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HOW MUCH MORE CAN WE

BUDGET PROPOSAL LOOKS TO CHANGE DE ANZA DRASTICALLY

Anthony Salos James Chen LA VOZ WEEKLY

hough De Anza College subtract \$2.6 mil-I lion out of its budget last year, it is now faced with even a larger cut. The Foothill-De Anza District will reduce expenditures by around \$8.1 million dollars with \$3.4 million coming directly out of De Anza and the remaining amount coming out of Foothill and central services.

On Oct. 29, the DASB will cast votes on what to do with the school budget. Specifically, they will look at programs to reduce in order to cover the multimillion-dollar deficit the college now faces.

De Anza College President Brian Murphy presented College Council with two possible budget scenarios for the committee to vote upon: either a drastic cut to student services or the laying off of staff and faculty as well as the reduction of avail-

"The purpose of these options is mainly to stimulate conversion about the proposed cuts," said Letha Jean-Pierre, the vice president of finance and educational resources. She said there would be

third, fourth and fifth options available and a combination of these options will be reviewed for the best possible budget plan.

"I doubt very seriously that one of these [budget plans] will be the one," said Jean Pierre. "In fact, I know it won't be.' The Planning and Budgeting Teams will use op-

tions like the ones presented as a basis to begin discussion. They will then go into independent teams and go through programs within departments and divisions to analyze and suggest where cuts could be down.

One of the questions that Jean-Pierre said they would have to keep in mind is what programs are successful. Counseling 100, a course taken by first vear students has proven to increase student success at De Anza is one such program.

"It's an ultimatum," said De Anza Student Body President Marlo Custodio, describing the options currently on the table.

Should either of the two original options pass, students will feel the effects of the reduction. The cuts to student services is especially of concern to the DASB, as Custodio expects a greater number of funding requests from various student

services pro-Anza Student "Categorivulnerable,"

grams to be directed at the De Body as a result of the cuts. cal funding is more politically said Custodio, referring to the likelihood of student services being cut.

According to a categorical fund cuts analysis by Bret Watson of the Foothill-De Anza District Grants Staff, the council is considering a 100 percent budget cut from Telecommunications and Technology, part-time faculty health insurance, part-time faculty office hours, instructional support equipment and physical plant maintenance.

Other services will also be seeing major reductions in funding. Apprenticeships, child care, tax bailouts, staff diversity funding, transfer education, and articulation and matriculation are all seeing proposed funding cuts meeting or exceeding 50 percent of their current operational budget.

There are over 86 positions being threatened by the proposed budget cuts. According to Jean-Pierre, the only budgetary items that will likely not be cut are supplies – classroom materials and petty cash.

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Complete Alarcon's poetry

Poetry reading

by

Francisco X. Alarcon

Wednesday Oct. 28, 2009 at 4:00 p.m.

Writing and Reading Center, ATC 309

Contact Ken Weisner for more information (408) 864-5797

Michael Mannina LA VOZ WEEKLY

n the tradition of having literary scholars come to Lcampus, Spanish writer and poet Francisco X. Alar-

con will come to De Anza College on Oct. 28. He will read his works, some of which may come from his as-of-yet unpublished

The event, co-sponsored by Red Wheelbarrow, will take place in the Writing and Reading Center in room ATC 309 inside the ATC Building. The reading will be followed by a reception with refreshments, for those in atten-

Francisco X. Alarcon, born in California, lived in Mexico before returning to the state. He has authored several publications and received numerous awards, including the Pura Belpré Award in 2000 and 2002. His publications include works such as "Quake Poems," poems written in the aftermath of the Loma Prieta earthquake and "Snake Poems: An Aztec Invocation," poems about his Aztec roots.

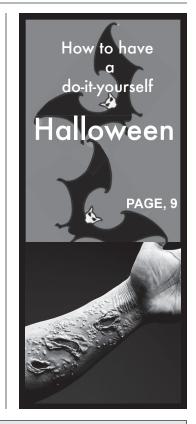
Ken Weisner, instructor of the Red Wheelbarrow publication class, is excited about the visit, and asks those coming to be prepared for the unexpected. Alarcon is a

> highly spiritual individual. Guests should be prepared for the reading and native chanting that celebrates the four cardinal directions.

His new work centers on his excursions to Chile and Argentina. Alarcon will require those in attendance to be attentive listeners

because, for him, "poems by nature are incomplete and they need to be completed by the reader and the listener."

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DA VOICES: WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO BE FOR HALLOWEEN?



Name: Kristin Tho Age: 18 Major: Undecided Costume: "Zombie Nerd"



Name: Martin Finger Age: 27 Major: Undecided Costume: 'Star Trek Guy"



Name: Helga Balizan Age: 19 Major: Undecided Costume: "1930's Flapper"



Name: Edmund Age: 22 Major: Undecided Costume: "Gangsta Nun"

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VP Student Services Open Forums

The De Anza College community is invited to attend open forums with finalists for the position of vice president of Student Services. Candidates will give their visions for working across the campus and district, particularly in the current budget climate, and of the role of Student Services in working with other areas of the college and district. Forums are scheduled for 11 a.m.-noon on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday in the Fireside Room of the Campus Center.

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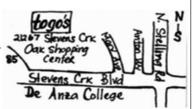
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Transfer University Representatives Visits

Appointments to meet with university representatives can be scheduled in person at the Transfer Center on the second floor of the Student and Community Services Building or by calling 408-864-8841. Information on important dates and Transfer Admission Agreements is at http://www.deanza.edu/transfer.

October UC Davis

UC Davis UC Partnership (any UC campus) Transfer Day Fair	Mon., Oct. 26 Tues., Oct. 27 Thurs, Oct 29	9-2 10-1:30 9-1	By Appointment Info Table Info Tables	Transfer Center Campus Center Main Quad
November				
UC Davis	Mon., Nov. 2	9-2	By Appointment	Transfer Center
California South Bay U	Tues., Nov. 3	10-1	Info Table	Campus Center
UC Davis	Mon., Nov. 9	9-2	By Appointment	Transfer Center
San Francisco State U	Tues., Nov 10	10-2	By Appointment	Transfer Center
UC Davis	Mon., Nov. 16	9-2	By Appointment	Transfer Center
UC San Diego	Mon. Nov. 16	10-3	By Appointment	Transfer Center

Tuesday, Oct. 27

FALL FESTIVAL

UC Berkeley

William Jessup U

11 a.m.-1:30 p.m., 5:30-7:30 p.m., Main Quad Sponsored by DASB Diversity and Events.

PERSONAL STATEMENT HELP

12:30-1:20 p.m., WRC, ATC 309 Students who would like help with personal statement writing may attend a workshop lead by Professor Marc Coronado.

CIRQUE DREAMS ILLUMINATION 7:30 p.m., Flint Center

Urban acrobatics: artists breathe energy into a magical metropolis landscape. Tickets available from Ticketmaster from \$25-\$47. Program will be repeated Oct. 28.

Wednesday, Oct. 28

FILM: DIA DE MUERTOS 1:30-2:40 p.m., WRC, ATC 309

Film presented by the LEAD EWRT 1B class. Thursday, Oct.

TRANSFER DAY FAIR

9 a.m.-1 p.m., Main Quad

Representatives from 4-year transfer institutions will be available to talk to students about transfer plans and requirements

STUDENT ART INSTALLATION

Tues., Nov. 17

Tues., Nov. 17

9:45-2:15

10-1

11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., WRC, ATC 309 Installation of the Dia de los Muertos Altars. presented by LEAD LART211 students.

