

New York Times reporter discusses Fidel Castro

Robert Balicki
LA VOZ

Fidel Castro became the central figure in the Cuban Revolution only because of an overly favorable news article, according to Anthony DePalma, a New York Times correspondent and author of "The Man Who Invented Fidel."

DePalma, who spoke at De Anza College on April 25, said that Herbert Matthews of the New York Times was "overwhelmed by the image [and] by the romantic thought of this rebel" when he interviewed Castro in 1957.

During the interview, Castro marched his soldiers in a circle around Matthews and fooled him into believing that Castro had hundreds under his command, said DePalma, when in reality Castro had only dozens of troops with him.

The resulting articles, which revealed to the world that Castro was alive, made Castro the "central and most important person" of the Cuban Revolution, said DePalma.

Three months before the revolution, the New York Times published an article saying Castro had died after his yacht was attacked by the Cuban government.

After Castro overthrew the Cuban government and refused to reinstate democracy, Matthews became a scapegoat for anti-Castro sentiments and the neutrality of his article was disputed, said DePalma.

Though many believed that Matthews lied to the American public in order to help Castro, De-see **DEPALMA**, page 2

Pay to Stay to be relaxed in fall

Kristen Toner
LA VOZ

Fall quarter, students will no longer have to pay tuition within five days of signing up for classes, according to Margaret Michaelis, director of the De Anza College Budget and Personnel Department.

But, if a student does not pay by the end of the quarter, his or her grades and transcripts will be withheld, she said.

"We are trying to be fair and meet everyone's needs," said Michaelis.

The change in policy is a result of complaints received from students and teachers, said Cashiering Services Supervisor Nancy Chao.

"We try to listen to the voices and based on feedback will be able to establish new avenues to secure classes and fulfill academic goals," she said.

Fast cars at De Anza: autocross



Sarah Bogen / LA VOZ

A bright red Datsun 240Z displays the stickers of many auto part companies. It has been modified quite a bit with pulled fenders and racing slick tires. **SEE BACK PAGE.**

Wireless Internet to be installed by fall, says board president

Samantha Robertson
LA VOZ

Students will finally have access to wireless Internet on campus this fall – six years after voters approved a bond measure that included money for the project, according to Board of Trustees President Betsy Bechtel.

The library, the campus cen-

ter, the student and community services building, the Kirsch Center and the science center complex will be online, said Vice Chancellor and Chief Technology Officer for the District Willie Pritchard, in an e-mail to *La Voz*.

Bechtel said she hopes the installation will be finished by 2008, but only the first of three

phases has been funded and planned.

The first phase will involve finalizing the contract with WAN/LAN Solutions and installing cables and running tests, Bechtel said.

"The timeline for phases two and three will depend on the

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'Raging Grannies' and other activists demonstrate against President Bush



Cameron Tran / LA VOZ

The "Raging Grannies" protest against the Bush administration. They had walked a mile to get to the protest.

Cameron Tran and Robert Balicki
LA VOZ

Police cars blocked off several routes to "free-speech zones" — designated locations for protesters — on April 21 in downtown San Jose, frustrating many protesters.

"Every time we turned a corner, there were [police] cars," said Gail Sredanovic, a member of the Peninsula Raging Grannies

Action League, an activist group.

The alternative route provided by officers forced the Grannies to get back on the highway and walk from another direction, said Granny Ruth Robertson.

Two hundred protesters got to the "protesters ghetto" — what the Raging Grannies call the free-speech zone — said Sredanovic. Others got frustrated and demon-

strated at a nearby intersection.

By the time the Raging Grannies got to the protest, they had walked a mile and lost one Granny, said Sredanovic. The oldest Granny is 89.

"She never even complained. She's a real trooper," said Sredanovic.

The San Jose Police see **PROTEST**, page 2

Beware of health chain e-mails

SEPERATING HEALTH FACTS FROM FICTION



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If you have an e-mail address, I'm sure you have received at least one e-mail message warning you about something — the dangers of reusing plastic water bottles, telemarketers having access to cell phone numbers or HIV-infected razor blades hidden on gas pump handles. The e-mails urge you to forward the message to everyone in your address book.

E-mail is a great way to get information to a lot of people very quickly, but unfortunately you can't always trust the information you're given. Some of

for your health

these e-mails might be written as a hoax and others might be based on incomplete facts.

The next time you receive one of these messages you might want to check out its accuracy before hitting the forward button.

One Web site to go to is www.snopes.com. Snopes.com collects and authenticates thousands of these cyber urban legends.

