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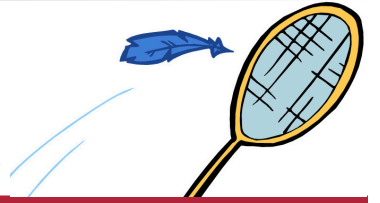
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### Star badminton player

De Anza student Angelina Lee is part of the badminton team that has won two straight championships.

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## STUDENTS TAKE BACK THE NIGHT

Event focuses on sexual and domestic violence



ADRIAN DISCIPULO | LA VOZ STAFF

Students read messages in chalk left the night before during Take Back the Night in the main quad at De Anza on Thursday, April 29. The event included speakers and a student-led march around campus. Speakers encouraged students to spread awareness and protest sexual and domestic violence.

## UPDATE: Construction on campus

Fernanda Pineda  
STAFF WRITER

De Anza College students can expect more construction on campus in the following months, adding onto the renovations already occurring in the library and L-quad.

The next makeovers will be the addition of a sidewalk along on the west side of Campus Drive and a renovation of Parking Lot E.

There will be an increase by about 50 more parking spaces in lot E, said Donna Jones-Dulin, associate vice president of college operations.

New lighting will be added to lot E and the sharp curve at the north end of the lot will be straightened.

These renovations may start in June and will extend through the summer. Construction on the new sidewalk and lot E is planned to finish by fall.

Currently, the L-quad classrooms are being remodeled. New lighting, carpet and multimedia are being added. The classrooms are expected to be finished before the start of fall quarter.

The library is expected to be finished in the summer and to open in the fall as originally planned.

These renovations are part of Measure C, a \$491 million bond local voters approved in 2006 to enhance the FHDA District.

The renovations have initiated both negative and positive responses among the De Anza Student Body.

"I think (the construction) is good because it is improving the campus. It gives us more quality education," said Vivian Castiblanco, 24, international business major.

Sid Yadav, 19, computer engineer major, said he is forced to take small detours to get to his classes in the science building.

"It is sort of annoying," said Yadav.

The absence of the library continues to be an issue for several students.

"(Not having) the library has made it difficult because the small library does not have all the books and the small room is very hot," said Elein Zemedede, 24, psychology major.

On a similar note, Michael Nguyen, 19, software engineer major said, "The (temporary) library is inconvenient because it is a very small place upstairs and you have to walk upstairs and that is needless exercise."

Although some students are bothered by the remodeling, Jones-Dulin said that construction occurs during spring and summer quarters because these quarters tend to have fewer students compared to fall, reducing the impact.

## DA WHICH STAR WARS CHARACTER VOICES WOULD YOU BE? WHY?

**May the fourth be with you!**

**LEFT:** Ewoks, because they're cute and cuddly. (Thea Tulliao, 19, kinesiology)

**TOP:** General Grievous, because I like his four arms. (David Nguyen, 21, computer science)

**RIGHT:** Han Solo, because he gets the girls. (Adam Del Rosario, 32, physical therapy)

## DE ANZA DONS FALL 3-1

Baseball team whiffs in playoffs

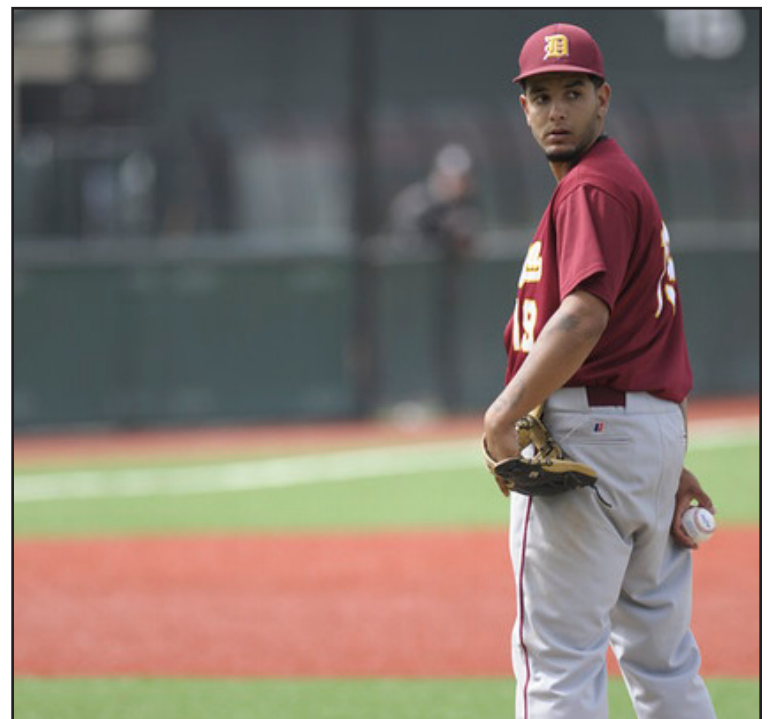


PHOTO COURTESY OF STAN MANTIPLY

De Anza sophomore pitcher Alex Martinez looks after first base in the playoff game loss to Skyline College on April 28.

