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Drones come under fire at Flint Center

Jay Serrano

NEWS/OPINIONS EDITOR

Protesting overseas drone strikes, members of Students for Justice assembled outside former Secretary of State Leon Panetta's speeches on Feb. 19 and 20.

Panetta spoke at De Anza College's Flint Center as part of the Celebrity Forum Speakers Series.

The student activists used a variety of tactics to spread their message to speech goers.

Brennan Robins, a club member and event organizer, approached attendees as they entered the building and attempted to begin a dialogue.

Nate Greensides, the club treasurer, walked up and down the walkway in front of the Flint center shouting his message.

"Mr. Panetta authorizes attacks on innocent civilians using drones in the Middle East," Greensides said.

He tried to make the point more

relevant to the audience.

"It could be in our own backyard," Greensides shouted. "He has that power."

But Panetta is retired and does not have the authority anymore, a woman on her way in pointed out.

After a quick check on his cellphone, Greensides amended his talking points.

"Drone strikes have also killed American citizens," club member Karla Xitdalli shouted to the people entering the center.

According to an NBC segment, the four Americans killed by drones were Al Qaeda militants. One was the target of a drone strike, the others were collateral.

Many attendees walked past the table without stopping, while others commented they already knew about drone strikes and supported their use.

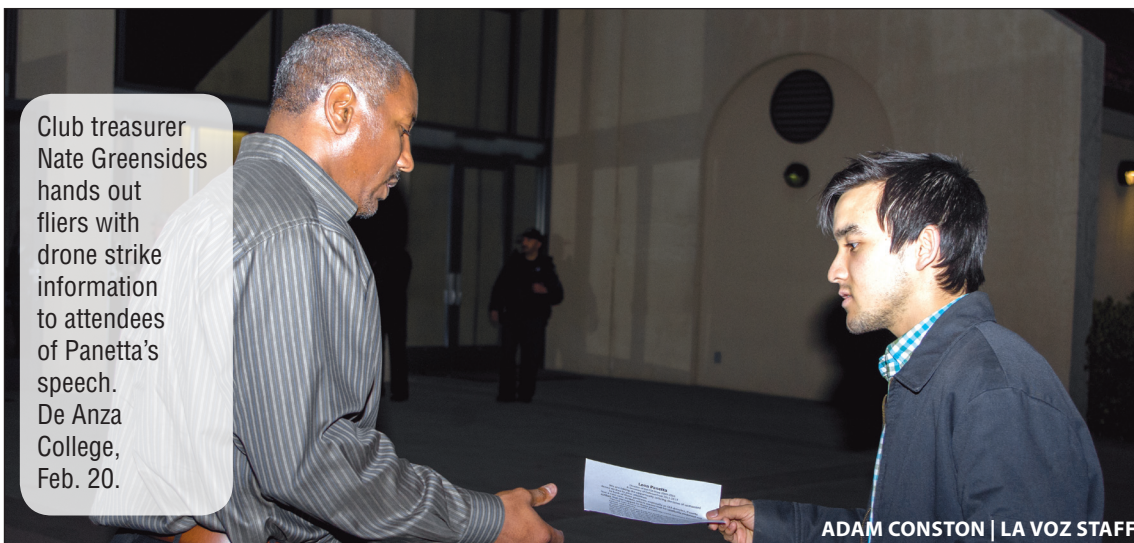
Others came over to the table to ask for more information

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Students for Justice club member Steven Alvarado holds up a sign detailing the number of civilian drone strike casualties in protest of former Secretary of Defense Leon Panetta, who spoke at the Flint Center at De Anza College, Feb. 20.

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Club treasurer Nate Greensides hands out fliers with drone strike information to attendees of Panetta's speech. De Anza College, Feb. 20.

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PREVIEW: DE ANZA DONS BASEBALL

Jeff Facun

STAFF WRITER

The 2014 De Anza College baseball team is looking forward to the upcoming conference season. So much so that some returning members from last year's team are not putting a lot of stock into starting the season slow. Their preseason record as of Friday Feb. 21 was 0-9.

"We are trying to stay focused, go 1-0 every game [and] not worry about the record overall," said Jack Radar, who went 4-2 with 32 strikeouts in 2013.

De Anza head coach Scott Hertler said the team had a great fall camp to get ready for the upcoming season.

"We got a lot of games in the fall [of 2013]," Hertler said. "The weather cooperated with us. We didn't miss time on the field."

Hertler's list of players to

look out for this season consists of four sophomores: left-handed pitcher Lucas Yovanovich, right-handed pitcher Rader, outfielder Jonathan Collins and first baseman Joseph Garo. The coach expects them to be major contributors toward the success of the team.

These players represent four of the team's nine returning sophomores. But Hertler doesn't mind the challenge of playing his plethora of freshmen.

"We are unsure where they fit yet," said Hertler, of his freshman players. "But a lot of freshmen are getting a chance to get their feet wet early in their careers."

The Dons will have to replace two 2013 Coast Golden Gate first-team all-conference players – Rey Gallegos, Corey Kingston – and three second-team all-conference players – Joey Austin,

Derek Carter, and Gilbert Guerra – from a team that went 16-20 last season.

