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## Art at the Euphrat

Faculty and staff work featured in exhibition



**Top of page:** "My Direction" by Kimberly Cook is a slightly eerie yet remarkably beautiful ceramic sculpture.

**Above:** "Eat, Drink, Vote" by students in Eugene Rodriguez's Spring quarter art class.

**Right:** A direct response to "Eat, Drink, Vote" by curator Diana Argabrite, named "Decolonize." All edible aspects will be donated to students, proof that art can be sustainable.



### Maria Ortiz Coll STAFF REPORTER

The Euphrat Museum of Art is hosting a De Anza and Foothill Art Faculty and Staff Show through Dec. 1.

This bi-yearly show is held during Fall quarter at De Anza, and boasts a high rate of participation among the art faculty of both colleges: 95 percent. Participants say the show emphasizes the diversity of art media and the closeness between both campuses.

Sculpture, painting, mixed media, photography and ceramics show the talent of the faculties from De Anza and Foothill colleges. Vivid and colorful paintings contrast with the polemical meaning in them. A mix of controversial works regarding voting to fantasy alike lead the visitor to daydreaming worlds.

Among with photographs and paintings the "Eat, Drink, Vote" exhibition by students in Eugene Rodriguez's Spring 2016 Design and Color class stands out. Tangible brochures and posters discuss the food insecurity among college students, showing that there are students who skip meals or have no money to eat in regular basis. The display illustrates how powerful can art be when it has a strong idea behind it.

"Decolonizing," an installation art by Diana Argabrite, director of the Arts & Schools Program at the Euphrat, was inspired by the book "Decolonize Your Diet." She wanted to respond to the "Eat, Drink, Vote" student exhibition, by gathering hundreds of mason jars with different kind of beans and nuts forming a native pattern.

"I'd like to see art that has a full circle," Argabrite said.

### COMMUNITY

## Measure B to decrease traffic and offer more mass transit

### Andrew Pouliot NEWS EDITOR

Traffic in the South Bay has grown worse in the last few years, according to a report by the Silicon Valley Leadership Group. There is no sign that the situation will improve without the passing of Measure B.

The measure is on the ballot for Santa Clara County this year.

Voting yes on the measure would mean passing a 25 cent general sales tax, which is estimated to bring in over \$38 million a year.

Carl Guardino, the CEO of the Silicon Valley Leadership Group, has spearheaded a committee of private citizens that are gathering support for Measure B.

"We aim to bring more traffic relief and transit alternatives to Santa Clara County," Guardino said in an interview with La Voz News.

Measure B has three main goals: relieve traffic, provide more transit options, and fix the crumbling condition of roads and streets within the county. The leadership group has worked with the Valley Transit Authority, CalTrans CalTrain, and the councils and departments of all 15

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**Monday, Oct. 24**

**FILM SCREENING: "RIGHT FOOTED"**  
**2- 4 p.m., Campus Center Conference Rooms A&B**  
 "Right Footed" is a documentary about martial artist, disability rights activist and pilot, Filipina American Jessica Cox. Ride along on her journey as she overcomes adversity, finds romance, and inspires the world.

**Wednesday, Oct. 12**

**WHY VOTE AND FOOD FOR THOUGHT**  
**5:30- 9 p.m. Campus Center Conference Room A**  
 At this interactive forum, students can learn from community groups about crucial California ballot measures as well as county and city measures. Free food provided!

**Thursday, Oct. 13**

**WOMEN OF COLOR AND THE VOTE**  
**10:30 a.m.- 11:20 a.m. MLC 112**  
 Join Rev. Wilma Jakobsen in "South African Women's Political Activism."

**Thursday, Oct. 13**

**CLUB DAY**  
**11:30 a.m.- 1:30 p.m. Main Quad**  
 Learn all about all the different clubs De Anza has to offer!

**Monday, Oct. 17**

**TRANSFER DAY**  
**10 a.m.- 1 p.m. Main Quad**  
 Reps from more than 60 colleges and universities will be on campus to talk about admissions and transfer requirements.

**Tuesday, Oct. 18**

**HIP HOP EDUCATION SUMMIT**  
**10:30 a.m.- 4 p.m. Conference Rooms A&B**  
 Students are invited to find their voice and empowerment through Hip Hop and Higher Education, and learn about the services provided by the Men of Color Community. The event includes student-led workshops, and lunch is provided.

**Wednesday, Oct. 19**

**WOMEN OF COLOR AND THE VOTE**  
**9:30 a.m.- 10:20 a.m.**  
 Join Mayra Cruz in "Running for Elected Office as a Woman of Color"

**Wednesday, Oct. 19- Thursday, Oct. 20**

**FLU VACCINATION CLINIC**  
**9 a.m.- 3 p.m. Don Bautista Center**  
 Get your free flu shot!

**Saturday, Oct. 22**

**SANTA CLARA VALLEY ARCHIVES CRAWL**  
**10 a.m.- 2 p.m. California History Center**  
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 Library Room 237  
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 Tuesday, Nov. 15 at 1:30 p.m.  
 Monday, Nov. 28 at 4 p.m.

**UC Workshop**  
 Tuesday, Oct. 25

**Faculty/Staff Art Show**  
 Euphrat Museum of Art  
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For all of your on-campus dining needs, visit the FOOD COURT in the upper level of the Hinson Center.

10/24	<b>SOUP</b> Chicken Tortilla <b>PIZZA</b> Hawaiian Ham <b>PASTA</b> Pasta Special	10/25	<b>SOUP</b> Beef Pot Roast <b>PIZZA</b> Roast Chicken, Ranch	10/26	<b>SOUP</b> Cream of Mushroom <b>PIZZA</b> Vegetarian Combo	10/27	<b>SOUP</b> Tequila Chicken Fiesta <b>PIZZA</b> BBQ Chicken with Green Onions	10/28	<b>SOUP</b> New England Clam Chowder <b>PIZZA</b> Chef's Choice
10/31	<b>SOUP</b> Chicken Noodle Soup <b>PIZZA</b> Roast Chicken <b>PASTA</b> Pasta Special	11/01	<b>SOUP</b> Italian Wedding Soup <b>PIZZA</b> Italian Meat Lovers	11/02	<b>SOUP</b> Cream of Celery <b>PIZZA</b> California Bacon <b>PASTA</b> Chicken Fajita Bowtie Pasta	11/03	<b>SOUP</b> Butternut Squash <b>PIZZA</b> Mediterranean Feta	11/04	<b>SOUP</b> New England Clam Chowder <b>PIZZA</b> Chef's Choice

# MEET YOUR STUDENT GOVERNMENT

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DIVERSITY AND EVENTS	STUDENT COUNCIL CHAMBERS	MONDAY	4:00 PM
MARKETING	SENATE OFFICE	THURSDAY	1:30 PM
ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY	SENATE OFFICE	FRIDAY	2:30 PM
ADMINISTRATION	SENATE OFFICE	SUNDAY	12:00 PM
TECHNOLOGY	SENATE OFFICE	FRIDAY	9:30 AM
EXECUTIVE ADVISORY	SENATE OFFICE	SUNDAY	10:00 AM

# Measure B to decrease traffic and offer more mass transit

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towns and cities in Santa Clara County for three years to bring Measure B to the ballot.

Measure B has collected \$900 million in federal money and \$835 million in state money for the improvements.

“If we hadn’t created a local measure,” Guardino said, “that money might have gone to different regions in the state.”

“The first thing we want to do is finish the BART extension that’s being built into Silicon Valley,” Guardino said. “The first ten miles of the BART extension are not only being built right now, but the project is a year ahead of schedule, \$75 million under budget, and it opens for passenger service in the fall of 2017.”

The BART extension will have two stations, one in Milpitas and one in the North San Jose neighborhood of Berryessa. The station in Milpitas will have platform-to-platform connections with the Light Rail System. Measure B would add six additional miles to the BART extension, with four more stations at the Five Wounds Church in Alum Rock, San Jose State University, the SAP Center, and Santa Clara University.

The station at SAP Center has platform connections to Diridon Station, which will enable passengers to move from BART to shuttle buses or CalTrain; the station at Santa Clara University is across from the Norman Y. Mineta San Jose International Airport, enabling passengers to use the three-terminal transit system so that they can get to their flights.

“BART carries over 440,000 weekday riders,” Guardino said. “They are choice riders, which means they make the choice to take BART instead of driving, which means less cars on our roads every day.”

Funding the BART extensions adds 90,000 more weekday riders from the San Jose area, further decreasing road congestion in the county, Guardino said.