There are a few health and safety messages that have caught my attention. One is "How to Survive a Heart Attack When Alone." The e-mail instructs you to perform something called "cough CPR" (take a deep breath, cough vigorously, repeat continuously).

The e-mail offers some legitimacy by citing several sources. But, according to <http://snopes.com>, it is not a wise idea to try

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Call us at 864-5626 or e-mail us at lavoz@fhda.edu.
We're hanging out in L-41.

Campus news and briefs

Senate makes campaign contribution to Measure C

The student senate voted to donate \$5,000 to the campaign to pass Measure C, a proposed \$490.8 million bond that will pay for the renovation and maintenance of existing buildings in the district. Citizens for Foot-hill-De Anza had requested \$75,000.

Association Wednesday.

Senate funding

The senate approved \$1,000 for Disabilities Support Ser-vices and Educational Diag-nostic Center for graduation, \$900 in new funding for the Men's Track and Field team and \$500 to send a repre-sentative to a statewide stu-dent senate meeting.

Latinas Unidos Association

The Inter-Club Coun-cil approved the cre-ation of a Latinas Unidos

New Senator Joins

Pedram Hassani-Azad joined the senate. The senate now has three empty spots.

Club Day photos online at www.lavozdeanza.com!



Students for Justice member John Fulton impersonates Vice Presi-dent Dick Cheney Thursday at Club Day.

PROTEST: 'Raging Grannies' march a mile to demonstrate against Bush

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Department and the Sheriff's Department cooperated with the Secret Service to provide security, said a spokesperson for the San Jose Police Department.

Several hundred police officers and Secret Service agents patrolled, said Sredanovic.

One man was arrested for jaywalking, after praying in the middle of a street, said Robertson.

"Pretty odd considering there was no traffic," said Robertson.

Slogans chanted included "Move out the way, Bush! Move out the way!" "Bush is a war criminal!" and "1-2-3-4, we don't want no f--king war! 5-6-7-8, stop the killing, stop the hate!"

The Grannies, however, didn't participate in the last chant.

"We keep Granny demeanor in order to help our message get out," said Sredanovic.

At least in public, she said.

WIRELESS: Internet to be installed in library

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passage of Measure C in June," Pritchard said.

"If it passes, then we will be able to move forward, with phase two likely happening during 2007 and Phase three in 2008," he said.

Money from Measure C, a proposed \$490.8 million bond, will be used to upgrade and main-tain existing buildings, construct new buildings, and purchase new equipment, according to www.yesonmeasureC.com.

The estimated cost for all three phases for both campuses will be \$810,000, Pritchard said, with the individual campuses funding the first phase.

Phase one will cost around \$60,000 for De Anza College, Pritchard said.

Measure E, the \$248 million bond passed in 1999, included money for implementing wire-less Internet access. However, the project was halted because other projects ran over budget.

Pritchard said he was frustrated with the bureaucratic hoops the district board of trustees had to jump through to get the wireless Internet project going again.

After local companies did not donate enough software and equipment, the board took out a public bid.

"As a public agency there are specific processes we are re-quired to follow, including, in this case, going out for public bid," Pritchard said.

Going out for a public bid can be very time consuming, Pritchard said.

DEPALMA: Reporter urges skepticism in reporting

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Palma said there was "no indica-tion that [Matthews] deliberately misled because he was a commu-nist sympathizer."

Instead, Matthews had what DePalma called a "weakness for strong characters," and was not "sufficiently skeptical" with

Castro's claims.

Consequently, the New York Times thought that Matthews was too close to Castro and did not run some of his later pieces.

More recently, journalists have been criticized for taking too many of the Bush administrations claims about Iraq and weapons of mass destruction at face value.



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what's happening on campus

All events are held at De Anza College and are free, unless otherwise noted. E-mail events to Happenings@LaVozDeAnza.com.

U.C. Davis Transfer Information

Monday, May 1, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Transfer Center, 2nd Floor, SCS Building. U.C. Davis representatives will be available to talk with students. For more information, contact the Transfer Center at 408-864-8841.

Film in support of May 1 events

Monday, May 1, 1:30 to 3:15 p.m., California History Center. The film "Wetback," produced and directed by Arturo Perez Torres and Heather Haynes, will be shown in support of the May 1 rallies, boycotts, walkouts and teach-ins supporting immigrant and worker rights. After the film and discussion, students are invited to join the peace rally beginning at Story and King Roads in San Jose. For more information, contact Marc Coronado at 408-864-8409 or CoronadoMarc@deanza.edu.

