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# Autism Awareness

April ushers in a month dedicated to learning about autism and promoting groups that aim to help the cause

**LAURA DAVIS**  
DAILY SUNDIAL

**A**pril is national autism awareness month and non-profit organizations such as Autism Speaks have paired with local and national sponsors to raise funds for their cause by promoting events such as 5k walks and collecting donations at Gelson’s supermarkets.

Autism has been recognized as a medical condition since the 1970s, and affects one in every 110 children, according to Kris Gutierrez, a family support provider at Antelope

Valley Family Focus Resource & Empowerment Centers.

“It’s such an important cause and it hasn’t gotten the attention and support it needs,” Gutierrez said. “Especially grassroots organizations like us, where the money is put right back into services for the children.”

The Family Focus Resource & Empowerment Center is a non-profit organization that assists families with children, up to age 22, who have special needs, and has three branches serving the San Fernando, Santa Clarita and Antelope Valleys, according to their website.

The center is funded by the CSUN Michael D. Eisner

College of Education and will host its 4th annual Autism Awareness Walk on April 7 at JetHawks Stadium in Lancaster. The center is expecting at least 1,000 attendees, Gutierrez said.

Autism spectrum disorder has risen 600 percent in the past two decades and is almost four times more common in boys than in girls, according to the Autism Speaks website, the nation’s largest autism science and advocacy organization.

“Autism spectrum disorder can be associated with intellectual disability, difficulties in motor coordination

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# Last day to vote for new AS senate



**Oscar Luna, senior finance major, votes at the polling station in front of the Oviatt Library for student elections on Wednesday.**



**Jennifer Bennet, junior recreation and tourism management major, hands out flyers in front of the polling station by the Oviatt Library to encourage students to vote in the student elections.**

**ASHLEY SOLEY-CERRO**  
NEWS EDITOR

**A**S elections end today. Just go to the Matador walk before 7 p.m. to

vote. AS is the official seat of student government for CSUN. They communicate the students' values and goals to faculty, administrators and government officials and preside over a multi-million dollar operating budget.

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# BOARD OF DIRECTORS CANDIDATE STATEMENTS



**Collin Johnson**  
Finance, 2013

Collin Johnson is currently on the Committee of Facilities and Commercial Services and has been a proud member of the IFC network. He also promptly established his role in the USU by working for the New Student Orientation program. Collin is interested in bringing CSUN closer together as a community. In addition, Collin is motivated to help create a more enjoyable and productive environment for the CSUN students. He thanks you for your active participation in the USU Board of Director's election and your enthusiasm for improving the college experience.



**Nathalie Camarena**  
Political Science, Chicano studies, 2015

Nathalie Camarena is dedicated to the advocacy of raising consciousness and the needs of students at CSUN. Despite just arriving on this campus, she has already made an appearance on the dean's list, is a part of several honor associations, is currently interning for District 14's assemblyman, has become a familiar face in the Greek community, and all while being a committed community service assistant on campus. She believes an ideal leader should obtain along with notable academic achievements, an outgoing personality with the ability to maintain an open mind and always work in the student's best interest. She has an insatiable thirst of student involvement that promises to truly implement the voices of our student body.



**Daniel Hidalgo**  
Business Law, 2015

Daniel Hidalgo currently holds the chair position on the Matador Night's Committee and has volunteered for USU events. He would like to enlighten students about the various services that the USU holds as well as make the USU more known to the student body. By informing students about the USU and what it has to offer, he hopes that students will be more inclined to use it as a valuable resource both for intellectual and recreational use.



**Shahtaj Khan**  
Business Law, 2015

Khan is a passionate scholar who is willing to uplift the "matador life" for every student. She is eager to become a USU liaison who will in due time be a wireless speaker for the students. Her communication and leadership skills were attained through being a part of Granada Hills Charter High School drama company and Vice President position with the South Asian Club (SAC) at CSUN. She would like to make the USU feel more like home, provide helpful resources, and promote more multicultural involvement. If voted, it would be an honor for Khan to represent you in the future Board of Directors (BOD).