CalTrain carries 65,000 weekday riders, a number that has steadily risen every month for four years straight, Guardino said. “Measure B will provide funding for electrifying CalTrain, nearly doubling ridership to 110,000 weekday riders.”

Currently, CalTrain uses diesel-powered trains, which can pull five or six train cars of passengers. “With electrified train cars, CalTrain can pull eight train cars,” Guardino said. “You can also run them more close together because they start and stop faster than diesel trains.”

Two of three riders on CalTrain are choice riders, according to Guardino. The third rider, which adds up to 300,000 people every year, are senior citizens, students, disabled persons, or the working poor.

“They don’t have a choice, they don’t own a car, or they’re no longer able to use a car,” Guardino said. “We can’t leave them stranded at the curb. Half a billion dollars is going into retaining and growing lifeline service and core transit service for those who need it.”

The Measure B report released by the leadership group indicates that Santa Clara County has become the second most congested area in California, behind Los Angeles.

According to the leadership group report, the average car trip in Santa Clara County is five miles; 28 of 100 car trips are only two miles. With 330 days of sunny weather every year, Measure B will infuse \$250 million into installing bicycle and pedestrian facilities and safety improvements, especially near schools (with priority on colleges and universities).

“Many trails end at creeks

or freeway interchanges,” Guardino said. “We want to make it safer by closing gaps and making a system county-wide for biking.”

Supporters of Measure B also want to improve Highway 85, which has become one of the most congested roads in California. The highway was originally built in 1995 in response to worsening traffic in the county, a project Carl Guardino supported and worked on.

“The center median on Highway 85 is empty,” Guardino said. “It was always planned, but never funded, for a future form of transit.”

If Measure B passes, Guardino explained, then the VTA, with existing funds, will conduct an alternatives analysis, which is a legal process for looking at all the alternatives for that corridor. Once the study is complete, the VTA would select the right transit medium to put in that empty corridor. The plan would not take away existing lanes, but utilize the empty centerline for something like bus transit or light rail.

The Sierra Club is one of the outspoken opponents to Measure B. Gladwyn D’Souza, who represents the Loma Prieta chapter of the Sierra Club in Palo Alto, cited five reasons the Sierra Club stands against the measure: Deception, lack of accountability, impacts of reduced public transportation, climate change and lack of alternatives.

“VTA has a history, of offering one set of projects in a measure, and doing something else with the money,” D’Souza said in an email. “The rail connection from San Jose Airport to BART, light rail and CalTrain were all cancelled. Light rail and CalTrain extensions in past measures were also cancelled.”

According to D’Souza, the

VTA has actually given up on their multibillion-dollar light rail system. The VTA wanted the empty center lane on Highway 85 to be used for a new light rail system until a few weeks ago, when they apparently scrapped that idea in favor of turning the center lane into a toll road.

Guardino had indicated the opposite. “The center median had always been set aside for a form of transit ... when you do an alternatives analysis, you’re not supposed to bias it with a conclusion that you’re already driving to, but what most people talk about is either bus rapid transit, or light rail,” he said. “The VTA will set their criteria, whether it be traffic congestion relief, or greenhouse gas emission reduction, or getting the most people out of their cars, but the ultimate goal is a future form of transit. There is absolutely no interest in making toll roads out of the center line.”

The Libertarian Party has also been a long-standing opponent to Measure B because they oppose taxation. The leadership group has supported measures for open spaces and affordable housing in the past, which were all strongly opposed by the Libertarian Party.

Mark Hinkle, the president of the Silicon Valley Taxpayers Association, explained that the association does not have a direct link to the Libertarian Party, but several board members in the Taxpayers Association are also members of the Libertarian Party.

“The Silicon Valley Taxpayers Association does not support Measure B because we don’t need taxpayer dollars for these projects,” Hinkle said. “There is no reason to burden taxpayers with extra taxes.”

“We aim to bring more traffic relief and transit alternatives to Santa Clara County.”

-Carl Guardino, CEO, Silicon Valley Leadership Group

# Man impersonating officer urged student into his car

Andrew Pouliot  
NEWS EDITOR

A man identifying himself as an undercover Foothill-De Anza Police officer attempted to lure a female student into his car at 8:40p.m. on Wednesday, Oct 19, according to a Foothill-De Anza Police email.

The incident took place in Lot A. The man reportedly told the student that she “shouldn’t be walking alone” and that he should “give her a ticket.” At that point the man urged her to get into his car. The student told police the

man’s comments were forceful and aggressive, and that there were two other passengers in the vehicle.

When another car drove between her and the man’s car, she was able to escape to her own vehicle.

The driver is described as Middle Eastern, with a thin build, and hair shaved on the sides and slightly longer and wavy on top. He spoke with a slight accent and wore a grey T-shirt. The car is described as a black four-door BMW sedan, possibly a 2010-2013 model, with heavily tinted windows.

The student could not describe the other two passengers because

of the tint on the windows.

No one at Foothill-De Anza Police could be reached for comment because they cannot talk about ongoing investigations

Anyone with information regarding this incident, or anyone who sees anything suspicious, should contact the Foothill-De Anza Police Department at (408) 924-8000.

Foothill-De Anza Police reminds students and staff they can request a nighttime police escort by calling (650) 949-7313.



Left: FHDA Police released this sketch of the suspect.

# PROPOSITION 51 • Opposition on ‘first come, first serve’ clause

**Jonathan Dupin**  
STAFF REPORTER

As California gets ready to vote on a proposition which could add \$9 billion in debt to fund schools, according to the Ballotpedia report on Proposition 51, opponents are calling for a no vote and advocating instead for a fairer system of allocation for the sum in question.

While nobody questions the intentions of the bill, the reality of its implementation is troubling to some. The measure would, theoretically, fund the needed repairs and any new construction for California schools, community colleges, state colleges and universities.

But questions are being raised as to why the Foothill-De Anza board would endorse a system described by critics as first come first serve, and unfair towards

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**-Brian Murphy,  
De Anza College president**

schools not wealthy enough to hire private consultants.

“As a matter of principle The Foothill-De Anza board would never support something knowing that it would disadvantage another district,” said college President Brian Murphy.

According to Ballotpedia, this

education proposition is the first to have been citizen-initiated and not legislatively referred. Since 1914, out of the 42 education related bond measures to have made it to ballot, this one is the first of its kind.

While both the Democratic and Republican party of California are

on record as supporting the measure, Governor Jerry Brown opposes it.

Brown described the effort to pass the bill as one which “promotes sprawl and squanders money that would be far better spent in low-income communities”.

One proposed solution to the issue of equitable distribution would be to circumvent state bonds and attempt and pass local bonds, which have a high success rate of passing and are better allocated.

“That’s never an either or,” said Murphy on why the board would choose a state bond over local bonds.

The other option would be to go through with a similar bond measure but to restructure the system of distribution in a manner not based what critics are calling a broken system.

## Senators confirmed at DASB Senate meeting

**Jonathan Dupin**  
STAFF REPORTER

The De Anza Student Body Senate appointed eight new senators to fill vacant seats Wednesday, Oct 12.

Fifteen candidates competed for eight positions on the senate. Joshua Alfaro, Arya Suprana, Carlos Duran, Ola Elatta, Desiree Humphers, Alejandro Torres, Sara Elizeiny and Tri Le were selected as new senators.

The candidates introduced themselves and expressed their desires for the upcoming school year, along with the committee they wished to join. The candidates also expressed why they wished to be senators and explained their experience which merits them the position.

Senators asked prospective candidates what they wished to change and propose to the higher ups on campus.

The majority of candidates appeared to be unprepared, listing recurring themes which ranged from generic complaints about parking and Wi-Fi to ideas about senate marketing and a lack of on-campus events.

One candidate proposed a “Bread and Circuses” style DASB, where food and events would be the new priority of the senate. This was met with deep skepticism.

Despite tensions and inefficient communication, the Senate analyzed each candidate in depth. In addition to the presentations and forms, what ever other senators knew of each candidate’s history and work ethic was taken into account as well.

The examination process involved asking candidates about how they would achieve goals and whether or not they would continue their work for the college if they were elected. The Senate based their decisions on how the new candidates presented themselves.

## De Anza not partnered with Foothill College’s new Sunnyvale educational center

**Matthew Granger**  
STAFF REPORTER

A new satellite campus of Foothill College has opened in Sunnyvale, on the site of the former Onizuka Air Force Station.

Onizuka Air Force Station was known for supporting every Space Shuttle mission ever launched until its closure in July 2010, and was named after Ellis Onizuka the first Asian-American in space. Onizuka was killed in the Challenger explosion in 1986.