Israeli Independence Day Celebration

Tuesday, May 2, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Main Quad Fountain. There will be an information table and celebration for Israeli Independence Day.

Confused Words Workshop

Tuesday, May 2, 12:30 to 1:20, Writing and Reading Center, SC-3 English Professor Julie Pesano will give a workshop on commonly confused words.

Seminar with Freelance Journalist

Tuesday, May 2, 12:30 to 1:20 p.m., Student Publications Lab, L-41 (La Voz office) Loren Stein, a Pulitzer Prize nominee and a former Associate at the Center for Investigative Reporting in San Francisco will speak about her experiences. Stein's work has appeared in the Christian Science Monitor, San Francisco Chronicle, Columbia Journalism Review, LA Weekly and The Progressive.

Visiting Poets

Tuesday, May 2, 12:30 to 1:20 p.m., Writing and Reading Center, SC-3 Robin Ekiss and David Roderick, Stanford University Wallace Stegner Fellows in Poetry, will be visiting and available to talk with students.

Teatro Vision: Acting to Create a New World

Tuesday, May 2, 1:30 to 2:30 p.m., Conference Rooms A & B, Campus Center. Chicano People's Theater or Teatro is a unique form of expression

for people of Mexican heritage who migrated or were born in the United States. For more information, contact Maria Marin at marinmaria@fhda.edu or 408-864-5767.

Writer's Salon

Wednesday, May 3, 12:30 to 1:20, Writing and Reading Center, SC-3. Professor Suzanne Helfman will help students with writing issues.

Internship Program

Wednesday, May 3, 1 p.m. and 4 p.m., Conference Room B, Campus Center. Find out about paid internships for De Anza students at Silicon Valley corporations and public agencies on The one-year internships begin in July in areas such as executive assistant, multimedia assistant, programmer, junior accountant, chemistry lab assistant, graphic design, database administrator, technical writing, Web developer, robotics engineer and H.R. and recruitment assistant. For more information, see the Web site: internships.fhda.edu or contact Nancy Bilderback at 650-604-5560

"Pablo Neruda Presente!" and Open Mic

Wednesday, May 3, 3:45 to 6 p.m., California History Center. A documentary film on poet Pablo Neruda will be shown, followed by an open mic poetry reading with cake and punch, to celebrate Neruda's wife's 94th birthday. For more information, contact Alex Giardino at giardinoalex@fhda.edu or 408-864-8613.

Cinco de Mayo Event

Thursday, May 4, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Conference Rooms A & B, Campus Center. The De Anza community is invited to celebrate Cinco de Mayo, taste Latino food from Colombia, El Salvador, Mexico and Puerto Rico, and hear live Musica Nortena and Caribbean music. For more information, contact Alma Garcia at GarciaAlma@deanza.edu or 408-864-5370.

Vocal Jazz Concert

Friday, May 5, 8 p.m., A-11 Choral Hall. A vocal jazz concert will feature California State University Sacramento. Admission for students and seniors is \$5; general admission is \$8. For information, contact Roger Letson at LetsonRoger@deanza.edu.

Racial Identity/Racial Complexity Panel

Monday, May 8, 1:30 to 3 p.m., Conference Rooms A & B, Campus Center. A discussion of race and mixed race will feature panelists Paul Spickard, PhD, profes-

sor of History and Asian American Studies at UCSB; Wei Ming Dariotis, Ph.D., professor of Asian American Studies at SF State; and Kevin Johnson, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and professor of Law and Chicana/o Studies at UC Davis. For more information, contact Marc Coronado at CoronadoMarc@deanza.edu.

Mother Tongue and the Loss of Language

Tuesday, May 9, 12:30 to 1:30 p.m., California History Center. Historian Judy Miner and professor Marc Coronado will be discussing "Code Switching and Mother Tongue." The term "code switching" is a term referring to a speaker alternating between two languages during conversation. For information, contact CoronadoMarc@deanza.edu

Activist Olivia Wang to Speak

Tuesday, May 9, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m., Conference Rooms A & B, Campus Center. Olivia Wang is an attorney and activist devoted to social justice issues who has worked as a staff attorney for Legal Services for Prisoners with Children, a volunteer for Free Battered Women, a volunteer in prisons in Central and South America, and was a co-founder of the California Habeas Project. She was the recipient of the Bay Area Jefferson Award, honoring those who provide extraordinary community service. For information contact Jill Quigley at QuigleyJill@deanza.edu or 408-864-5564 or Lena Change at ChangLena@deanza.edu or 408-864-8728.

