



## ICONS OF A COLD WAR

### Campus Updates

#### Giving students their voice

BY LESLIE ANNE SASAJE  
LA VOZ

Wednesday, Oct 13, marked the seventh of eight days that De Anza College students had the opportunity to register to vote through the De Anza Student Body's voter registration drive booth.

From 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., students had the chance to register to vote for the Nov. 2 presidential election at a booth next to the stage in the outer cafeteria quad sponsored by the DASB's Diversity and Events Committee and the MTV-sponsored organization Rock the Vote.

The voter registration drive booth, usually found on the main quad, had a change of location Wednesday due in part to a performance by reggae band Soul Rebel.

Senator and Diversity and Events Committee member Beverly Parker said,

"We're pushing voter registration as much as possible among young adults and students by having radio stations come, live bands play, and having public speakers."

Radio stations WILD 94.7 and LIVE 105.3 and speakers such as Faria Chideya were among those in the lineup that participated in De Anza's drive.

Student Heather Talagtag, who was already planning to register to vote, was one of the students who registered that day. She explained her motivations for registering to vote.

"What made me register is that the youth don't have their opinions out there because we're the lowest percentage of voters," she said.

The drive to register voters at De Anza has not been limited to the DASB's efforts.

De Anza faculty have been passing out registration forms in their classes, clubs have been encouraging members to register, and volunteers walking around campus have been asking students if they're registered to vote.

Student senator Nafees Hamid described the effect the drive has had on students.

"The DASB have registered about 130 voters, Kerry/Edwards about 385, and professors got over 500 students to register," he said.

Overall, Hamid said that more than 1,000 people will have been registered to vote at De Anza by the end of the drive. Today is the last day to register to vote in California.

The voter registration booth and 106.1 KMEL will be in the main quad today registering students from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Students can also fill out the registration form at <http://www.rockthevote.com>. Registration must be postmarked by today's date to be eligible to vote in this November's election.



Steven Cabana(2)/ LA VOZ

### Ex-Soviet leader offers personal reflections of his mark on history

BY ANNA CALLAHAN  
LA VOZ

Former Soviet president Mikhail Gorbachev, a man students read about in textbooks, spoke as a participant of the celebrity forum at the Flint Center on Wednesday, Oct. 13.

Michael Reagan, adopted son of the late President Ronald Reagan and an acquaintance of Gorbachev for 20 years, interviewed him about the powerful relationship between the two presidents who ended the Cold War.

As the leader of the Soviet Union from 1985 to 1991, Gorbachev is known for promoting democracy in his country and revising the oppressive system he inherited, making efforts to establish affable international relations and working to reduce nuclear weapons.

Two policies associated with his name are "perestroika," (restructuring) which aimed to improve the Soviet economy and encourage technology, and "glasnost," (openness) which included free speech for Soviet citizens.

Gorbachev's influence reached outside the borders of the Soviet Union as people in Eastern European countries demanded more freedom and an end to the rule of Communist parties.

In 1990, Gorbachev received a Nobel Peace Prize.

Now residing in Moscow, he works with the organizations he founded. Most notably he is president of the International Foundation for Socio-Economic and Political Studies (The Gorbachev Foundation) and Green Cross International, an environmental program.

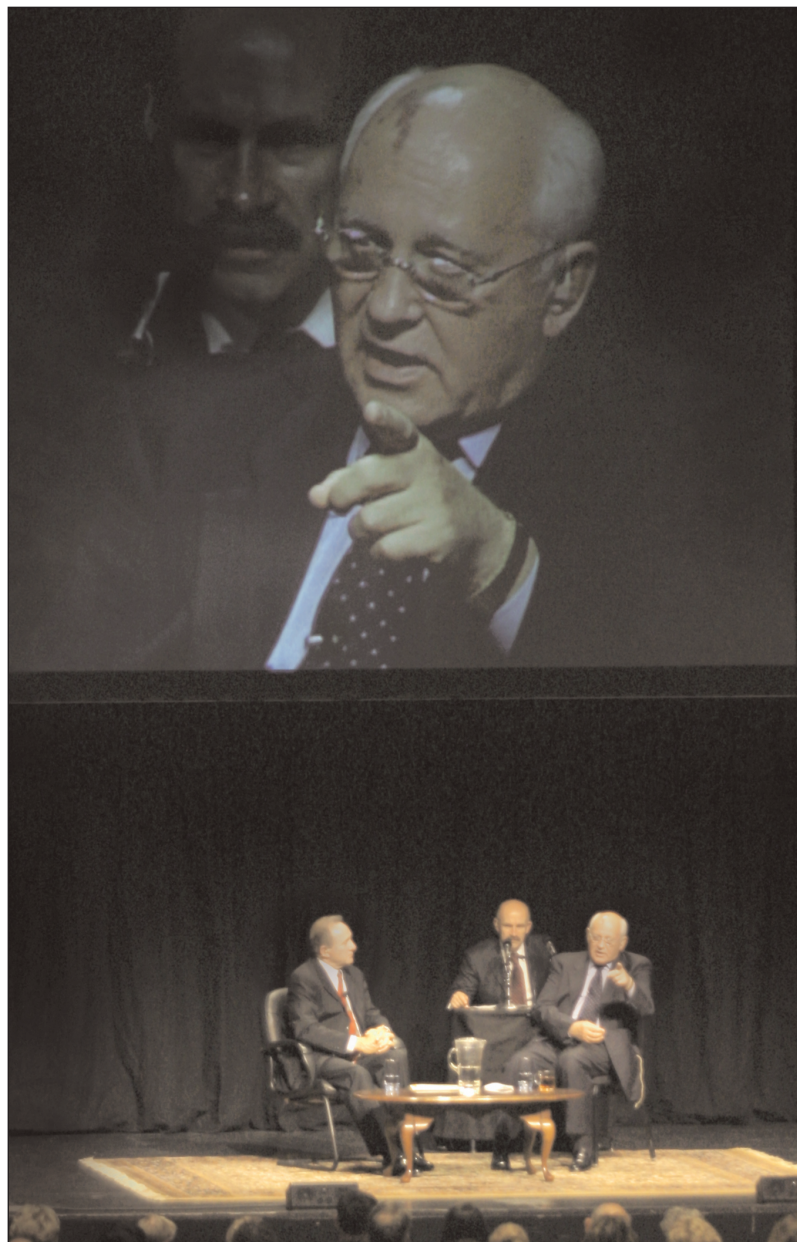
Gorbachev and Reagan sat across from each other at a low table in a living room-like setting with a Russian interpreter seated behind them.

They began the discourse by speaking of Gorbachev's attendance at Reagan's funeral. Gorbachev said that he took Reagan's illness and death very hard. They became friends while working together to end the U.S./Soviet nuclear arms race, but the relationship was not immediately friendly.

When asked about their first impression of each other, Gorbachev said Reagan was "a real dinosaur" and Reagan said Gorbachev was a "Die-hard Bolshevik."

