

Black Lives Matter sheds light on issues faced by African-American communities

Adam Del Rio STAFF WRITER

Students, faculty, and guest speakers graced the stage with calls to action for the audience of over 200 students at the Black Lives Matter conference on Tuesday March 3 at the Visual and Performing Arts Center at De Anza College.

The conference was more than just an extra credit opportunity that so many De Anza events tend to feel like. Light was shed on the issues African-American communities have faced for decades, with speakers urging students to join in on the current fight for social equality.

Dorothy Holford. 57, sociology major, organized the event and performed a "Freedom Song" for the audience.

"I noticed that there was so much organizing going on in San Francisco and Oakland." Holford said. "The few events I witnessed here in the South Bay were very sparse. My hope was to bring the organizers here to hopefully spark a conversation, and prayerfully it won't stop here."

Attendees grew more passionate with each speaker, panelist or performer who took the stage.

One of the guest speakers, Alicia Garza, co-founded the Black Lives Matter project, which originated from the simple hashtag #blacklivesmatter used after the acquittal of George Zimmerman

Garza made the point that all lives matter, but in the context of all that the black community now faces, such as police brutality, economic injustice and judicial injustice, the focus needs to be on black lives.

A panel of four students and activists came on stage to share their experiences as Bay Area natives and activists.

Etecia Brown, the lead organizer of the Millions March in Oakland and San Francisco, was one of the panel members.

Brown said she wanted to bring awareness to De Anza's campus so students can organize in the South Bay not just for black lives, but for impoverished, women, debilitated people and all types of inequalities.

The South Bay has a history of staying relatively quiet when it comes to social activism, said Brown which she hopes can be changed by the encouragement this conference brought.

"It's easy to get comfortable here," Brown said. "There is a necessity to have spaces where people can come and speak about the importance of black lives. That necessity was demanded and we delivered,

and (the turnout) was beautiful." Panelists urged students to get involved in some form of activism after leaving the room, leaving behind these words: "Everyone is accountable for making societal change."

Getting involved is easier than most students tend to think as easy as sending an email to an organization of your choice.

Speakers said everyone has "social capital," which is the collective value of all one's social networks, and students should use their social capital to get involved and make a difference around the South Bay.





NEWS

March 16, 2015 FHDA DISTRICT CONSIDERS ON-CAMPUS HOUSING

Lan Nguyen STAFF WRITER

The Foothill-De Anza Community College District is in the early stages of considering building a housing development structure in place of the Flint Center and Flint garage at De Anza College.

A poll of De Anza students showed that students were willing to pay as high as \$4,000 and as low as \$2,000 per quarter if housing was provided on campus. "I was agonized for three and emails looking for affordable housing," said Kevin Wang, 19, computer science major and international student. "Even when I found housing, I now rely on an hour-long bus ride to arrive on campus. I had a lab that got out at 10:30 p.m. and the bus was at 10:15. If we got out late, I'd have to wait an hour for the 11:20 bus."

months with international calls

Chancellor Linda Thor said at a Feb. 9 FHDA board meeting that faculty as well as students would benefit from housing on campus. "Providing housing on campus would benefit De Anza's 3,000 international and out-of-state students."

Transitional faculty and new recruitments often struggle to find housing as well. The housing would allot them a stable home as they assimilate to De Anza.

"Housing on campus would help financially and getting to school if you don't have a car, said Tony Turner, 22, business major, out-of-state student. "It would be a big time benefit, as well as if they provided us with meal plans." Chancellor Thor said she hopes there might be an opportunity to combine VTA's transportation hub with parking, housing, and retail as well.

But, no plans are set in stone. Trustee Joan Barram expressed concern on whether or not removing the Flint Center is a worthwhile venture. Many of De Anza's celebrity guests and sponsored events are held in the Flint Center.

"In considering student housing, costs such as low-income housing and parking must be considered," said Brian Murphy, De Anza College President. "In addition, De Anza would have to adjust its services to cater to students on campus 24/7. These costs will raise housing fees for students."

Vice Chancellor Kevin McElroy is currently developing a project plan with Brailsford & Dunlavey, the management firm developing housing options with De Anza, and will share future details with the board of trustees.



Above: Santa Clara Fire Department firefighters examine evidence gathered from the Hinson Campus Center after campus police officers discovered strong chemicals in the mens restroom. County hazardous material experts inspected and declared the areas free of volatile material on Wednesday, March 11. Report any unusual chemical odors to the campus police in person or by calling 650-949-7317. In any emergency, call 911.