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## Monday May 4

**TRANSFER ADVISING: ACADEMY OF ART**  
10 a.m. - 1 p.m.  
Dining Hall; information table 5  
Information about Academy of Art will be provided.  
No appointment is necessary to speak with a university representative at an Information Table.  
For a complete list of college and university representative visits, please go to <http://www.deanza.edu/transfercenter/repvisits.html>

of a person or group. A banning is the removal of those materials.  
Stop by the Library to check out and read a banned book!

**STUDENT ART SHOW**  
May 4 - June 11  
Euphrat Museum of Art  
Features paintings, drawings, mixed-media works, photography, graphic design, sculpture, and ceramics created by students at De Anza College. The artworks reflect expertise in diverse media and varied interests and points of view.

**Reception:**  
May 13  
5:30 - 7:30 p.m.  
Awards will be presented during reception.

**More Euphrat events:**  
First Thursday open mic nights:  
May 7, June 4  
5 - 7 p.m.

Third Thursday film night  
May 21  
5 - 8 p.m.

**Museum hours:**  
M - Th  
10 a.m. - 3 p.m.  
Closed Memorial Day.

## Wednesday May 6

**BLOOD DRIVE**  
8 a.m. - 7 p.m.  
Conference rooms A & B  
Stanford Blood Center will be holding its quarterly blood drive. Donors receive a Baskin Robbins "pint for a pint" coupon.

**To make an appointment:**  
<http://bloodcenter.stanford.edu>  
Click "Make an Appointment."  
Search by zip code: 95014

**TRANSFER ADVISING: UC SAN DIEGO**  
10 a.m. - 3 p.m.  
Transfer Center; 2nd floor  
Appointments and drop-in advising will be offered as follows:  
**Appointments:** 10:00 AM - 12:40 PM  
**Drop-in advising:** 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

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## Thursday May 7

**TRANSFER ADVISING: MENLO COLLEGE**  
11 a.m. - 1 p.m.  
Dining Hall; information table 5  
Information about Menlo College will be provided.  
No appointment is necessary to speak with a university representative at an Information Table.

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**WATER WAYS**  
March 30 - June 19  
Hours & info: [www.deanza.edu/califhistory](http://www.deanza.edu/califhistory)  
California History Center  
"Water Ways: A Lens on Culture and Nature from River to Bay to Ocean" is a photographic exhibition co-sponsored by the California History Center and the Los Gatos-Saratoga Camera Club. Photographers were to submit images that depict the close relationship creatures, human and otherwise, have to uphold in all its forms in the greater San Francisco Bay Area.

## Announcements De Anza

**BANNED AND CHALLENGED BOOK DISPLAY**  
April 6 - May 8  
Library (2nd Floor, Learning Center West)  
What is the difference between a challenge and a banning?  
A challenge is an attempt to remove or restrict materials, based upon the objections

## Library Hours

**Monday - Thursday**  
8 a.m. - 9 p.m.  
**Friday**  
8 a.m. - 5 p.m.



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## LA VOZ: CLARIFICATION

A photo of UC Santa Cruz professor Angela Davis in the April 27 edition of La Voz was edited in a way that distorted her appearance, unintentionally. The photo (right) taken from the University of Michigan Library website, is a more accurate representation.



## Counseling and advising

**M:** 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.

**T:** 8:30 a.m. - 7 p.m.

**W:** 8:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.

(reopen) 5 p.m. - 7 p.m.

**Th:** 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.

**F:** 8:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

(closed May 23 - 25)

## Office Schedules

### Financial Aid

**Monday - Thursday**

8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

**Friday**

10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

### Admissions and Records

**Monday - Thursday**

8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

**Friday**

8 a.m. - 1 p.m.

### Math, Science and Technology Resource Center (S43)

**Monday - Thursday**

8:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.

**Friday**

8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.  
**General subjects tutoring**

(ATC 304)

**Monday - Thursday**

9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

**Friday**

9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.



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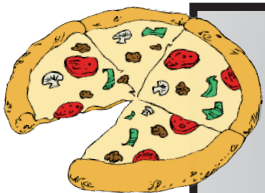
Online and catering menus available at [www.rioadobe.com](http://www.rioadobe.com)

# De Anza College Dining Services

Menu:  
May 4 - 8

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

M	T	W	TR	F
<b>SOUP</b> Chicken Wild Rice	<b>SOUP</b> Italian Wedding Meatball	<b>SOUP</b> Cream of Mushroom	<b>SOUP</b> Mexican Tortilla	<b>SOUP</b> New England Clam Chowder
<b>PIZZA</b> Hawaiian Ham & Pineapple & Green Peppers	<b>PIZZA</b> Roast Chicken, Ranch	<b>PIZZA</b> Vegetarian Combo	<b>PIZZA</b> BBQ Chicken with Green Onions	<b>PIZZA</b> Chef's Choice
<b>PASTA</b> California Shrimp Fettuccine	<b>PASTA</b> Southwestern Pasta	<b>PASTA</b> Risotto Milanese	<b>PASTA</b> Broccoli Bow Tie Pasta	