The interview continued with shared memories. Reagan said that his father grew up as poor child in Illinois, and Gorbachev said

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Former Soviet Union President Mikhail Gorbachev making a point on Iraq is projected above Michael Reagan as they participate in a candid discussion about the Cold War on Oct. 13.

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# De Anza to consider expanding

## Editorial

Many De Anza College students escape from campus by crossing the street to the Oaks shopping center. The campus may soon be tagging along.

During their Oct. 4 meeting, the De Anza board of trustees approved plans to hire a consultant to explore the possibility of purchasing the shopping center, which is expected to be on the market soon. *La Voz* thinks this may be the best idea since the invention of taquitos.

Many students venture across the street for books, coffee, and smoothies. Sure, these things are available on campus, but variety is the spice of life, and it's always nice to get a little exercise by meandering across the street.

Right now, the college does not profit from students leaving the campus to support competing businesses. If the college purchased the property, De Anza could make some money as the lease-

holder for the businesses in the shopping center, recouping some of the profits lost by students patronizing businesses other than those on campus.

The college could use the profits to turn the empty theater complex into a performing arts center and lecture hall. When not being used by De Anza classes, the area could be rented out as a smaller events venue, or used to host speaking events.

Though De Anza has some access to the Flint Center, the campus does not own it, and therefore does not make a profit from events held there.

In fact, De Anza has to pay to use the Center for some events. The Flint Center was sold because it was not profitable enough for De Anza, but profits from leasing space could help cover losses on a campus-owned venue in the Oaks.

To make crossing Stevens Creek

Boulevard less of a threat to life and limb, De Anza could construct a foot-bridge connecting the campus and the shopping center.

An attractive bridge could serve as a local landmark and a symbol of De Anza's relationship to the community, as well as keeping pedestrians out of the reach of homicidal drivers desperate to reach the freeway before the spotlight goes from yellow to red.

There is a limit to how much De Anza can expand in its current location. It makes sense to look to the future.

Before any decisions are made, we hope the Board of Trustees will look for a broader range of opinions than those of hired consultants.

We hope students, faculty, and staff will all have a chance to discuss this opportunity to expand and change the campus.

## Feedback from the Web

# De Anza Voices

COMPILED BY MOUMITA CHAKRABORTY  
AND MARIANNE KIM  
LA VOZ

## Should De Anza consider buying the Oaks shopping center?



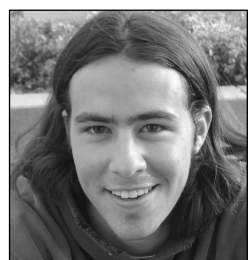
“De Anza should have more resources for the drama department or turn the empty movie theater into someplace to exhibit cultural events.”

— Iman Moridi



“The Board of Trustees shouldn't buy the area, because we are not able to keep the resources that we do have open long enough so students can take full advantage of them.”

— Ebony Godhigh



“I don't know that we need more facilities, except for more parking and classrooms.”

— Ben Nugent

In our Oct. 4 issue, we ran an opinion article by Vadim Yapor on gun control, inspired by the recent lapse of the assault weapons ban. Yapor's analysis of this controversial topic hit a chord with readers all over the country. Here are some of those comments.

Oct. 4, 2004

Very nice article. Very well put too. My only observation would have to be the line about semi-auto Tec-9's and UZIs being more common with gangs, when in fact gangs members use handguns like revolvers that shoot standard .38 special more than regular rifles. It's because those guns are easier to conceal. This is my opinion. I stand by it.

D.L. Man  
Lawyer  
Denver, Co

Oct. 5, 2004

What does the second amendment have to do with skeet shooting or deer hunting? Self defense is the issue, not hunting.

Al Gore once said he would do nothing to infringe upon the rights of hunters. What rights is he talking about?

Dan MacPherson  
Engineer  
Rancho Cucamonga CA

Oct. 6, 2004

Well thought out and researched article, my faith in education at this college has been reinforced. One other point: a “high capacity feeding device” might also be referred to as a “modern” capacity magazine. Limiting century old self defense technology has unintended consequences, such as police and military unable to find enough magazines to purchase (this has happened) and now the criminals have a tactical advantage over citizens and in some cases, police and private security.

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# Religion on campus grounds

FOR RELIGIOUS AND NONRELIGIOUS ALIKE, FAITH-BASED CLUBS MAKE DE ANZA A MORE STIMULATING COLLEGE EXPERIENCE



**MARIANNEKIM**

Along with clubs for the artistic, the athletic, and the political, De Anza College is host to at least a half-dozen religion-based clubs. Given America's constitutional directive to keep church and state separate, it makes sense to examine the place of religion and these religious groups on our campus.

The first amendment of the U.S. Constitution begins, "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof."

Whether or not you think the campus would be a better place without religious groups, they are allowed to peaceably assemble under the law as long as the school treats all clubs equally.

If De Anza College were to permit only secular groups to form clubs, it would oppress students wanting to come together for interests that happen to be religious.

Professor Burke Lawrence, who teaches Philosophy of Religion, understands that some may feel threatened by religious groups, but explains, "College is a place for aca-

ademic study, where we can study the role of religion in human life." As far as classes go, they can teach us only so much.

"Philosophy doesn't have a monopoly on virtue," said Lawrence. In an establishment dedicated to education, acquiring knowledge without examining our systems of ethics is like having fast food for dinner – it gets the job, but it's not sustaining.

Having active religious groups around improves the campus by celebrating the diversity that is so prominent here at

**"College is a place for academic study, where we can study the role of religion in human life."**

- Burke Lawrence, De Anza Professor

De Anza.

Students meeting out of a common interest in reading a religious text aren't that different from students who get together because of a common interest in

martial arts or dancing. One De Anza sophomore argued that religious assemblies are important on a college campus.

"People who have the same interests and beliefs are going to hang out together anyway," she explained.

Muslim Student Association meetings provide support for Muslims with group prayers and discussions on guidelines for life.

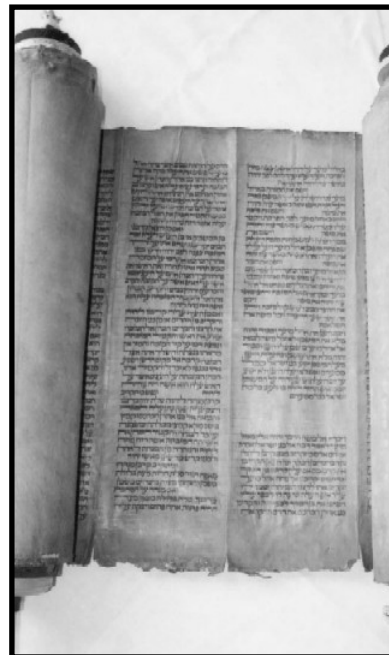
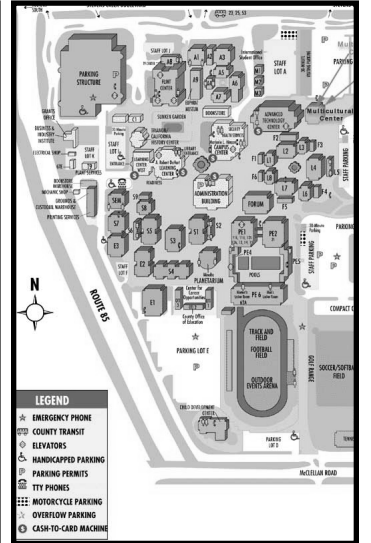
The majority of religious groups on campus are Christian, each offering different aspects of spiritual advice, prayer, or fellowship with others.