 Faculty to vote March 17 and 18 outside campus mailroom in Administration Building

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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

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Administration Committee: Fridays @10:30am in the Senate Office

Environmental Sustainability Committee: Thursdays @2:45pm 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 professor tries to foster safe environment she didn't have



PHOTO COURTESY OF SUSAN HARDING PALMORE

Yuri Nishiyama STAFF WRITER

Kim Palmore, 59, English instructor at De Anza College dedicates her life to providing quality education and making her world safe and comfortable for all.

Her early struggles as a poor, working-class lesbian made her an open-minded, honest and humorous person.

"No one ever made me feel safe [in the past]," Palmore said. "[So now] I create a kind of environment that I wished for, that could have helped me." In San Diego, Palmore was

born into a working-class family with no college experience. Amid the darkness of her life, she asked herself: "Can you figure out how to go to college?"

In 1973, at age 17, she was thrown out of her house after her mother found a letter from Palmore's 16-year-old girlfriend. She had barely graduated from high school.

After working several jobs, she settled down at Frito-Lay and worked there for 19 years. She once received a murder threat from a colleague.

"The world taught me that I was not okay because of my gender expression and my sexual orientation," Palmore said.

Police saved her life then, but they were not always on her side.

Exhausted from suppressing her identity, she used to go to bars where she could be herself. but the police would break in and harass gay people.

"Those were not easy years," she said. "I spent most of that time trying to figure out who I was and how I would survive in a world of compulsory heteronormativity."

Her anger toward the world dissipated as she came to accept

herself, and society began to make room for LGBT people.

She went back to school in 1988 after she found economic and emotional stability. In 2010, she received a Ph.D. in English from the University of California, Riverside. She has been teaching English at De Anza since 2012.

"Those were not easy years. I spent most of that time trying to figure out who I was and how I would survive in a world of compulsory heteronormativity."

-Kim Palmore

Palmore became a teacher to provide students with an education that helps them "challenge their social class, experience the world and learn about art, music, great books and travel," she said.

Many students return to her class. About half of her creative writing students this quarter have taken one or more classes with her before, she said.

Bomin Kim, 20, an international student from South Korea, said she feels relaxed speaking English and interacting with Americans in Palmore's class.

"She is the only professor I've known who speaks Korean to [me]," Kim said. "She knows something about my culture."

Whether they are international or local, Palmore listens to her students.

"Each time students share with me, they teach me about themselves, about myself and about the world," she said. "Those are my favorite moments."

Yet she does not allow students to hurt one another.

"No bullies in my class," she said. Students who disturb her class "will be put in the wood chipper!"

Palmore's office stands out from other instructors'. Walking in students are welcomed by a faint scent of coffee welcomes students. She offers them a drink. Numerous conversations, both

academic and personal, take place in this office. Aurora Rios-Mendoza, 18, a

student from a family with no college experience, said she was

inspired by Palmore's words.

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"Kim taught me that I deserve to be successful," she said. "She has been through a lot... and when she gives you advice, you feel like she knows what she is talking about."

Palmore, too, is inspired by her students and great authors.

She puts pictures and cards from her students inside a transparent "head" by her desk.

"So I can keep their thoughts," Palmore said.

Her favorite lines from books, printed in black letters, run across the gray cement-like surface of the wall to her left. One says, "Mrs. Dalloway said she would buy the flowers herself."

Susan Harding Palmore, Palmore's wife helped her decorate the office. The two got married in 2013.

Kim Palmore has a unique quality to make everyone feel special, Susan said, although "I always feel like I'm the most important person in her world!"

Kim Palmore said, "Granting Absolution" would be the title of her own life story.

Her safe haven continues to expand.



aren't enough, there is a wide

"Going to Disneyland for probably a week."

Kathy Vu, 20 linguistics major "I'm going to SoCal!"

"Hang out with my friends who are coming back from UC's."

computer science major



Kenneth Troung, 26 political science major "Just livin' life day-by-day

and live in the moment.'

barbeque from J&J's and itching to try something new? Let your taste buds explore some fine

Japanese cuisine from Mitasu. The Japanese restaurant just opened on Feb. 25 at 21265 Steven's Creek Blvd, right across the street from campus, between the Quickly milk teashop and the Premier Off-Campus Bookstore.

Although the location is small, it has a fair number of tables and has great lighting with windows surrounding the restaurant.

The booths are a bright blue color and don't seem to match the rest of the color scheme of the restaurant. The cutest chalk drawings on the wall give the place some character.

The staff is welcoming and friendly. If you have a party of five or larger, they leave water pitchers at your table.

a long time to give the soup base a



JIRLA JEM SALVADOR | LA VOZ STAFF hearty pork flavor with a creamy consistency similar to milk or gravy.