## SALAD

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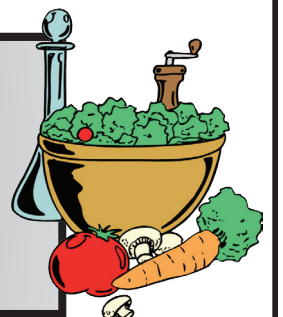
Chicken Caesar

Spring Greens, Apple, Candied Walnuts, Cranberries, Blue Cheese and Oil & Balsamic Dressing

Southwest Chicken

Vietnamese Chicken or Shrimp

Chinese Chicken Salad



## BURGER of the WEEK

**Meatlovers:** Angus Beef, Sun-Dried Tomato Chili Butter, Smoked Gouda, Avocado, Caramelized Onion, Spring Mix, Tomato Whole Wheat

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## De Anza rated #1 in California

### BY THE NUMBERS

<b>72.7 percent</b> graduation and transfer rate	<b>\$12,300 - \$19,302</b> cost of attendance
<b>90.7 percent</b> first-year retention rate	<b>Approx. 24,781</b> number of students

INFORMATION FROM EDMART.ORG

## De Anza professor receives excellence award

**Alena Naiden**  
STAFF WRITER

Jacquelyn Reza lost her home at age 7. Her mother, a single parent, worked hard in a factory to support her family. Reza was the first child in her family to attend college.

"I do feel that I'm a success story... For a girl from the projects in San Francisco, I've done OK," Reza said.

Reza, De Anza College's director of professional and organizational development, has taught students and faculty at De Anza for 30 years.

She recently received a John and Suanne Rouche Excellence Award, which celebrates outstanding community college faculty and staff.

"I never thought of myself that much as a teacher, but I grew into it, and it set me on the journey," Reza said.

She has established her own philosophy of teaching by

adjusting the approach depending on students' ages, cultures and emotional intelligence.

Injustices in the world feed Reza's eagerness for social



ALENA NAIDEN | LA VOZ STAFF

Jacquelyn Reza facilitates workshop with new faculty April 29.

changes. She cited recent events in Baltimore as an example.

"I have to hold world peace," Reza said. "If enough of us held that, may be we can get there."

As a student, Reza wanted to work with animals at the

San Francisco Zoo or become a doctor to develop a cure for malaria. She did not expect that she would become a counselor and teacher.

Reza has earned bachelor's degrees in zoology and La Raza studies, a master's degree in counseling and a doctorate in international and multicultural education.

Reza spent two years studying birds in Nigeria, worked as a marriage and family therapist and wrote a book that is translated in 22 languages.

Reza credits her achievements to her "willingness to take risks, to live in ambiguity, to be reflective and to keep learning."

She said she is grateful to people who have helped her, showed her kindnesses and saw that she was smart.

Reza said she plans to retire soon and she dreams of not waking up at 5:30 a.m. every morning. "So when I retire... I'll get up at 7," she said.

## DASB Senate candidates prepare for May elections

**Fernanda Pineda**  
STAFF WRITER

The 2014-15 DASB Senate candidates gathered at a meeting April 29, talking about their hopes to achieve unity, equality and better representation next year.

Candidates were informed of current DASB election codes and schedules, had their photos taken for the ballot and had their ballot numbers assigned.

According to the 2014-15 election candidates list, 37 candidates plan on running for senator positions.

Among those candidates is Nero Chen, 20, business and finance major, who wants to solve unspoken issues.

"I want to find hidden issues on campus and solve them to make De Anza a better place to study," Chen said.

Maria Ho, 19, economics major, also a senate candidate, said she wishes to unite the students of De Anza College.

"I feel people are too separated," Ho said. "I want people to be united because people are super busy on transferring, so I want to organize more events so people can join and meet new friends."

Wendy Leslie Martell, 24, computer science major, also a candidate for senator, hopes to create a STEM department at De Anza.

"I want to create a STEM department because we do not have one," Martell said. "I think more students would be interested in it, if they know about science, technology, engineering and math. That is something we need here."

Helen Vu, 19, political science major, said she also wants to bring students together through the addition of new events.

"I am running for the unification of De Anza through diverse events," Vu said. "I want to create more equity events, such as week-long festival, like many schools have it or even our own TED talk."

According to the candidate list, three candidates are running for student trustee. Including political science major, Jaymar Hardesty, 21, who said he wants to better represent students.

"I want to give students better representation on the board of trustees because the board makes decisions on policies, programs and the amount of funding given to student services and programs," Hardesty said.

Up to 30 DASB senator candidates can be elected.

Election Week will begin May 18 and end on May 22. De Anza students can vote online through My Portal in the Campus Events section of the Home tab. There will also be voting booths on campus during election week.

## 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:

Tuesdays @3:30pm in the Senate Office

### 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!





## Trails to Check Out Around De Anza

Above: Rancho San Antonio Open Space Reserve, Los Altos.  
CHRISTINA ABOUZEID | LA VOZ STAFF

### Rancho San Antonio

Christina Abouzeid  
STAFF WRITER

The Rancho San Antonio Open Space Reserve in Los Altos is a family-friendly park offering multiple level hiking trails and an animal farm, only three miles away from De Anza College.