Saltworks Christian Fellowship held their quarterly pizza party on Oct. 12 open to all interested students to introduce them to the club in a non-proselytizing way. Saltworks President Tim Nicholls clarified that the function of this group is not to judge anyone, but to share their beliefs with interested students.

"God gave us the personal freedom to believe whatever we want," he said.

Religious clubs on campus can help you find the support and answers you need without the formality of regular church, temple, or mosque services.

Don't be scared of these clubs just because they've got "God" slapped on their booths; they aren't there to condemn you, they are there to give students a place to share a common interest – just like any other club at De Anza.



Clockwise from top left: illustrated Bible page, De Anza campus, illustrated Koran page, Torah

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## Presidential debate takes center stage at De Anza



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De Anza College political science professor Greg Druehl (left) discusses the finer points of last Thursday's presidential debate with students in the Hinson Campus Center on Oct 14.

BY MOUMITA CHAKRABORTY  
LA VOZ

De Anza College's Speech and Debate Society held a viewing and discussion of the Oct. 13 presidential debate.

Students and professors viewed the broadcast and a crew from local NBC station KNTV filmed a short discussion with the audience afterwards.

The debate itself, the last of three held between the two presidential candidates, was held at Arizona State University in Tempe, Ariz.

De Anza political science professor Greg Druehl analyzed the debate in the discussion held after the viewing.

Druehl said John Kerry's arguments were powerful and articulate, and President Bush still had difficulties in both areas, though he had improved from the previous two debates.

He also remarked that many Americans, enamored with television, were likely to support the candidate who looked best and had more appeal.

Professor Alex Kramer, who also teaches political science, said, "The debate was excellent, but Kerry seemed more compelling compared to Bush's stumbling and roughness, though both candidates evaded some questions."

During the discussion led by the NBC crew students said that they were both amused and concerned that both candidates, Bush more than Kerry, failed to answer questions on key issues adequately or not at all.

These included gay marriage, abortion, the draft and the budget.

"I thought the debate was really good and that Bush was a lot stronger," said student Tim Chavez. "The Speech and Debate Club did a good job putting all this together."

Some noted with interest Bush's emphasis on education, and were either impressed or scornful of his "support" of community colleges.

In this last debate, Bush claimed that the No Child Left Behind Act had done much good in raising the quality of education in America, which in turn would stimulate the job situation in the near future.

Many expressed irritation at the shuttling of taunts between Kerry and Bush, thinking it distracting and unnecessary.

"I liked the openness of the viewing today and thought it was really cool how a news crew was here to cover it," said student Kristiana Blauth.

Transcripts and audio files of the presidential debates can be found online at the National Public Radio Web site, <http://www.npr.org>.

## Apathetic college students hurt voter turnout

BY BRIANNA BOYD  
U-Wire

Ruth Enloe has filled out her own fair share of presidential election ballots -- 14 to be exact. On Nov. 7, the 80-year-old part-time Sacramento State student will cast her vote for the fifteenth time, and she couldn't be more excited.

"Some say it doesn't do any good," Enloe said. "But I don't care. I do it anyway."

Nineteen-year-old Erin Stutz will participate in her first election this year. She said that at first, she wasn't excited about casting her vote, but in recent days, her

opinion has changed.

"I thought I wouldn't make a difference, but now I think I will," Stutz said. "I'm going to feel good about voting because I have voiced my opinion and I will somehow affect the outcome."

With Election Day less than a month away, conversations on the California State University Sacramento campus have turned from trivial topics to the California propositions, the candidates for presidency and of course, voting.

Whether in favor of President George W. Bush or Democratic candidate Sen. John Kerry, students on campus seem to share the same opinion on the importance

of voting. Nationwide, however, college-age students represent the lowest voter turnout age.

According to the United States Census Bureau, only 19.3 percent of Americans between the ages of 18 to 24 cast ballots in the 2002 non-presidential election. Though the bureau reports that voter turnout has improved in recent years, young people continue to be the least represented group at the polls.

Americans between the ages of 65 to 74 are the most represented group, with 65.1 percent at the polls in 2002.

"People our age get disenfranchised because they don't think presidential can-

didates will do anything for them," said Cameron Lloyd, 22. "That's true because not enough people our age vote. As the youngest voters, we will be the ones feeling the effect of the policies for the longest time."

For the many people who procrastinate, there is still plenty of time to register to vote in the upcoming election.

Oct. 18 is the voter registration deadline and those with busy schedules can register for an absentee ballot, either by mail or online, between Oct. 4 and Oct. 26. Whether an absentee voter or not, most polling centers are open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.



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## ENROLLMENT DROP MAY MEAN FISCAL TROUBLES FOR DE ANZA

BY PEDRO PAULO VIEGAS DE SA  
LA VOZ

An estimated \$5 million cut may be on the horizon if De Anza College does not recover from the drastic decrease in enrollment the campus experienced in the fall, said the Vice-Chancellor of business services Mike Brandy last Thursday.

"What a way to be welcomed," joked De Anza president Brian Murphy. Brandy addressed a crowd of administrators, staff, faculty and union representatives that attended the budget town hall meeting held on the Conference Room A on October 14.

The decline in enrollment for the fall quarter is estimated to be between 7 and 9 percent for De Anza and 3 to 4 percent for Foothill College.

The district is concerned that if it does not meet the estimated growth target for this school year, it might lose \$1.2 million in revenue.

The college is also facing an extra \$5 million in revenue if a 5 percent enrollment drop continues through 2006.

Combined with the rising of expenses of medical benefits and other personnel issues, the result could be another difficult financial year for the Foothill-De Anza Community College district.

"When we have to make cuts, it's impacting real people," said Jeanine Hawk, vice-president of finance and college services for De Anza, pointing out that 98 percent of the expenses of the

school are for personnel.

Murphy appointed an enrollment task force in order to revert this negative enrollment trend.

Hawk said that, while it is not possible to pinpoint the exact cause of the decrease of enrollment, factors such as tougher immigration laws might have played a role.

Brandy added that the decrease of the unemployment rate, the shrinking of demand for computer classes and the construction processes in both campuses are factors that may have led to the enrollment decrease, as well as the recent fee increases.