Shoyu ramen broth is clear and brown. It's based on a chicken or vegetable stock with plenty of soy sauce added for a tangy, salty, yet still fairly light taste. All the ramen choices are reasonably priced, ranging from \$10-12, tax included.

The ramen broths are filling and do not have an overwhelmingly salty or artificial taste to them.

selection of add-ons to choose from like kimchi, bamboo shoots, sweet corn, shrimp tempura and much more.

Mitasu offers a variety of cheap appetizers like gyoza, pork tonkatsu (breaded and deep-fried pork cutlet), takoyaki (deep-fried wheat-flour with diced octopus, pickled ginger, and green onion shaped into little balls) and garlic edamame beans.

If ramen is not your cup of tea, there are different types of salad and rice plates to pick from as well. Steamed rice, a salmon and ikura (Japanese salmon roe) bowl, a beef bowl, and a Japanese curry bowl complete the menu.

If you are interested in an affordable yet filling Japanese ramen meal and don't want to stray too far away from campus, check Mitasu out.

FEATURES

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Best bathrooms on campus: Cleanest and most peaceful

Bambi Nguyen and Alex Cardenas

STAFF WRITERS



BAMBI NGUYEN | LA VOZ STAFF

#(*East Cottage, Gender Neutral/Family Room* Rating: 9.5/10

Not many have heard of the East Cottage's cozy commode, but it is the best restroom on campus. It is a single room of pure bliss.

The extra locks on the door let people know that the restroom is occupied, so they will know not to disturb you doing your business.

The toilet handle is small and sanitary, so you can flush with confidence knowing that no one has ever used their foot to stomp on it.

While sitting and relaxing, you can bask in your surroundings and enjoy the Frida Kahlo artwork on the wall.

From the light switch to the sparkling sink and the toilet that doesn't spray you when you flush, this bathroom is simply perfection.



BAMBI NGUYEN | LA VOZ STAFF

#2 *Media Learning Center, Second Floor Women's Restroom* **Rating: 9/10**

With its neutral colors and ample space, the MLC is No. 2 for your No. 2 needs.

Everything in this restroom is automatic, with working dryers to drown out the sound of your bowel movement.

It's a great area to do yesterday's philosophy homework, and with so many stalls, no one will be banging on your door to hurry up.

The floor is beautiful. A toilet paper mess is practically nonexistent. Its cleanliness is the reason most students consider the MLC restrooms to be the best on campus.



ALEX CARDENAS | LA VOZ STAFF

H³ Planetarium, Men's restroom Rating: 8/10

Ever wonder what it would feel like to poop in space?

When walking into the Planetarium, to your left you will find a door that leads to the men's restroom, which has a very cozy feeling, as if you are in a space capsule on a mission to poop.

While sitting in the stalls, you can ponder and pout while you think to yourself why the government had to shut down the space shuttle program, keeping young, enthusiastic astronaut hopefuls like you planted firmly on planet Earth wondering what it's like to poop in space.

Fresh vegan food that comes with good karma



Naomi Fuhrmann STAFF WRITER

The strong smell of beer and spices hits when you walk into Good Karma Café in downtown San Jose.

Before even ordering food, you

who is also the owner and seems to be genuinely interested in how your day is going.

Summers described the Good Karma Café as having "vegan comfort food with a funky aesthetic," but said the atmosphere of the place speaks for itself. a bottle of organic juice from a

a bottle of organic juice from a family owned business with your food order, not only because it is delicious, but also because the food is very spicy.

It is sometimes financially difficult for college students to find healthy food to eat because it tends to be very pricy. But the Good Karma Café, is affordable as a healthy and fulfilling meal, ranging from \$8 to \$15. The cafe has been open for nine years and has not lost its comfort and uniqueness. Good Karma Café is at 37 S. First St, San Jose and is a vegan food gem in the center of busy downtown San Jose. It is definitely worth a visit.

Movie Review: "Unfinished Business"

Ryan Vermont STAFF WRITER

If your favorite type of movie is the kind where a group of people go on a trip where everything you can possibly think of goes wrong, this is your type of movie.

Released on March 6, "Unfinished Business" stars Vince Vaughn, Tom Wilkinson and Dave Franco.

You may remember Vaughn as the main character in movies such as "Wedding Crashers" or "Fred Claus." The supporting characters are also well known— Tom Wilkinson for "Grand Budapest Hotel" and Franco for "Neighbors." to Europe to sign a deal that he had been working on before he left his old job.

The business trip is supposed to be routine, but anything and everything possible goes wrong.

The group runs into their former boss Chuck Portnoy (Sienna Miller) who is trying to close the deal herself, and stumbles in on a huge sex fetish event.