Asian Pacific American Heritage Month Reception

Tuesday, May 9, 3 to 4 p.m., California History Center. The De Anza community is invited to enjoy refreshments after Olivia Wang's presentation to celebrate the start of APA Heritage Month.

Actor and Activist Sean San Jose to Perform

Wednesday, May 10, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Conference Rooms A & B, Campus Center. Sean San Jose is co-founder and Programs Director for the Intersection for the Arts award-winning resident theater company Campo Santo. He conceived the theatre project "Pieces of the Quilt," a collection of new, short plays confronting the AIDS epidemic, and has developed works rooted in the Filipino cultural experiences. San Jose and other actors will perform excerpts from his writings and from works by Jessica Hagedorn. For infor-

mation, contact Lena Change at ChangLena@deanza.edu or 408-864-8728.

United Farm Workers Co-Founder to Speak

Wednesday, May 10, 1:30 to 2:30 p.m., Conference Rooms A & B, Campus Center. Dolores Huerta is an outspoken historical legend who played a major role in the American civil rights movement as co-founder, along with Cesar Chavez, of the UFW. In 1984 the California State Senate granted her the Outstanding Labor Leader Award. She has been inducted into the National Women's Hall of Fame and Ladies Home Journal's "100 Most Important Women of the 20th Century." For information, contact Laura Casas Frier at LauraCasasFrier@aol.com or 408-864-6111.

Spring Job Fair

Thursday, May 11, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Conference Rooms A and B, Campus Center. Approximately 45 local employers will be present to give out information about job opportunities at their companies. Students should bring several copies of their resumes to this event. For more information, contact the Career Center at CareerCenter@deanza.edu or 408-864-5711.

Online Public Domain Blog

To encourage the use of free public domain materials by De Anza and Foothill faculty and students, the De Anza library staff has created a Public Domain Web site and blog. The site contains links to public domain materials that can be used in the classroom. Users can view and contribute information to the site at: faculty.deanza.fhda.edu/PublicDomain/.

Gossip about De Anza

A student-created message board for De Anza students to "talk about classes, teachers and life" is available on the Web at www.DAGossip.com.

Campus Security Availability

De Anza College Campus Security is available between 7 a.m. and midnight seven days a week. Criminal activity or emergencies occurring between 7 a.m. and midnight should be reported to 408-864-5555. Emergencies may during those times may also be reported to 408-864-8911. Emergencies between midnight and 7 a.m. should be reported to 911 from a public telephone. Coins are not required when dialing 911. The office is located to in the lower level of the

Hinson Campus Center, across from the Advanced Technology Center.

Disabled Students Unlimited Club

The DSU meets on the second and last Fridays of the month at 2 p.m. in the Seminar Building. Students do not have to have a physical or psychological disability to join the club. The club has a listserv on the Web at: groups.yahoo.com/group/DeAnza_DSU.

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Need a Place to Live?

Use De Anza's online housing board to find a place to live or to find a roommate. It's at www.deanza.edu/housing.

Nominate a Great Teacher

The Distinguished Educator Award recognizes De Anza faculty members with extraordinary skills and accomplishments in classroom teaching. This award, presented eight times a year by the vice president of instruction, is given to educators who display substantial, significant and sustained excellence, commitment and enthusiasm to the multifaceted aspects of teaching the diverse student population of De Anza College. Nominations are welcome from students, staff, administrators and faculty. The nomination form is available at the Web site: deanza.edu/instruction/ed_award.html and are due by the first of every month.

Transcripts Available Online

Students can order official De Anza transcripts for a nominal fee online from Transcript-Plus® 24 hours a day. Information is available at the Web site: deanza.edu/registration/transcript.html. Unofficial transcripts are available for free through the online registration system.

Bands and Performers Wanted

Does your band want to perform at De Anza? Bring or send a promotional package with a tape or CD to the De Anza Student Activities Office in care of La Donna Yumori-Kadu. The Activities Office is located in the lower level of the Campus Center.

Free Recycled Computers for Students

Free recycled computers, good for word processing and Internet surfing, are available for qualified De Anza students who have filed for Financial Aid. For information on qualifications and how to apply, see the Scholarship bulletin board in the lower level of the Campus Center.

Save up to \$4.50 on Movie Tickets

Discount movie tickets are available for \$5.50 for movies at AMC Theaters that have been out for two weeks or more. Students must have a DASB card and purchase the tickets at the Student Activities Office in the lower level of the Campus Center.