**Myles Adkins**  
Psychology, 2013

Myles Adkins currently serves as a member of the Personnel Committee, which reports directly to the USU Board of Directors. In hopes of becoming a Board of Director, he would like to focus on working with his fellow board members to effectively make decisions on the various matters that pertain to the students at CSUN. He would also focus on making sure that CSUN students are made aware of the different organizations and opportunities that are available to them and how to take advantage of the experience they may gain. He would be honored to represent his fellow colleagues on campus and make their voices heard. His congenial disposition and deep sense of personal responsibility will be a great asset to the Board of Directors.



**Perlita Varela**  
Political Science, 2015

Perlita Varela is currently a member of Hermanas Unidas de CSUN. She has gained Leadership skills given the fact that she was Student Body Secretary and Treasurer at her High School. Her motivation, open mind, and enthusiasm are what make her strive to make a difference in the student's life through CSUN. She would like to reach out to the students and raise awareness that CSUN has great resources to offer. She plans to make the student's experience a shinier one by encouraging them to attend and be involved in USU events.



**Jeremy Spurley**  
Masters of Arts in Educational Leadership and Policy Studies, 2013

Jeremy Spurley is a past president of Kappa Sigma Fraternity, and the Interfraternity Council (IFC), and the current president of Gamma Sigma Alpha, Academic Honor Society. He has been on the Dean's List since 2009. As a member of the Board of Directors, Jeremy will work diligently to enhance the programming offered by the University Student Union, build a stronger relationship between the USU and the Associated Students, and will represent the views of you-the students. Jeremy will be honored to represent you all and thanks you for your consideration when voting.



**Sabrina Lockey**  
Business Marketing, 2013

Sabrina Lockey currently serves on the University Student Union (USU) Board of Directors (BOD), and is Chair of the Facilities and Commercial Services Committee for the BOD. She has been involved on campus as a New Student Orientation Leader for two years, and is currently a member of MACSUN and The National Collegiate Scholars. It is her goal as a Director to promote school spirit by creating exciting USU events and services, such as the new SRC, to entertain students. Sabrina feels that it's important to help students feel included at the USU by establishing programs such as the new Veteran's and LGBTQ Resource Centers. Sabrina is dedicated to giving all students opportunities to make the most of their college experience, and will continue to be an asset to the BOD next year if re-elected.



**Collin Robinson**  
Economics, 2014

It is evident that our school is impacted; a degree which once took four years to achieve is being prolonged. It is vital now, more than ever for the student body to make their college experience productive and enjoyable. Collin Robinson believes awareness and opportunity are the keys necessary for each student to unlock their potential for a successful future. As a director, Collin plans to enhance the available resources to students and ensure they are properly informed about the benefits of each program. He is an amiable persistent leader who will be a platform for you, as a student, to express your opinions to administration on campus.



**Terinesha McGee**  
Sociology, 2014

Terinesha McGee is a little lady with big ideas and strategies geared towards helping the student body have more of a voice and option to what events and activities the University Student Union (USU) provides. As a board member Terinesha's goal is to assist students in making their college journey easier to maintain by promoting the resources and events the USU has to offer. With a diverse outlook and strong leadership ability obtained from experience with the Educational Opportunity Program (EOP) she assures that she will put the students' thoughts and her plots into action.



**Tyler Moore**  
Undecided, 2016

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**Tiffany Castellanos**  
Business Law, 2014

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AUTISM

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and attention and physical health issues such as sleep and gastrointestinal disturbances,” the website says. “Some persons with autism spectrum disorder excel in visual skills, music, math and art.”

However, parents of autistic children who excel at complex online games should limit the amount of time their child spends on the computer, according to Christopher Mulligan, licensed clinical social worker and Groupworks West founder.

Groupwork West is raising awareness for a lesser-known side of autism with their treatment center and group therapy sessions for autistic patients who suffer from cyber addiction, according to their website.

Too much technology – outside of the classroom – can be damaging because autistic children are more susceptible to becoming a victim of cyber addiction, Mulligan said.

“It plays into every conceivable vulnerability they have. It’s really a toxic problem. It’s as

if they found a drug online that is free and legal and that no one cares if they use it,” Mulligan said. “I totally support media literacy in the autism community, but the problem is that’s not what’s going on.”

Children who suffer from autism are not the only ones affected – their families also endure the difficulties brought on by the disorder, according to Liberty Eunice, a young mother to a 3-year-old autistic boy.

“I constantly try different ways to get and keep his attention,” Eunice said. “He tunes out so much when he watches TV that we try to keep it off when he’s awake. I try to keep him in activities with kids his age as much as possible to help him come out of his shell.”

