright green polo, Paul, administered the test, and explained to me how it all worked.

"What we have is an HIV antibody test. The idea is that if you were exposed to the virus, your body would produce antibodies," he said. "If we detect the antibodies we know you were exposed. The body produces enough antibodies in a two to three month period."

He gave me a one-ended cotton swab and I circled it between my gums and my lips a couple times. I returned the saliva-ridden stick and was given 20 minutes

to wander other club day tables until I received my results.

Though a time-consuming procedure, it's one I would recommend to anyone.

De Anza College Health Services gives out condoms, minor first-aid and even personal counseling at its office on the lower level of the Hinson Campus Center. Free pregnancy tests are available by appointment.

Students can also make appointments for office visits, physical exams and well-woman exams, but payment is required.

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[www.deanza.edu/healthservices](http://www.deanza.edu/healthservices)



**STAY SAFE** - The Health Services table on Club Day, April 26, provides students with condoms, STD facts, and other health awareness freebies. KELSEY PURPURA | La Voz Weekly

**Health Service Events**

Blood Drive-June 6  
8:30 a.m.-7:45 p.m.

Relationships - May 15

Therapy - May 29

Anxiety - June 12

Depression - June 19

## Wong Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest: the Asian struggle

Performance by Wong exposes Asian-American mental illness in the United States

**Jay Chow**  
Staff Writer

An excerpt of "Wong Flew Over a Cuckoo's Nest," performed by Kristina Wong April 25, revealed the high rates of suicide among Asian-Americans, especially women. Though Asian stereotypes were used for comic relief, Wong also focused on issues Asian youths have when it comes to communicating with parents.

Statisticly, suicide among Asian-American women in college is one of the highest in the country, Wong said. She attributed this to women having trouble talking about personal issues, even to family.

Wong told a fictional story of herself wondering what her parents would say at her funeral when she died, but she only came up with, "She had good grades, and

won these awards." The fact even her family wouldn't know much about her as a person made her feel sad.

In another anecdote, Wong spoke of an Asian man who didn't know he had a brother because his parents had erased all memories and photos after the brother had killed himself. Although the example is extreme, it illustrates the taboo of suicide and mental illness in Asian Americans.

According to Wong, the national average for mental illness is one in 10; however, the number of Asians recorded with mental illness is practically zero. Asians still have the same proclivity to mental illnesses as any other ethnic group, but they do not openly talk or admit it, she said.

Wong said there is no word for depression in Chinese, and the closest word is the one used for laziness. This illustrates

the attitude Asians hold towards those who are depressed or mentally ill. It is seen as a problem in the family, and keeping the problems within the family is an Asian cultural value. This makes it hard for therapists to help Asian-American patients because they don't share what's wrong in their household.

Wong created her performance to show the internal struggle of Asian-Americans needing to connect with others.

"When you grow up, you are never raised to be happy because you follow a path that is supposed to happen," Wong said. "Whenever you don't follow the trajectory, you feel panicked and like a failure."

Wong admitted to having a breakdown, taking medication, and being hospitalized in the past. When it comes to communicat-

ing, Wong believes that students silently go crazy when there is no one to talk to.

Wong's performance was more thought-provoking than humorous, but it brought complicated problems to the surface. She said she hopes that Asian students will use her performance as a method to indirectly talk about family problems with their parents, Asian-American students won't feel as alienated, thus abling themselves to share problems with those who can help them.

If you know anyone who may be in danger of hurting themselves, call the Santa Clara County Mental Health Department: 800-704-0900.

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## Be smart, check out art

**Brenda Norrie**  
Features Editor

Encourage student artists by attending their show-and-tell exhibit at the 2012 De Anza Student Art Show, May 8 to June 14.

The Euphrat Museum of Art is hosting the event, along with a reception and awards ceremony on May 22 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

The exhibit showcases original student work from the De Anza creative art classes, featuring paintings, drawings, photography, graphic design, ceramics, sculpture, furniture, and more.

**MUSEUM HOURS**

Mon-Thurs 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Closed Memorial Day

Sat, May 12 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Open to tour groups  
by appointment



**FINISHING TOUCHES** - Israel Sanchez, an administration of justice major, helps set up for the Student Art Show in the Euphrat Museum of Art. DYLAN MCMAHON | La Voz Weekly

# CLUB DAY



SEEING RED - Red Cross Club shows off its accomplishments over the quarter.