Dan even stays in a clear room labeled "American Businessman 42" which ends up being an exhibit in a museum, with Dan's daily life being the art.

The movie is mainly about the business trip, but it does contain smaller story lines. Dan is always on business and doesn't see his family, Timothy has female relationship issues, and Mike lies about things in his life.

NAOMI FUHRMANN | LA VOZ STAFF

must admire the design of the place.

Heavy beer kegs decorate the floors and countless beer bottles decorate the walls, which are already filled with plants and posters.

Though a little dark and narrow, the restaurant doesn't look unappealing or uninviting in the slightest.

You order your food from the friendly registrar, Ryan Summers,

After ordering, you seat yourself anywhere in the small, cozy restaurant either at the few small tables or the two long bar tables. The food itself is yegan fresh

The food itself is vegan, fresh and served quickly.

You have the option of getting one of three entrees with a side of brown rice or quinoa. The entrees themselves are delicious and many of them are even gluten free.

It is highly recommended to get

Three men decide to leave their current job to start their own swarf (metal shavings) business in spite of their former job and boss.

Daniel Trunkman (Vaughn) is the leader of the group with Timothy McWinters, (Wilkinson) and Mike Pancake (Franco) at his side.

Dan convinces his buddies to accompany him on a business trip

All of these problems could be resolved if they can complete this deal in Europe.

The movie is rated R for "some strong risqué sexual content/ graphic nudity, and for language and drug use."

Though I liked the movie, it was not my favorite. It had some clever jokes but failed to keep my attention towards the end.



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OPINIONS

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Should the FCC be able to regulate the Internet? Steven Hall STAFF WRITER 0010010 Jimmy Phonthachack people like their privacy."

19, massage therapy major "I don't think they should really do that because it's also a matter of privacy and



Claudelle Le 21, English major "I don't think there's a limit

to what they can regulate."



20, mechanical engineering major 'I don't think that they should be able to do that. That's messed up."



William Egleston 20, business major

"I don't think that's too smart. They have a standard rate already."



Julio Chavez 21, undecided major

"No way. It's an invasion of privacy.

TWITTER TERROR Bad side of the Internet

Alejandra Cabrera STAFF WRITER



The Internet is both a wonderful and a terrible creation. There is good and there is evil. Though some may say the good far outweighs the

evil, the evil still exists

One of the best things about the Internet is social media. Facebook allows you to connect with all of your friends and family and Twitter allows you to express your random

thoughts, go on endless rants and cyber-stalk your favorite celebrities.

But just as you can reach out to anyone on the World Wide Web, others can also reach out to you, even terrorist organizations.

The Islamic State group alone has reportedly managed at least 46,000 known Twitter accounts between September and December of 2014, according to CNet

Social media is the perfect platform for terrorist groups such as the Islamic State group to spread their message and recruit members into their organization.

Many of these accounts are immediately shut down by website officials. But, anyone that uses the Internet knows that all it takes is a couple of seconds for a message to spread.



AITALINA INDEEVA | LA VOZ STAFF

seven in 10 young children have experienced cyberbullying of some sort reported that it has severely affected their self esteem and social lives, according to a poll done by Ditch The Label in 2013.

Which leads us to another bad

side of the Internet, cyberbullying,

which is a newer form of bullying.

were bullied at school looked

forward to going home on Fridays

and getting away from the negativity until the next Monday. That isn't possible anymore.

Kids nowadays don't have a

safe haven. The bullying doesn't

stop at school, because their social

media accounts are constantly

bombarded with messages from

their

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rumors

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People

argue that deleting

problem, but what

about the nasty

posts on Twitter,

may

accounts

spread

them?

etc.?

solve the

threatening

Before the Internet, kids who

Ryan Halligan (1989-2003), Megan Meier (1992-2006),Jessica Logan (1990-2008),Hope Witsell (1996-2006), Tyler Clementi (1991-2010) and Amanda Todd (1996-2012) are only six of the many people who have fallen victim to cyberbullying and didn't make it out alive, according to the No Bullying website.

The Internet is being used as a weapon instead of a helpful tool by Twitter terrorists and cyberbullies, and that is a problem that this technology obsessed generation needs to address.

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Letter to the Editor

DASB PRESIDENT HOPES BAYLANDS FESTIVAL WILL BRING ADDITONAL REVENUE TO DE ANZA

Facebook, Those can never be unseen. Unfortunately,

their bullies.

Dear Editor:

Baylands Festival The is intended to bring the community together, support a specific charity, promote environmental sustainability and bring revenue to DASB for future years. Some students are concerned that \$25,080 can fund other programs on campus.