Re-Entry Services

RENEW Re-Entry Services helps reduce obstacles that prevent non-traditional students from returning to school or accomplishing their educational goals. RENEW serves students who have had a significant break in their education, are married or divorced, are single parents or are 25 or older. Services include academic advising, early registration, workshops and study groups.

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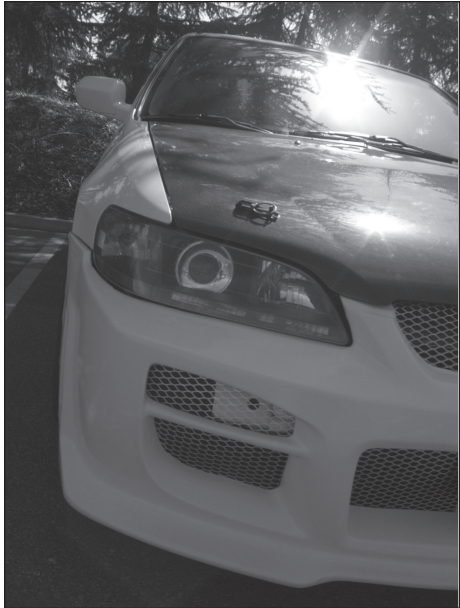
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De Anza's unique cars fill parking lots with style



Hiding in the back of Parking Lot B was a white Honda Accord sporting an aggressive body kit. The carbon fiber hood and JDM lights demand a second look.



Decked out with a bright sunflower on its antenna and a "PROJECT LAZY" sticker on the rear windshield, this Mitsubishi Lancer Evolution VIII doesn't take life too seriously.

This Honda Civic is in Parking Lot B. The hatchback's metallic orange body makes it unique among its more traditional cousins.



In addition to music band stickers, this metallic grey Mazda 626 in Parking Lot B is covered in anti-Bush and anti-corporate stickers.



Jay Caliguiran(6) /LA VOZ



A green Honda Del Sol in Parking Lot B dons a huge red spoiler. Don't let it slap you on the way out.

Melissa Lewis
LA VOZ

You're hearing every moment about what we're putting in our cars – ethanol, gasoline, sugar – forget that last one.

So we here at *La Voz* decided to give you a break from all that global warming talk to bring you something even hotter – the cars at De Anza College.

We've seen a hundred Hummers, a million Mercedes, a billion Bimmers but we haven't seen

many Mazdas against The Man or citrus Civics.

We encourage you to burn through patchouli instead of crude oil and ride the bus instead of the fast lane.

But at the same time we'll feature those students who brave their \$3.27 fates to park their mobile art in our lots. Look for them when you're cruising for a space — just get off the cell phone first.

DE ANZA VOICES

Yekaterina Barilov
LA VOZ

What is your favorite thing about Asian and/or Latino culture?

"I like Asia for the diversity of all the cultures within it. In Latin America, it's mostly Catholicism, but throughout Asia, the religions and cultures are very different from country to country. Much like European countries used to be in the '70s and '80s, they are vastly different."

– Ian Price, Specialty Tea and Coffee.



"Food in both! I like Latino culture for their fun, their heritage, music and strength in voicing opinions. I've been learning a lot about Latino culture in some of the classes I'm taking here."

– Natalia Romanenki, Real Estate.



"I like sushi and pokemon movies, I guess those things are my favorite."

– Shannon Jones, Undeclared.



"I like food in both cultures. In Latino culture, I like the music. You know, the rhythm."

– Leo Pena, Computer Science.

"I can't think of anything specific for Latino culture, but I love the Japanese language and food."

– Eugene Yurtsev, Physics.



May to hold events for Asian Pacific Americans and Latinos

Geraldine Escalona
LA VOZ

The speakers and presentations during this year's heritage month observances represent the cultural diversity of the De Anza College campus.

Events for Latino and Asian Pacific American Heritage Month will be schedule throughout May. "Our speakers and our events represent people who are doing exciting things in our communities, but aren't necessarily the ones that you see on TV," said Karen Chow, professor and co-organizer of "Racial Identity/Racial Complexity Panel," "Mother Tongue and the Loss of Language," and "Asian Latino/a Intersections" events for Asian Pacific American Heritage Month and Latino Heritage Month.

"They're not necessarily getting a lot of the mainstream attention. So that's why it's great that people have a chance to hear and see them at De Anza. We have some really dynamic

performers," Chow said.

"There are issues and interests that overlap. I hope people really show up for the events," said Marc Coronado, professor and co-organizer with Chow.