The park has many access points with bathrooms and water fountains available at the entrances. There are various trails that range from completely flat to almost constant inclines, like the PG&E trail which is perfect for backpackers and a strenuous workout.

This reserve also has tennis courts, stretching areas and picnic areas which makes this park extremely popular. At the top of most of the trails, there are great views of Silicon Valley.

Despite the no dog policy and the large crowds of people, this park is definitely worthy of being a new favorite.

The park is located in the Los Altos hills bordering Cupertino and is easily accessible by bike, bus, car and even foot.

The Rancho San Antonio Open Space Reserve is located at 22500 Cristo Rey Dr. and is open year round from dawn to half an hour after sunset.

### Mission Peak

Yousif Kassab  
STAFF WRITER

I'm not sure if anyone's made a list of the rites of passage afforded to the average person growing up in the bay area, but if they did Mission Peak would be at the top.

The oft-scribbled on, oddly shaped marker at the summit of the hike has become an emblem of young adulthood and independence for kids in surrounding areas.

Right around six miles round trip, the trail is frequented by responsible people of all ages looking to stay in shape.

Unfortunately, the average kid wandering up the trail looking for

a good time or new experience might embark on the journey unprepared.

Most importantly, bring a ton of water. It wouldn't even be out of the question to bring a granola bar or two.

Only slightly less important is the need for comfortable shoes. This is hard to mess up; any comfy sneakers or running shoes will work perfectly.

One challenge that comes with the hike that may be less than obvious is just how taxing getting back down is. After finishing the relatively steep three-mile climb, you face the daunting task of walking back down.

Anyone would be hard pressed to find someone who hasn't at least engaged in plans to see the sunrise at the mountain's highest point. If you're one of those people who has still never taken the challenge, consider this your invitation. It's worth it.

Mission Peak trail can be found at 1880 Stanford Ave. in Fremont, and is open 6:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

### Linda Vista Park

Matthew Shamshoian  
STAFF WRITER

Linda Vista Park in Cupertino is a quick hike with an awe-inspiring view of the South Bay.

Linda Vista's only one and a half miles from De Anza College, and makes for a great after-class get away.

Linda Vista isn't that difficult of a hike for those with some experience, but a few steep sections might throw off less experienced hikers.

After hiking up the steepest section to start the hike, you're rewarded with a breathtaking view of the South Bay. You can see from South San Jose to Palo Alto, and on a clear day you can see as far out as San Francisco and Oakland.

The top of the trail has a sharp drop into a small valley that marks the end of the hike for most. Those willing to find a way down can explore the park more through a number of unofficial trails with great views past the main trail entrance and deeper into the wooded areas.

The park also includes a

workout and stretching area, two playgrounds, bathrooms, water fountains, and a big grass field.

The most frequented trail begins above the playground at the base of the hill. Make sure to bring athletic shoes if you're planning on hiking at Linda Vista.

Linda Vista Park is open from daylight hours until one hour after sunset. It's located next to Monta Vista High School in Cupertino at 11000 Linda Vista Dr.

### Alum Rock Park

Ryan Vermont  
STAFF WRITER

In the eastern San Jose foothills lies a municipal park spread across 720 acres that is open almost every day for the public's pleasure.

Alum Rock Park provides the people in the area with environmentally sustained land that they can appreciate and explore themselves.

The park hosts families and friends with over 13 miles of trails, a youth science institute, abundant mineral springs, picnic areas and more.

13 miles of hiking trails might sound intimidating to the casual hiker, but the trails vary in difficulty so there's no need to worry. Alum Rock is a place for people of all ages, athletic or not.

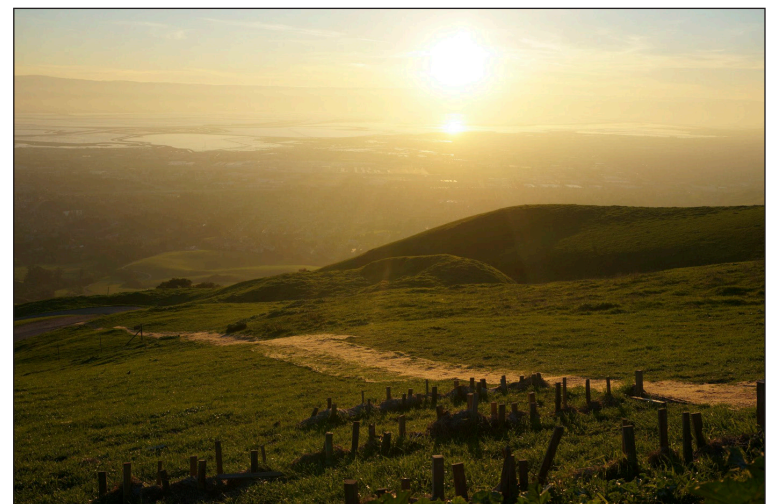
The trails tend to have a lot of uphill areas, and shade is scarce so dress accordingly and bring a lot to drink.