POET/ACTIVIST TO SPEAK 2:30-4:30 p.m., WRC, ATC 309

California poet and author Francisco X. Alarcon will read from and discuss his poetry -- followed by a question and answer period and refreshments. Alarcon is an award winning bilingual poet, cultural worker, and activist whose children's books and poetry collections have won him major awards

A D.A.M.N. GOOD HALLOWEEN

2:30-5 p.m., Campus Center, Room B The D.A.M.N. Club (Doubters, Agnostics, Mythbusters and Nontheists) invite De Anza students to A D.A.M.N. Good Halloween Party featuring scary movies, a costume contest, limited refreshments. For information, contact David.William.Byars@gmail.com.

FILM: SAVING FACE

6 p.m., Campus Center, Room B

A Chinese-Amerian Jesbian and her traditionalist mother are reluctant to go public with secret loves that clash against cultural expectations. The film will be followed by a student discussion about friction between cultural and LGBT values. Refreshments provided. Hosted by Gay-Straight Alliance.

Saturday, Oct. 31

SAN FRANCISCO SYMPHONY

8 p.m., Flint Center

Beethoven's Symphony No. 8. Tickets available at Ticketmaster from \$15-\$71

Thursday, Nov. 5

DE ANZA CLUB EXPO

11 a.m.-1 p.m., Main Quad

Meet and talk to members of De Anza's clubs, sponsored by the Office of Student Life

Saturday, Nov. 7

DE ANZA FLEA MARKET

8 a.m.-4 p.m., Parking Lots A&B Enjoy hundreds of vendors at the monthly flea market. Proceeds go to the DASB.

HOLLYWOOD NORTH PODCAST

7-9 p.m., ATC 120

Hollywood North is a delicious stuffed pita pocket for the ears with a large side order of media industry professionals. Hosted by Professors Zaki Lisha and Barak Goldman and produced by film students, Hollywood North will explore matters pertaining to the education and business of film, television and other media.

MUSEUM OF ART RECEPTION

5:30 - 7:30 p.m., Euphrat Museum Join artists to celebrate the art installation "In Between: The Tension and Attraction of

Thursday, Nov. 19

Transfer Center

Campus Center

PEACE BAZAAR

Drop-in

Info Table

11 a.m.-4 p.m., Main Quad An international peace bazaar is sponsored by DASB Diversity and Events.

BERLIN'S 'I LOVE A PIANO'

7:30 p.m., Euphrat Museum

"I Love a Piano" spans seven decades of American history seen through the eyes of Irving Berlin, including classics such as "Puttin' on the Ritz" and "There's no Business like Show Business." Tickets available from Ticketmaster from \$25-\$45.

Announcements

CLASSES STILL OPEN

Fall quarter Computer Applications and Office Systems courses can be added up through Nov. 25. Courses include Windows XP, MS Windows (Windows Vista), Intro to $HTML, Web \, Authoring \, (Dream Weaver), \, Web \,$ Graphics Software (Illustrator), Job Finding Techniques, Elementary Keyboarding, Database (Access 2007), Introduction to Filing, Adobe Acrobat, Introduction to Business Garphics (Powerpoint 2007), Telephone Communication and Forclosure Technology Tools.

EUPHRAT MUSEUM OF ART

In Between: Tension, Attraction of Difference Runs through Nov. 25

The inaugural year art exhibits weave together stories of artists and groups with local and global connections in an effort to understand the Silicon Valley community.

FUJITSU PLANETARIUM

Journey to the stars via De Anza's Infinium S Star projector and full-dome digital star shows. The planetarium offers family astronomy and laser light shows each Saturday night starting at 5 p.m. Ticket sales at the box office start at 4 p.m. on the night of the show, and range from \$6-8. More information is at http://www.deanza. edu/planetarium/

HELP SAMOA, PHILIPPINES

Aid those in Samoa. American Samoa and the Philippines by donating toys, clothes, travel size toiletries. Donation boxes are in the DASB Senate Chambers through October

LANGUAGE ARTS TUTORING

Both drop-in and appointment tutoring for areas covered under Language Arts (reading, writing, ESL and speech) are held in the Writing and Reading Center in the Advanced Technology Center. The Center will be open Mondays through Thursdays from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Fridays from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

PERSONAL STATEMENT HELP

Contact the Writing and Reading Center in ATC 309 or 408-864-5840 for UC personal statement workshops or to make an appointment with a tutor to work on the Application Essay.

Academic Skills Center Workshops

These 50-minute workshops are open to all De Anza students, however registered Skills students have priority seating and space is limited. Register in L47 in advance. Please see the L47 Skills white board for updated information and location.

Writing Thesis Statements	Monday, Oct. 26	10:30 a.m.
Textbook Reading	Monday, Oct. 26	11:30 a.m.
Brain Game: Engaging Ethics	Monday, Oct. 26	3 p.m.
Language Skills: Editing Skills	Tuesday, Oct. 27	1:30 p.m.
Writing/Grammar Web Resources	Tuesday, Oct. 27	2:30 p.m.
Memory Strategies	Tuesday, Oct. 27	5:30 p.m.
Tests with Less Stress	Wednesday, Oct. 28	9:30 a.m.
Time Management Strategies	Wednesday, Oct. 28	10:30 a.m.
Brain Game: Concentration	Wednesday, Oct. 28	1:30 p.m.
Goal Setting & Motivation	Wednesday, Oct. 28	2:30 p.m.
Brain Game: Get a Clue!	Wednesday, Oct. 28	4 p.m.
Note Taking Strategies	Thursday, Oct. 29	8:30 a.m.
Brain Game: Get a Clue!	Thursday, Oct. 29	9:30 a.m.
No Freakin' Speakin' Speeches	Thursday, Oct. 29	2:30 p.m.
Editing Skills	Monday, Nov. 2	10:30 a.m.
Time Management Strategies	Monday, Nov. 2	11:30 a.m.
Note Taking Strategies	Monday, Nov. 2	2:30 p.m.
Critical Thinking Tips	Wednesday, Nov. 4	10:30 a.m.
Memory Strategies	Wednesday Nov 4	11:30 a m

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News & Current Events

NEWS-IN-BRIEF

Annual Transfer Day to be held Oct. 29, more universities requesting to be in attendance

Michael Mannina LA VOZ WEEKLY

The annual fall quarter Transfer Day will take place on Thursday, Oct. 29, in the Main Quad from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Representatives from 40 colleges, both public and private, will be in attendance so students can ask questions about transferring and what their specific college campuses

"De Anza is a community college second only to Santa Monica. [They] have transfer agreements with the big universities down there," said Howard Irvin, dean of

In the past, De Anza asked college representatives from colleges to come to campus. But recently the trend has been shifting to the other side.

Campuses now request to be allowed to attend the event, eager to get the word out to students about their institutions. Event organizer and transfer center administrative assistant Dina Crumpton, has overseen Transfer Day for the

past three years. Each year, so many students come to the event in search of much-needed information, that some get turned away due to the excess ratio of students to representatives

With the number of the student population blossoming to about 25,000, a 50 percent turnout at the event would be large already, at about 12,500 students.

Students who plan to attend should come early to get oneon-one time with the representatives.

Although representatives are on campus throughout the year, this event is unusual in that the information is centralized in one location, ready to share the information about their schools with you

Transfer-Center Representative Trish Rios Gibson says this is the perfect time for this event to be take place. "Filing periods for CSUs and UCs are during the October and November months, and this event will give you the much needed information you seek to ensure those applications make it to their final destinations.

Michael Mannina is a staff reporter for La Voz Weekly. Contact him at lavoz@fhda.edu.