BALLS - The Student Nurse Organization tries a new tactic to inform males of testicular cancer.



WAVING - Members of Walking Along God's Vision Every Day talk to new students about their club.



SONG STYLES - Anthony Bunales, nursing major, prepares for his performance following William Wang, 18, in the main quad in front of the Club Day crowd.



HK PRESENT - Members of the Hong Kong Student Association don the color red to represent their homeland and also grab the eyes of passerby.

## MISSION: COMPLETE

Photos by Andrew Puckett



PAST AND FUTURE - Social Entrepreneurship Club brings in new "future global leaders" by showing their past events.

## Be psyched about Open Mic!



SING IT! - William Wang, 18, advertising major, croons tunes into the microphone.

DYLAN MCMAHON | La Voz Weekly

De Anza College's Black Student Union held its monthly open mic night, First Thursdays, May 3 in the Visual and Performing Arts Center. See next

week's issue for photos from the event, taken by Dylan McMahon, with a story from Kelsey Purpura.



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## Men's baseball loses final game

Ed Chuck  
Staff Writer

In their last game of the season, the Dons faced a tough 7-2 loss to the West Valley Vikings. De Anza's defeat came after two winning years in a rivalry against West Valley.

The Vikings put two runners on base in the first inning, but failed to advance them. De Anza's Dalton Lopes was hit by a pitch and drew first blood with the first run of the night.

At the top of the second, West Valley's Brian Fleischli hit a single and ran to second on a sacrifice bunt. He made it to third on a base hit and scored on a sacrifice fly, tying the score at 1-1. De Anza was unable to answer with any runs, ending the second inning.

Then, Viking Trevor Marino reached first on a throwing error and was the target of three pickoff attempts. He was finally caught

stealing with a throw to second. Cannon Bernarding fouled one off just outside the first base line and followed up with double, hit fair along the same arc. He scored



**FAR OUT** - West Valley's Cannon Bernarding slams one for a flyout to center field after two failed bunt attempts. ED CHUCK | La Voz Weekly

on Travis Bonner's double.

Then, the tides turned overwhelmingly in West Valley's favor. Sheldon Daquioag took first base after being hit by a pitch and advanced to second after Fleischli was walked. Tension

from the Don's fans accompanied murmurs of the bases being loaded with only one out. Bonner scored off a throwing error and Daquioag reached home as a result of Fleischli being put out at second.

The scoreless fourth inning was highlighted by De Anza player Cory Kingston's diving catch in center field. Recovering, he threw out Jason Brady at first.

The next run was De Anza's last of the night, by Chris Gallegos on a ground ball that resulted in a double play.

At the top of the seventh, the Vikings scored three more times with bases loaded, sealing their victory.

Vikings coach Rick Weins congratulated the Dons on their performance.

"As always, they play hard. They play very, very loose, they have a lot of fun with the game and they do things the right way," he said.



**SAFE!** - De Anza's Chris Grawohl slides into third as a result of Vikings Marshall McKinnon's error in losing the ball. ED CHUCK | La Voz Weekly

Dons players Dalton Lopes and Chase Spivey provided an insight on next year's team.

"We have a lot of people coming back next year, so I feel like they have a lot of potential," said Spivey, "It just depends on the incoming freshmen."

Lopes, also a pitcher, said he felt that a strong pitching staff would be necessary for a playoff run.

Lopes and Spivey recognized outfielder Cory Kingston and infielder Chris Gallegos as offensive leaders and said they would be players to look out for next season.

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## Women's badminton finishes 2nd at Coast Conference

Bryce Druzin  
Freelancer

Women's badminton closed out the regular season by beating Skyline April 26 and Fresno City College May 1. The Dons finished second in the Coast Conference with a 6-2 record behind San Francisco City College.

Their last team match against the Fresno Rams started with the teams splitting the opening six singles matches.

Games are first-to-21, win-by-two contests, and matches are won by the first side to win two games. Matchups are determined by team rankings, with the best players ranked No. 1.