“We plan to get artifacts from Onizuka AFS into the building as a way to showcase the history of it,” Craig Gawlick, the campus supervisor for Sunnyvale Center said.

Foothill College had been renting property in Palo Alto for its Middlefield campus since the mid-1980s, but in 2006 a bond measure was passed to help secure a permanent home for a satellite campus that Foothill would own instead of renting. The money that had been for land and a new building ended up only being used to construct the building.

“The land was given to the school by the Department of Education in February 2013 by a Federal public benefit conveyance,” Gawlick said. This means that the Federal Government was able to grant the land to the school district to be used for educational purposes.

The new building contains 19 classrooms. According to Gawlick, one of those classrooms is used by Mission College, giving them the ability to

schedule classes at the Sunnyvale location. All rooms in the building are now open to students at Foothill. “There is a pretty robust morning schedule,”

Gawlick said. A few of the programs highlighted were the morning EMT/Paramedic program and the non-credit ESL program as well.

“There might be another bond. I think the land might be planned for more structures,” Gawlick said. “We’re really just focused on students in the building. That’s the main concern at the moment.”

It is unclear why the new site is not available to De Anza. Gawlick referred that question to De Anza College administration.

“It’s possible that at some point De Anza College might become more involved with the Sunnyvale Center,” Associate Vice President of Communications and External Relations Marissa Spatafore said in an email. “At least initially, this was more of Foothill project, particularly given that college’s need to move its off-campus programs from the previous location in Palo Alto.”

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# Students represent at Fall quarter Club Day

Jamie Lamping  
Amanda Penrod  
STAFF REPORTERS



**Above:** Julio Alford, 20, music major, Kayla Wilson, 18, child development major, Leslie Buendia, 20, kinesiology major, Crystal Hakins, 25, child development major, Sierra Cook, 18, art history major, Sayaka Makino, 19, theater arts major promote the Cheer and Dance Team in the main quad at Club Day on Thursday, Oct. 13.



**Left:** Members of the K-Pop dance club perform in the main quad.

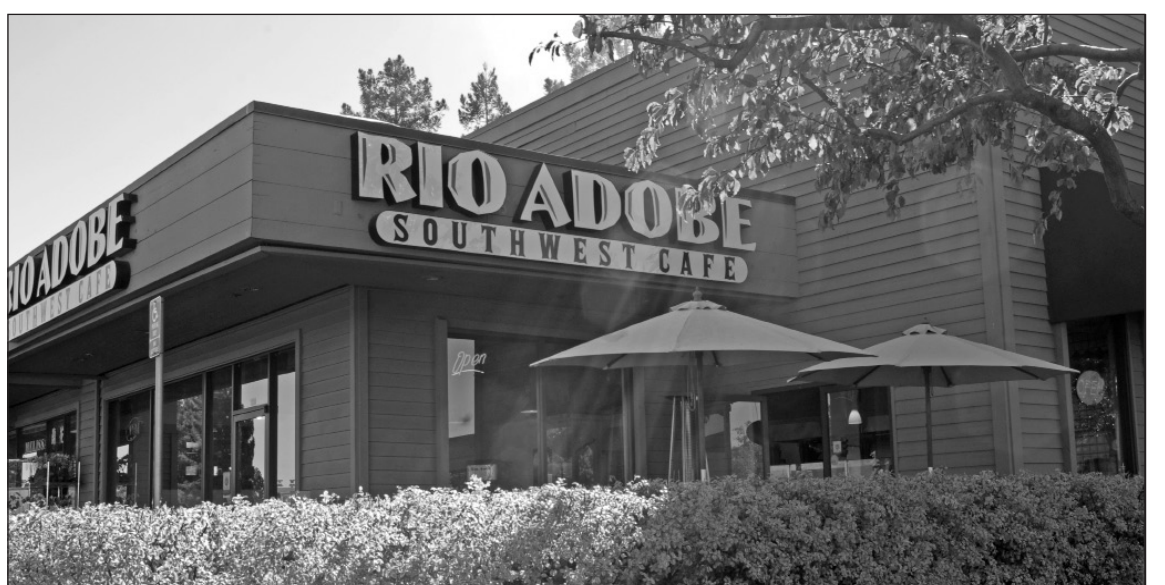


**Above:** Students gather in the main quad to see what De Anza's clubs have to offer.

**Left:** Members of the K-Pop Dance Club strike a pose at their booth.



**Above:** Sierra Shepard, 20, communications major and Katherine Nunura, 23, nursing major at their booth for SaltWorks, a Christian club.



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# Hip-hop as an expressive platform for social justice

**Jamie Lamping**  
STAFF REPORTER

The Hip-Hop Education Summit was hosted on Oct. 18 by the Men of Color Community, or MC2, a De Anza outreach program.

The summit aimed to focus on the struggles of men of color through the lens of hip-hop said Erick Aragon, the outreach counselor and co-coordinator for the Men of Color Community. The purpose of the summit was to reach out to men of color and teach others about the struggles men of color face, using hip-hop as a platform.

The event hosted workshops ranging from “Compartmentalization: Hip-Hop and Hyper-Masculinity” to “Pedagogy of a Hip Hop Head: The Top Dog Entertainment Experience.”

There were also live performances, an open mic and a dance performance from AngleBots. De Anza President Brian Murphy also made an appearance.

“It wasn’t hip-hop itself, it was about life, using hip-hop as a lens to understand it,” said Erick Aragon. For Aragon, music is a way to express and understand people’s stories.

The Men of Color Community started up at the beginning of this Fall quarter after planning and working with mentors for a year.

Aragon said that MC2 offers several different services aside from counseling, including workshops, empowerment and campus tours. They also have plans to host more events this quarter.

“What was really powerful was the vulnerability. Hip-hop is usually hyper-masculine but to see the people break, I think that’s a new message that is really key.”

—Mellissaann Nievera-Lozano  
Pacific Islander history and culture professor

Mellissaann Nievera-Lozano, professor of Pacific Islander history and culture, and Chasity Samifua-Iulio, 23, a liberal arts major, both agreed that the program has an impact. “What was really powerful was the vulnerability,” said Nievera-Lozano. “Hip-hop is usually hyper masculine but to see people break, I think that’s a new message that is really key.”

“I like the reality of it,” said Samifua-Iulio, “It’s not just the music and just what you hear, it’s more about how you feel on the inside and then letting it out and expressing it. then people in the crowd taking that in, and feeling that with you.”

Nievera-Lozano was surprised the summit was not only about the elements of hip-hop but rather focused on societal issues. She was also glad that students continued to support another, especially during the open mic.

“I learned that De Anza students are hella supportive,” said Nievera-Lozano. “De Anza always has a place for someone from anywhere for anything.”

# Progressive for Educating the community

**Yane An**  
STAFF REPORTER

Eighteen progressive South Bay organizations came together at De Anza College’s campus to inform over eighty voters of the propositions and measures on the upcoming ballot.

Attendees ate pizza and ice cream while organizer and student Pedro Alberto, 24, philosophy major, introduced the speakers and the ultimate goal of empowering the voters through nonpartisan education.

The ballot this year involves seventeen propositions at the state level that directly affect community in many ways. Each speaker presented a summary of the proposition, arguments for either side and what groups were in support and against.

The agenda gave the floor to each topic for five minutes. Speakers included members of the Green Party of Santa Clara County, the San Jose Peace and Justice Center, the Coalition for Justice and Accountability, De Anza College’s Office of Equity and many others.

Audience members were given time to ask questions after each presentation, as well as a designated period for comments and questions halfway through and at the end of all presentations. The speaker on Death Penalty was absent.

After the informational session, Alberto announced that speakers would be available during breakout sessions for small group discussion. The categories were Prop. 62

and 66 on the Death Penalty, Prop. 57 on criminal justice and youth, Prop. 64 on marijuana legalization, Prop. 52 and 61 on health and Measure B on country transportation.

After 30 minutes, the speakers reported back on each of the topics and the discussion that had occurred during the breakout sessions.

“A lot of people did not agree and there were some tensions and questions and controversial topics but that’s exactly what we wanted. We didn’t want everybody to agree on everything ... discussion that weeds out bad ideas and leads up to good ideas is necessary,” Alberto said.

Matt Bolin, 23, psychology major, originally came to the event because his political science class required hours of civic engagement but found that the issues affected his life. He cited Measure B as an issue he was on the fence about as someone who used his bike as transportation.

“I get to hear the different sides of really key issues and they’re affecting the local area right here,” Bolin said.