Yovanovich, one of nine returning members and one of six all-conference players from last year's team, said he is focused more on the team's success than achieving his own personal goals.

"It's not about me," said Yovanovich, who went 7-4 with 47 strikeouts and registered a 3.27 ERA in his first season with the Dons. "I'm more [dedicated] to getting the team back on track after the slow start than myself."

Collins' goals for the season are to help the Dons be successful and lead by example at the plate and on the field.

"Personally, (I want) to do anything I can to help the team win," said Collins, who played in nine games in 2013.

Garo finished the 2013 season

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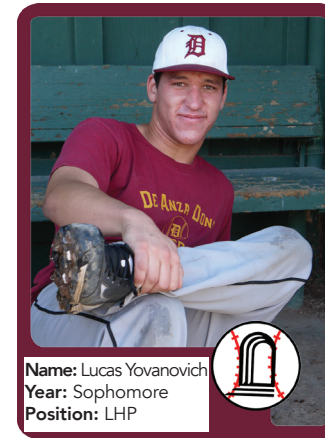
Name: Jack Radar
Year: Sophomore
Position: RHP



Name: Jonathan Collins
Year: Sophomore
Position: Outfielder



Name: Joseph Garo
Year: Sophomore
Position: First Base



Name: Lucas Yovanovich
Year: Sophomore
Position: LHP

Monday Feb. 24

REYNA GRANDE VISIT
12:30 to 1:30 p.m.
Conference Rooms A & B
Award-winning novelist and memoirist, Reyna Grande, shares about her experiences immigrating to the United States and finding her voice and comfort through writing. In addition to her novels "Across a Hundred Mountains" and "Dancing with Butterflies," her moving memoir "The Distance Between Us" speaks to many of De Anza students' and their families' experiences whether immigrating from Mexico or from other countries as diverse as Vietnam, Russia, Sudan, as well as others. Bring your classes and yourself.

Tuesday Feb. 25

FILM AND PANEL DISCUSSION: INEQUALITY FOR ALL
1:30 to 4:30 p.m.
Conference Rooms A & B
Take part in a rare screening of "Inequality for All," Robert Reich's critically acclaimed documentary on the widening income gap in the U.S. The film will be followed by a panel dialog on how to advocate for systemic change within higher education. This is a free event with food provided.
Film Showing: 1:30 pm with Introduction by Campbell Mayor Evan Low;
Guest Panel: 3 p.m. with De Anza President Brian Murphy, Crystallee Crain and Cynthia Kaufman.

Wednesday Feb. 26

STUDY ABROAD IN VIETNAM OR TAIWAN IN SUMMER 2014
1 to 3 p.m.
Library, Room 235 (next to the DeCillis Special Collection on Vietnam).
An informational meeting about next summer's Study Abroad trips to Viet Nam or Taiwan.
Travel to Viet Nam: The program will be held from June 30 - July 28, 2014, and includes credit for SOCI 5; POLI 1, 2 or 3; and ICS 20 or 22. Classes are held at De Anza on June 30 - July 3, with departure to Hanoi on July 5.
Travel to Taiwan: The program will be held from June 27 - July 19, 2014, and includes credit for CD 69, plus CD12 or CD102Z. Classes are held at De Anza on June 27-28, with departure to Taipei on June 30.
Financial aid and scholarships are available.

Thursday Feb. 27

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Friday Feb. 28

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A workshop for students and staff to create a safer, more supportive environment for LGBTQQAI people and to increase knowledge and awareness of LGBTQQAI issues in the community. Includes activities, open discussions, questions and answers.

Saturday March 1

DE ANZA FLEA MARKET
8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Campus Parking Lots A&B
The Flea Market is held on the first Saturday of every month (rain, shine or holidays) in Campus Parking Lots A and B. Go to <http://www.deanza.edu/fleamarket/> for more information.

Tuesday March 4

INTERNATIONAL TRANSFER FAIR
11 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Campus Center, Conference Rooms A & B
More than 65 universities from all over the U.S. will be at De Anza College. This event is open to all students.
The Transfer Fair is the best opportunity to meet face-to-face with an admissions officer. Come and explore your transfer options, scholarship opportunities, and programs. It's your future, so come find out what your chances are of being accepted at the school of your choice. Refreshments and raffle prizes.

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Deep Reading is offered in conjunction with Silicon Valley Reads 2014. The Silicon Valley Reads program encourages everyone in Santa Clara County to read the same book, at the same time, and talk about it. Presented by the Santa Clara County Office of Education, Santa Clara County Library District and the San Jose Public Library Foundation.

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BURGER OF THE WEEK (Hawaiian): Teriyaki sauce, provolone, grilled pineapple, caramelized onions, lettuce, tomato, Sriracha mayo **SALAD DAZE MAKE YOUR OWN SALAD:** Chef specialty salads everyday: Chicken Caesar, Spring greens, apple, candied walnuts, cranberries, blue cheese and oil & balsamic dressing, Southwest Chicken, Vietnamese Chicken or Shrimp, Chinese Chicken Salad

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about drone strikes and why the students oppose them.

"If Panetta presents anything about drones at all, it will be a positive view," Robins said. "We're trying to present the negative view so that people can have a fair and balanced interpretation."

Drones were a significant portion of his speech, an attendee said.