There will be a lawyer, playwright, council member, poet and historical figure speaking during the month of May.

There will also be panel discussions, film and theatrical shows and musical performances. Most of the events are free admission. Twenty events are scheduled during the month.

According to Christine Chai, professor and co-chair of APAHM Planning Committee, many of this year's speakers are "young, dynamic and artistic. They show students at De Anza that there are so many possibilities of being active and speaking out for social justice. There are so many layers to them."

The month of May will kick off with "Teatro Vision" on Tuesday, May 2. Food and music will be available to students, staff and community on "Latino Diversity

Day" on Thursday, May 4 and "Asian Pacific American Heritage Month Reception" on Tuesday, May 9.

While Asian Pacific American Heritage Month is typically celebrated in May, many schools observe it in April because of their schedule of classes.

While Latino Heritage Month is traditionally celebrated in September because of Mexican Independence Day, De Anza observes it in May because of Cinco de Mayo.

"If you miss seeing her, you'll be missing out on a piece of history," said Coronado of speaker Dolores Huerta on Wednesday, May 10.

"What was nice about this year's Asian Pacific American Heritage Month is that we made more attempts to do joint programming," Chow said.

"Symbolically we are emphasizing the importance of being in solidarity. The complexities of race, class, gender and culture are often times intertwined," she said.

"It's been a real pleasure working on this. I've learned a lot. I hope people come out and enjoy the events," said Chai.

The May events are co-hosted by Asian Pacific American Heritage Month and Latino Heritage Month Committees. The events are funded by DASB, and supported by various student and staff organizations on campus.

For more information about the events at De Anza and Foothill College, visit the campus calendar links at www.deanza.edu/eventscalendar/main.php and www.foothill.edu/news/releases/lhm2006.html.



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(Left to right) Dan Sealana, David Gunderson, Kayla Hilton, Robert Balicki, Ruth Tepper and Katherine Nguyen.

Campus needs to bring back 'De Anza Day'

Every year De Anza College uses funds to publicize special programs and build a campus community. Both time and money are wasted when the events are either too small to interest students or too dull to reach those students who view De Anza as just some place they go between sleep and work.

It would be perfect if one day De Anza could show off the free legal advice, scholarship counseling, clubs and all of the college's other amazing features.

We could make that day so amazing that every student — even most of the surrounding community — takes notice.

Oh, wait — we already did. It was called "De Anza Day," and the festival drew in thousands every year from

inside and outside the student population.

De Anza Day brought together the Cupertino community with music, games, and activities that you couldn't find on any other college campuses.

Sadly, in 1996, then-President Martha Kanter released a memo that upset many of the faculty and staff. She informed them that there would be no De Anza Day in 1997.

And while there were promises of a new event that would focus on school-related themes, we have yet to see it materialize 10 years later.

De Anza Day generated income by charging for special activities like helicopter and hot air balloon rides. Vendors were also present most years, which brought in more revenue.

Since the money spent on De Anza community-building these days comes from DASB and De Anza Day used to be funded by the administration, perhaps the administration no longer sees the value in promoting awareness of the school by drawing thousands of people to the campus.

That would certainly explain the nearly year-long hesitation to begin the hiring process to replace De Anza's retired Director of Marketing.

But the equation is simple: If more people are introduced to De Anza as a fun and lively campus, more people will want to go to school here.

Do the administration a favor this week and lend them a calculator so they can add up the losses of the last ten years.

LOMAX: E-mails helpful but often inaccurate**FROM PAGE ONE**

to perform cough CPR because the procedure is not universal. In other words, there are different types of heart attacks. While the vigorous coughing technique may help with one type, that same action might cause more damage if it's another type.

And there's no way you can tell which type of heart attack you might be having. To learn more about warning signs for heart attack, stroke and cardiac arrest, check out the American Heart Association's Web site at <http://www.americanheart.org> and click on "Heart Attack/Stroke Warning Signs."

A second health-related e-mail has to do with learning how to recognize if someone has just had a stroke. The e-mail instructs you to ask the potential stroke victim to do three things: smile, raise both arms and speak a simple

sentence. If the person cannot do these, you should call 9-1-1.

The folks at Snopes.com concur that this simple test is helpful in determining whether or not a person has had a stroke, but points out that the American Stroke Association has not endorsed it. The American Stroke Association lists five warning signs of stroke and urges people to become familiar with them. The warning signs are:

- Sudden numbness or weakness of the face, arm or leg especially on one side of the body
- Sudden confusion, trouble speaking or understanding
- Sudden trouble seeing in one or both eyes
- Sudden trouble walking, dizziness, or loss of balance or coordination
- Sudden, severe headache with no known cause

To learn more about strokes and to

e-mail the warning signs to friends and relatives, you can check out the American Stroke Association's Web site, <http://www.strokeassociation.org>.