The following colleges will be represented at Transfer Day

University of California Colleges

UC Berkeley **UC** Davis **UC** Irvine

UCLA UC Riverside UC San Diego

UC Santa Barbara UC Santa Cruz

California State University Colleges

Cal Poly Pomona CSU Chico **CSU East Bay** CSU Monterey Bay CSU Northridge

CSU Sacramento CSU Stanislaus Humboldt State University

San Jose State University San Francisco State

University

Private Universities or Out

Sonoma State University

of state colleges Academy of Art University California College of the Cogswell Polytechnical

College Columbia University **Dominican University** Fresno Pacific University Golden Gate University Hawaii Pacific University John F. Kennedy University Menlo College Mills College National University National Hispanic University Notre Dame de Namur University

Otis College of Art & Design Palo Alto University (formerly Pacific Graduate School of Psychology)

Patten University Samuel Merritt University Saint Mary's College of California

University of Montana University of Nevada Reno University of Phoenix University of San

Francisco

University of Southern California: School of Engineering University of the Pacific William Jessup University

De Anza develops text message emergency notification system

Anthony Salos LA VOZ WEEKLY

The Emergency Notification System came through e-mail information and voice messages. On Oct. 13., De Anza College students experienced part of the college safety network put in place to protect them.

During the power outage, students were warned about the closures on campus. To a few, it was a great success, said Marsha Kelly, district risk manager.

The ENS is used to inform students of imminent emergencies, such as a fire, earthquake, threat of violence, chemical hazard or a school closing.

In the event of one of these emergencies the ENS will simultaneously contact every individual through all means of communication the system offers.

Roommates and colleagues who share the same number will be called once.

For busy signals, call waiting or no answer, the system will try two more times to contact individuls by phone. If the call is answered by a voice recorder, it will leave a message about the emergency.

Students do have the option to "opt out," which means that they will not be contacted in the event of an emergency. Contact information is automatically updated during every registration process.

The ENS was purchased for the Foothill-De Anza Community College District from Blackboard Connect Inc. for \$74,750.

The system provides SMS text messaging and e-mail and phone notification service, controlled at an off-site location, protecting it from local emergencies.

The system was reviewed and selected by Educational Testing Services, Risk Management, and District Police committee members.

Though many vendors were reviewed, "Connect-ED was selected for its robust feature set, remote accessibility, multi-site backup and price point," said Foothill De Anza Chief of Police Ron Levine.

The system is only a part of a larger safety plan that De Anza uses. There are many facets of emergency preparedness, including the actual plan itself, training, exercises, contracts and agreements with other organizations (Red Cross, City of Cupertino, County of Santa Clara).

Students who did not receive any or part of the notifications for the power outage should update their contact information on their My Deanza student page, which can be accessed at www.deanza.

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HOW MUCH MORE CAN WE CUT

86 job positions may be in danger, cuts are in final stages of planning

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"One of the major hits is to Counseling," said Jean-Pierre. "That affects our immediate students."

According to Sharon Su, the DASB vice president of Budget and Finances, the Senate does not yet have an official stance on the ongoing budget issue. However, according to Custodio, the DASB will be conducting a college-wide survey in order to establish their position.

DASB agents are conducting the survey, which is estimated to gather the fund balance...a general plan a minimum of four thousand opinions to meet budget cuts of \$3.3-3.4 from the student body. The survey taking started Oct. 21.

"Marlo has put an executive order that each senator should do at least 10 classroom presentations from now until Oct. 30," said John Yan, the DASB vice president of Communications. "The Student Rights and Campus Relations Committee will be in charge of the survey program."

The results of the survey will determine the DASB stance during the final vote. The DASB has three votes on the college council, and a final, broad consensus will be set on

Regardless of the final vote, this will not be the final say on the budget issue. According to Custodio, the district expects further cuts in January and May of 2010, making the current decision more of a stopgap effort than a conclusive decision.

"The [Foothill-De Anza district] A team of 30 to 40 senators and chancellor wants three things. He wants to know how we plan to use million general funds...our plan for categorical funding sources," said Jean-Pierre.

> None of the proposed cuts will take place until the 2010-2011 school year. "Because of our accounting balance, we can carry [the budget cuts] this year," said Jean-Pierre. "Any effects that go into effect will go into next

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La Voz Weekly Corrections

- In the 10/19/09 issue, staff reporter Briana Bramer did not write the opinions article "Can't pay your fees in 5 days? Too Bad," not staff reporter Valentina Carrillo.





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Make your own Halloween costume



The craziest, strangest homemade costumes

Jason Frits LA VOZ WEEKLY

With Halloween just around the corner, you might still be looking for that perfect costume. So, for your safety, we put together a list of weird custom costume ideas to use (or avoid) this Oct. 31, depending on what kind of attention you want to draw.

Nudist on Strike: Cost about \$2



Here's a bargain basement deal.

Simply write "Nudist on Strike" on a piece of cardboard and wear it over your everyday clothing. This idea is simple, cheap and funny, but if it is done by the wrong person it could be very, very creepy.

Human Strip of Bacon: Costs about \$40

Everyone loves bacon as long as they can eat it, so if you're going to impersonate the tastiest food on the planet, make sure you bring delicious bacon snacks for your friends. That's about ten of those dollars already.

To make this costume, simply buy two body-length pieces of foam from your local hardware store.

Cut a hole for your face and then use spray glue or a hot glue gun to put the foam together leaving space for your body and holes on the sides for your arms.

Finally, spray paint the foam to make it look like bacon. For color reference, you could cook the real bacon you bought.

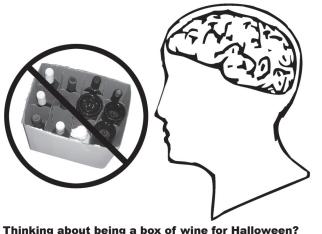
Yum bacon!

Human Box of Wine: Costs about \$30

Want to be the life of the party? Then be a giant box of wine. It couldn't hurt the situation in the least.

But keep in mind, there are so many other alcohol related costume ideas, as well. Captain Morgan: The Most Interesting Man in the World or even a Breathalyzer test.

If you aren't sure if being a box of wine will be a big hit, it would be a better to leave this on the drawing board.



Thinking about being a box of wine for Halloween? Encourage yourself to be a little bit cooler than that.

Tanuki: Costs ... a species change?

This is, by far, one of the strangest costumes on the list. A Tanuki is a raccoon-like animal from Japanese folklore with extremely large testicles.

There is a children's tune you could learn if you really wanted to play the part: "Tan Tan Tanuki no kintama wa, Kaze mo nai no ni, Bura bura," which translates, "Tan-tantanuki's testicles, there isn't even any wind, but still go swing-swing-swing."

Many people recognize the Tanuki from Super Mario 3, but if your friends aren't Japanese or video gamers this costume might be one to avoid.

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ANZA COLLEGE CAFETERIA

Monday, Oct. 26

- Minestrone
- Asian Chicken with Scallions & Sesame Dressing
- Chinese Chicken
- Beef Stroganoff
 - Beef Angus Chili Burger

Tuesday, Oct. 27

- Broccoli & Cheddar
- Hamburger
 Cheddar
- Spring GreensSalad
- Southwestern Fusilli

Located on the top level of the Hinson Campus Center

Wednesday, Oct. 28

- Beef Vegetable
 - Margharita
- Szechwan Beef Salad
 - California Fettuccine

Thursday, Oct. 29

- Tortellini Vegetable
- Sun-Dried Tomato,
 Caramelized Onion
 & Feta
 - Southwestern Chicken
- Broccoli Bow Tie
- Seared Tilapia
 Curried Orange Sauce,
 Cumin Rice, Cilantro &
 Pineapple Salsa



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Just be yourself



The Chief's Corner

Ron Levine Contributing Columnist

Identity theft is one of the fastest growing crimes in the United States.