Students for Justice members believe drone strikes are immoral and illegal, according to Robins.

Another goal was to educate people about drone strikes in general.

"Most of them don't know that much about it," Robins said.

Even though Panetta is retired, Students for Justice

said the speech was an effective place to protest.

"It's to raise awareness generally," Robins said. "Even though he's retired he's pretty much constantly being quoted in the media."

Students for Justice has not scheduled any follow-up protests, but club members had a clear idea of what they wanted people to do after visiting the table.

"We're hoping that this starts a dialogue or discussion about drone strikes which has been missing from the media and public discourse," Robins said.

Xitlalli said the purpose of the protest was not to debate with people who supported drones. The purpose was to begin conversation between people with different views.

DASB approves next year's budget, new spending

Carla Arango
STAFF WRITER

During a meeting that lasted less than one hour, the DASB Senate unanimously approved the 2014-2015 DASB Budget on Wednesday, Feb. 19.

Budget and finance committee chair Nupur Mehta explained that if senators wanted to make any changes, the final vote to approve the budget would be delayed until March.

"I'm hoping all of your

questions were answered in the last two meetings," she said.

The senate met for five hours last week.

The finance committee presented the budget without any questions from senators.

"These are the new programs, any questions?" Mehta said.

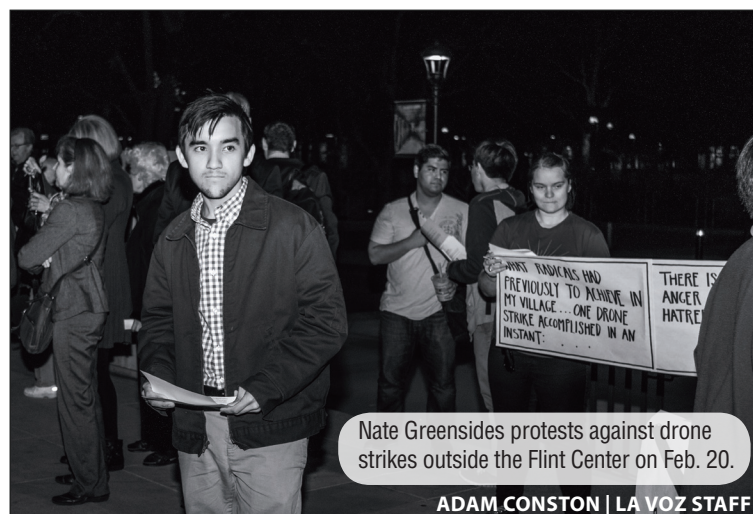
The senators remained quiet as Mehta continued to the next pages.

After the DASB senate reviewed the budget summary

senator Thaddeus Jordan moved to approve the budget.

It was approved without any debate.

Senators also unanimously approved \$4,000 for the DASB Bicycle Program to buy new supplies and \$7,726 for the DASB Card Office to buy a third machine to produce DASB Cards and Eco Pass Clipper Cards.



Nate Greensides protests against drone strikes outside the Flint Center on Feb. 20.

ADAM CONSTON | LA VOZ STAFF

Tent City campout returns to De Anza

Abraham Abundis
STAFF WRITER

Tent City returns to De Anza College Feb. 24-27 to challenge economic inequality and explore its impact on different communities.

The DASB Senate created flyers and a Facebook event page to promote student involvement and spread awareness about the weeklong campout.

"Tent City isn't a protest. We're trying to form a community space where we can discuss how to overcome the economic inequality barrier," DASB senator Benjamin Pacho said. "We are inviting people to share personal stories and hopefully provide a cultural shift in a way to better understand college access and success."

The event runs for four days in the main quad outside the De Anza Library.

A variety of topics will be addressed including: higher education funding, living wages, underrepresented populations, undocumented students, financial aid, incarceration rates, human rights, student employment, homeless encampments and environmental justice.

Main events include a film screening of "Inequality for All," a documentary by former U.S. Secretary of Labor Robert Reich on society's widening income gap, and workshops hosted by Students for Justice and Phi Theta Kappa.

Tent City will also host study sessions and open mike sessions and provide free dinner to participants.

More information about Tent City, including an itinerary, can be found by searching the event "Tent City" on Facebook.



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Informational meeting on Feb. 26 from 1 to 3 p.m., Room LIB 235