In her opening match, Dons No. 2 Katherine Ja thwarted Rams No. 1 May Yang's deep lobs with

several long distance kill shots and controlled the match with a mix of powerful slams and well placed shots.



**THE BIG LEAP** - De Anza's Melody Kuo lunges for the birdie during her match against Fresno City College on a match on May 1. Kuo won 21-13, 21-9. BRYCE DRUZIN | La Voz Weekly

The match pitting Dons No. 1 Melody Kuo against Rams No. 2

Crystal Herr was faster paced.

After Kuo lost the first game 23-21, the second game was also tight with both players eschewing defensive lobs in favor of aggressive shots. Kuo led 19-17, but a bad serve hurt her chance to close out the game. Herr prevailed 24-22 to win the match.

Dons took a stranglehold on the team match when they swept the first three doubles matches.

Dons No. 4 Tran Nguyen and No. 5 Christy Ilio match against Fresno's No. 1 and No. 2, Yang and Herr.

Both sides struggled in the first game. The Dons found themselves down 16-12 but managed to come back to win 21-18 thanks to great net play by Tran and good team positioning.

"The rotation is really key," Ilio

said afterwards.

"It is the last home game for me, so I'm trying to end it well," said Ilio.

De Anza closed the match in game two, winning 21-14, and split the remaining matches to win the team match 13-8.

"[Kuo and Ja] largely just have to stay consistent and they'll have a good shot of qualifying [for the state finals]," he said.

De Anza's match on April 26 against a depleted Skyline Trojans squad missing their top player Anna Nguyen was a lopsided affair. The Dons won all 17 matches, including five forfeitures.

One of the more competitive matches was a doubles contest between Nguyen and Ilio and Skyline No. 2 Kayla Garcia and No. 3 Kathleen Reyes.

In the first game, Reyes hit many impressive smashes from her back position, but Skyline was hurt by unforced errors from Garcia's net play and De Anza won 21-14.

Skyline took the second game 21-10.

The start of the third game featured several good drop shots from Nguyen, and the Dons reeled off nine unanswered points to win 21-10 and the match 2-1.

After the match, Nguyen said there was a lack of focus in the first two games and credited an increased intensity for the strong finish.

"We attacked more, too," she said. "We were more aggressive."

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## De Anza College Dining Services

Menu:  
May 7 - May 11

For all of your on-campus dining needs, visit the **FOOD COURT** in the upper level of the Hinson Campus Center

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Soup: Chicken Wild Rice</li> <li>Pizza: Hawaiian Ham &amp; Pineapple &amp; Green Peppers</li> <li>Salad: Chinese Chicken</li> <li>Pasta: Beef Stroganoff</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Soup: Italian Wedding Meatball</li> <li>Pizza: Roast Chicken, Ranch</li> <li>Salad: Greek Style with Roasted Chicken, Romaine Lettuce, Fresh Tomato, Kalamata Olives, Cucumber, Red Onion, Feta Cheese and a Dijon-Lemon Vinaigrette</li> <li>Pasta: Southwestern Pasta</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Soup: Cream of Mushroom</li> <li>Pizza: Vegetarian Combo</li> <li>Spring Greens, Fresh Apple, Candied Walnuts, Cranberries, Blue Cheese and Oil &amp; Balsamic Dressing</li> <li>WORLD RISOTTO: Risotto alla Milanese, White Wine, Saffron, Porcini Mushroom, Asparagus, Shrimp, Parmigiano-Reggiano and Pesto</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Soup: Mexican Tortilla</li> <li>Pizza: BBQ Chicken w/ Green Onions</li> <li>Salad: Southwestern Chicken</li> <li>Broccoli Bow Tie Pasta</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pizza: Chef's Choice</li> <li>Soup: New England Clam Chowder</li> </ul>

**Flatbread Naan:** The Club - The Caesar - The Italian Combined with a small salad  
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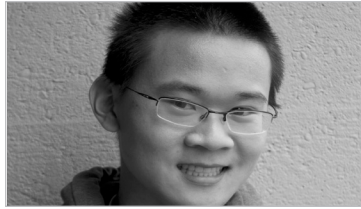
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# Capital punishment ban qualifies for November ballot

California voters weigh the pros and cons of measure eradicating the death penalty



Jay Chow  
Staff Writer

Fair and simple, this measure should pass so that we can wash our hands of the death penalty once and for all. Some people may deserve to die, but the problems with capital punishment (also known as the death penalty) lie in the process rather than the ethics.