"That definitely had some kind of effect," said Brandy.

Although 97 percent of all revenue for the district is directly tied to enrollment, Brandy said, "Despite of all that, I'm still optimistic."

Murphy blamed the college's budget situation in what he referred to as "catastrophic" and "reactionary" policies of funding education by Sacramento.

In 2003-04 fiscal year the school also lost an estimated \$1 million in funding due to mid year state deficits.

Murphy expressed confidence in De Anza to recover from the situation, praising Christina Espinoza-Pieb, the interim vice-president of instruction and chair of the enrollment task force.

Students are planning a march in Sacramento for next March, said Murphy, and he urged the those present at the meeting to support the students morally, financially and with bodies.



Olga Malinowskay/ LA VOZ

De Anza College's Vice-Chancellor of business services Mike Brandy explains the financial state of the college in a budget town hall on Oct 14. Brandy notes that a drop in student enrollment may lead to future financial problems.

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## Driving a road to the future

Political commentator and author offers students a reason why voting is important

BY LISA GU  
LA VOZ

Throng of students came to De Anza College's Hinson Campus Center last Monday to hear Farai Chideya, multimedia journalist and author of three books, speak about the importance of voting.

Conference rooms A and B were almost completely full, with many late arrivals lining the walls.

Most students came because their classes required it, but later left feeling they got something out of it.

"It encouraged me to vote," said Chris So, a student whose English 1A teacher required students to attend the speech.

Right after graduating from Harvard, Chideya began working for Newsweek. She has a morning talk show on FM 91.7 and is the author of "Don't Believe the Hype: Fighting Cultural Misinformation About African Americans," "The Color of Our Future," and "Trust: Reaching the 100 Million Missing Voters."

At the conference, Chideya said people make the mistake of calling American democracy just "democracy," implying there is only one type and one correct way of doing things.

"There are so many different ways that people try to implement this one ideal, this ideal of allowing individuals to speak collectively," Chideya said. "This central idea that government should be by the people and for the people is not one that the United States owns and not one that the United States practices perfectly."

Chideya also said America has wonderful principles, but people pay the price when leaders don't act on those principles.

She said the 2004 presidential election is a pivotal point in defining what America's principles are and an opportunity to select a leader that will actu-

ally uphold them.

"You will be inherently deeply affected by what happens in this country in 2004, as well as your friends and relatives overseas, if you have any," Chideya said. "Whatever we collectively decide to do here in the United States is going to have a ripple effect that will last for generations and spread around the world."

During a question-and-answer session after the speech, students proved they hadn't been just pretending to listen.

One student asked whether young peoples' votes really do count. Chideya said they do because politicians cater to people who vote, and if they see a raise in percentage of young voters they would pay more attention to their issues in future elections.

Another asked whether the reason people are not voting is because it's too much of a burden to become informed. Chideya answered that voting is hard work sometimes, but it's the better thing to do.

"You can kind of imagine a politician as someone who is driving a car, steering with his knees, smoking a cigarette, and eating a bowl of cereal," Chideya said.

"Wouldn't you rather actually take the wheel than just cover your eyes?"

A voter registration table was set up in conference rooms A and B during the speech and offered free gifts to people who attended. Only a few people who came to the conference got forms because most were already registered.

After her speech, Chideya stayed to talk to students, answer further questions, and signing her new book.

"Whatever happens this election, don't give up on the political process," Chideya said when asked what would be the one thing she'd like De Anza students to know.

"Vote now and stay engaged, because it's not a sprint, it's a marathon."

"Vote now and stay engaged, because it's not a sprint, it's a marathon"

- Farai Chideya



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Political commentator and radio talk show host Farai Chideya speaks on Oct 13. to a standing room only crowd of students and instructors on the De Anza College campus.

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# Gorbachev | From son of a peasant to world leader

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that he grew up as a peasant in a “very faraway place.” There was one radio for the whole village, and he would read the newspaper to women who had husbands on the front lines in the war.

Gorbachev’s first political position was as an officer in his school, where he ran against several other candidates.

He stood up to give a speech, but what he remembered was that when he sat down, the chair was pulled out from under him. To audience applause, he said he knew how to fall and “after you fall, you just pick up and go.”

Gorbachev later became a member of the Communist party. His attitude towards Stalin was shaped by the fact that they won the war, believing that Stalin lead them to victory.

In school he wrote an essay called “Stalin is our military glory” which earned him an “A” mark.

He had a “complicated relationship” with Stalin. When he was in power he worked to get rid of Stalin’s totalitarian system.

He said Stalin was a “brutal person” who would overstep people’s lives to achieve political goals, and said that Gorbachev’s own maternal grandfather was sentenced to death, though he escaped execution.

Gorbachev said it was “never his intention to become the big boss,” unlike other people for whom power is a consuming passion, and “for them nothing else exists.”

He believed that power was not all-important, for if he did, he would not have started any reforms where he delegated power to other people and republics.

He said that perestroika was about a democratic and free society and that a government that did not consult the people was bound to be inadequate.

In his 50s, Gorbachev was the Soviet Union’s youngest leader; the average age of secretary generals was 72. “Why did they chose you?” Reagan asked.

Already having experience as a sort of governor, Gorbachev said that that in these circumstances the country wanted a younger leader and needed “fresh thought.” Gorbachev said, “I never have known of any dramatic revolution to be smooth.”

Even when he saw resistance in his own team, he said “by all means, avoid bloodshed.”

Michael Reagan said his father understood the need for a partner to help put an end to the expensive and “dreadful” arms race.

For this process; Gorbachev said there was no

substitute for human contact, and believed that he and Reagan should start a dialogue.

Gorbachev liked Reagan as a human being from the start; by their second meeting were on a first-name basis. the two would sit by Regan’s fireplace and talk over coffee about the world and read over proposals.

They realized that with the risk of nuclear war it was impossible to advance domestic tasks, and the relationship between the superpowers began to change.

There were 25,000 nuclear weapons between the two countries and one-thousandth of that force would be enough to destroy the human habitat.

Eventually the talks between the two presidents resulted in a breakthrough that eliminated two classes of nuclear weapons.

Reagan recalled the time his father stood in front of the Berlin Wall and said, “Mr. Gorbachev, if you really mean what you say, tear down this wall.” In 1989, the Berlin Wall came down, and “the world became a better place because of it,” Regan said.

Free elections were held in Eastern Europe and the Germans could decide what kind of country they wanted to live in.

With regard to the other players in world history at the time, including those from Great Britain and China, Gorbachev said, “History was lucky that at this watershed moment in the 1990s that the people in charge were able to effect processes in Europe and the world.”

He talked about the collective leadership and said that neither he or Reagan could have saved the world single-handedly.

In addressing what seemed like an impossible task, he mentioned being a moral person of consciousness and having a Christian morality to base work from.