Students need to know that each year DASB conducts comprehensive budget deliberations in order to prepare the following fiscal

year's budget. This year we had \$1.9 million requests for \$1.4 million of available funds. If the festival is successful, the DASB could realize an additional source of income to be able to fund the increase in needs that we cannot currently fund.

The festival committee has been diligently working on the logistics and planning for the festival since October 2014. The budget for the festival was approved by the DASB Senate. Due to college requirements, \$13,000 of the \$25,080 budget

will be used to cover the cost of security.

However, a huge part of this festival is to secure corporate sponsorships from the technology hub we live in, aka Silicon Valley, to cover the costs of the festival, and to also create revenue for DASB. So far we have guaranteed income from the food vendors and Flea Market vendors.

However, we understand that the sponsorships and vendors may not cover our total costs. This is the beginning of a larger movement; the more the festival becomes established over the years, the more income will be generated to support the cause.

I encourage De Anza students to come and support the fun and prosperous event and provide feedback on how to make this festival an annual success. All are welcome to attend the planning meetings on Wednesdays at 12:30 p.m. in the DASB Senate Office.

Sincerely, Julia Malakiman, 19 political science major

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March 16, 2015 **De Anza pitchers lead baseball team to 5-1 win**

Talina Rocha STAFF WRITER

The De Anza College baseball team took its third conference win 5-1 over Hartnell College Tues. March 10. Left-handed pitcher Justin Edgar started for the fourth time this season and drove in two runs that contributed to the triumph.

Starting off the second inning, Edgar hit a home run to right field quickly making the score 1-0.

"I just got a random boost of confidence," Edgar said.

up to bat and managed a hit up the middle which drove in two runs. Another error by the Panthers let Fitzhue run home increasing the score to 4-0 in the third.

"Our pitching and defense was outstanding today," head coach Erick Raich said.

Bock got on base and again stole second hoping to repeat his success from the third inning.

Through the sixth inning De Anza struggled to get more runs in. But in the seventh, Joey Shimono hit a single along with another error and advanced to second base. Shimono was able to steal third and with help from

the Panther's shortstop, Shimono

ran home making the score 5-0.

Hartnell reacted to this run

by scoring one late in the ninth

inning. Pitcher Santino Delgado

managed to get the Dons out of

a difficult situation and the score

early in the game," Fitzhue said.

"We came out and put runs up

The Dons play their next home

game Tuesday March 24 against

West Valley College at 2:30 p.m.

ended in 5-1.

"This is a great win."



"[Hartnell] telling me I wasn't ready definitely made me want it more."

As Edgar rounded the bases, the momentum in the dugout shifted as his teammates rose to their feet chanting. Taking the confidence boost into the third, senior Nate Bock got on base and quickly stole second as well as third with help from the Panthers fielding. Another error allowed Alex Martinez to get on base and stay at second.

Outfielder Issiah Fitzhue came

Remaining Games:

Date	Team	Time
March 24	West Valley	2:30 p.m.
March 27	San Francisco	2:30 p.m.
March 28	Mission	12:00 p.m.
March 31	Cañada	2:30 p.m.

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De Anza women's tennis in action Softball crushed 11-0





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Top: De Anza Don Stephanie Wei serves to start the first set against Mission College on March 6. **Bottom:** Stephanie Wei and Jaclyn Lee brave the heat during an match-up against Mission College.

Above: De Anza freshman Danielle Vandiver prepares to bat against West Valley on Tuesday March 10.

App Review: Coco's Fro Patrol



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||COCO CRISP||

Ryan Vermont STAFF WRITER

Ready? Set? Fro!

A new game was released in the Apple app store on Feb. 25, that any baseball fan can appreciate. The game revolves around Major League Baseball player and current Oakland A's outfielder Covelli "Coco" Crisp.

Coco is known for his extravagant hairstyles, with the most popular being the giant Afro he debuted in 2011. Hence the name of the game is "Coco's Fro Patrol."

There is one simple game mode which involves moving an animated Coco Crisp left and right on the screen catching falling baseballs in his Afro. Catching the balls adds points to your total score. Bubble gum, trash, and giant scissors fall along with the baseballs, attempting to mess up Coco's curly locks. This is the clever part of the game because all of these items are hair's worst nightmare.

The game starts out pretty easy, but don't get too comfortable because as it gets to the later innings, the tempo drastically picks up, and actually requires a decent level of focus.

Coco's Fro Patrol is a game that any baseball fan will appreciate. But people who don't know who Coco Crisp is won't really get the wittiness of the game. We provide training in editing and InDesign layout.

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