According to the Javelin Strategy & Research Center, identity theft affected nearly 10 million people in 2008, a 22 percent increase from 2007. Identity theft is defined as the process of using someone else's personal information for your own personal gain.

Criminals often find several different ways to use stolen identification to commit a crime. In a recent report, the Federal Trade Commission has categorized the most common forms of identity theft.

- Credit Card fraud (26 percent): Utilities fraud (18 percent): Utilities are opened using the name of a child or someone who does not live at the residence.
- Bank fraud (17 percent): Such as check theft, changing the amount on a check or ATM pin number theft.
- **Employment** fraud percent): Employment fraud occurs when someone without a valid social security number borrows someone else's to obtain a job.
- Loan fraud (5 percent): Loan fraud occurs when someone applies for a loan in your name. This can occur even if the Social Security number does not match the name exactly.
- Government fraud (9 percent): This type of fraud includes tax, Social Security, and driver license fraud.

When it comes to identity theft, you can't entirely control whether you will become a victim. But there are certain steps you can take to minimize your vulnerability.

- Place passwords on your credit card, bank, and phone accounts. Avoid using easily available information like your mother's maiden name, your birth date, the last four digits of your SSN or your phone number, or a series of consecutive numbers.
- Secure personal information in your home, especially if you have roommates, employ outside help, or are having work done in your home.
- Ask about information security procedures in your workplace or at businesses, doctor's offices or other institutions that collect your personally identifying information. - Find out who has access to your personal information and verify that it is handled securely. Ask about the disposal procedures for those records as well.

If this happens to you, one great resource is the Federal Trade Commission's Consumer Protection site at: http://www.ftc.gov/bcp/ menus/consumer/data/idt.shtm.

Report crimes like this to the police immediately and contact the three major credit bureaus and request that a fraud watch be placed on your file.

More information on this procedure can be found at: www.ftc.gov/bcp/ edu/pubs/consumer/alerts/alt150. shtm.

Ron Levine is the Chief of Police for Foothill and De Anza College. He keeps his personal information locked in his home in a 18k gold jeweled box, beset with rubies and diamonds.

FaceS of De Anza

Former NYU art student Bick-Maurischat combines life experience with a bit of vision

Jason Frits LA VOZ WEEKLY

Allegra Bick-Maurischat is a graduate of Abraham Lincoln High School in San Jose and a reverse transfer student who came to De Anza College from New York University.

Bick-Maurischat's works have been featured in a variety of exhibits including The San Jose Museum of Modern Art and U.S Capitol Building in Washington.

La Voz Weekly: What is your major? And what made you come to De Anza from NYU?

Bick-Maurischat:

My major at NYU was in Studio Art with a portfolio concentration Drawing and a plan to minor in Social and Cultural Analysis.

I transferred to De Anza because tuition costs increased this past year and there was no way I could finance my entire education solely scholarships and student loans.

the time By planned from graduate NYU, I would be \$120,000 in debt for student loans, and after a year into my decision, I realized that however much I loved the school,

iust too high.

LV: What got you interested in art?

really believe that the desire to create is just

practically everything I could get my hands on since I could hold a crayon!

illustrate and explain everything I see and think about the world.

expression of my impressions of the external,

dialogue that can both challenge and connect with the viewer. In short, most of my work is abstract, but based on very real emotions and perceptions.

LV: What is your favorite medium?

BM: My favorite medium this past year has actually been wood, which I really got into during my sculpture class at NYU. But most of my work is some combination of graphite, ink and watercolor on canvas.

LV: Who inspired you as an artist?

BM: Life, my high school art teacher, Mrs. Zamora and Rico Gatson, my sculpture

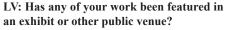
Rico is not only the most incredible artist I have ever met, but he shed new light on the

> entire process of art making for me. He's brilliant. LV: Do vou plan

to make art your profession or is it just a hobby you are really good at? BM: pretty every serious art student dreams of being able to make a career out of their passion, and I

am no exception. LV: Are you taking any art classes at De Anza right now?

BM: No. I am primarily focused on getting my GE out of the way right now.



BM: Yes. My work has been shown in San Jose Museum of Modern Art, the BlueCoat Corporate headquarters, the San Jose Downtown Doors Competition [a public art exhibition], the Washington Square East gallery in New York City and the U.S Capitol

LV: What is the name, medium and date of the artwork you included? What made you

BM: This piece is called "Critical Thinking", 2009, colored pencil on vellum, 35x50. Its one of my favorite pieces from this past year.

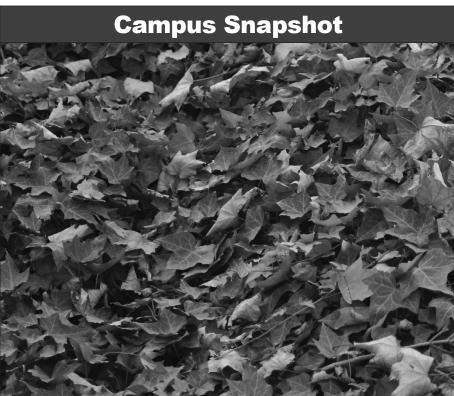
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"Critical Thinking", a recent art piece

and NYU reverse transfer Allegra Bick-

created by De Anza College student



Fall is here, the leaves tell us so.

PATRICK GARTNER/LA VOZ WEEKLY

Pigs over Paris II



Economics for Everyone

Stephen Zill Contributing Columnist

(This week's column is a continuation from last week's column and the healthcare discussion. See www. lavozdeanza.com or the 10/19/09 issue of La Voz Weekly for Pigs Over Paris: Part One.)

Last week I decided to suck it up and address the issue of health care reform. There were two reasons I'd been reluctant to tackle the subject.

First, for as entertaining, bizarre and often disturbing the sideshow accompanying last summer's traveling circus was, the issue of healthcare itself is only slightly more scintillating than watching paint dry (or so I foolishly thought).

The second was the fact that the issue seemed to be in constant flux. For example, something as significant as Public Option — one day it was on the table, the next day it appeared to be off. Also, it was only a couple of months ago that the whole thing appeared to be d.o.a.

But lo and behold, two weeks ago, the Senate Finance Committee breathed life into the issue again and approved 14 to 9 (all nay votes came from Republicans - shocking!) what has now become known as the "Baucus Bill."

Hence, it appears that, after all, our ever altruistic (sarcasm) lawmakers are going to do something that many thought as likely as Paris Hilton developing a method to unify gravity with the other three fundamental forces of nature.

But back to my main point. To reiterate what I began last week — that though one might argue as to whether this country has the best health care, there is little debate over the fact that we have a lousy health care system, and that there's broad consensus that reform is needed.

The main questions that remain are the big hows. How do we do it? How much will it cost? And how is this going to get paid for?

I set you up with the facts last week to show you the signs that our system is broken, but didn't address another major symptom: the cost of health care in America.

Americans are projected to spend around \$2.5 trillion on health care this year, which as proportion of gross domestic product, is 17.6 percent. This is roughly double the amount spent by a typical wealthy nation, and though we rank at the top when it comes to spending, given where we stand when it comes to topics like infant mortality rates and life expectancy, well, we ain't exactly getting our money's worth.

And obviously, if nothing is done, that number will only get bigger, faster - perhaps doubling in less than 10 years. So how can we reign in the costs?