Cynthia Kaufman, director of the Vasconcellos Institute for Democracy in Action, said it’s really important for people to come and learn about the ballot initiatives.

“Sometimes people don’t vote because they’re overwhelmed by how many initiatives there are,” said Kaufman. “So just to help explain

## La Voz News staffers awarded for journalism at regional conference



**Above:** (Clockwise from top left) Gregory Schrader, editor-in-chief; Jon Dupin, staff reporter; Yane An, student life editor; Andrew Pouliot, news editor; Adrian Dicipulo, design editor; Jasmin Remram, managing editor pose with awards Oct. 15 2016 at Northern CA JACC Conference



**Award winning photos by Adrian Dicipulo:** Police officers line the streets and protesters demonstrate during presidential candidate Donald Trump during his campaign stop in San Jose on Thursday, June 2. Protests, hats and promotional material, and violence erupted as protesters clashed with police and Trump supporters.



La Voz News design editor Adrian Discipulo won four awards at the Journalism Association of Community Colleges Northern California conference in Pittsburg, California Oct. 15. The awards – for graphics and photography, honored his 2015-16 work on a photo essay about Donald Trump protests in downtown San Jose, an infographic about the drought and an ad for De Anza Library’s Banned Book display.

Former reporter and graphic designer Laura Shkouratoff won first place for a graphic about Valentine’s Day.

La Voz staff won first place for an Editorial about efforts

to impose a social media policy that would contravene students’ First Amendment rights, and honorable mention for an editorial about student senate elections.

Two enterprise news pieces won meritorious awards for Alena Naiden, former features editor and Cassandra Amper, former reporter. Naiden’s story described the challenges faced by a disabled student who said De Anza did not accommodate her needs, and Amper interviewed a woman who was sexually assaulted at De Anza, who explained why she did not report it.

Former reporter Paul Ledesma won honorable mention for

a profile of a Persian dancer whose dancing rules.

Six current La Voz staffers and editors attended the conference, which included journalism student awards from 30 Northern California colleges.

# Forum: Why vote? Community on ballot issues



Above: (from left) Nate Viera, Joe Foster, Kyle Conner, Chris Shaw, and Jason Damjanovic volunteer at Next Door: Solutions to Domestic Violence's holiday boutique on Dec. 21, 2013.

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-Sara Elzeiny, 18, computer science major

who's funding them, who's for them, who's against them, it's just a simple way for people to understand how to vote."

VIDA was part of the coalition of organizations that hosted the event. It paid for the food and several of its students presented on propositions.

Sara Elzeiny, 18, computer science major, works in the VIDA office and saw the flyer posted online. She felt the event was an opportunity to reach a larger audience to talk about Prop. 55.

Elzeiny said her goal in speaking was educating voters on Prop. 55 and encouraging them to vote yes.

"[The ballots] are really kind of

designed to confuse you so you don't know which way to act or what's in your best interests," said Elzeiny. Having a forum and discussion about different propositions gives voters a chance to formulate their own opinions, she said, to see what other people think and not get confused by the language that's on the ballot.

Kaufman said another exciting part of the event is building community with a lot of organizations that work in the South Bay. Some people hope to form an alliance where organizations could work together to build a better world or even run candidates. VIDA cannot run candidates.

Alberto said he had hoped more students would come in, to let them know that they have to start paying attention to what's going on, citing that locally voters have more power.

"People really hunger for change, [but] we're not taking action on it. When you say this is the answer, to vote, a lot of people don't believe that," said Alberto. "But, I think it's important: How it affects your life. You have to do more. You have to be really involved, you have to care, you have to transform your own life to be able to change in the world because at this point we see that if we don't do anything quickly it's going to be really, really bad for our children."

"We might have our own aspirations in the world ... but that's not going to matter if we're not going to make it. It's a very grim future to look forward to so we have to start acting now," said Alberto.

## A learning experience not only for students, but also tutors

**Harim Chu**  
STAFF REPORTER

As the academic year continues on, the courses that students take don't get any easier. Many students find keeping up with the material given is difficult. To remedy this predicament, many students visit the De Anza College tutors.

The tutors help with many subjects, ranging from mathematics, writing and reading, world languages and other general subjects such as accounting and economics.

There are many reasons why students decide to become tutors and choose to give up their personal time to help others.

Howon Kim, a computer science major, has been tutoring at the Listening and Speaking Center for a year and a half. He said enjoys tutoring others. Kim said that he tutors others to help them accomplish their goals and knowing his efforts have changed someone's life positively brings him happiness.

On the opposite side of the tutoring spectrum where the sessions can be inefficient and frustrating, both the tutor and the tutored are victims.

When the students comes to the session unprepared and unwilling, the efficiency of the session is reduced to nearly nothing. "So for one hour we teach them only one problem," said

Minh Chau, a biological science major, who recently started his first quarter of tutoring mathematics, biology, and chemistry. Chau said that when his students come unprepared, they have to waste most of the time by letting the tutee finish their homework.

"In a workshop, I don't want to waste my time on one person trying to dig out the information or make them speak," said Tam Nguyen, a nursing and communications major, who has tutored at the Listening and Speaking center for two years.

For students who have a firm grasp over certain subjects of learning, they may be recruited as tutors. John Martin, a Statistics tutor for a year and half, was asked to become a tutor. John said one day a faculty member of the math department noticed his strong understanding of mathematics and recommended he become a tutor.

Though in the beginning John may have had a good grasp of mathematics, there was always room for improvement.

"There are things I picked up in tutoring that I remember never learning in class," said Martin.

Tutoring sessions encourages both tutors and students to learn.

The hours for the tutoring center are 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Monday through Thursday, and 12:30 p.m. on Fridays.

## Making the Cold Not so Common

**Mary Sullivan**  
GUEST COLUMNIST

We are in the middle of Fall quarter with its intensity and fast pace. Are you watching for the warning signs of the common cold, and ready to respond? Health Services realizes getting sick can greatly impact your performance and classes.

In a 2015 De Anza College Health Survey, 16 percent of the students surveyed reported that colds, the flu or sore throats had affected their individual academic performance in the last 12 months, while four percent reported a sinus, ear or respiratory illness. This means those students received a lower grade on an exam or an important project, a lower grade in a course, an incomplete or dropped a course or experienced significant disruptions in practicum work.

Exposure to rhinovirus, the bug that causes the common cold, occurs when the virus gets introduced into your body. This can occur when students touch their eyes, nose or mouth, or after touching surfaces with the virus on them, or inhaling the virus from a nearby infected person who is coughing, sneezing or even speaking. Airborne viruses can survive for days after landing on nonporous surfaces. Once the virus is in your body, symptoms usually begin two to three days later and last for two to 14 days.

Seek medical attention if you have a fever lasting more than three days or a temperature greater than 104 degrees Fahrenheit, severe sore throat more than 24 hours, symptoms lasting more than 10 days or symptoms that are severe or unusual.

There is no cure for the common cold, and you cannot make the cold go away any faster. However, one can ease symptoms by:

- Getting at least seven to 10 hours of sleep per night.
- Drinking lots of non-caffeinated fluids to replace the loss from runny noses and watery eyes.
- Gargling with warm salt water throughout the day and use a soft speaking volume to minimize use of vocal chords.
- Using cough drops, which are available at Health Services, to ease your dry throat and coughs.
- Taking over the counter pain or cold medicine, available at Health Services. Always read the labels and use as directed.

Stay on the healthy side by:

- Washing your hands often with soap and water, rubbing for 20 seconds, the duration of "Happy Birthday." If water is not available, use alcohol-based hand sanitizer, available for free at Health Services.
- Avoiding touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Sneezing and coughing into your shirt sleeve to limit the spread of germs.
- Staying away from people who are ill.
- Avoiding hugging, kissing or shaking hands.