He spoke of the Russian proverb about believing in God but acting for yourself. “God gave us wisdom and intellect, what else do we need?,” he said.

At the end of the dialogue, the floor was opened to the audience for half an hour of questions. The first question, which elicited a murmur from the audience, was about whether the United States’ action in Iraq would lead to peace.

Gorbachev said that he advised President Bush not to go all the way to Baghdad, and to plan an exit strategy. He said that all are interested in bringing peace and stability in that region, and that religious conflict should be avoided.

The night ended by Gorbachev saying he wanted the U.S. - Russian relationship to be even warmer, and to nurture and build the relationship.

“After you fall, you just pick up and go.”

- Mikhail Gorbachev



Steven Cabana/ LA VOZ

Former Soviet Union President Mikhail Gorbachev and Micheal Regan participate in a candid discussion about the Cold War on Oct. 13 on the De Anza College Campus.

## Commonwealth Independent States



## Little green book

BY JONATHAN HODGES  
LA VOZ

Consider what would happen if astronauts guiding their craft through space were suddenly bombarded by a shower, not of asteroids, but of human debris, including broken appliances and worn-out furniture.

De Anza College's first environmental journal, The Carson Journal of Environmental Studies, examines possibilities like these.

The journal encourages students to work toward the preservation of their environment and is free to De Anza students and faculty.

Named after famous environmental rights activist Rachael Carson, The Carson got its start with a \$3000 budget from the DASB.

The journal collects poems, fiction, and scientific information on

environmental themes, all contributed by De Anza students and faculty.

In his story "Visible and Invisible Landscapes of Energy," Christopher McNulty discusses the importance of environmental friendly technology as energy sources.

"A fiercely competitive economy has left corporations neglecting their social responsibilities to conserve energy and limit environmental pollution," McNulty writes.

He adds that with new developments such as fuel cells and the desire for cleaner burning fuels, technology can be used to repair and respect nature.

Student Joey Chopra expounds upon the lack of environmental awareness behind the shrinking of the Aral Sea.

"Once the fourth-largest inland area, the Aral Sea is now the most tragic environmental disaster of the world. Nevertheless, it is a problem that could soon be fixed with cooperation from the countries involved and major international organizations," she writes.

Professor Ben Kline writes about the importance of recycling garbage in "Atomic Garbage Men."

In this eco-fiction piece, galaxies are in constant competition to find enough space to dump their planets' garbage. The "Atomic Garbage Men" from the Space Waste Disposal Service carry out this undesirable but necessary task.

"Earth's expansion was preceded by its garbage. As people explored and settled space, they brought along their garbage and found space to be a convenient dump yard," Kline writes.

Andrew Danopoulos explores the

environmental impact of the North American Free Trade Agreement.

"[NAFTA] also intended to alleviate environmental problems in North America, such as curtailing pollution and illegal dumping of hazardous wastes," he writes.

"Along the border region, the dumping and emission of toxins has skyrocketed to lethal amounts. As a result, Mexican and American citizens residing at the border face the agony of atrocious diseases and poor water quality."

He theorizes that NAFTA may help alleviate the border's environmental problem if it leads to bureaucratic reform in Mexico the country's economy continues to grow under President Vicente Fox.

The Carson's editorial staff comprises De Anza instructors, mostly from De Anza's department of environmental studies.

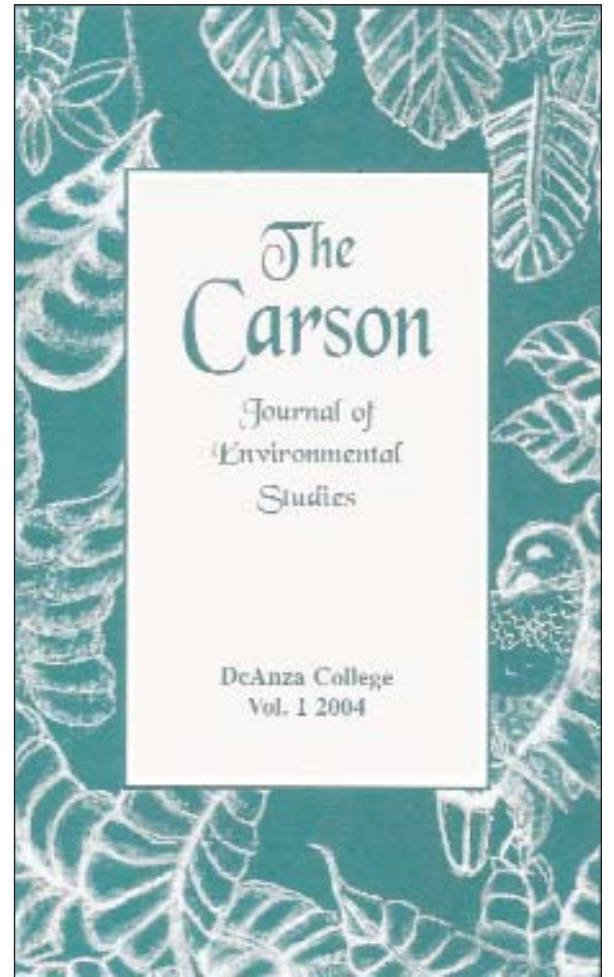
World history professor Benjamin Kline first began work on The Carson in fall of 2003 and 1000 copies have been published so far.

"We've done very well with what little we have," said Kline when asked about The Carson's financing, collection of articles and distribution.

"I'm very grateful for all of those who have contributed to The Carson, faculty and students alike."

The purpose of The Carson is to inform and educate the community concerning environmental issues, and is dedicated to the students and faculty of De Anza College.

If you want a free copy, Kline and the Carson staff will be handing them out in the Hinson Campus Center on Monday, Oct. 25 from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. You can also pick up a copy at the Social Sciences Division Office by the L-Quad.



If you'd like to make a submission, the Carson's editorial staff is ready and willing to accept articles throughout the year. If your work is original and environmentally focused, it will more than likely find its way into the next edition, due to appear next spring.

All submissions should be mailed to the address below, and include three hard copies of your manuscript as well as a Microsoft Word document on a CD or floppy disk. Word documents can also be sent to the e-mail below.

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# 'The person who didn't quit'

## DASB PRESIDENT FACED DISADVANTAGES ON ROAD TO SUCCESS

BY ANNA CALLAHAN  
AND JOSEPH CHANG  
LA VOZ

Imagine a homeless 16 year-old doing laundry in a Laundromat late at night for warmth and shelter. Fast forward 15 years, as De Anza College student body president Nadine Foster-Mahar sits in her office, talking about being a fan of Microsoft excel and looking at her busy schedule.

Foster-Mahar has had a lot of life experience in her 31 years. Now the leader of the student senate, 30 students who represent De Anza students at the campus and district levels and has over a \$1 million budget, she once struggled with an abusive father, her parents' tough divorce, and homelessness.