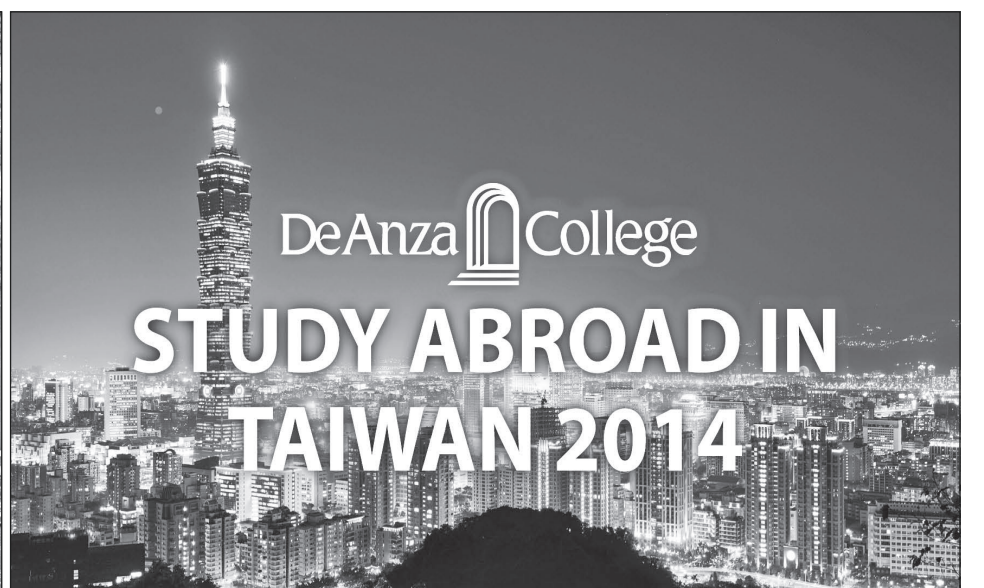


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AUTO TECH INSTRUCTOR DESIGNS AND EXHIBITS HIGH-PERFORMANCE VEHICLES

Mark Aquino
STAFF WRITER

De Anza College's abundance of talent in the motorsports industry continues with alumni, and current auto tech instructor Scott Tucker.

In addition to teaching in De Anza's Auto Tech Department, Tucker designs and refurbishes high-performance vehicles.

His classes cover gasoline engines for street cars and race cars.

Tucker talked about how different cars can be designed or modified for an increase in power, and he teaches these concepts as part of his class.

"The class is intended for those

wishing to go into the high-performance industry or those who enjoy modifying cars for a hobby," Tucker said.

De Anza's auto tech program had many students graduate to work in the industry.

"De Anza auto tech graduates have a very high success rate," Tucker said. "The quality of education is much higher than other schools in the area, especially trade schools."

The high-performance prep class teaches students the science behind the way cars operate, instead of simply showing them how to turn a wrench.

Tucker began in the Auto Tech Department as a student in 1988 with instructor Mike Brandt, who is currently the executive head of the department.

"The education I received at De Anza Auto Tech has been the single leading factor in my success," Tucker said.

Aside from teaching at De Anza, Tucker is the project manager for Canepa Design, a motorsports shop and classic car museum in Scotts Valley for the

past four years.

The cars in the museum are valuable, costing from \$100,000 to \$50 million.

The shop restores, repairs and modifies classic cars such as Ferrari, Porsche, Shelby Cobras, Lamborghini, Bugattis, Duesenbergs and more.

Many of the cars Tucker worked on are owned by famous people.

The cars' owners include Jerry Seinfeld, Ralph Lauren, Tim Allen and Bill Gates.

"Many people say I have a dream job. I guess they are right," said Tucker. "Who else gets to drive a \$30 million 1956 Ferrari 250 Testarossa through the Santa Cruz Mountains and get paid for it?"

The Canepa Museum is at 4900 Scotts Valley Dr. in Scotts Valley.

It is open to the public free of charge from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

For information or questions regarding De Anza's High Performance Engine Preparation class, students can reach Tucker at hpengineprep@gmail.com



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FROM TOP (Counterclockwise): A 1977 Porsche 934.5 on the second floor of Canepa Designs Museum, Porsches in the main shop area of Canepa Designs, The first Bugatti Veyron 16.4 in the U.S. that has only been driven only 150 miles, Scott Tucker of the AutoTech Department at De Anza, A 1954 Mercedes Benz 300SL gull-wing.



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STUDENT PROFILE: A multi-talented ukulele player

Jeff Facun
STAFF WRITER

A ukulele is a miniaturized version of a guitar that contains four strings. Sound simple right?

To De Anza College student Brandi Vargas, 19, kinesiology major, it is more than an instrument with four strings.

It is a passion she enjoys every day. She plays the ukulele whenever she has free time.

"I need to play my ukulele every day," Vargas said. "It is one of those things where it's right next to me, and I can pick it up all the time and play. If I have nothing to do, I play random chords, and jam out by myself."

Vargas's grandfather inspired her to get into playing the instrument.

"When I was a kid, he was the one who always said you should do this because you are going to be good at it," Vargas said.

Her best friend, Alina Hernandez, 18, English major, remembers Vargas playing the ukulele at a leadership retreat at Camp Wellstone the weekend of Feb. 7-9.

"It was so interesting to watch her because by the end, you can tell how she was so involved in her own musical world," Hernandez said.

Vargas puts thought and soul into her performances.

She connects with the songs, which allows her audience to connect to them too.

Vargas frequently sings along with the songs she plays on the ukulele.

During the leadership retreat, Vargas performed "Say Something" by Great Big World.

"Her voice started to break at the end and she cried a little bit. But it was beautiful," Hernandez said. "She was really connecting with the song and she went for it."

Vargas's multiple talents developed since her childhood. She played basketball and did taekwondo.

She said her parents let her do what she wanted from a young age.

Vargas's friends find her personality as entertaining as her music.

"I remember driving her with in her little jeep after eating at Denny's," Hernandez said. "We

would go to Central Park, have Miley Cyrus's songs blasting and we would sing 'Wrecking Ball' at the top of our lungs. It was so much fun."