Finally, there's the message about ICE. ICE stands for In Case of Emergency. The e-mail urges people to add an emergency phone contact number under the letter "I" in your cell phone so that, in the event of an urgent situation, emergency workers can more easily locate the number of your parent, friend, sibling or whomever your designated emergency contact is.

It's a lot easier for someone in the emergency room to look for "ICE" than to scroll through your numbers and guess whom to call. I would also recommend putting the ICE info in your palm pilot and address book, too. If you want more information about ICE, check out their Web site at <http://www.icecontact.com>.

letters and comments

tian and Jewish counterparts?

If Sealana knew the answers to these questions, then he provided his readers a disservice by misrepresenting the facts about Islam.

If he did not know, then, as a journalist, he should have verified the facts before printing the article.

Printing a quote about Muslims trying to "take over" without verification or a response by us only serves the purpose of fear-mongering — a trait too common in the media these days.

For those interested in knowing what Muslims really believe about God, we encourage you to ask us and look for upcoming events supporting interfaith dialogue.

- Aman Mehrzai
De Anza College student

'Interfaith' article misrepresents Islam

Last week's article in La Voz titled "Students seek 'interfaith' room on campus" by Dan Sealana, editor-in-chief, raised some concerns with Muslim and non-Muslim students alike.

The matter of dispute arises from a quote in the article by Larry Nicholls, a non-student member of Saltworks Christian club.

Nicholls is quoted as saying, "The Muslims are pushing [the interfaith room] and they're going to take it over," Nicholls said.

He added, "[Christians] can't worship with them anyway. They have different Gods."

As a lecturer with the Muslim Student Association, I asked the MSA and a consensus was reached that Muslims

have not been pushing for such a room, nor have we the intention of taking over.

We currently pray in comfort and peace wherever we can find a spot.

What concerns me, however, is why we were not interviewed for this article at all.

Our voices have been rendered silent and we hold the editor-in-chief responsible for validating these anti-Semitic remarks.

This leads me to question the journalistic integrity of the reporter.

Why did he not verify Nicholls' quote with the Muslim student body regarding their opinion of the interfaith room?

Does the reporter know that Islam is a monotheistic religion, which does not have "different Gods" than their Chri-

Corrections

• 4/24/06 issue, page 7 - In article 'De Anza Club of the Week, Math club,' Alex Flury's name was misspelled.

• 4/24/06 issue, page 14 - In article 'Player of the Week,' the correct photo credit belongs to Robert Erdei.

player OF THE week



Kayla Hilton /LA VOZ

Nate Green
LA VOZ

Being the youngest person on the team is one thing, but as the starting third baseman is really what separates 16-year-old Allison "Allie" Zajac from the pack.

She grew up watching her older brother play baseball, he made it all the way up to the San Jose Aztecs, a local semi-pro team. Playing in leagues with older players taught her to be tough.

Zajac played her freshmen year at Prospect High School for the varsity team before passing her proficiency exam and entering community college.

She began playing at Foot-hill College until the softball team was cancelled due to the lack of players.

Zajac transferred to De Anza College and was being nervous at the tryouts. She thought her age would cast her out, but said she received

much support from her teammates.

She immediately had a big impact on her team and provided experience despite her young age.

She shared her frustration that the Olympics would be dropping softball after the 2008 summer games. Her goal is to try out for the final Olympic softball team to fulfill her dream of playing for Team U.S.A.

"It's not about playing for the name on the back of your jersey, it's about playing for the one on the front of your jersey," she said.

Zajac has pride in her team and stresses the importance of teamwork. She looks forward to the next game she can play in, whether it be in this year's playoffs or next season.

She is excited that the majority of the team is returning and she thinks they have bonded well and can grow even more as a team the more they play.

Allison "Allie" Zajac

Birth date: 5/17/89

Birthplace: San Jose

Position: 3rd Base

Favorite Pro Player: Jenny Finch – Olympic Softball Team

Favorite Pro Team: San Francisco Giants

Major: Undecided

Dream School: San Diego State University

Favorite Food: Bean and Cheese Burrito

Memorable Softball Moment:

"It was a night game and the lights were on. I was pitching in a championship game. I pitched a no-hitter and we won the game and it was all on me."