At 15, she was working two full-time jobs and would fall asleep in class. At 16, she dropped out of high school, later taking the high school equivalency exam, and moved out, traveling from her home in Washington D.C. to California.

Not yet a legal adult, she had difficulty finding a place to live or signing a rental agreement. Instead of giving up, Nadine continued to use her wit and intellect to survive, pretending, she was a high schooler to use school showers and lockers. Homeless for four and a half months, she tried her hand at selling cosmetics for Macy's and did a poor job at waitressing.

After developing computer programming skills she first learned in a fourth-grade Gifted and Talented Education class, Foster-Mahar's technology

savvy landed her some better jobs.

She became a system administrator, worked for Sysco and Earthlink, and at 23 years old was in charge of Stanford's e-mail as their postmaster. She started up her own consulting business, working with the HP/Agilent split and helping to build Canada's Internet service provider on the West Coast.

She read books to catch up on school when she first got her job, became a "workaholic," and made enough money to buy a car.

At 15, she was working two full-time jobs ... at 16 she dropped out of high school.

Although a steady, large paycheck made a comfortable life, Nadine was not fully satisfied. At 28 she married her husband, Mike, and a year later took time off to re-evaluate her life, saying, "Computers saved my butt ... but they didn't make me happy."

She began looking at colleges on the Internet and found De Anza. With the support of her husband she came here with a science major in mind, something that had been her goal for a long time.

Now she considers going to medical school and becoming a

reconstructive surgeon for children.

She says she's made peace with her past, but has paid the dues of hardship. She joined De Anza politics to help students who are in what was once her position - single parents, those needing financial aid, and those struggling with kids, jobs, and bills - where the smallest thing might prevent them from staying in school. She says "I thought I had it bad, but I didn't. I'm just amazed at some of these people." She notes that community colleges aren't exclusive and they give many people their second chance.

As a student body senator, she was the chair of scholarships, and was asked by more than 40 people to run for president. Already the president of her own company, she didn't do it for the title, but with the best interest of the students in mind. Along with her executive vice president Amine Hambaba, she was elected during the spring quarter campaigns and will have a one-year term.

Before coming to De Anza, Foster-Mahar says she was never involved any more than donating money to the community, but now she has worked with the senate on math success rates, tutorial services, art on campus, and support and enrichment for the students, including legal aid and guest speakers.

She encourages students to tell the senate what they should work on, submit ideas and feedback, and let them know how they're doing.

Vice president of marketing and communications Gita Ram says, "Nadine is an amazing woman. She has so many ideas



Olga Malinowska/ LA VOZ

De Anza Student Body President Nadine Foster-Mahar has weathered her share of hardships.

to change senate for the better. She's really hard working and did the senate office remodel mostly by herself."

Naffees Hamid, vice president of student rights, says, "She's really nurturing, really takes care of the senate. I would not be able to do my job without her."

Foster-Mahar says that one of her best experiences so far as president is simply having students say "Thank you." She said that in the end, she simply wants to be known as "the person who didn't quit."

You can e-mail Nadine at DASBpresident@deanza.edu

## Documentary focuses on local Asian-American figures

BY MARIA PULLELA  
LA VOZ

Driving around Cupertino, it is easy to see the influence of Asian-Americans on local businesses, which range from tapioca drink shops to Vietnamese pho restaurants. This is not surprising for a city where almost 50 percent of the population is Asian. However, this influence is becoming apparent in other areas, like politics, as well.

In honor of their ongoing "We the People" celebration, which acknowledges immigrants' contributions to the United States, The International Channel produced a series of documentaries, called "In

America." The series includes "The Cupertino Story," which focuses on Asian-Americans in Cupertino and their growing political activism.

"The Cupertino Story" aired in September on national television, but a special showing at Foothill College on Oct. 4 allowed some to view it who may have missed it the first time.

The documentary features interviews with former Cupertino mayor Michael Chang, future mayor Patrick Kwok, U.S. Representative Michael Honda, and U.S. Secretary of Transportation Norman Mineta.

Although some of these names may sound new, these

people are very relevant to De Anza students.

Michael Chang is chairman of De Anza's Asian and Asian-American Studies Department, while Michael Honda spoke at De Anza's 37th commencement last spring.

Launched in 1990, the International Channel is a nationwide cable channel that caters to a bilingual and multi-ethnic audience.

The channel offers programs in English, providing insight into varied cultures, as well as programs in different languages.

Schedules of current and past programs are available on the Web site: <http://www.i-channel.com/wethepeople/inamerica/>



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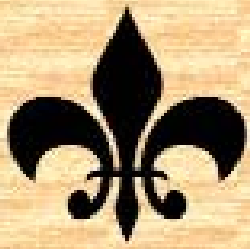
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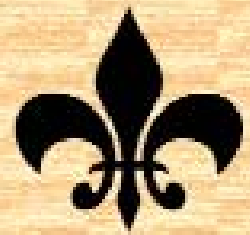
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## Food for thought



BY SARAH JOY CALLAHAN AND JOSEPH CHANG  
LA VOZ

If pains of hunger arrest you during class and you still have a full day ahead of you, remember that De Anza students are blessed by their location. Some hot lunch spots are in walking distance for DA students and faculty. The newest additions to the food options of De Anza are Starbuck's Coffee and Panda Express. Both attract enough customers, but when Jamba Juice, Hobbe's and De Anza's own cafeteria are added to the mix, it not only becomes competitive for the restaurants, it impacts the consumers.

These restaurants have given diversity to the options for food a De Anza student has, but create a mental conundrum. Where to go for lunch? With so many options, what is a student to do? Here LaVoz offers up its own menu of quick tips, ideas, and advice on what to do the next time your stomach growls.

### *Jamba Juice*

Not completely classified as "real food" Jamba Juice is a great refresher at the end of hard day, and can be consumed on the run. Drinks come with protein, vitamin and a number of other boosts to give real nutritional value. They even boast a drink that is supposed to help cure colds. Jamba Juice is not a great place to study or sit down. Except for some tables outside, seating consists of a handful of stools. The music can be uncomfortably loud, and if you come at the right time, you might be hugged by a dancing banana.

**Location: Oak's Shopping Center**  
**Price: \$3.75 and up**

### *Hobbe's Restaurant*

The exterior is attractive, but the interior is a little dark and does not initially appear to be the cleanest. However, it has a sort of homey, down-to-earth atmosphere, and the menu offers a wide variety of choices including Mexican food. As a sit down restaurant, the food is naturally more expensive and takes longer to arrive, but it is an ideal place to go if you want a quiet heart-to-heart with someone.

**Location: Oak's Shopping Center**  
**Price: \$10**

### *Natural Edge Juice Bar*

De Anza's equivalent to the more famous Jamba Juice, Natural Edge offers many similar choices, such as sherbet and fruit (with protein 'shots' available, as well). The taste varies from Jamba and the selection is considerably smaller, although the location is even more convenient. Natural edge also offers sushi and miso soup.