Many events aimed at spreading awareness will take place across the globe this month, including multiple fundraisers in Los Angeles and surrounding areas.

“We encourage people to come to the ceremonial Autism Awareness Walk on April 7, and stick around for the entertainment and resource fair throughout the day,” Gutierrez said.

Autism Awareness Events APRIL 2012

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**Autism Speaks**  
**WHAT:** 3rd Annual Light It Up Blue  
**WHERE:** Recognized globally  
**TIME:** Sunset (about 7:20 p.m.)  
**INFO:** www.lightitupblue.org

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**The L.A. Dodgers, Autism Speaks, Tommy Bahama**  
**WHAT:** Dodgers Autism Awareness Day  
**WHERE:** Dodger Stadium  
**TIME:** 5 p.m.  
**INFO:** www.dodgers.com/autism

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**Whittier Area Parents’ Association for the Developmentally Handicapped**  
**WHAT:** Autism Awareness Walk  
**WHERE:** Whittier High School  
**TIME:** 10 a.m.  
**INFO:** www.wapadh.org

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**Family Focus Resource & Empowerment Center**  
**WHAT:** 4th Annual Autism Awareness Walk  
**WHERE:** JetHawks Stadium in Lancaster  
**TIME:** 10 a.m.  
**INFO:** www.familyfocusresourcecenter.org

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**Autism Speaks**  
**WHAT:** 10th Annual Autism Speaks Walk  
**WHERE:** Rose Bowl Stadium  
**TIME:** 10 a.m.  
**INFO:** www.walkforautismspeaks.org

**ALL MONTH**

**Gelson’s Super Market**  
**WHAT:** The Help Group Autism Awareness Fundraiser  
**WHEN:** Month of April  
**WHERE:** All 17 Gelson’s Super Market locations  
**INFO:** www.thehelpgroup.org

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**WHAT:** Autism Awareness Fundraiser  
**WHEN:** Month of April  
**WHERE:** All participating locations  
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# Voter's Guide

## President and Vice President



**Emmanuel Martinez**  
Progress Through Solidarity  
Emmanuel Martinez is an English Major with an emphasis in Creative Writing and is also working towards obtaining a minor in Chicano Studies. He has been actively involved with Associated Students since 2010 and has since become an Associate Producer for their Events Team. If elected, Emmanuel plans to implement/reestablish school traditions, build a strong financial foundation that future Matadors can depend on for classes, and bring to light internal and external issues surrounding the CSUN community.



**John Saringo-Rodriguez**  
Progress Through Solidarity  
John Saringo-Rodriguez is a junior Journalism major/ Political Science minor and a board member of Matadors For Equality and Tau Sigma Honor Society. Saringo-Rodriguez is passionate about the livelihoods of CSUN students from all backgrounds and all walks of life. If elected, he will continue to invest much of his time actively representing your voices because he truly believes in bringing about awareness and Progress through Solidarity.



**Sydni Powell**  
Integrity & Innovation  
Sydni Powell is junior Psychology major with an emphasis in Cognition. Powell was elected as Lower Division Senator in 2010 and Vice President in 2011. She hopes to continue her leadership journey and to serve the students of Cal State Northridge with integrity and innovation.



**Chirstopher Woolett**  
Integrity & Innovation  
Christopher Woolett is a Junior Majoring in Liberal Studies and has spent his years at CSUN involved in many aspects of the Greek Community and working with Associated Students as a Graphic Designer. Christopher hopes to keep working with the students at CSUN and serve the students with the ideas of Integrity & Innovation.



# Senate Candidates

## Graduate Candidates



**Chavon Smith** - Integrity & Innovation



**Laquae Felix** - Integrity & Innovation

## Upper Division Candidates



**Talar Alexanian**  
I am a proud Matador who wants to create change on the CSUN Campus. My involvement in several clubs and activities as well as my position at the Matador Involvement Center has allowed me to personally see what issues are important to the student population and what steps must be taken to resolve them. Through my passion, determination, and dedication, I hope to unify the CSUN community and truly be a voice for students on the A.S. Senate.