Team effort will bring Sharks deep in playoffs

Reza Kazempour
LA VOZ

Most of the attention this year has been focused on Joe Thornton and Jonathan Cheechoo, but what really carried the San Jose Sharks into the playoffs was the relentless effort from the rest of the team.

Depth is what the San Jose Sharks aren't lacking. The effort from all four lines allowed the Sharks not only to make the playoffs but to move into the fifth seed in the Western Conference.

Thornton's arrival lit a spark within the team. There is no doubt that Cheechoo's remarkable year was because of Thornton's playmaking. The connection between the two allowed Cheechoo to walk away with the Maurice "Rocket" Richard award, which is given to the player who scores the most goals in a season.

Most of the opposing defense focused mainly on Thornton, but the second line consisting of Patrick Marleau and rookies Steve Bernier and Milan Michalek shined on the ice.

Bernier is almost guaranteed a role in the lineup for impressing head coach Ron Wilson with his strong performance and gritty play.

Michalek and Marleau have connected on so many occasions

because their speed allows them to pass up the defense easily. In game four, Marleau registered three goals – the third playoff hat trick of his young career.

After being on the same line with Thornton, Nils Ekman shines. Midway through the season, Ekman registered eight assists in two games.

The team's depth doesn't end there. It seemed like the Sharks received an all-around team effort from everyone. Christian Ehrhoff and Tom Priessing have stepped up on defense, allowing Kyle McClaren and Scott Hannan to focus on the top lines of other teams.

Young blue-liners Doug Murray, Josh Gorges, Rob Davidson, Hobe Baker and award-winner Matt Carle have proven reliable and effective for Wilson.

The third and fourth line also contributed well, especially Mark Smith. Throughout the four playoff games, Smith has registered three goals.

The biggest contribution came from Vesa Toskala. Because of Toskala, this has not been Evgeni Nabokov's year. Toskala has taken the premiere role and has been most effective so far in the playoffs.

The team with the most depth will go far in this year's Stanley Cup playoffs. Expect the Sharks against the Ottawa Senators in the finals.

SOFTBALL

April 25

De Anza 9, Mission 0

WP -- Tello. **2B** --Finney, Terrazas, Gambrel (DA). **2 hits** -- Esparza, Rodriguez (DA).

Right: At Tuesday's game against Mission college, De Anza's last game of the regular season, a Mission player prepares to bunt against Dons pitcher Amanda Tello.



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READY TO RUMBLE



Left: A row of Datsun 510s sit next to a 240Z in De Anza's Parking Lot B, the site of the autocross lessons.

Middle: A line of import and domestic cars wait to run the course and show the diversity of cars in autocrossing.

Bottom: The drivers of a red white and blue Datsun and an old blue mustang are ready to run the course.

AUTOCROSS TRAINING HELD BEFORE ANNUAL RACE

Sarah Bogen
LA VOZ

Parking lot B was filled with about 30 students, 15 instructors, 30 cars and dozens of orange cones. Every April, the De Anza College Auto Club sponsors a day of autocross lessons for students of De Anza College and local high schools.

Many domestics and imports participated in the event, with the poster car for autocrossing — Datsun 510 being the most common car there. The De Anza auto tech Datsun 510 was running strong.

Being able to push a car to its limits and seeing the results of its modifications is the best thing about autocrossing, according to Josh Mabie, 21 Sports Care Club of America member and vice president of the Auto Club.

Most of those who participated were interested in joining the Duel at De Anza on May 21. The rest were over 18 car enthusiasts from De Anza, Gunn High School, Los Altos High School, and the Re-

gional Occupational Program for Auto Technology.

"There's not that many students, so the teachers get to know you better," said Vlad Gantvarg, a participant at the event.

The day started with a classroom lesson from 8 to 9 a.m., then moved to a walkthrough of the course. Afterward the students were able to run through the course with an instructor in the car.

The courses changed three or four times throughout the day, getting more difficult at each change. Instructors concentrated on teaching the students about the proper shifting, braking and steering techniques to optimize their cars' performances through the course.

The instructors were volunteers who have had at least 15 to 20 years of experience in autocrossing.

The lessons also excited people about the upcoming Duel at De Anza on May 21. Michael Brandt, instructor of the ROP program said he liked the lessons before the duel because "it serves

a purpose. The numbers of hours in a car, 30 laps or more in one day and constructive criticism all help the students. There's not as much stress here as at Duel at De Anza so the students learn better here."

The event ran from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Auto Club provided food and drinks throughout the day.



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