The simple solution would be to eliminate our for profit health insurance system. Yeah, right. Do I sense the faint scent of bacon flying by my window?

So, since that's out of the question, there is Public Option – a government-run health care insurance plan that could act as a way to create "price competition" and slow skyrocketing costs.

The aforementioned Baucus Bill did not include the Public Option option, but public support for such a choice seems to be gathering. And in my opinion, I believe, though not without some trepidation, since the simple solution is out of the question, then that's

But what about the free-market, you might ask? Well, as Nobel Laureate Kenneth Arrow pointed out as far back as 1963 – and keep in mind, Arrow is not one to denigrate the strengths of markets - health care is not a market where the typical textbook model of supply and demand applies.

Yes, but the government? They can't do anything right! Though I have often picked on them during lectures, when you really contemplate it, the post office does a pretty miraculous job. And remember last week's statistic that said that 21 percent of what private insurers spend go toward overhead costs? Guess what Medicare spends towards their overhead costs: around 3-4 percent.

And again, for those who believe that (further) government involvement in our health care system is simply part of President Obama's devious scheme to move us ever closer to a totalitarian Communist state, allow me to leave you with what was perhaps my favorite moment from last summer, where at one of those ubiquitous astro turf gatherings, an attendee proclaimed, "Keep your [goldarn] government hands off my Medicare!"

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Top Ten eeriest, spookiest movies of all time

Spine-chilling and blood curdling, these films just dare you to walk down the dark hallway without your flashlight and blankie on hand.

Refugio Garcia LA VOZ WEEKLY

Night of the Living Dead (1968)

Directed by George A. Romero, this classic black and white depiction of zombies is a real fright fest. A motley group of folks barricade themselves in a farmhouse to keep from being eaten by bloodthirsty zombies who are craving flesh.

2. Evil Dead (1981)

Five friends venture out to a cabin in the woods for a little vacation where they stumble onto a book written in blood and bound by flesh. After playing a tape with a translation of the Necronomicon on it, they accidentally unleash some possession-happy demons.

3. The Shining (1980)

"Here's Johnny!" This thriller is based on a novel by Stephen King and was directed by Stanly Kubrick.

Jack Nicholson plays the starring role of a caretaker who takes his wife and son to a remote hotel of murderous psychic visions. Menacing spirits eventually drive Jack to lose his wits, causing him to become an axe-wielding maniac.

4. Nightmare on Elm Street (1984)

It's been a while since anyone made a horror movie this twisted, but Wes Craven set the standard pretty high.

After a lynch mob administers some old fashioned justice to a child molester by burning him to a cinder, he returns as a torched fiend terrorizing the children of those who killed him in their dreams.

5. The Exorcist (1973)

As a young lady becomes possessed by an evil entity, she spews foul language, pukes something resembling pea soup and exhibits a pretty impressive range of motion with her body. But what's a mother to do? It's the Catholic Church to the rescue! Two priests are called on to help remedy the situation.

6. Halloween (1978)

Michael Meyers had been cooped up in a mental institution for the majority of his life. After breaking out, this lunatic decides to let go of all that pent up energy by setting off on a killing spree as his physician gives chase. Also features a very young Jamie Lee Curtis.

7. Children of the Corn (1984)

A cult of children, led by an enterprising young preacher by the name of Isaac, kill all of the adults in the town of Gatlin, Nebraska. This movie is a real "adult nightmare."

8. It (1990)

This movie may have been made for T.V. but it's probably the main reason why entire generations of children fear clowns for being devious and creepy.

Based on a novella by Stephen King, this

Based on a novella by Stephen King, this is a tale of a group of school kids who are terrorized by an evil clown named Pennywise that only they can see.

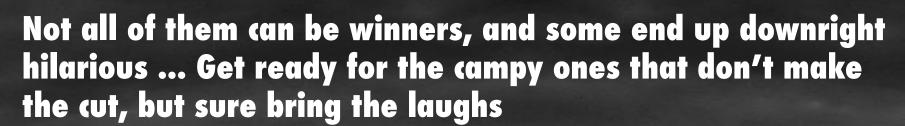
9. Pet Cemetery (1989)

Maybe Fido was better off dead. After a family moves into a new home they soon discover that the cemetery by their new home has the power to bring the dead back to life. After a truck tragically kills the family's young son, they decide to exploit the mysterious power of the cemeters.

10. Friday the 13th (1980)

A boy who drowned as a result of some camp counselor's negligence returns every Friday the 13th to get murderous revenge. Despite the warnings by the local town folk, a group of counselors set out to re-open the camp at Crystal Lake, kicking-off this horror classic.

The best scary movies so bad that they get good again



1. Evil Bong (2006)

Directed by Charles Band, an evil bong by the name of EBEE terrorizes a bunch of stoners by delivering some deadly hits and killer highs.

Extreme intoxication is required to enjoy this scary trip with Tommy Chong.

2. Shocker (1989)

A deadly killer has funneled himself into the electric grid after being put to death by electric chair. He gets some vengeance by attacking people through their electronic appliances. The only thing shocking about this movie is how horrible it was.

3. The Dentist (1996)

portrayal of a dentist hell-bent on torturing his patience after he discovers that his wife was having an affair. Best quote: "Behind every clean, white surface lies the stench of decay."

4. Leprechaun in the Hood (2006)

In this installment of the Leprechaun series, the Leprechaun found himself in Compton, Calif. in the middle of a feud between a couple of would be rappers and a local pimp. This movie is a hilarious mix of cheesy gangsters and a corny little rascal.

5. Thinne (1996)

Who needs any of those trendy weight loss programs when you can get a convenient, easy to follow, Gypsy curse?

After a fat lawyer runs over the daughter of a Gypsy witch doctor, he is cursed, leading to some major weight loss.

6. The Baby (1973)

A social worker discovers that a family isn't always what it seems to be as she learns that the so-called baby is 21 years old. Scary stuff.

7. Jason X (2001)

No, Jason didn't find Islam. However, he did find himself in space.

While two space colonies were in the works, some scientists decided that it would be wise to send a couple of cryogenically frozen bodies along for the ride. One of which happened to be the body of none other than Jason Voorhees. Surprise!

8. The Bride of Chucky (1998)

Chucky finally found what he had been looking for ... true love. That's right; Chucky got his girlfriend to put her soul into a doll so that they would have more in common

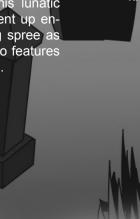
The two killer-dolls then proceed with a cute little rampage.

9 Sleep Away Camp (1983)

The kids at Camp Arawak find that they were in store for more than arts and crafts and campfires. Violent accidents lead to the discovery that the violent accidents aren't accidents at all, but were actually vicious murders

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De Anza Planetarium lights up the artificial sky

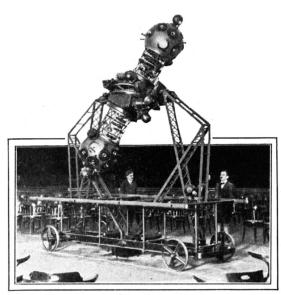
If Halloween means more than trick or treating for you, the Planetarium brings out family—friendly chills and thrills Oct. 31

Jason Frits LA VOZ WEEKLY

It was a dark and stormy night. Well, not really

The sky and stars above De Anza College's campus were clearly visible and noticeably devoid of ghosts, goblins and demons outside the Fujitsu Planetarium on Oct. 19.