This November, voters will decide whether or not to abolish the death penalty. Should the SAFE California Act of 2012 be passed, the budget savings from abolishing the death penalty will be put into a fund and spent on the investigation of unsolved rapes and murders.

The current emphasis on prison spending leads to a vicious cycle where less money spent on education lowers graduation rates, which leads to increases in crime rates, causing an increase in the amount of money spent on prisons.

Statistically, there is no evidence showing lower murder rates in states that have capital punishment. In fact, states with capital punishment actually have higher murder rates, according to

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deathpenaltyinfo.org.

Every year, California spends around \$49,000 per prisoner and almost \$100,000 on death row inmates, according to the Bureau of Justice Statistics. A total of \$184 million a year is spent on special housing, security, legal resources, and other costs for those to be executed.

On the other hand, California spends less than \$9,000 on each student, and in total more money on prisons than on education. In addition, California is ranked number 47 in the United States on the amount the state spends per student, according to Education Weekly.

It is understandable that killing someone who has committed an atrocious crime may bring peace to the victim's loved ones. However the fact that killing someone through death row costs more money than giving him life without parole, reveals some obvious flaws in our justice system. Voting yes on abolishing the death penalty this November will be a first step to correcting California's flawed system.

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Vanessa Contreras  
News Editor

Abolishing capital punishment should not even be an option. A certain kind of closure is provided for families of victims when the murderer of their loved one is executed. If society wants to keep the death penalty and eye for an eye punishment, then California needs to revise its policy on capital punishment by speeding up the process of execution, or we need to consider the measure for the sake of the state's dwindling budget.

Capital punishment is a subject that evokes many philosophies, ethics and emotions in people; it's never simply black and white. Costs to taxpayers will always be an important factor to consider.

Annually, California spends a minuscule amount per inmate on average compared to the amount spent for each individual death row inmate. The money for these condemned inmates goes towards trials, appeals, public defenders, housing blocks, doctors and the drugs administered for lethal injection.

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"It is completely wasteful and counterproductive to public safety to spend our precious resources pretending we have a death penalty when we know the sentence won't be carried out 99 percent of the time," said former prison director and San Quentin warden Jeanne Woodford, who has overseen four of 13 executions in California since it's reinstatement in 1978.

Capital punishment is a failed system and only exists on paper, as only 13 of 800 condemned inmates either die from natural causes or sickness during their average 25-year wait on death row, if they don't get their cases reduced to life sentences.

Our economy is in the tank and our state is downright broke to the point that state penitentiaries (prisoners included), are being sold to private prison companies like the Corrections Corporation of America, according to a Huffington Post article.

In the current system, no one is getting justice -- especially not victims of violent crimes or their families.

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# Technology hinders personal growth



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The overuse of communication technology is a bad habit that many students are stuck in, but it will never replace the joy of communicating with each other and seeing the expression on people's faces.

On college campuses, it is not unusual to see a majority of students busy on their computers, iPads or phones. Although technology has improved our lives by connecting people all around the world who live in different places, it has made our lives impersonal.

In observing a group of students sitting at a table at De Anza, I noticed that they all talked to each other and used their mobile devices at the same time. While I use my iPhone just as much as other students, and I hate it, like

many others, I cannot give it up completely.

Technology, as many other things, has its advantages and disadvantages, including negative influences on our interpersonal communication. As many argue about the benefits of technology, some sociologists think it will result in a more isolated and violent generation. When we spend enormous amounts of time using technological devices and a very small time personally communicating with one another, we gradually lose the basic skills of social interaction, leading to people being socially isolated, according to the Pew Research Center.

Before, families used to spend quality time discussing their ideas and talking with each other about general issues. Now, it is hard to find this within a family, as everybody has his own device to be distracted with.

Technology has deprived youth from being physically active, affecting their ability to learn and comprehend in an academic environment. Students are now de-

pendent on technology for learning, with reduced abilities to learn without it, according to UCLA professor Gray Samuel.