Vargas's musical talents aren't just limited to the ukulele.

She also plays the alto saxophone and crash cymbals, even though her preference is the ukulele.

Vargas's best memories include the time she played the alto saxophone for Fremont High School's marching band.

She also played cymbals for Fremont Winter Percussion in Sunnyvale.

"This is nerdy, but winning championships in winter percussion is my best memory," Vargas said.

She won the championships as part of that group in 2012.

Winning the competition meaningful to her.

"I've never won anything like it before," Vargas said. "Getting that feeling that you got first place was exciting."



Brandi Vargas, 19, kinesiology major, plays her ukulele wherever and whenever she can find the time.

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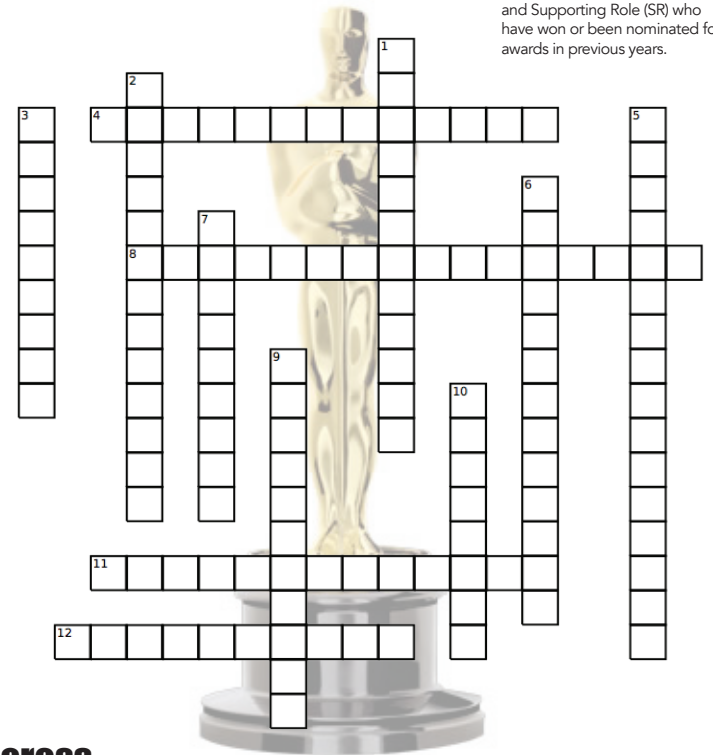
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CROSSWORD: OSCAR NOMINEES

by Cecilia Deck

Note: The puzzle answers are nominees for this year's Academy Awards for Actors and Actresses - Leading Role (LR) and Supporting Role (SR) who have won or been nominated for awards in previous years.



Across

- 4. LR - Winner, Leading Role, "The Blind Side" (2009)
- 8. LR - Nominee, Leading Role, "Blood Diamond" (2006); "The Aviator" (2004); Supporting Role; "What's Eating Gilbert Grape" (1993)
- 11. LR - Winner, Supporting Role, "The Fighter" (2010)
- 12. LR - Winner, Supporting Role, "Shakespeare in Love" (1998); Nominee, Leading Role, "Notes on a Scandal" (2006); "Mrs. Henderson Presents" (2005); "Iris" (2001); "Mrs. Brown" (1997); Supporting Role, "Chocolat" (2000)

Down

- 1. SR - Winner, Leading Role, "Erin Brockovich" (2000); Nominee, Leading Role, "Pretty Woman" (1990); Supporting Role, "Steel Magnolias" (1989)
- 2. LR - Winner, Leading Role, "The Aviator" (2004); Nominee, Supporting Role, "Elizabeth: The Golden Age" (2007); "Notes on a Scandal" (2006); "Elizabeth" (1998)
- 3. LR - Nominee, Supporting Role, "Coming Out" (1978)
- 5. SR - Winner, Leading Role, "Silver Linings Playbook" (2012); Nominee, Leading Role, "Winter's Bone" (2010)
- 6. SR - Nominee, Leading Role, "Silver Linings Playbook" (2012)
- 7. SR - Nominee, Supporting Role, "Moneyball" (2011)
- 9. LR - Winner, Leading Role, "The Iron Lady" (2011); "Sophie's Choice" (1983); Supporting Role, "Kramer vs. Kramer" (1979); 15 more nominations
- 10. LR - Nominee, Supporting Role, "The Master" (2012); "The Fighter" (2010), "Doubt" (2008), "Junebug" (2005)

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THINK OF THE CHILDREN, DEPORT BIEBER

You don't have to go home, but you can't stay here



A billboard in Chicago ups the stakes of the U.S./Canada hockey match on Feb. 21. Unfortunately the U.S. team lost 1-0

Randi Vanible
STAFF WRITER

A DUI and drag racing may not be deportable offenses, but Justin Bieber should still be sent back to Canada because he is a bad influence on America's youth.

While in Miami last month, Bieber was accused of drag racing and charged with a DUI, resisting arrest and driving with an expired Georgia driver's license.

According to an online article from the Huffington Post, Bieber admitted to police officers that he had smoked marijuana and was taking anti-anxiety medication. In the toxicology

report, he tested positive for marijuana and the prescription drug Xanax. Bieber has also been in the media for erratic behavior in other parts of the country.