But if you are looking for some good ghouls, Saturday, Oct. 31 marks the day



"Wow, this old telescope doesn't give views half as a good as the De Anza College Fujitsu Planetarium. Those whippersnappers sure got it good, Henry!

of the Spooktacular Halloween Laser Light show, and what a show it promises to be.

Though the laser light show typically opts for more classic tunes, such as The Beatles or Pink Floyd, this is as a special event for Halloween. Children and adults alike are welcome to take a break from trick or treating to come enjoy the show.

The Oct. 19 show began with green lasers tracing the well-known gluttonous

ghost from Ghostbusters on the planetarium dome while a majority of the youngsters in the crowd sang along to the chorus of the popular theme song.

The famous melody from Close Encounters of the Third Kind accompanied another laser animation of two Martians with trombones for noses exchanging notes in musical combat. Tunes including "Ghost Riders" by The Outlaws, "People Are Strange" by The Doors, and "Superstition" by Stevie Ray Vaughan indulged the older audiences and certainly brought back some memories

But it's between the animations, instrumentals and guitar solos that Garth von Ahnen, the main "laserist" for the planetarium, showcases his best skills. "Every show is different," von Ahnen says.

To enjoy the show as much as possible, one absolutely must buy a pair of Spectrum Glasses, sold for \$1 at the front desk before the show. Anybody who seemed to be enjoying the show had one of a few things in common: they were either old enough to remember when laser shows were common, young enough to enjoy the children's Halloween songs with cutesy animations or they had these awesome Spectrum Glasses. They change the show from a laser light show to a LASER LIGHT SHOW.

Although it is entertaining, the Spooktacular Halloween show is also family friendly.

Cost of admission is \$9 per adult and \$7 per child 12-years-old and under. Planetarium laser light shows take place in the De Anza College Fujitsu Planetarium on Saturdays. For a full schedule, visit

www.deanza.edu/planetarium/shows_rental/Saturday shows.html.

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PLANETARIUM SCHEDULE ASTRONOMY SCHEDULE

10/24

Zula Patrol - 5 p.m. The Planets - 6 p.m. Astronaut - 7:30 p.m.

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The Little Star that Could - 5 p.m. Two Small Pieces of Glass - 6 p.m. Extreme Planets - 7:30 p.m.

LASER LIGHT SHOW SCHEDULE

10/24

Spooktacular Halloween - 9 p.m. The Wall - 10 p.m.

10/30

Spooktacular Halloween - 9 p.m. Dark Side of the Moon - 10 p.m.

Astronomy Tickets:

\$8 per adult, \$6 per child under 12 Laser Light Show Tickets:

\$9 per adult, \$7 per child under 12







Technology Issues & Reviews

VROOM! START YOUR ENGINES!

De Anza Auto Tech steers into new year despite distant class location

Laura Weenus LA VOZ WEEKLY

The Automotive Technology Program has been at De Anza College since 1968, until the entire department moved to an old Toyota dealership next to the San Jose International Airport

before Spring 2009.

The reason for the move is a \$3 million renovation plan for the local facility. By the second week of December, the department will move 40 years worth of accumu-

lated materials, according to engineering performance instructor Pete Vernazza.

Given the challenges of having class 18-20 minutes' drive from the De Anza Campus, Vernazza expected enrollment to plummet.

However, even the recent budget crisis had no noticeable effect on enrollment in the program.

"When we first were forecasting the move, we didn't have as high hopes ... but I've got to be honest with you, it's been working out as well as we could expect," said Vernazza. "It was a massive undertaking ... but we have had a tremendous amount of support from the college."

"De Anza College's administration and support staff have been a tremendous help with our move to the temporary facility. It's a great feeling to know that

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Capitolo added that the department also promotes good work ethic in an effort to change the

skills and knowledge, and later

courses offer advanced engine

system diagnostics, alignment,

body electrical and high perfor-

mance engine building instruc-

perception technicians.

"We want our students to represent themselves well in the community where they will eventually work, and also represent De Anza College well,"

we have their support," said instructor Dave Capitolo, a machining and engines expert.

The Automotive Tech program

offers students the opportunity for a certification in automotive technology as well as an AA/AS degree, which requires general education classes outside of the basic program requirements.

Upon completing the threeyear program, students will be prepared for an entry-level posi-

tion in the automotive industry. Entry level classes teach basic said Capitolo.

RICK MAYNARD,

DEPARTMENT INSTRUCTOR

"Shops continually call to ask for a 'De Anza Grad as good as the last one we hired.' Our reputation is so well-established that some of the first graduates are starting to retire from the work force," said Rick Maynard, a department instructor.

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Oh, where can I find that luscious zombie skin?

James Chen LA VOZ WEEKLY

If you're still stuck on Halloween ideas, glumly staring at a featureless pumpkin while listlessly playing with the carving knife, have no fear.

The Internet is here, with dozens of sites to aid you in your quest for the best, most epic or just downright craziest Halloween since your first trick-or-treat.

Be it pumpkin carving designs or even how to make an emergency, you can find the help you need online.



Make your own Jack-o-lantern: www.extremepumpkins.com

Easily your best bet for Jack-o-Lantern inspirations, one of the biggest advantages to the site is a full series of online tips and techniques videos, covering everything from the purchase of the pumpkin to skin removal

As for those of you more interested in the pyrotechnic arts of Halloween, no worries: the web include tips for flaming pumpkins.



Make your own zombie skin:

www.youtube.com/watch?v=XR2PvbLpV4U

The best place to find tips on how to perfect that mutilated zombie look is actually straight from YouTube, as well as from related videos

The use of Skin-Tite and cheap, common cosmetics and paints can make for frightfully realistic injuries

Just be careful when you finally peel it off, especially if you're even vaguely hairy.



Make your own candy: www.chow.com/stories/10746

With the recipes from this web site, you may very well never buy wax and preservative-laced Halloween candy again. Not only do they have a simple and effective recipe for peanut butter cups, their repertoire also extends to Almond Joys, Twix, and even Snickers equivalents. The only problem it does present is not eating it all up by yourself.

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Splash into Wet Dual-wield gory mayhem

Lucie Ashley LA VOZ WEEKLY

Artificial Mind and Movement studio's Wet, for X-box 360 and Playstation 3, is an action packed gritty adventure easy enough for novice and awesome for experienced gamers, providing plenty of fun for all.

Wet is very user friendly, taking no time at all to throw you into intense shoot-outs combined with bloodspurting swordplay.

The tutorial level starts out slow. teaching you how to do slow-mo jumps and slides while shooting the attackers with your two pistols. The game then moves on to walls runs, acrobatic flips and just plain mayhem.

Wet's most exciting feature is its creative weapon use. Rubi, the game's protagonist, has all sorts of crazy tricks up her sleeves. Rubi starts out equipped with two pistols and a katana. She always uses two guns, one that auto aims leaving you to use the right trigger to either aim at the same enemy for more damage or simultaneously take out another opponent or three while in a jump or slide. That, and her bloodthirsty use of the katana leaves red stains on the arena walls and excited satisfaction in gamers' hearts.

When Rubi becomes especially angry, gameplay will change to rage mode where everything is black, white and, most importantly, red.

When she rages through a level, nothing can stop her blazing katana. This, and arenas where Rubi's assassin skills are truly tested, spice up each

Though Wet is extremely fun, the gameplay can get frustrating at times. There are more than a few seemingly impossible jumps and maneuvers where you will most likely die many

As you work through the game you will find the story somewhat cheesy with bad voice acting.

That said, the funny one-liners and excessive cussing coming from the quirky characters is quite entertaining.

You are warned: this video game is themed after Quentin Tarantino films.

Now you can't be surprised when the bosses are crazy cowboys and a tall, deadly and blind woman.