On the other side, there are some who defend the way students use their devices for learning. Mizuko Ito, a researcher at the University of California, Irvine, says that young people who spend time online learn essential social and technical skills they need to be competent in the digital age. She argues that kids can expand their social life by connecting with peers on social networking account like Facebook or by publishing videos on YouTube.

However, parents will always love to talk to their children, businessmen prefer to meet their partners and shake hands and friends still enjoy telling their stories and exchanging opinions face to face.

It is still our choice what to prioritize first in our lives. In the end, technology should be used with balance.

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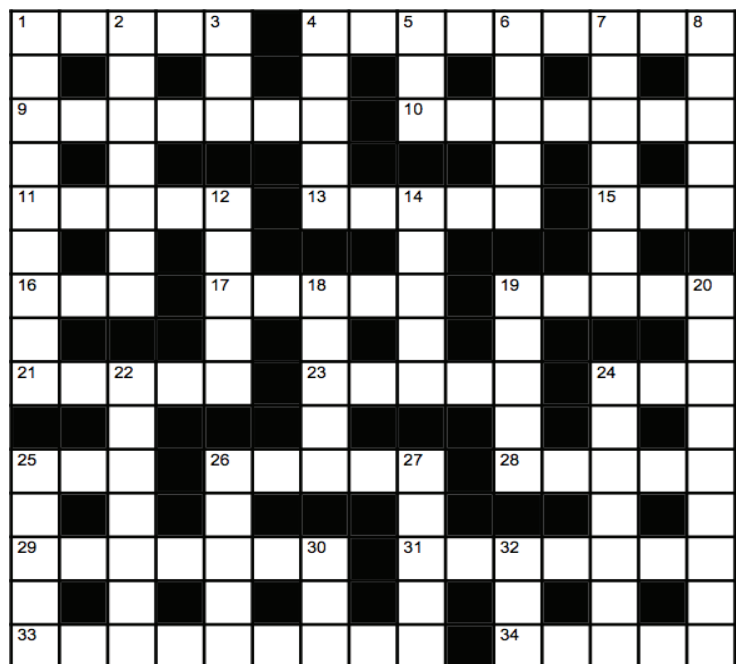
## Dear Editors

I was so pleased to read the recent article entitled, "Artistic Expression Unites Cultures" in the April 23 edition of La Voz. I greatly appreciate your focus on what sounds like an informative and inspiring event that showcased the transformative power of the arts to unite disparate cultures in a common vision. I particularly appreciated Stacy Torres' carefully nuanced descriptions, which evoked the flavor and spirit of the event.

Thank you for highlighting how the arts can be one of the most immediate and potent ways to transcend cultural differences. It was wonderful to see Karen Armstrong and her important work on "The Charter for Compassion" included in the piece. In the future, I look forward to reading more articles showcasing the vibrant presence of the arts in our community, and would like to suggest including links at the end where we can get more information and become even better educated about this important topic.

Grace Devlin  
Student

## Crossword



### Answers from last week:

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### Across

- 1 Ground cover
- 4 Square dance for four couples
- 9 Italian dumpling
- 10 Way, way out of town
- 11 Close
- 13 Perfect, e.g.
- 15 Little bird
- 16 "Dig in!"
- 17 French boyfriends
- 19 Beat
- 21 Artillery burst
- 23 Long-limbed
- 24 Barbecue offering
- 25 \_\_\_\_\_ juice (milk)
- 26 Giggle
- 28 Man with horns
- 29 Seeing right through, in a way
- 33 Fiery-tempered sort, they say
- 34 Computer-phone hookup

### Down

- 1 Ambitious types
- 2 In the middle of
- 3 Amniotic \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 "Shhhh!"
- 5 Cow, maybe
- 6 Blush
- 7 Seafood choice
- 8 Dead-on
- 12 Ban
- 14 Resigned president
- 18 Pirate's exclamation
- 19 Trifled (with)
- 20 Bazooka product
- 22 Cat with spots
- 24 Competed with
- 25 Coke, sometimes
- 26 "Survivor" faction
- 27 Correct, as text
- 30 Odin or Osiris
- 32 Backboard attachment

## Sudoku

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