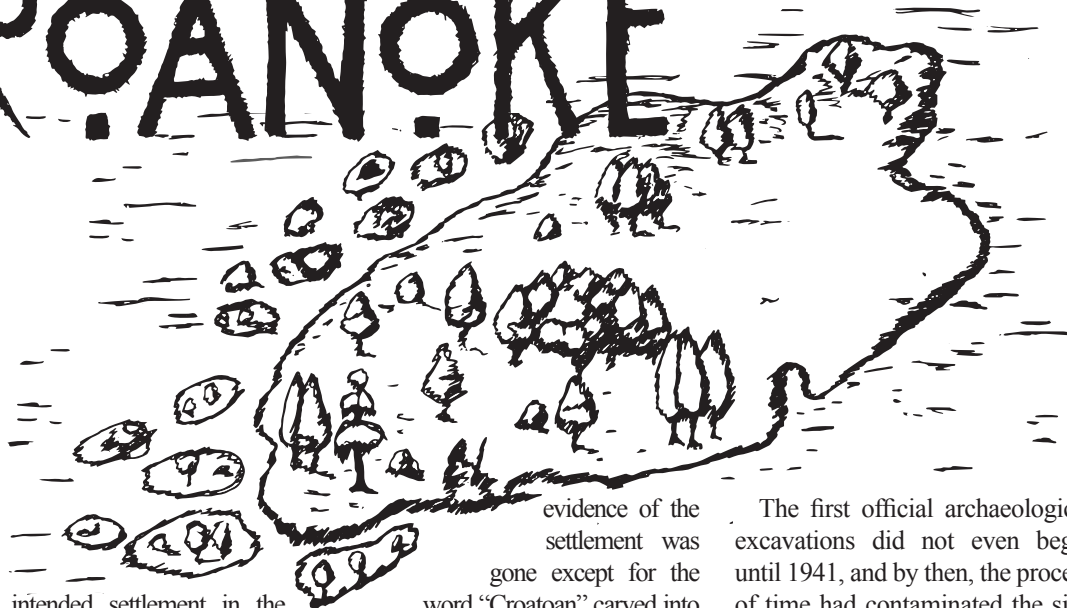
There is no cure for the common cold, but there are ways to lessen the impact it has on your college life! Start by getting a free flu shot at the De Anza Fall Flu Clinic, on Oct. 26 and 27 from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. in the Don Batista Room, Campus Center.

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# A TRUE AMERICAN HORROR STORY ROANOKE

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Series creators Ryan Murphy and Brad Falchuk invented a formula that enabled “American Horror Story” to consistently exceed audience expectations. This horror-anthology maintains a focus on controversial topics such as addiction, oppression and infidelity, all while shifting the main theme of each season.

The current and sixth season of FX’s “American Horror Story” resurrects a 400 year old mystery; the lost colony of Roanoke.

The lost colony made history when 119 settlers mysteriously disappeared from Roanoke Island, North Carolina, between 1587 to 1590. Basing the storyline on a non-fictional American mystery is a first for “American Horror Story.”

According to “American Horror Story,” the settlers of the lost colony were killed by a lone village elder, the Butcher. She made a contract with a witch who haunted the nearby forest, enabling the Butcher to stay connected to the land even after death.

In actuality, the English settlers of the lost colony seemed destined for disaster. They were taken past

their intended settlement in the Chesapeake Bay and left on Roanoke Island by the captain of their ship who was anxious to stay on schedule. The Roanoke site had been deemed uninhabitable by previous settlement attempts. The colony’s governor, John White, was forced to immediately sail back to England for much needed supplies, and was unable to return for three years. When he returned, all

evidence of the settlement was gone except for the word “Croatoan” carved into a tree.

What really happened to the lost colony has remained a mystery for over 400 years.

“Probably whatever it was that happened, happened pretty quickly” said De Anza history professor John Hamer. “If they left, they left in a strange way because they didn’t leave any indication of where they were going.”

The first official archaeological excavations did not even begin until 1941, and by then, the process of time had contaminated the site. No conclusive evidence as to what happened to the settlers was discovered until 2012.

According to Associated Press, a hidden location was discovered on a map created by John White. This new information prompted archaeologists to explore this new site. Artifacts pertaining to the correct period have been found and it is speculated that

some of the settlers traveled to this unknown site.

With the new season of “American Horror Story,” it appears the lost colony is well on its way to becoming one of the most mysterious dark annals within American history; slowly morphing into an urban legend.

An abundance of sensationalism surrounds the legend of Roanoke; a story that in reality, is not that exciting. According to professor Hamer, our contemporary need for emotional appeal in situations we cannot explain causes our culture to create meaning where there is none.

Hamer stated that the simplest explanation is always what historians tend to accept. It is more than likely the people Roanoke were attacked by local Native Americans soon after White had left.

We are a nation of over-dramatization; we want the most exuberant and far-fetched theories. We choose to sensationalize the simplest of theories to entertain our minds. But that is why we have television. And that is why we have American Horror Story.

## The 10 scariest movies of the past decade

### 10. “The Mist”

What sets “The Mist” apart from most monster movies is how the supernatural elements take a back seat to the true horror; human nature gone awry. With a hopelessly nihilistic ending and a flawless performance from Marcia Gay Harden, this Stephen King adaptation will completely envelope the viewer.

### 9. “House of the Devil”

Director Ti West’s homage to early 60’s and 70’s horror does not rely on gore, fast editing or jump scares to create a sense of unease and terror. Instead, he slowly builds the suspense and focuses on creating an aura of atmosphere before releasing hell; which few modern horror films do.

### 8. “Kill List”

The scariest hitman movie ever made, “Kill List” manages to seamlessly blend multiple genres while still creating one unnerving experience. The abrupt tonal shifts are meticulously crafted and transition organically. Director Ben Wheatley keeps the viewer on edge throughout entire film, all the while guiding them to a deeply disturbing climax.

### 7. “REC”

“REC” delivers pure terror in an immediate and visceral manner. Directors Jaume Balaguero and Paco Plaza’s POV zombie gem escapes the trappings usually found in this subgenre of horror. Balancing the scares with strong acting and camera work, “REC” is one of the scariest Spanish horror films ever recorded.

### 6. “The Orphanage”

Juan Antonio Bayona’s Spanish film takes a different approach than “REC” to terror through a quieter and more elegant interpretation with what “horror” means. Taking

cues from Guillermo Del Toro’s earlier work, “The Orphanage” is an impressive ghost story that also offers unexpected emotional layers. Boosting exquisite set designs and cinematography, this is one ghost story that you can get lost in.

### 5. “The Cabin in the Woods”

Offering equal amounts of meta-infused wit while also delivering on the scares, “Cabin in the Woods” subverts the horror genre’s paradigm while also staying one step ahead of the viewer. Co-written by “Buffy The Vampire Slayer” creator Joss Whedon and directed by Drew Goddard, “Cabin in the Woods” is the most clever American horror film in years.

### 4. “The Descent”

Not since Ridley Scott’s “Alien” has a film elevated the fear of claustrophobia to the next level. Just like in “Alien,” director Neil Marshall takes his time to get to the scares. He allows the characters to develop before dropping them into the pits of hell. When the terror does take place, there is no letting go. Offering up impressive creature and make-up effects, this all-woman lead cast proves that you don’t need men or horror cliches to deliver a brutal and truly frightening film.

### 3. “Martyrs”

Though extremely hard to watch at times and not for the casual horror fan, this French import is visceral and disturbing. If one can get past the embodiment of the French wave of ultra violence and gore, there is an underlying layer of sadness and tenderness to the brutality. Few films can truly transcend the genre, let alone the audience as well; “Martyrs” is that exception.