According to the Los Angeles Times, Bieber is under investigation for allegedly egging his neighbor's home back in California, causing an estimated \$20,000 in damage.

According to a NBC news report, Drug Enforcement Administration and U.S. Customs and Border Protection officers searched an airplane carrying Bieber's family and friends when a very strong

marijuana odor was detected after the plane had landed.

The flight's crewmembers had to wear oxygen masks for fear of testing positive for drug use, according to CNN.

Bieber is incredibly narcissistic. Instead of paying his respects when he visited the Anne Frank house, he focused the story on himself. Bieber said he hoped Frank would have been a fan.

Bieber's conduct has resulted in outrage among thousands of Americans and has led to a petition asking the Obama administration to revoke Bieber's green card.

According to ABC News, the petition states that Bieber misrepresents the United States in the world of pop culture and his reckless behavior is "a terrible influence on our nation's youth."

The petition has over 100,000 signatures, which is enough to require the Obama administration to review and respond to the petition within 30 days.

Failing to deport Bieber will be seen as an acceptance of his actions. It will teach his impressionable fans that if you are famous, there are no consequences for anything you do.



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Starbucks: Too much inconvenience for nothing special

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STAFF WRITER

If you want to deal with inexperienced baristas, astronomical prices and confusing drink sizes, all to buy an average tasting coffee, go to Starbucks.

If it is your first time at Starbucks, the system will be baffling.

Instead of using the standard sizes — small, medium, and large — Starbucks uses tall, grande and venti.

At any other coffee chain, all of these names mean large. At Starbucks they seem to mean

small, slightly bigger than small, and huge. The portions require fixing.

Following customer instructions does not seem to be part of a Starbucks's employee's job description.

If you ask for light ice in your drink, the barista will fill the cup with ice. You won't fully enjoy your drink because the melting ice washes the flavor away.

Starbucks employees are bright and cheerful and always ask for your name. Then they seem to forget it and make up a name that sort of sounds like the one you

gave them.

They don't ask you to remind them what your name is.

This amnesia slows customers down. If you stop at Starbucks before class you might still be late because you will stand around for 15 minutes before you realize the barista was calling the name he or she thought you gave.

The bucks part of Starbucks is accurate.

If you walk in to buy your morning coffee, you will leave at least \$4 poorer every day. You can make better coffee at home for a tenth of the cost.

There is a lack of organization between separate Starbucks locations.

In theory, the company has a secret menu that you can order from, but half of the time the employee denies the secret menu exists.

While you may occasionally have a positive experience at Starbucks, most of your visits will require you to endure a multitude of inconveniences for a subpar cup of coffee.

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DE ANZA PULLS OFF BIG WIN AGAINST CABRILLO

Dons best the Seahawks on night of sophomores' last home game

Rajvir Kaur
STAFF WRITER

The De Anza College men's basketball team conquered the Cabrillo College Seahawks in the last home game of the season, defeating the visiting team 79-60 on Wednesday Feb. 19.

Head coach of the Dons Jason Damjanovic said practice the previous day seemed "to be the last place they (the players) wanted to be ... and then this happens."

Despite what Damjanovic called the "worst practice of the entire season" the Dons, now 7-4 in conference wins, came back stronger than ever to beat one of the best teams in the state.

When the Dons first played the Seahawks this season on Jan. 24, they lost 77-57. But this time around, the Dons managed to turn the tables.

Cabrillo is now 9-2 in conference, losing to only De Anza and San Jose City College.

Pre-conference, the only other double-digit loss the Seahawks suffered this season was to the undefeated City College of San Francisco, when they lost to the Rams 78-55 before conference.

Before the start of the game, announcer John Cefalu introduced the sophomores of the 2013-14



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Left: Sophomore wing Shaquille Gilbert shoots a 3-pointer over a Cabrillo defender. The Dons beat Cabrillo 79-60 on Wednesday Feb. 19.

Center: Freshman guard Dj Rodriguez attacks the basket against a Cabrillo defender.

Right: Freshman point guard Nate Viera dribbles around a screen set by sophomore wing Jack Pasquini.



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season, Nick Ruotolo (guard), Shaquille Gilbert (wing), Alex Bull (wing/post), Keian Taylor (guard), Devontae Bryant (wing/post), and Jack Pasquini (wing), who would be playing their last home game of the regular season.

Tipping off the ball against Seahawks' sophomore Jake Harrell, Gilbert gave the first possession to the Dons.

Starting the game for the Dons were sophomores Gilbert and Pasquini and freshmen Nate Viera (point guard), Kyle Connor (guard) and Dj Rodriguez (guard).

The Dons were the first to

put a score on the board, but the Seahawks quickly tied the score 4-4 a few minutes into the first half.

But the Dons never faltered. They slowly built their lead, stacking point after point. With 11 minutes remaining in the first half, the Dons had built a lead of 20-9.

The starting five put in bucket after bucket, with big 3-point shots coming from both Connor and Pasquini.

As the Seahawks tried to push back, the Dons pushed back just as hard. Going into halftime, De Anza led Cabrillo 40-23.