Along the trail, you might stumble upon some cattle on the hill side, or a variety of different birds that consider the park their home. Just keep an eye out for mountain bikers barreling down the mountain trail.

A hike isn't complete without an amazing view, and Alum Rock Park's trails don't fail to deliver. Amazing views of the Santa Clara Valley can be seen and captured without much difficulty.

A downside of the park is that dogs aren't allowed within the premises.

Besides Mondays and holidays, the park is open every day from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.



Mission Peak trail

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Linda Vista Park

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Alum Rock Park

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Rancho San Antonio

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## Simple ways to stay fit on campus

Kayla Jimenez  
STAFF WRITER

ILLUSTRATION BY  
AITALINA INDEEVA

You may be actively avoiding the notorious freshman 15, looking for exercise alternatives to pressing the next button on Netflix's new season of "Daredevil" and thinking of creative ways to squeeze fitness into a busy schedule.

Staying active may be at the bottom of your to-do list under midterms, due dates and social media feeds that continue to pile up, but dedicating 30 to 60 minutes three to four days a week to exercise and choosing eco-friendly options like walking or biking are easy ways to stay fit without any additional planning.

De Anza College also offers a variety of physical education courses on campus. Body sculpting, introductory tennis and swimming are available to burn off extra calories during the school day.

De Anza's track and field is open to students and the

public from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. on weekdays for those who enjoy running and circuit training.

When looking for fun ways to incorporate exercise into a lively social life; try out dating in ways that break a sweat. Bored of typical movie and dinner dates? Hit the hiking trail, bowling alley or challenge your date to something new.

"We usually do bets and... like, if you don't do this then you have to do five push ups," Kristallyne Rullama,

machines offered quarterly for students looking for alternative exercise options like yoga and weight lifting.

"I'm taking a strength development class this quarter," said Orland Abravio, biological science major. "It's a good way to stay committed to lifting"

Taking VTA buses with De Anza's Eco-pass, biking and skateboarding, and parking far from campus are simple transportation methods to incorporate into an everyday routine.



communications major, said. "He's more active than me and does track, so being active together helps me understand him more."

The Lifetime and Wellness Center, located in the physical education quad, is complete with weight and cardio

Integrating activities that don't feel like grueling exercise will help you stay fit while decreasing stress during the remaining weeks of the quarter. Hit the track, ride a bike, or go on an active adventure around the Bay Area with a friend.

## Weekend in photos: Cupertino Cherry Blossom Festival



The Northern California Naginata Federation demonstrates sparring at Memorial Park during the Cupertino Cherry Blossom Festival on Saturday April 25. **NANG HLAING | LA VOZ STAFF**

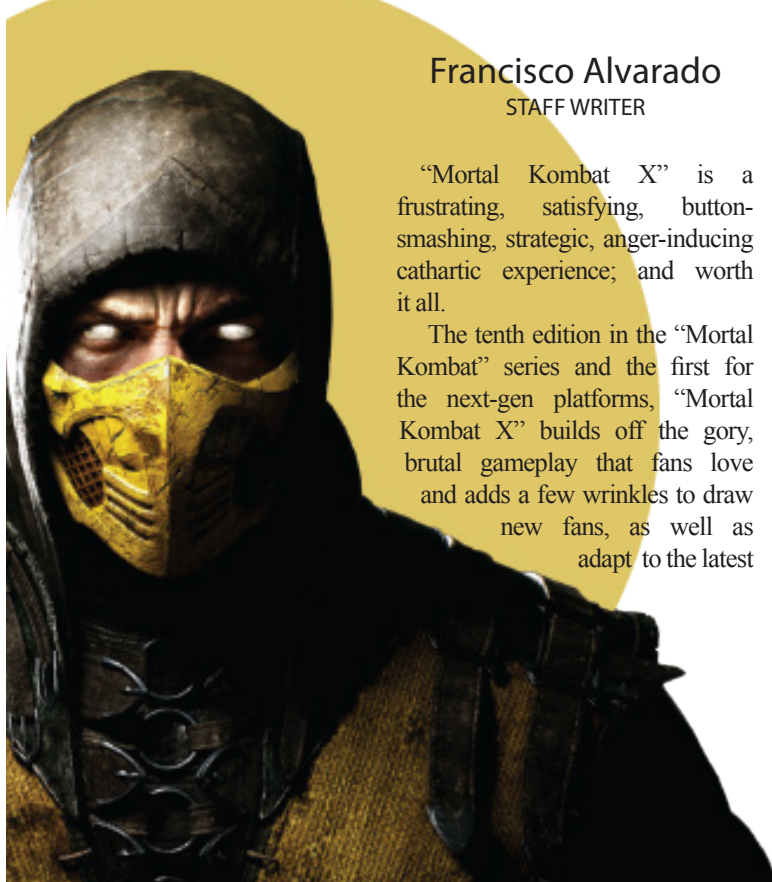


Cupertino resident Ruby Seto, from the Japanese Embroidery Center, stiches traditional Japanese embroidery at a cultural demonstration on Sunday April 26 at the Cupertino Cherry Blossom Festival. **NANG HLAING | LA VOZ STAFF**



Members of Aikido of Silicon Valley demonstrate fighting techniques on Saturday April 25. **CHAU NGUYEN | LA VOZ STAFF**

## GAME REVIEW: *Mortal Kombat X*



Francisco Alvarado  
STAFF WRITER

"Mortal Kombat X" is a frustrating, satisfying, button-smashing, strategic, anger-inducing cathartic experience; and worth it all.