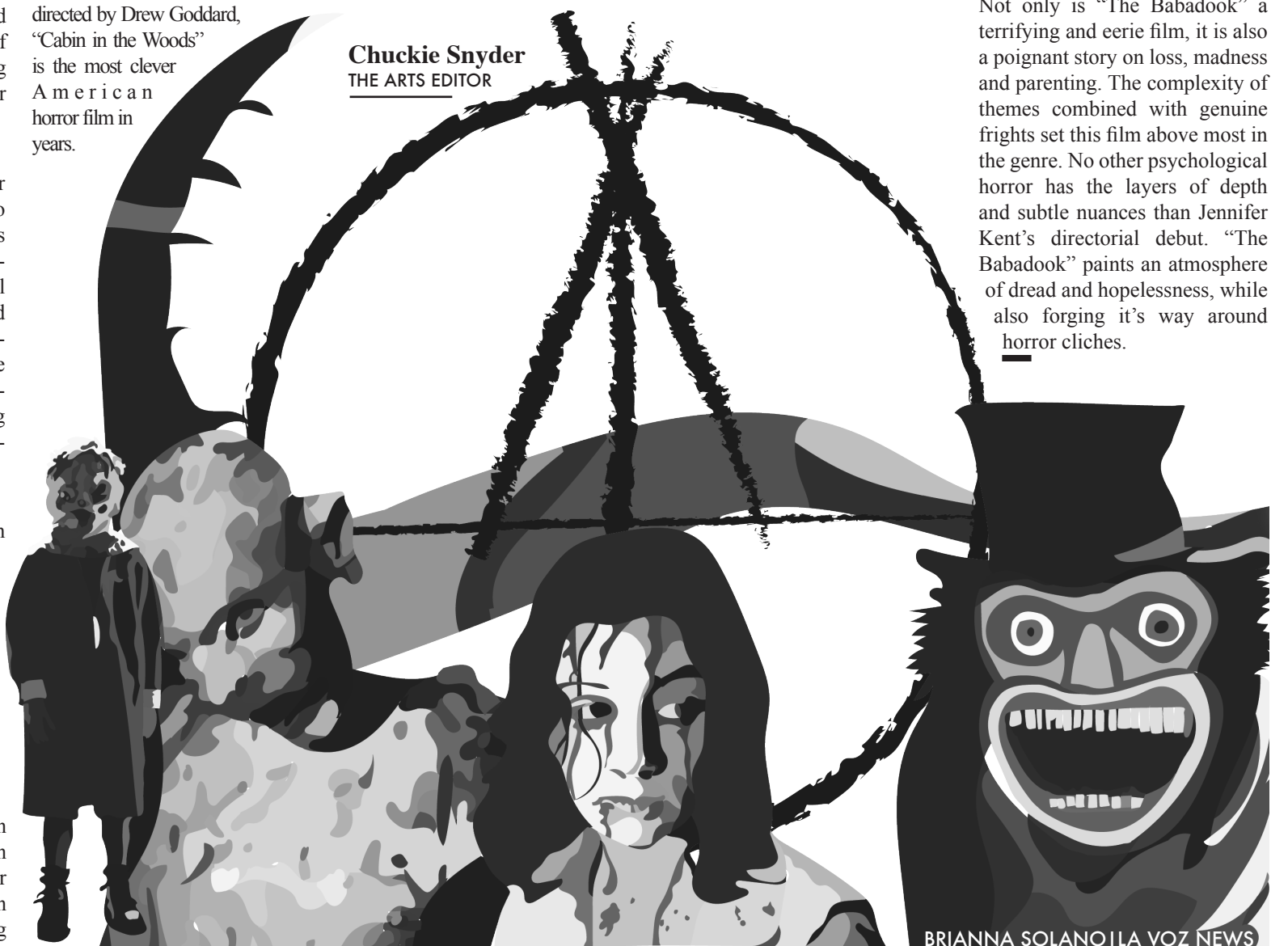
### 2. “Let the Right One In”

Tomas Alfredson’s adaptation is the best vampire movie of the millennium. Not only does the film solidify itself within the vampire genre – it also serves as a coming of age story, and showcases the terrors of growing up. The real monsters of the film aren’t the vampires; they come in human form. With great production design, “Let The Right One In,” is a well-written, and beautifully acted modern day masterpiece.

### 1. “The Babadook”

Not only is “The Babadook” a terrifying and eerie film, it is also a poignant story on loss, madness and parenting. The complexity of themes combined with genuine frights set this film above most in the genre. No other psychological horror has the layers of depth and subtle nuances than Jennifer Kent’s directorial debut. “The Babadook” paints an atmosphere of dread and hopelessness, while also forging it’s way around horror cliches.

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Honda, Khana respond to La Voz opinion story



CONGRESSMAN  
**Mike Honda**

My priority has always been and will always be defending and fighting for the progressive values that so many within this district share. I am proud of my track record of delivering for middle class families in Silicon Valley. With Donald Trump and Republicans embracing the politics of division, fear, hatred and racism, it is now more important than ever that I remain in Congress to ensure our country doesn't repeat its past mistakes.

My commitment to public service is fueled by the absence of our government's moral leadership during World War II. I spent my childhood behind bars in a Japanese internment camp, seen only for what made me different. The people of this country can count on me to continue fighting for equal rights for people of all backgrounds. I know that in this day and age, hatred and prejudice based on one's identity are simply unacceptable.

While I've dedicated my life to public service -- during my time in the Peace Corps, as a high-school science teacher, school board member and now in Congress -- my opponent has made a career out of running for public office. Along the way, he has taken questionable big checks from people who have been openly hostile toward working families and organized labor.

There is no limit to whom he will associate with to bankroll his campaign. My opponent has never held public office, and it's worrisome that he could head to Washington so indebted to right-wing Republican extremists who will undermine our values.

I've never backed down from doing what's right. That's why I'll keep fighting for you and why I'll keep fighting to earn your vote on Nov. 8. There's so much work left to do.



CANDIDATE  
**Ro Khanna**

I understand the cynicism in your previous column about my race against Mike Honda. But, when you look past the politics, there is a reason why so many progressives and Bernie supporters have been attracted to my campaign. There is a reason why President Carter recently endorsed me. Here are some of the bold progressive stances I have taken:

1. I have called for free public college.
2. I have called for abolishing the superdelegate system.
3. I am one of seven federal candidates that doesn't take a dime from lobbyists, corporations, or PACs. <http://www.cleanslatenowaction.org/candidates>.
4. I am opposed to TPP
5. I am for scrapping the cap and strengthening social security.

We have had tremendous support at De Anza. I hope to earn your vote on my progressive platform.

Student trustee:  
DASB Senate  
issue is equity

**Elias Kamal**  
STUDENT TRUSTEE

The Foothill-De Anza Community College District's mission states: "We are driven by equity..." In my few months of serving on the Foothill-De Anza Board of Trustees I have come to see these values in action with the enduring spirit of our students fighting against systems of oppression and mobilizing to represent the underrepresented - even when their voices are not welcome.

On Oct. 10, La Voz News reported on a DASB Senate meeting's discussion surrounding a budget request of \$7,000 for students of De Anza's Umoja program. Umoja aims to "assist African ancestry students in achieving success" and would use the funds for an upcoming conference. The funding was approved after much deliberation, but the prevailing issue was the DASB Senate leadership's disregard for fellow community members and their failure to listen to the voices of concerned students.

Although La Voz depicted the meeting as completely dysfunctional, much of the debate that ensued was due to the leadership in the DASB Senate's inability to recognize, acknowledge, or empathize with those present at the meeting. Though this leadership issue has been brought to the public's attention in recent weeks, it has actually been negatively affecting our student government for months, caused the resignation of many senators and proved destructive to the wellbeing of our students.

How can our students advocate for equity when they are silenced by those in power?

Despite the direct opposition they faced, several students at the aforementioned meeting showcased De Anza's strong-willed spirit. One such student was 20-year-old cognitive science major Ola Elatta, one of the brave Umoja participants who spoke during the meeting.

To some, the Oct. 5 meeting "erupted into chaos" and portrayed many students like myself who spoke up as rude or volatile. To others, there were abuses of power and a collective effort of students who refused to remain silent in the face of injustice. This sort of rhetoric - akin to the hostile, alienating nature of this year's presidential campaign - was found unwelcome in our student government chambers.

Even though the meeting began in disagreement, it ended with a unanimous vote to approve Umoja's funding, followed by emotional students embracing one another. Elatta elaborated on the impact of the result: "DASB funding Umoja means empowerment of our fellow community members and connecting them with the resources they need to advocate for the change they want."

The need for equity is clear when looking at statistics from De Anza College's Office of Institutional Research and Planning. African American students are more likely to place into basic skills than college level for English and math classes. Furthermore, our African American continuing student headcount decreased by 9 percent over the previous year. Also present during the meeting was Vanessa Ochoa-Lara, a 25-year-old studying social work who stated, "Overall, it was heartwarming to know we have supportive communities on campus who want to see us succeed."

Elatta and Ochoa-Lara are just some examples of uplifting students at De Anza driven by equity. When we measure our success, it is not simply by a number or scorecard. It is by the inspiring stories and bold actions of our students, carrying forth our mission statement and serving as a testament to the core values that makes our college such a distinguished institution.