In the second half, the Dons

continued to drive the ball to the basket while the Seahawks struggled to successfully make their shots.

The rhythm maintained by the Dons throughout the game kept the Seahawks at bay. The flow of the ball between the Dons' teammates was so natural that it was hard to believe they had a bad practice the previous day.

Viera passed the ball to Connor, who jumped up as if to shoot but instead sent the ball right into Gilbert's waiting hands. The trio, in a matter of seconds, executed their play and set the crowd roaring as they added two more points

to their lead.

As the last minute wound down, the Dons had possession of the ball. Eyeing their victory, the home team slowed down its pace, not shooting the ball even as the shot clock went off.

The Dons ended the night with a 79-60 victory over the Seahawks.

Players and coaches shook hands as the buzzer went off and the Dons celebrated one of their biggest wins of the season.

"It was a great win," Damjanovic said. "We dominated from the tip to the buzzer and never trailed in the game."

McPhearson leads Dons to victory

Jeff Facun
STAFF WRITER

How does Shayla McPhearson top a performance where she scored 26 points in a 63-56 victory against Gavilan?

By getting a quadruple-double in her last game at De Anza College as an encore.

The sophomore guard had 23 points, 11 rebounds, 12 assists and 10 steals to help the Dons trounce the Cabrillo Seahawks 93-35 in the last home game of the regular season on Wednesday Feb. 19.

Before the start of the game, the De Anza women's basketball team honored their sophomores — guard Jordan Gipson, guard Chyna Cole, forward/center Sarah Shear, guard Ashley Fadrihan, forward/guard Susan Aguirre and McPhearson. The sophomores made sure Cabrillo wouldn't spoil their night.

Cabrillo won the opening tip, but lost an opportunity to grab the lead early after missing the first shot. The following possession, the Dons' Cole knocked down a 3-pointer that hit nothing but net and the team had the lead to start.

The Seahawks didn't score until Jaimie Barrea made a two-point shot with 14:27 left in the first half. Over the next couple of possessions, Cabrillo closed the gap to 8-7 after baskets by Barrera and Mia Williams.

The score remained close until the Dons' McPhearson, Cole and freshman forward/center Madison



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Sophomore forward/center Sarah Shear (21) pulls up in the key for a shot. The Dons crushed the Seahawks 93-35 on Wednesday Feb. 19.

Michelis took matters into their own hands. With 6:02 left in the first half and the score at 18-14, the three players led a 24-3 run to close the half.

McPhearson scored seven points in that span, Cole had five and Michelis scored four.

At halftime, the Dons led 42-17 after holding Cabrillo to 10 points in the final 10 minutes.

"Playing with heart," said McPhearson of the Dons' tenacious defense played against Cabrillo. "That is how we managed to keep them (from scoring)."

The Dons began the second half by forcing turnovers, creating easy shots and scoring in bunches. Before the Seahawks scored with 17:26 left in the game, the Dons' lead was 54-20.

In the next five minutes, the Dons

made another run that put the game out of reach the rest of the way. Led by Michelis and McPhearson, the Dons extended their lead to 69-22.

When the final horn sounded to signal the end of the game, the Dons had scored a season-high 93 points and marked a successful two years for the sophomores.

De Anza head coach Arden Kragalott said this group of sophomores has put a stamp on the program.

"The last two years, (the sophomores) have won so far 39 games," Kragalott said. "We got a (conference) championship now and they worked hard for it."

The Dons finished with an undefeated home record for the season at 11-0 and an overall record of 19-8.



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DE ANZA COLLEGE DONS 2014 BASEBALL PREVIEW

Team looking forward to conference season despite slow start

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with 25 games played, hitting .299 with 20 hits (in 67 plate at-bats) and 7 RBIs.

Rader said the team is not pushing the panic button.

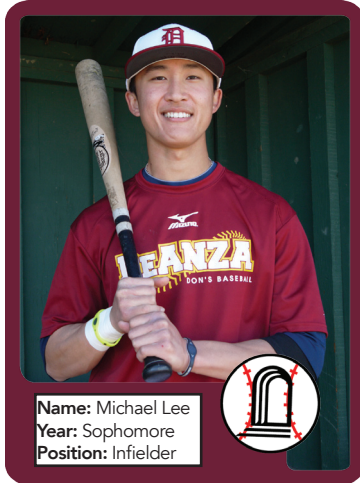
“Our team goal is to win every game possible,” Rader said. “(I want) to keep my team in a winning atmosphere throughout the (season).”

Like Rader, Hertler wants to get the season going one game at a time and see where they go from there.

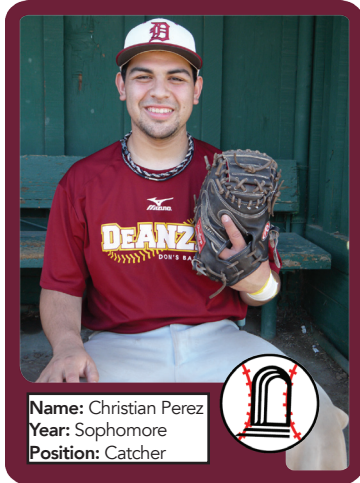
“We get to line up against other people with different uniforms on,” Hertler said. “We are excited to get after it.”