The tenth edition in the "Mortal Kombat" series and the first for the next-gen platforms, "Mortal Kombat X" builds off the gory, brutal gameplay that fans love and adds a few wrinkles to draw new fans, as well as adapt to the latest

demands of online gaming.

The game (played on the PS4), like previous editions, features a story mode that provides several hours of gameplay.

The story was a pleasant surprise with decent writing and compelling plot, weaving through the point-of-view concept the series used in previous games seamlessly.

The campaign begins 20 years in the past in the midst of a war between the realms of Earthrealm, our world, and the Netherrealm, the games underworld dimension. The evil sorcerer Quan Chi has resurrected the warriors who died in the story of the previous game "Mortal Kombat," and uses them to wage a war for his master Shinnok, an evil elder god.

The Netherrealm forces are defeated by the courage of Earthrealm warriors like Johnny Cage, and the realms return to balance.

Fast-forward to the present and the story begins to introduce the latest additions to the roster of playable, as many of the new characters are the sons, daughters, and grandchildren of classic characters.

A civil war breaks out in Outworld, another dimension in the Mortal Kombat Universe, and the spectres of Quan Chi and Shinnok lurk in the back of everyone's minds, as the old generation and new fight together to maintain the peace.

The real value in this game, however, is the online gameplay.

The developers added a faction system, in which players generate points for their respective factions by playing matches, completing the story and other challenges.

Besides gaining points for your faction, each faction has its own "faction kill" fatality, or special finisher, which is satisfying to achieve against online opponents.

Another aspect of the faction system is the faction invasions, or wars, in which players have 24-hours to generate as many points as possible for their faction in order

to win the war and reap the rewards at the end.

It's not all nice in the online arena.

The "Mortal Kombat" games have notoriously difficult online gameplay, with professional gamers amongst the amateurs, and others using any exploit they can to win.

This makes playing matches against others frustrating at times. OK, a lot of the time.

Prepare to put in hours in practice mode if you want to succeed against others online.

The game looks amazing compared to the last "Mortal Kombat." The last game in the series was released on the previous generation consoles, but fans can appreciate waiting four years for "X" when it looks and plays at this level of quality.

Overall, the game has immense replay value, despite the very real frustrating qualities it possesses.

Final Rating: **10/10**



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## EDITORIAL

## ALL COPS NOT TO BLAME FOR ROGUES

## LA VOZ

Editorial Board

Law enforcement, as a whole, is not the enemy. There are many incompetent cops, but the majority of police officers should not be judged by the actions of the incompetent minority.

The most recent protests and incidents of violence in Baltimore began when a local 25-year-old man, Freddie Gray, died after a group of police officers ignored his requests for medical assistance and failed to properly secure his safety restraints when loading him into a police

van after his arrest.

Senior members of the Baltimore police department condemned the actions of these police officers, calling their failure to call for medical assistance and properly secure Gray inside the vehicle indefensible.

Six Baltimore police officers involved in Gray's death will face charges, according to a CNN report. The charges are a just and appropriate response to the gross negligence these officers displayed during Gray's arrest.

The individuals who should not be punished are police officers who do their jobs properly. Most officers are brave men and women who serve their

communities knowing it could cost them their lives.

In San Jose, Officer Michael Johnson died after being shot by a local man during a domestic violence call last March. His fellow officers fired back to protect both the police and any members of the community the shooter might have targeted.

In this case, police used lethal force appropriately. Calling it unjustified based on previously established views of a few incapable officers would be a dishonor to the officers who gave or risked their lives responding to this dangerous call.

All of these incidents are different and need to be treated as such if any

improvements are going to be made to how police do their jobs.

The incidents are different and cannot be viewed the same way.

There are ways police work could be improved. There are many cities where police departments do not adequately understand or represent the communities they serve.

But the way we improve policing is by evaluating each instance of alleged police misconduct separately and drawing conclusions that are not influenced by preconceived bias.

If we treat all cops as the enemy progress becomes impossible.

## Melon's Pantry



BY MELODY JASMIN ABERIN

## Of course U.S. is ready for Mrs. President



Neda Sarrami  
STAFF WRITER

America is definitely ready for a female president.

This topic has been around forever, and although most citizens pride themselves on being open-minded, that has not been apparent in our political decisions until the last presidential election in 2008 when Barack Obama, the first African-American president, was elected.

The closer we get to the 2016 elections and the more hyped people get about it, the more often you see the words "Is America Ready For a Female President?". If you Google those words, you'll be surprised at how outdated people's ideas really are.