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## Editorial board: Recommendations for California's propositions

Measure	Description	Why you should vote
<b>PROPOSITION VOTE NO 51</b>	Provides for statewide bond money for public schools across California, including community colleges.	Vote no on Proposition 51: Californian public schools are far past their expiration date, and are desperately in need of infrastructural reform and massive funds. As a community college, De Anza College could significantly benefit from the \$2 billion total that Prop. 51 provides to community colleges. Unfortunately, Prop. 51 is more of the same and allows the state legislature to oversee the new bond money — based on a first-come, first-serve model, rather than placing such power in the hands of schools most in need.
<b>PROPOSITION VOTE NO 53</b>	All revenue bonds of more than \$2 billion must be voted upon by the state's citizens. Revenue bonds are those which are repaid through the infrastructural project's financial success.	Vote no on Proposition 53: California's unique ballot initiative process has sometimes produced propositions that have ultimately yielded unintended, severe consequences. Unfortunately Prop. 53 falls under this category, as it aims to introduce mandatory dialogue between the legislature and California voters for all projects costing \$2 billion or more. Because of its ambiguous applicability, Prop. 53 could potentially disrupt major infrastructural reform in even the most local of projects — those which voters from across the state have no right in deciding.
<b>PROPOSITION VOTE YES 54</b>	No bill will be able to pass the legislature unless it has been publically available on the internet for more than 72 hours.	Vote yes on Proposition 54: Prop. 54 will help alleviate perhaps two of the most flawed aspects of American government: a profound lack of transparency between politicians and their constituents, as well as a deeper, more systemic issue in which voters are entirely disconnected from the nuances of upcoming policy.
<b>PROPOSITION VOTE YES 55</b>	Extends an existing income-based tax on the wealthiest 1.5 percent of Californians for 12 more years. Revenue raised goes toward statewide education while a small portion goes toward health care.	Vote yes on Proposition 55: Wealth inequality in America has been one of the greatest blunders of recent administrations. Prop. 55 would extend a pre existing income tax on the top earning 1.5 percent of Californians and allocate revenue toward education. The board believes that the few who own most of the wealth should be subject to higher taxes, especially if the net effect helps bridge the wealth inequality gap in the state.
<b>PROPOSITION VOTE YES 56</b>	Adds a sale tax of \$2 for cigarettes and all other tobacco products.	Vote yes on Proposition 56: Cigarettes are currently taxed in California at a rate of 87 cents, well below the average state tax of \$1.65. As a sin tax, this policy would discourage smokers from unhealthy amounts of smoking and deter youth from taking up the practice. It is expected to raise more than a billion dollars in annual revenue for the state — most of which would be redirected towards healthcare for poorer Californians.
<b>PROPOSITION VOTE YES 57</b>	Gives increased parole opportunities for non-violent felons by creating a standard credit system, under which credits can be accumulated to reduce one's sentence. The discretion to try juveniles as adults will be a judge's decision rather than a prosecutor's.	Vote yes on Proposition 57: The past decade has seen an unprecedented number of reforms to California's prison system, mostly attempting to undo the brutal overcrowding issues and injustices which have largely stemmed from the U.S.'s failed war on drugs and mass incarceration. Prop. 56 is a welcome addition to this string of reforms and will immediately release more than 7,000 nonviolent felons while also providing a powerful incentive system which promotes rehabilitation rather than pointless punishment.
<b>PROPOSITION VOTE YES 58</b>	Repeals the English-only policy which currently establishes English as the sole language for public education.	Vote yes on Proposition 58: In 1998, proposition 227 passed overwhelmingly, resulting in the death of most bilingual immersion programs for English language learners. This solidified that all classes geared toward limited English proficiency students would be taught in English only. Prop. 58 is a lucid recognition that English learners often benefit from bilingual programs and a welcome reform for a state in which its approaches to language learning should naturally reflect its melting-pot demographics.
<b>PROPOSITION VOTE NO 60</b>	Requires the use of condoms in all pornography that is filmed in California and produced by the pornographic industry.	Vote no on Proposition 60: While we at La Voz have no interest in promoting the spread of STDs within the porn industry, yet there are already regulations which require mandatory testing for STDs. We share Prop. 60's good intentioned desire to cut down on transmitted diseases but also have deep concerns regarding the clause which allows any individual to enforce the law, potentially leading to power abuse in the regulation of pornography.
<b>PROPOSITION VOTE YES 61</b>	Forces state agencies to pay lower prices for prescription drugs by using the Department of Veteran's Affairs' reduced costs as a standard. Aimed at lowering the cost of prescription drugs for Californians.	Vote yes on Proposition 61: While we at La Voz support Prop. 61 because we believe it could potentially lower the outrageously high prescription drug costs that Californians now experience and save the State millions, we also recognize the uncertainty surrounding its effects. It is possible that drug manufacturers could refuse to cooperate, but it must also be recognized that pharmaceutical companies have outspent proponents by roughly ten to one. It is unlikely that they would spend such gross amounts of money unless they felt threatened by a growing movement that could realistically impair their greedy practices.
<b>VOTE PROPOSITION PROPOSITION YES NO 62 66</b>	Prop. 62 repeals the death penalty, while Prop. 66 speeds up the process.	Vote yes on Proposition 62; no on Prop. 66: Capital punishment is an outdated practice that masks pure unadulterated vengeance under a veil of supposed justice. Beyond emotional appeal, there are virtually no utilitarian benefits to the practice. Numerous studies have failed to demonstrate that the death penalty actually deters individuals from committing crimes. Capital punishment has no place in a reforming criminal justice system centered around rehabilitation. Prop. 66 would speed up the death penalty, a process which is intentionally meant to be drawn-out so as to prevent the death of the innocent.
<b>VOTE PROPOSITION PROPOSITION NO YES 65 67</b>	Prop. 65 redirects bag sale revenue to a fund established by the Wildlife Conservation board. Prop. 67 would uphold the ban of plastic bags.	Vote no on Proposition 65; yes on 67: Virtually every media outlet in California is rightfully skeptical of this measure. Nearly all the money that has been spent in support of this proposition has come from out-of-state plastic bag companies, while major environmental groups have lined up in droves to oppose this measure. The extreme polarity of this campaign should be an instant alarm that this legislation is extraordinarily misleading. The existence of 65 serves as a major distraction from the much more progressive proposition 67, which is an environmentally sound choice and a small but necessary step in the correct direction.

# People, not Skittles nor terrorists

## The U.S. has an obligation to accept more refugees

**Aysha Rehman**  
STAFF REPORTER

Extreme conflicts and terrorism in the Middle East, especially Syria, have long been treated as an enigma. Dating back to the first major CIA-sponsored coup in 1949, Syria has undergone multiple regime changes and conflicts since the '40s. As a result of numerous global complexities, including sanctions imposed by the United States and its allies while also funding rebel groups fighting against Bashar Assad's authoritarian regime, growing instability in the region has become a seemingly unsolvable issue.

Now, in the grips of the IS group, which evolved out of the U.S.-led destruction of Iraq, the region is plagued with unrest. President Barack Obama has even conceded that the U.S. has played a major role in the chaos of the region; as such, common sense dictates that America has an obligation to continuously accept more refugees into the United States.

To date, America has accepted only 85,000 refugees onto its shores, according to Pew Research. In 2015, 70,000 were admitted into the country, and in 2017 a planned 110,000 refugees are to be accepted. Despite the increase, this number is but a fraction of the 21 million refugees reported worldwide by the UNHCR. According to the Refugee Processing Center of the U.S. Department of Justice, the U.S. has actually accepted fewer refugees in the past 10 years than it ever has before.

According to Amnesty International, most of the resettled refugees live in five countries: Turkey, Jordan, Egypt, Iraq and Lebanon. Turkey has taken in the most, at 2.5 million refugees. Of the other European countries, Germany has pledged to take in 40,000 refugees, 54 percent of the EU total.

Refugees are often cited as security threats responsible for the surge in terrorist attacks. Yet, conservative pundits often fail to realize that many of these countries

take in refugees without adequate security measures. According to SWRinfo, a German media outlet, Germany can't afford to do extensive background checks on refugees due to a lack of funding in the public sector.

While Germany may not have the adequate security measures, the United States certainly does. According to the White House, less than 1 percent of refugees make it through the first painstaking step in a nine-step screening process. Background information is collected and then processed by multiple government agencies such as the FBI and Department of Homeland Security.