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Year: Sophomore
Position: Catcher



Name: Michael Lee
Year: Sophomore
Position: Infielder



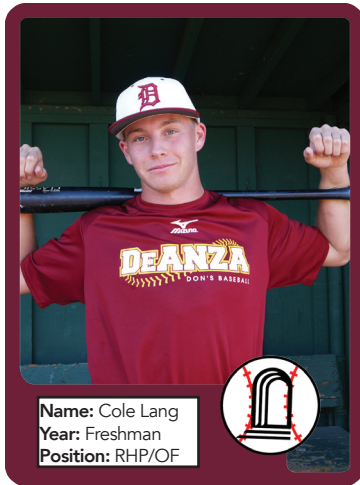
Name: Christian Perez
Year: Sophomore
Position: Catcher



Name: Robert Del Real
Year: Freshman
Position: Outfielder



Name: T.J. Conroy
Year: Freshman
Position: Infielder



Name: Cole Lang
Year: Freshman
Position: RHP/OF



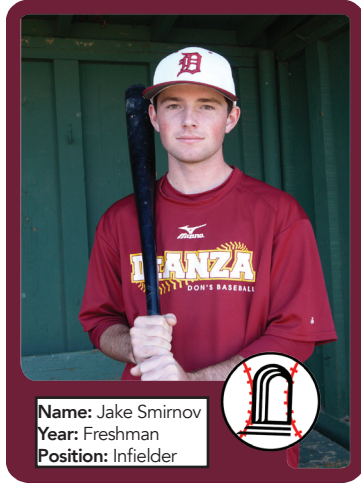
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Position: First Base



Name: Johnny Regan
Year: Freshman
Position: Infielder



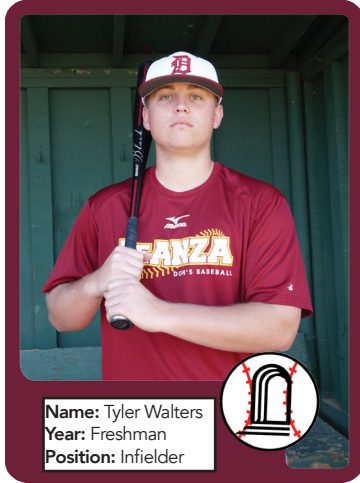
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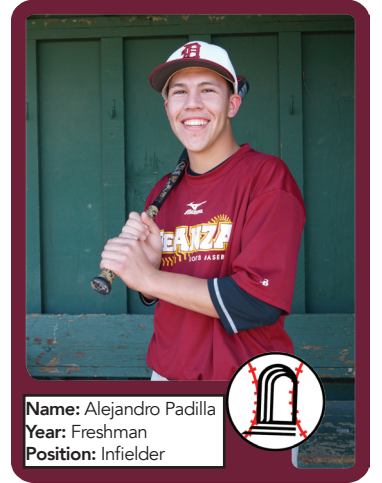
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Year: Freshman
Position: Infielder



Name: Marcus DiBenedetto
Year: Freshman
Position: Infielder



Name: Tyler Walters
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Name: Alejandro Padilla
Year: Freshman
Position: Infielder



Name: Kavin Mistry
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Position: RHP



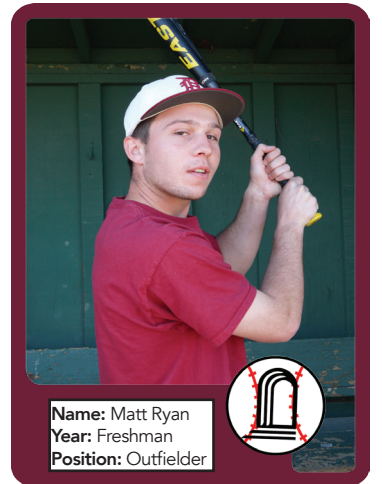
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Year: Freshman
Position: Outfielder



Name: Michael Forney
Year: Freshman
Position: Outfielder



Name: Austin Armstrong
Year: Freshman
Position: RHP



Name: Matt Ryan
Year: Freshman
Position: Outfielder



Name: Kevin Auser
Year: Freshman
Position: RHP



Name: Grant Shomberg
Year: Freshman
Position: RHP



Name: Christopher "The Cowboy" O'Conner
Year: Freshman
Position: Outfielder



Name: Jack Larsen
Year: Freshman
Position: RHP

Team record for the last three seasons:

2014: 0-0 (Conference) 0-9 (Overall)
2013: 9-13 (Conference) 16-19 (Overall)
2012: 5-17 (Conference) 12-23 (Overall)

De Anza Home Schedule

Day	Date	Opponent	Time
Thursday	March 6	West Valley College	2 p.m.
Saturday	March 8	Mission College	12 p.m.
Saturday	March 15	Chabot College	2 p.m.
Thursday	March 20	College of San Mateo	2:30 p.m.
Saturday	March 22	San Francisco City	12 p.m.
Saturday	April 5	Skyline College	12 p.m.
Tuesday	April 8	Gavilan College	2:30 p.m.
Thursday	April 10	Chabot College	2:30 p.m.
Saturday	April 12	Mission College	12 p.m.
Tuesday	April 22	Ohlone College	2:30 p.m.