"On the positive side of gender achievement, the U.S. House is for the first time headed by a woman, San Franciscan Nancy Pelosi," according to an article in SFGate.com. There are constant efforts to undermine her accomplishments, even though this congresswoman has been elected and re-elected four times in the last eight years.

When asked about America's readiness in an interview with SALON Magazine, Pelosi said, "The American people are very, very ready for a woman president... because the people are far ahead, as I say, of the elected, on the subject of a woman being president."

CNN News' most recent poll, conducted on 2016 voters, showed without a doubt that our nation is ready for a woman

in charge.

"Ninety percent of the people [we] polled say they would vote for a woman for president

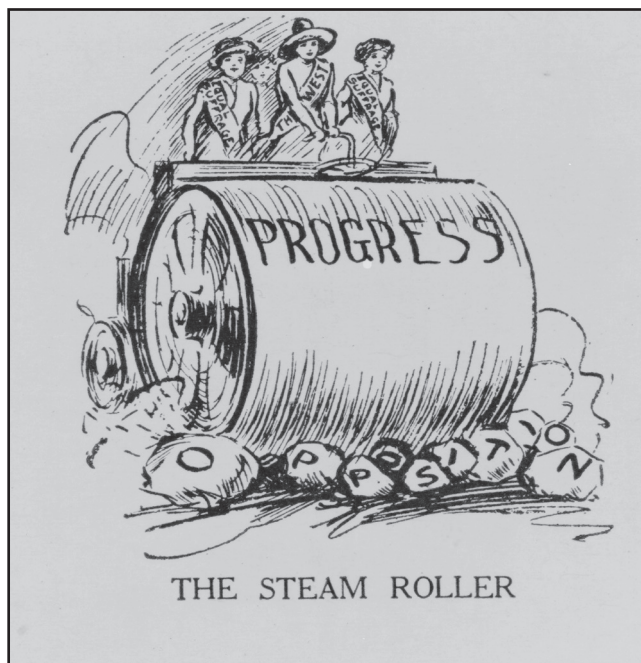


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and 75 percent say a female president would be a good thing for the country," according to CNN.

There has been more female involvement in politics as well

as an increase in the effects of the feminist movement that started years ago. Nowadays, the idea of women being in the spotlight of the nation's affairs is considerably less foreign than it was in 2008 when Hillary Clinton first ran for the Democratic Party nomination.

Moreover, according to a Huffington Post poll originally conducted in January 2007 and taken again in March 2015, the majority of voters from all parties—yes, that includes the Republican party—are now saying the U.S. is ready for a female president.

Yes, America is ready for a female president. America is ready for change—something new will be good for us.

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## Badminton: Makes state championship

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The De Anza College women's badminton team is headed for its third consecutive trip to the State Championship after its 13-8 victory over Fresno on April 23.

After a tie in the first singles session, the game became louder and more intense. Players who finished their matches joined small but supportive groups of fans, screaming with each nice shot and encouraging players for the rest of time.

Defeating Fresno 7-4 in the first doubles and 11-6 in the second singles made the win obvious, and the De Anza team and fans relaxed. The head coach said he was relieved, and the player Aileen Ngo said she felt it was "the weight off the shoulders."

"They want to be back there," said head coach Mark Landefeld.

Landefeld explained that even though De Anza had to deal with injuries he was impressed. The, "girls fought very hard, and just having the courage to push on through this match was really important."

Badminton player Alice Liu, 20, cognitive science major, said that cheering helped to keep the spirit of the team.

Ngo noted that, the team has a lot of newcomers, some of whom have never played badminton before, but even though the team is not as strong as it was the two past years, they continued to play at the same high level as the

previous years.

"It's kind of unfortunate that the success of the last two years casts such a shadow," Landefeld said. He called the present season outstanding and said Liu and Megan Hsiao, 18, psychology major, are "probably, one of the top two doubles team in the

state."

During the Thursday game, one of the newcomers, Julia Malakiman, DASB president, played this season for the first time and played well Landefeld said.

"It's really helpful to have somebody who has some quality experience as a double player," he said.

The De Anza team members left the court with their heads held high, excited to come back in two weeks. The head coach said their possible opponents in the State Championship are Pasadena and San Diego College, which have really strong programs, and the De Anza team should need to play really well to win.

"We can be the second best team the rest of the year, but on the day of the final we will find the way to be the better team," Landefeld said.

"Every single one of us, we trained so much to get better just for this match, and I'm so proud and happy!"

- Aileen Ngo, 19, veterinarian technician major



**CARMEN KAPANGA | LA VOZ STAFF**  
Julia Malakiman and Aileen Ngo play badminton against two Fresno students at De Anza on April 23.

## Badminton star is born

**Carmen Kapanga**  
STAFF WRITER

Angelina Lee was introduced to badminton when she was in her elementary school PE class. She enjoyed the individuality of the sport and celebrating her success with her teammates as a child.

It wasn't until Lee had to transfer to De Anza College from Washington State University because of family issues, that she ruminated the idea of badminton.

When she began school at De Anza, she decided to look for a sport that would keep her more active and also meet her physical education requirements, so she decided to give badminton another try.