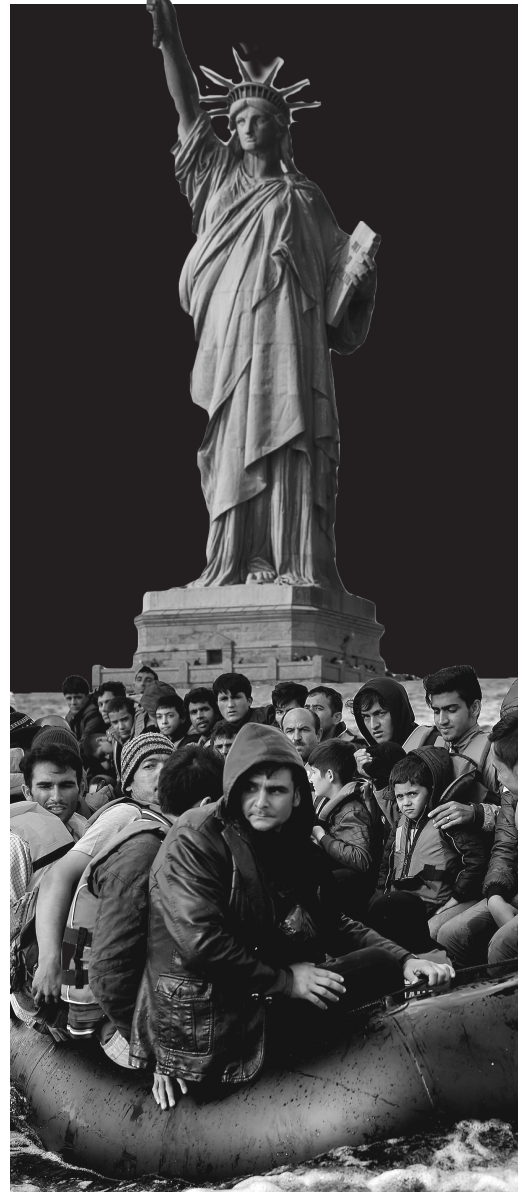
In addition to the stringent entry barriers, detailed expectations prohibit refugees from simply exhausting taxpayer dollars. As reported by U.S. News & World Report, refugees must pay back the cost of their plane ticket, apply for jobs, and pay rent for their apartments after the first three months or until their one thousand dollar stipend runs out.

In a study done by the International Monetary Fund, GDP growth is evident in areas which admit refugees.

Researchers also found a correlation between labor opportunities for refugees and corresponding economic benefits, as employment often entails revenue — generated from income tax and social security contributions.

During the 1970s, the U.S. was able to integrate 1.2 million refugees from Southeast Asia, historian Erika Lee told NPR. Today, the average income of groups like Vietnamese Americans is higher than that of the average American income, and no seriously adverse effects of their integration has been reported.

Ultimately, the problem isn't refugees, but rather the butchered version of reality which foretells of terrorists casually strolling across U.S. borders. The U.S. has an undeniable responsibility to accept further refugees. While there is a prominent fear of terrorism, admission is well-



justified with the existing security measures and the possible economic benefits. If the U.S. were to neglect these refugees, it would be a repeat of what happened in World War II with the MS St. Louis. Aboard the ship, were hundreds of war-stricken Jewish refugees awaiting asylum. The U.S. refused them, and instead further secured its borders without regard to the humanitarian crisis.

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# Students deserve '.edu' email

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Students shouldn't have to demand technology in the Bay Area, but those at De Anza find themselves lacking a ubiquitous piece of technology: student email addresses.

"In order to obtain ".edu" email addresses for all students, we would expect to see a significant demonstration of broad support represented through student leadership — ideally the DASB Senate, or another organized and thoughtful approach with, again, widespread support demonstrable through a current and statistically significant survey or other means," said Marisa Spatafore, Associate Vice President of Communications and External Relations.

However, in a 2013 study by the De Anza College Office of Institutional Research and Planning, four out of five students were found to be interested in obtaining a ".edu" email.

Given that the only stipulation is an evident display of support

among students, there is absolutely no reason that De Anza, as a community college that espouses one of the highest transfer rates, should not grant ".edu" email addresses to its students.

Of the many prospects which student emails provide, perhaps the most noteworthy is Amazon Prime, a quick shipping service which is bundled with accessible, free music, movies, and TV shows. Adobe, which has become well known for creating software pertinent to the advancement of students' careers, also offers notable price reductions for its students. Additionally, Spotify Premium lifts the financial burden for students, and even the well-received New York Times offers a highly discounted one dollar subscription for students.

Imagine this common scenario from the perspective of a student. It's the fourth day of the new quarter, and a hypothetical professor, let's call him Gropis, has certain expectations you must meet. Besides the frankly absurd assumption that you will actually use Catalyst, a website that's surely nothing else but a remnant of

prelithic times, there is an even greater desire for students to have already obtained the class textbook and to have read the first chapter.

All this transpires while students are uncertain about their class enrollment and unsure as to whether they are willing to spend \$50 on a book they might not even need. Facing strenuous deadlines and high costs, it is unlikely any student is interested in paying a shipping cost that could have been avoided had students simply stood up and demanded student emails.

In fact, the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, Western Association of Schools and Colleges already allows for De Anza faculty and staff to have ".edu" email addresses, exemplifying the fact that De Anza already meets the qualifications for hosting such accounts.

Employees in professional settings aren't expected to use personal emails for work. Faculty and staff don't have to use their personal email addresses at De Anza. And yet, we are told that students should. Within both

academia and the professional world, different email domains portray a distinctly different set of presuppositions; @whitehouse.gov emits an aura of extreme ethos while @gmail.com could be Joe Shmoe on Miller Avenue. Having a student email is a statement of authenticity and dedication to businesses, future schools, and other beneficial connections.

"If there were a serious, organized request from current students, the Technology Committee could consider it, together with Central Services' Educational Technology Services, which would need to implement the project," said Spatafore.

Many other community colleges in California already provide email addresses to students.

The fight for student emails may seem either juvenile and unnecessary, but it is a palpable and meaningful fight that is within immediate reach — one that could assist students in furthering both their education and their careers.

# Save lives, ban college football

**Jamie Lamping**  
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College football is a pastime culturally embedded into the social fabric of American society, a ritual of entertainment and pride.

But college is first and foremost an environment dedicated to education; there is no inherent reason beyond tradition for football to remain in the academic setting. In fact, there is no reasonable justification not to ban institutionally endorsed football on college campuses outright with the physical and neurological damages it has been proved to inflict.

Football physically is brutal on the individual that's playing.

Unsurprisingly, football participation positively correlates with a higher likelihood of head injury. According to the NCAA, it's not uncommon for many football players to suffer from a concussion several times during their career,

These repeated head injuries come with severe risks.

A common condition among football players is chronic traumatic encephalopathy, or CTE – a degenerative condition similar to Alzheimer's caused by repeated head injury.

CTE can only be diagnosed by postmortem examination, and it was found that 76 out of 79 deceased NFL players inspected had CTE, according to PBS Frontline.

Concussions aren't even required, necessarily, for student athletes to walk away with brain damage. A study published in scientific journal PLOS ONE found blood-brain barrier disruption is likely to occur after blunt impacts to the skull even of



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the athlete has not sustained a concussion.

Because competitive players are often subjected to extreme pressure and standards, competitors often head back into the next game, regardless of whether or not they have fully recovered. Once they are injured again, it can lead to second impact syndrome — a condition capable of causing death within two to five minutes in extreme cases, though this is admittedly far more rare than its typical result of merely

significantly aggravating the original injury.

Basic morality and human empathy aside for those involved with what could be not inaccurately referred to as a generator for brain damage, football is also it extremely expensive: excessively so.

The Stanford Cardinals had a total operating expense of \$75.1 million in 2008 according to ESPN. The UCLA Bruins had a total operating cost of \$66 million in 2008, with \$1 million more in the coach's

paycheck than the players' tuition.

The cost of De Anza College's football team are not publicly available.

That an institution of learning's primary purpose is learning is self evident.

We may only hope that the ethics of banning football are just as clear.

## Soccer on football field

**Jamie Lamping**  
STAFF REPORTER

The Flint Garage's temporary closure affects all students and faculty on De Anza. But with parking being rerouted

to the soccer and baseball fields, it doesn't affect anyone more than the coaches and athletes on De Anza.

The soccer and baseball fields will be used for parking until the Flint center is done or until another solution is found. Preparation to use the fields as parking started in July, and De Anza students and faculty have been parking on the field since the start of the Fall quarter.

The soccer teams, football team, and cross country have all felt the effects of not having a soccer field.

"It is a struggle in that, for instance, the women's soccer team has to move their normal practice time up by two and a half hours," said Coleen Lee-Wheat, Dean of the De Anza Physical Education and Athletics. "So then they have to come to school even earlier."

Home games will be played on the football field for both football and soccer. However, there will be a drop in night games as the lights provided for the games are not bright enough.

"Can't play a soccer game in the dark," said Lee-Wheat.

Parking on the field comes at a very opportune time. "The soccer field needed to be replaced. It's 12 years old. It should have been replaced probably two years ago. The college came up with this idea to fold two projects into one," said Lee-Wheat.

"There were a lot of people involved, it was a campus decision," she said. "Senior staff strongly supported the idea because it was the only way we could get a new soccer field,"

Once the Flint Garage is reopened, it will take approximately three months to put in the new soccer field, and four or more months to level the baseball field.

"We appreciate the support from the administration as well as the the great effort all the coaches and the athletes putting forth in order to make sure that all the students and faculty on campus have parking," said Lee-Wheat.

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