The animation is not the best, and rather rough at times. That goes largely unnoticed while playing. In fact, it all fits right into the Kill Bill, Planet Terror-esque theme of gritty filming and copious amounts of blood.

Rubi is not on anyone's side but her own and all your opponents will be sure

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Campus Culture & Lifestyles

Local Mediterranean, American restaurant Vivi's serves casual charm with a side of comfort

Amy Packard LA VOZ WEEKLY

Vivi's, a local family owned restaurant, has served simple American and Mediterranean fare for more than 30 years.

Thanks to a menu as simple as apple pie, but with a twist as delicious as falafels, classic favorites and simple décor get you back to the basics. From James Dean photos on the walls to the old school booths, the restaurant makes you want to sit back with a friend and take it easy. Like a worn-in couch that never stops being comfortable, there's a wornin feeling like you've been there before.

Their specialty is the falafel sandwich, with falafels made in-house: shredded lettuce, tomatoes and house falafel sauce served within soft pita bread. Moist and full of flavor, the best way to describe it would be that it definitely hits the spot.

Other time-honored favorites are the cheeseburgers and fries, and ham and cheese sandwiches.

Employee Kim Lee said Vivi's has been under the current owner, Henry Lee, for 12 years since he bought it from the original owners. Together with his wife, they've kept the original menu and original vendors.

Vivi's is known as a place for locals and students alike, especially since in the immediate area are Kennedy Junior High School, Monta Vista High School and De Anza College. To get to Vivi's from De Anza College, head east on Stevens Creek Boulevard towards Highway 85, passing the freeway and coming to Vivi's on the right.

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Pop culture is an ever blossoming assault on our lives, constantly giving us new and random things to dance to, eat up and look at. And try as one may to be the one who knows about it all right when it happens, a thing or two is bound to fall through the cracks. Welcome to La Voz Weekly's attempt to pick in the cracks. Welcome to, "It's new to me."

Dance-punk meets African Bushman

Pulled out of the dollar bin, Technology editor James Chen tells you why !!! is the most (kind of) exciting thing in dance-punk since exclamation pointsw

James Chen LA VOZ WEEKLY

If there's one problem with "!!!," it's how hard it is to find them online. Boolean search engines, Google included, won't recognize the otherwise distinctive band name. Rather, in order to find them, you'll have to realize that this band is named after the distinctive African Bushman language's tongue clicks, demonstrated in the film "The Gods Must Be Crazy," and shown in the subtitles as exclamation marks. Their band page, www.myspace. com/chkchkchk is onomatopoeia of those clicks.

That distinctive name is, however, one of the reasons why I picked up a dollar copy of their two-track album "Me And Guiliani Down By The School Yard (A True Story)" a year ago,

where it then spent time collecting dust until fairly recently.

The dance-punk band, unfortunately, demonstrated that their name's searchability isn't their only problem with this al-

It isn't as if "Me And Guiliani" has no redeeming qualities whatsoever.

The first of only two nine-minute tracks demonstrates quite aptly their punk spirit; the New Yorkcentric lyrics are a taunting dismissal of the authoritarian efforts of Rudy Guiliani's mayoral terms.

The mood is sustained through even the more experimental second track, "Intensifieder - Sunracapellectrohshit Mix 03," driven by a common, blood-pumping rhythm line that easily serves as the most memorable and technically realized part of the album.

details, though.

first track? The dissonance wall of sound looms and between the amateurish squawking and the intro's big-city industrial roar breaks apart the track's cohesion, muddling whatever underlying tone and attitude it had started with.

In comparison, the second track, with only five words repeated as its lyrics, and its more organic and crude opening, with muted burps, squelching and hissing noises, somehow manages to come across as more fully real-

As only appropriate with its lyrics and name, it grows in volume and complexity with every pulse, crashing and reverberating with urgency as it nears its long-delayed end.

The lyrics grow from a It starts to fall apart at the quirky query to an outright demand to the listener -What the heck is with "Feel. It. Intensify," hamthe falsetto tooting in the mered over and over as the shatters near the sevenminute mark, dissipating into a low and loud electronic moan at the last minute's stretch.

> It isn't a great album, by any stretch of the word. Their best moments are when they're at their most experimental, and while stretching a musical idea to its logical extent is often underused in the world of pitiful three-minute sequences, there's such thing as stretching it too far. But when they do elicit something sparkling from the dross, it shines with a quirky, alien light.

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A huge part of their job security relies on an ability to listen to, and heed the advice of, constituents. This

If we're not doing anything to influence our representatives' votes in Congress and the State Assembly, we have no right to complain about their inadequacy in office.

To make this even easier for you, please look the attached box. We have compiled a list of our federal and state representatives, as well as ways to contact them via post or on-

That is why, this week, the La Voz Editorial Board has a challenge for our readers:

Write your representatives.

'Community' college rocks!

Michael Mannina LA VOZ WEEKLY

NBC's new show "Community" offers us a view into the world of a fictitious community college and what happens during an average day. The show centers around

a colorful cast of characters including a man who made a fortune in the moist towelette business, a man with a law degree that is discovered to be bogus, a guy reluctant to join the family falafel business, and a

woman trying to find her way after a

said in the article.

How many of us can share in Harmon's view, when set against our time here at De Anza? No matter the class or the time of day, you see and meet people from all different walks of life, all here to enrich their lives for professional and personal reasons. It may not be immediately apparent, but these people have an effect on us.

Whether it is shared life experiences, business networking, or friendship, the community college setting gives students a humanizing

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marriage gone awry.

The reality is, this fictitious character assortment could very well describe the ethnically and socially diverse student body at De Anza College.

In an article on NPR.org, series creator Dan Harmon said that he had the idea for the show based on his real-life experiences in community college.

"There was a pregnant teenage girl sitting next to me studying biology, and on the other side of me was a Vietnam vet," Harmon personal interaction unique to our learning environment.

The appearance of "Community" on network television shows the social prevalence of community college attendance.

Now that network writers are making jokes about community college, we see that community college students are not a fringe population. Slowly, we are becoming the

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SJSU's squirrel situation

Peter Maxwell LA VOZ WEEKLY

In the face of funding woes, San Jose State University is struggling to deal with its squirrel overpopulation.

The massive amounts of ground squirrels that scurry around SJSU wreak havoc on building foundations, which makes their population control conveniently necessary. Normally, the ground squirrels are caught in traps and released in areas where they can readapt. However, with budget cuts limiting school resources, the SJSU administration was forced to adopt a less labor-intensive solution.

For the past two years the school has been poisoning squirrels to manage the overpopulation, according to San Jose State's Daily Spartan.

SJSU is currently looking into safer methods to deal with the squirrel infestation in a more humane manner, but the more humane option is

Clearly, SJSU realizes that having squirrel corpses all around campus is bad for publicity. Despite that effort, it seems they're missing the benefits of having squirrels frolicking through campus, chewing on building foundations.

Why get rid of the squirrels when they can embrace them?

Imagine the possibilities. Encouraging an environment that celebrates the squirrel infestation would be an excellent turn of policy for the administration, one that could move SJSU forward.

Forget the San Jose State Spartans, a pretty cliché mascot, and welcome the brand new San Jose State Squirrel Horde! No longer will Sammy Spartan's goofy, big-mouthed grin warm the hearts of loyal friends and infuriate hated rivals. Instead the new mascot, consisting of a throng of students in squirrel costumes, will awe fans, players, and peanut ven-

Without dealing with the costs of getting rid of the mammals, campus grounds could evolve into some kind of wildlife reserve, giving SJSU students a unique college experience that could potentially increase admission demand. And even if the rodent population does inflate to incredible numbers, it will just prompt a response from nature, like a swell in squirrel predators, equalizing things. The squirrels could potentially create a complex system of catacombs beneath campus where they can multiply to their tiny hearts' content, out of sight and out of mind.