De Anza has one of the best badminton programs, having been state champions two years in a row and attempting their third win. "We have a really good group of individuals here," Lee said. "We are all dedicated and hard working, I believe we can pull our third win."

"It's been a lot of fun to have her on the team this year. Although she's an older student, she has a great spirit and tries her best to get out there and compete to her best ability," said

head coach Mark Landefeld.

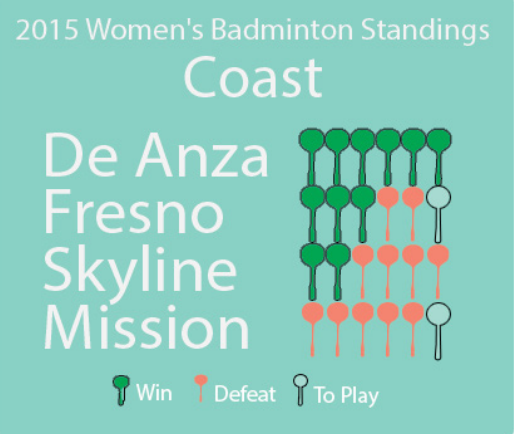
Lee said she has plans to transfer to San Jose State in the fall, "I would love to continue playing badminton, but San

"What I really enjoy about the sport is that it's a really easy sport to get into. You instantly enjoy it."

-Angelina Lee, 21, hospitality major

Jose has no team, just a club, so we'll see how that turns out" Lee said.

Lee said that her main goal is to achieve her masters after getting her degree.



## BASEBALL: SKYLINE ABRUPTLY ENDS DONS SEASON

**Talina Rocha**  
SPORTS EDITOR

A controversial end to a roller coaster ride of a season for the De Anza College baseball team who fell to Skyline College 3-1 in a single elimination game on Tuesday, April 28.

Pitcher Alex Martinez started the game hot, throwing a high 80s low 90s.

Skyline got on board early in the third inning, making it 1-0. Freshmen Joey Shimono scored in the fourth inning tying the game 1-1 with a double from Cris Castillo.

A double by Castillo gave life to the ball game and encouraged the Dons to have hope. The feeling of possibly moving on to play a three game series against Delta College in the next round seemed within arms reach.

The score remained tied through the next three innings as left-handed pitcher Alex Zarate stepped in to relieve Martinez in the bottom of the sixth.

Zarate gave up two runs and Skyline took the lead 3-1, crushing the spirits of the Dons as they saw their opportunity to advance slowly crumble.

Determined to get back in

the game, first baseman Justin Edgar led off the eighth inning with a base hit, which allowed him to get on base. He then tried to steal second, but was thrown out.

"This team was very over achieving and determined to do what it takes to go above and beyond this season."

-Head coach Erick Raich

Umpires raised speculation on a potential rules violation by De Anza, debating whether pitcher Zarate should have been allowed to hit when the Dons moved designated hitter Martinez to third base replacing Tyler Walters.

"We've been doing this all year," head coach Erick Raich said. "I don't know why it was

such a big deal now."

After a 45-minute delay, the umpires came to the conclusion that the change was indeed legal and resumed the game in the ninth.

With the tying runs on base, two outs and Isaiah FitzHugh at bat, anything was possible. He saw one pitch and grounded out to third, which ended the game and knocked De Anza out of playoffs.

"We played our hearts out, and I know that the bigger picture was that this was the best season De Anza baseball has had in 12 year's," said Zarate.

"I'm sad. I'm very sad. They are a very great group and I wanted to see them go far," said Raich.



**Left:** Freshman pinch-hitter Abraham Arias (44) steps up to the plate in the top of the eighth representing the game-tying run.



**Right:** Freshman Center fielder Ryan Johnson (10) reaches base on an error by the Trojans third baseman. The Dons had the leadoff man on four of the nine innings and only scored one run at Skyline College on April 28.





Talina Rocha  
SPORTS EDITOR

# How far will the Golden State Warriors advance in the playoffs?



“All the way. They have depth on the bench and their defense is much better than last years.”

Cassie Polini, 20,  
accounting major



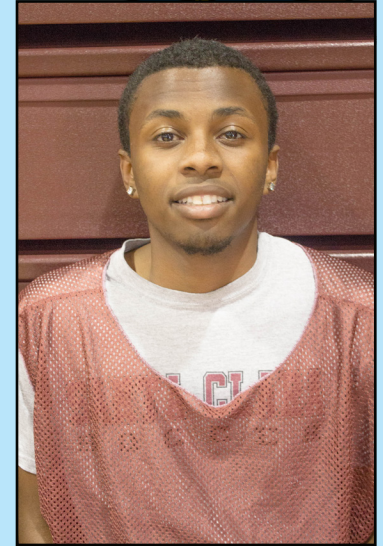
“They’re going to take it all be cause they have the Bay behind their backs supporting them.”

Rajaee Delane, 20,  
photojournalism major



“They will take the championship. They are a very young talented team with great stamina.”

Jovan Flores, 23,  
psychology major



“They’re going all they way. The amazing duo of Klay and Steph -- anything is possible.”

Marcus Wells, 20,  
undeclared major



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