**Location: Hinson Campus Center**  
**Price: \$3.75**

### *Bombay Oven*

For those who are not afraid to try an ethnic experience, Bombay Oven offers authentic Indian Style Food. The employees even wear traditional Indian clothing. During the day they offer an open buffet style dining experience. The food is spicy, but there are also sour breads and fruits to counter balance it and even a selection of Indian desserts. The dining area is very open and offers no privacy — definitely not a place to study.

**Location: Directly down Stevens Creek**  
**Price: All you can eat for under \$8**

### *Panda Express*

If fortune cookies are your thing, this is the place to go. The panda is under a year old and has an atmosphere of modernity. It's tastefully decorated in bright red lanterns and pointed bamboo hats arranged on the wall. The food is fresh and there are various dishes to chose from. It is also a decent place to study, especially if you choose a table towards the back.

**Location: Behind the 23/25 bus stop, adjacent to the De Anza parking lot**  
**Price: \$7 and under**

### *Target*

It is more than just a place to get bath mats or a bathing suit, hidden inside Target's food court is a Taco Bell. The food court also serves hot pretzels and multi-flavored slushies. The seating area is large and, if you come in the middle of the day, not very crowded.

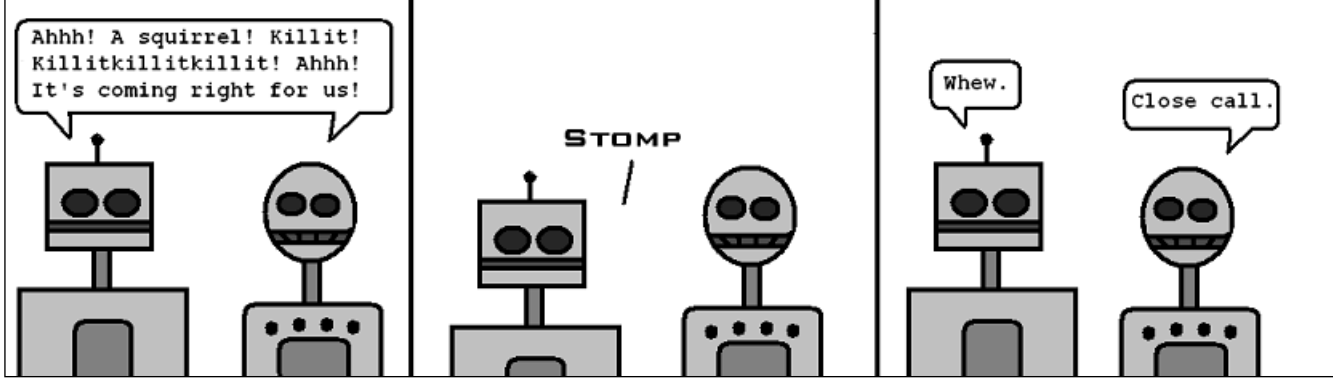
**Location: Directly down Stevens Creek**  
**Price: \$1 and up**

### *Togo's*

Along with Jamba Juice, Togo's is another option nestled in the Oak's shopping center. Along with the famous sandwiches, Togo's offers soups and salads and even some vegetarian options such as a hummus sandwich. It is usually not crowded, has reasonable indoor seating, and is a good place for studying as long as there is not any loud music.

**Location: Oak's Shopping Center**  
**Price: \$6**

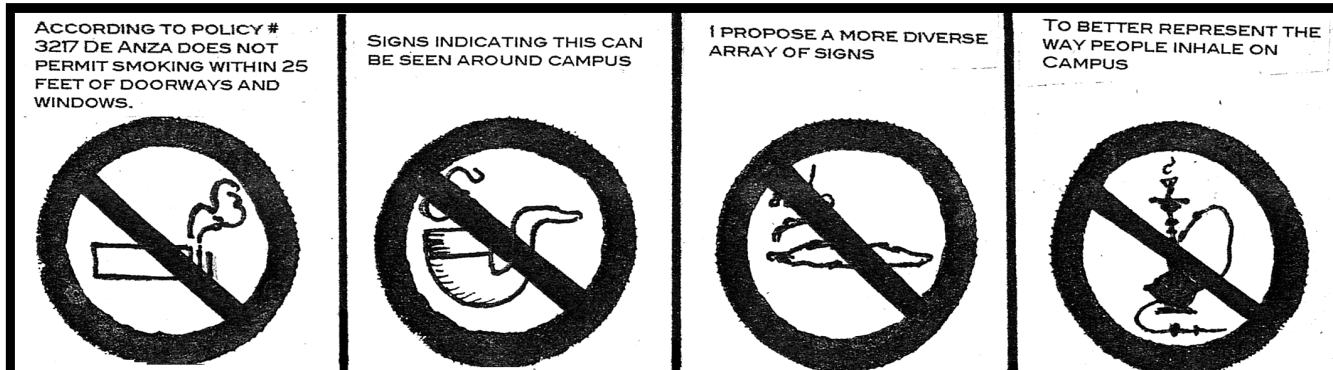
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**Horoscope** | Sarah Gahan

We hope you realize we are making this stuff up as we go along. Aside for the few minutes of entertainment you are likely to experience while reading this fine publication, we have no idea what the future holds for you.

**Aries – March 21 to April 20**

Live in fear of iguanas this week. Actually, just live in fear. The iguanas are only the tip of the iceberg – and that iceberg is made of lizards.

**Taurus – April 21 to May 21**

When you walk out to your car late one night, glancing furtively at the dark and empty parking lot, remember. Remember we warned you ... about all the bird crap that will be your windshield. You have been warned!

**Gemini – May 22 to June 21**

Because of the position of Uranus relative to Mercury, you are in danger of getting ill this week and having your temperature taken – and not the easy way. That's right, folks, we made a rectal thermometer joke.

**Cancer – June 22 to July 22**

You will watch some lousy television week because, as you will say, "Nothing else is on." The idea of reading a good book instead of watching mediocre TV will of course be rejected out of hand.

**Leo – July 23 to Aug. 21**

When you go shopping this week, you will be able to find none of the things you set out to find. Or, you will forget what precisely you went out to get and will only remember long after you have driven away.

**Virgo – Aug. 22 to Sept. 23**

This week, you are in danger of having your little brother stolen by magical pranksters. If you don't get through a labyrinth in less than 13 hours, David Bowie, while singing and thrusting his pelvis as only Bowie can, will turn your little brother into a goblin.

**Libra – Sept. 24 to Oct. 23**

When the revolution comes, you'll be first against the wall.

**Scorpio – Oct. 24 to Nov. 22**

When the revolution comes, you'll be standing around holding a clipboard. Until the counter-revolution, anyway.

**Featured Sign**



**Capricorn**

"No, moron. I am not a mutant. I am a \$#% mythical animal."