A move like this could create immense media buzz, stimulating much needed publicity. University administrators can use that publicity to spotlight their budget difficulties, bringing heightened awareness of state schools' funding crises.

It is an unnecessary expense to tran and release the SISU squirrels Their presence should be embraced and, more importantly, used to generate publicity for the university.

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Letter to the editor

Editor,

I am marveling how today we can be so self-absorbed as to think that we are entitled to an education at the expense of taxpayers' hard-won fortunes. And if we can't have our "politics, values and educational culture," then we will resort to the vaunted tradition of protest, which is a favorite of spoiled two-year olds, where they lay kicking and screaming on the carpet and holding their breath until they turn blue.

If people who think they're mature enough to attend college really value life, perhaps they should get one before coming to college. If your major isn't the reason you're at the University of California, why are you taking up the space of someone for whom it could be? Nobody owes anybody a matriculation for the reasons you mentioned, especially the UC.

Mr. Yudof's job is to keep an industry afloat, whose primary product is cutting-edge knowledge. Undergraduates are an afterthought, if not an inconvenience. Professors and doctors, who live or die in a "publish or perish" world, covet their time for research and writing. They delegate the undergraduate chores to the graduate students. Huge, impersonal classes, where time is a luxury, weed people out. The junior colleges and the state college system, by contrast, provide the best undergraduate experience because of the close access of faculty to students. It's not what school you go through. It's how much school goes through you.

Perhaps if Californians elected governors, senators and assemblymen who know how to create wealth in this state instead of trying to turn it into a failed economy like the defunct Soviet Union and strangled economic development through environmentalism and over taxation, there might be money for the UC system to open up more space for the party crowd.

Thanks,

John May

Sports & Fitness

Men's Soccer Ties Rival

Peter Maxwell LA VOZ WEEKLY

De Anza men's soccer scraped its way to a 1-1 tie finish with Foothill College Oct. 16, bringing the Dons' conference record to 2-3-1.

Both teams' steady current of good defense punctuated by poor offense and lack of execution made for a difheading the lobs directed to the middle of the pitch. De Anza's offense showed

moments of life, but was not able to execute. This was showcased in the middle of the first half when a beautifully engineered cross was sent to forward Roberto Garcia and hesitation missed the scoring opportunity.

Toward the end of the first half, De Anza's Jose Cortez flew into a rage and began hitting a Foothill defender

tempo established before, one of middling defense and poor offensive execution.

Foothill put pressure on De Anza for the majority of second half and was even able to get a few shots on goal, but Foothill keeper Paul Barbosa thwarted all attempts.

In total De Anza attempted four shots on Foothill's end.

"[Foothill] [is] a good team that got lucky but [De Anza] [is] a much better team," said Shelby Vivit, member of De Anza's women's soccer team, who was not happy about the tie, but optimistic for the future.

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ficult back and forth game. The Dons up a wall for a free kick in their 1-1 draw against Foothill.

Foothill's first free kick slipped behind De Anza's keeper, seemingly of its own accord, or possibly at the not escalate. Both players were given whimsy of the several men kicking at it with the precision of a mob of epileptic kangaroos. The messy goal was attributed to Foothill's Daniel Meade.

The rest of the first half was a seesaw of struggle between De Anza's quick, effective defense and Foothill's ball control and size. Foothill repeatedly gained possession by merely

In the second minute of the match, after being grabbed. The only spark of excitement the match provided ended quickly when the scuffle did red cards.

The second half opened similarly

De Anza was given a free kick that found its way to the box and popped up into the sky, only to be finished by defenseman Olasunkanmi Abass. Andrew Cota was given the assist.

The game proceeded at the same

SCHEDULE

TUESDAY OCTOBER 27

Women's Soccer vs. San FRANCISCO CITY COLLEGE AT 4:00 P.M.

MEN'S SOCCER AT SKYLINE COLLEGE AT 2:00 P.M.

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 28

Volleball at Skyline AT 6:30 BM. M. & W. WATER POLO VS. CABRILLO COLLEGE AT 3:00 P.M.

FRIDAY OCTOBER 30

WOMEN'S SOCCER VS. HARTNELL COLLEGE AT 4:00 P.M.

SATURDAY OCTOBER 31

HALLOWEEN GAME FOOTBALL AT HARTNELL COLLEGE AT 1:00 P.M.

Halloween Cardio

Trying to burn off those Tootsie Rolls? Throw a few eggs and burn some carbs!

Brianna Bramer LA VOZ WEEKLY

Boo! Eat a little too much candy last halloween? Wish you could have been a sexy nurse rather than a ghost? Try out these Halloween night cardio calorie killers for a better body this

way too much candy without a second more calories you shed. thought.

You innocently op those fun sized candy bars into your mouth to later realize you consumed over 1,000 calories in just a few pieces!

Lucky for you, there are tons of Halloween activities help burn off those candy calo-

ries. So what if you get a little mischievous around Halloween? Turns out you can burn off a few off those candies and have fun at the same time.

Picking out pumpkins: Stomping around at the pumpkin patch will burn 176 calories per half hour, as long as you keep moving around. Carve that pumpkin up when you get home and work out your arms too!

Trick-or-treating: Run from house to house instead of walking to burn the calories faster. Just by walking you could burn 270 calories in as little as an hour. The more candy you get, the heavier your bag becomes, which helps you to burn up to 472 calories.

Egging: Simply put, the more eggs your throw, the more calories you burn. If you eat five Tootsie Rolls, be sure to throw fifty eggs and it might be like those Tootsie Rolls never hit your stomach.

TeePeeing: The higher you throw Halloween is a time when we eat that toilet paper into the trees, the



Beer Pong: Many of us enjoy a good game of beer pong, and surprisingly 236 calories can be burned just from playing (not counting the calories from beer of course).

Plus, the more nights you go out, the better. Always walk when you're

party hopping, and do speed costume changes in between.

So now you've got a few tricks up your sleeve to burn off the candy calories, so go out and satisfy your sweet tooth! But make sure to use these tips to get back in top shape after your Halloween weekend.

To find a list of more fun and easy activities that will help burn calories go to http://www.nutristrategy.com.

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finess tip of the week

Laura Rosensteel LA VOZ WEEKLY

at often. It can make you less tired, and less hungry. The traditional breakfast, lunch and dinner schedule can leave your body without food for as much as six hours, which triggers your body's starvation response of hunger and fatigue, according to fitness author Tom Venuto's "Burn the Fat, Feed the Muscle."

Nutritionist Michele Turcotte recommends eating six small meals per day to keep your body and metabolism evenly fueled. Try adding a snack in the morning and afternoon. Make sure that it has a good balance of fat, carbohydrates and protein. To maintain this balance, the United States Department of Agriculture recommends meals that are 20 percent fat, 60 percent carbohydrates, and 20 percent protein.

Snacks like chips have too little protein, which can slow your metabolism, and energy levels, according to "The Complete Idiot's Guide to Weight Loss."

If you're worried that these snacks will make you eat too much overall, lessen the size of vour other meals.



Instead of Doritos chips Fat: 8 grams Carbohydrates: 17 grams Protein: 2 grams



Try Trader Joe's Light String Cheese and a slice of average raisin bread Fat: 3.5 grams Carbohydrates: 13 grams Protein: 8 grams