**Sagittarius – Nov. 23 to Dec. 22**

All the people that you're tired of talking to will disappear, but you'll still be miserable. They were just puppets of the imp that has been following you around and mangling your life for the past 11 years – and that imp just took out a credit card in your name.

**Capricorn – Dec. 23 to Jan 20**

Do you know what a wombat is? Well you will, and soon. But wombats are just the tip of the iceberg – and that iceberg is made of burrowing marsupials.

**Aquarius – Jan. 21 to Feb. 19**

You will go a long way this week to make a lame Kevin Costner joke. Try not to reference "Waterworld." It's too easy, and besides, you're the only one who saw it.

**Pisces – Feb. 20 to March 20**

Beware of icebergs this week. Beware, because icebergs are just the tip of the iceberg – and that iceberg is made of frozen seawater and has penguins waddling all over it. And it just took out a credit card in your name.

Answers at <http://www.lavozdeanza.com>

# SHUTOUT

BY RYAN BELL  
LA VOZ

There are perhaps an overabundance of metaphors pitching sports games as epic battles, but one rang true when the De Anza Dons came out victorious against their greatest rival, the Evergreen Valley College Hawks on Oct. 8.

It was a siege. The Evergreen lines were tough to break, but the Dons' persistent offense and stifling defense led De Anza to a 1-0 victory.

Though the ball rarely left Hawks' territory, the game remained scoreless throughout the first half and much of the second. Consistent pressure by the Dons' offense kept Evergreen on guard.

The defense carried the Dons to victory by not allowing a single shot on goal.

"Our defense stood strong and kept us in the game," said left midfielder Matt Schembri. "Then the goal came."

The impasse was broken late into the second period when forward Ryan Starnes scored off an assist from Jesus Araujo.

There were other bumps along the road for Evergreen, as well. In the early parts of the first half, Hawk's starting back Genaro Merino left the game with a red card, leaving Evergreen a man down for the remainder of the game.

"Our persistence caused [Merino] to get a red card," said Steve Wagner. "He wasn't getting a break so he started fouling guys."

Another setback for Evergreen came when Juan Gonzalez suffered an ACL tear while stopping a would-be goal off the cleats of De Anza's Daniel Karlsson. Another shot shortly thereafter by Ryan Starnes ricocheted off the side of the goalpost.

The victory gives the Dons their first league win this season.

"They're a big East-side rival that present a mental challenge every time we play them," said asst. coach Jeff Panos. "We've knocked them out of the playoffs the last two years, so every time we go and play at their place ... there's always a big amount of hoopla."

The Dons meet the Hawks again next Tuesday at 7 p.m., this time on Evergreen's turf.



De Anza's David Hodges takes flight over the Community College of San Francisco Rams on Oct. 15. The Don's notched their fifth straight shutout with the 1-0 win.

Steven Cabana/ LA VOZ

## Men's Soccer

## NOTEBOOK

Compiled by Steven Cabana

## Women's Soccer

The defense of the De Anza College's men's soccer team remains the driving force behind the team's five game shutout streak.

On Oct. 15, the Dons battled to a 1-0 win over the Community College of San Francisco.

Sophomore Paul Bellarmino scored the only goal of the game in the second half after beating the committed goalkeeper who went low to block the shot.

The Dons are currently 10th in the state and lead the north division of the coast conference, sporting a record of 6-2-1.

De Anza College's womens soccer team fell to 7-4-1 Friday after a punishing 0-2 loss to Cabrillo College (9-3-0).

The first half of this hard fought game proved to be costly as De Anza sophomore Julie Stump was injured during a play in front of the Cabrillo net.

The extent of Stump's knee injury is unclear, but she is expected to recover.

The Dons remain in the lead of the north division of the coast conference and are 18th in the state rankings.

## "SAME OLE QUOTES"

BY REZA KAZEMPOUR  
LA VOZ



120 games. 14 different teams. 3 different newspapers. Same damn quotes.

When it comes to sports quotes, expect the same type of quotes at the end of each and every game.

"Yeah, we played our hearts out but in the end the other team came out the better team."

Or....

"We played the game the way it should be played. We enforced the fundamentals, and it got us the win."

My favorite....

"We gotta learn from our mistakes, and come out stronger next time. Next time, I'm promising you that we will dominate."

It doesn't matter who you quote, whether it's the De Anza mens' basketball team or the San Jose Sharks, the quotes always sound the same.

Please don't think I'm hating on the athletes, because they truly do "play their hearts out" sometimes, but sports quotes are so typical that they can pulled out of a list generated by team public relations personnel (they really wouldn't do that; it's just a thought).

Now you're thinking, it's not the athlete's fault for the common quotes. Some may argue that the blame lies on the shoulders of the reporter for not coming up with clear and concise questions. Well, I wouldn't be writing this column if it wasn't true.

So many times have I sat down on the bleachers or in the press box jotting down great questions to ask and dreaming like Martin Luther King Jr. that I'll get great responses. After I make my way down to the locker room or the bench, I realize my dreams were mere fantasies because the athletes really don't have much to say. It's not that they are not smart individuals (Prince Benitez has a higher GPA than I do), but under the pressure and the exhaustion of the game they just finished, their minds aren't going to create a great or scholarly quote. I'm working on deadline sometimes, and I can't wait for the kid to get dressed or sit back and drink a Powerade. I want to capture the emotions immediately after the game in order to obtain the freshness of the

quote. I want it hot and sizzlin'.

There's not much you can quote on besides the big plays. It's going to be about whether or not the team played well or how one player stood out or changed the outcome of the game. The latter is often expressed in an angry tone by the coach who really doesn't want to give a quote to you after the game, but is obligated to because you covered the team the entire season. Even during the best of times or the worst of times, I still need quotes just as much as athletes needs to wipe of their sweat. It's essential.

Michael Klinski once wrote exactly what I'm trying to say.

"It takes a good athlete to sink a game-winning three pointer or to hit a bases-clearing home run. It takes a better speaker, however, to talk to the reporters after the game and come up with that magical quote."

I'm looking for that magical quote. Just one quote. Maybe two to help me get my story going.

Originally, I thought the De Anza athletes didn't have much to say because they usually don't expect to be interviewed by anyone unless its *La Voz*. But in my recent high school reports for the Palo Alto Daily, I spoke to players from Palo Alto, Los Altos, Burlingame and Saratoga high schools and not one of them said anything interesting. It's very hard to revolve your story around these quotes.

Last year the football team wanted to get rid of me because I proposed getting rid of them in my column in order to bring in volleyball. I feel the same anger will come at me again, but by all athletes. But, before you go shining your baseball bat to take a whack at me, please take my comments more in the spirit of understanding my please and not in the spirit that you are doing something wrong.

Give me something great to jot down, not your usual "we played well" quotes.

Unless you're Muhammad Ali, you can't float like a butterfly, nor can you sting us like a bee with the quotes you provide.