**Adan Garay** - Progress Through Solidarity  
Adan Garay as past President for his high school for three years, current House Chair for his Fraternity and as a church youth group leader, has got him involved on campus, local communities, and fundraising towards St. Jude's Children Hospital. Adan is running for College of Arts, Media & Communication Senator to ensure that students know more about the decisions being made at CSUN before they are finalized. If elected, Adan wants to make this campus the best California State University by getting students more involved on campus, tuition to be affordable, and have students graduating in four years.



**Juan Quevedo**  
The summer before my sophomore year of high school, I had the opportunity to participate in a Migrant Education Program here at California State University, Northridge- from that summer on, CSUN was my first and only choice. As the president of Dreams to be Heard- a student led organization at CSUN dedicated to inspire, educate and empower the documented and undocumented students alike, I have gained valuable tools making me a perfect candidate for the Upper Division Student Senator. I firmly believe that together, we can make our time here at CSUN one of the best years of our lives.



**Karen Medina** - Progress Through Solidarity  
Karen Medina is a fourth year Multimedia Production and Gender & Women's Studies double major, who has been actively involved in collective organizing around various social justice campaigns at CSUN. Through her work with the Gender & Women's Studies Student Association, Students for Quality Education, and the Queer People of Color Conference, Karen has gained valuable skills in leadership, communication, and organizing. These experiences have shaped Karen into a fearless organizer, ready to listen and act on behalf of those she represents.



**Alyssa Tyner** - Integrity & Innovation  
I am a Junior, Communication Studies Major, at CSUN. I am a University Scholar, the Director of Finance for the University Ambassadors, and your current Upper Division Senator. I am here to represent you, and I hope that you re-elect me for this position.



**Jeffery Zide**  
I'm a 21 year old Journalism Major who is also a student with Asperger's Syndrome (a type of Autism) and I am running for Senator for the College of Arts, Media and Communication Seat II. Nonetheless I do my best to communicate effectively and kindly to everyone I meet. There are many problems facing CSUN and I may not have all the answers but if there is one thing I am, it is fighter and I fight to the end to make sure that CSUN students get the education they deserve.



**Jenna Yowell** - Integrity & Innovation

## Lower Division Candidates



**Benjamin Hecht** - Integrity & Innovation



**Theodore Agbonwaneten**  
I am a first-year freshman at CSUN. I am current member of the Business Honors Program and the CSUN Speech and Debate Team. I am a former member of the Men's Basketball team here at CSUN.



**Lauryn Lawson** - Integrity & Innovation  
Lauryn Lawson currently holds the position of Lower Division Senator and hopes to accomplish as much as she can during her term. She wants to hear the voice of the students so that she can make CSUN a better place for her constituents. She is extremely driven and looks forward to continuing to help students throughout her term.



**Nelly Altamirano** - Progress Through Solidarity  
Nelly Altamirano is a junior majoring in Marketing. Upon graduating, Nelly wants to pursue an MBA or a law degree in marketing law. She hopes to become A.S senator in order to voice the concerns of the College of Business and Economics and raise student involvement within the amazing CSUN community.



**Jesus Martinez Ramirez** - Progress Through Solidarity  
Jesus Martinez is a Political Science Major who is very passionate about government and politics and hopes that he can help empower his community by providing a voice for them through Associated Students. He loves CSUN because it has introduced him to different cultures, religions, and ideologies which have made him more aware of the diverse communities that surround him. If elected Jesus plans to increase awareness about student issues and opportunities in order to influence the need for change to bring lower tuition and increase financial aid.



**Shalisa Craig** - Integrity & Innovation



**Kartik Prabhakar** - Integrity & Innovation  
I'm a Biology major, and this is my first year at CSUN. I was born in India, but grew up in West Hills, California being the first member of my family to go to college in America. I'm planning to become a veterinarian soon, and have already led a group, at an animal rescue shelter, in order to bring awareness about the topics of animal cruelty and pet ownership.



**Corey Davis**  
I currently am a sophomore majoring in Business Law. I have realized that CSUN has given so much to me while attending and I have decided to offer my own services to that of the Student body by taking up candidacy, so that I can assist those who feel that campus has the potential to offer greater opportunities!



**Anthony Wong**  
I'm a sophomore majoring in business management and I am a member of Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity. I've served as Finance chair for Tau Kappa Epsilon, interned for Stussy Honolulu, represented my school for Key Club in high school, and have a lot of leadership skills. If elected, I plan on voicing the opinions and concerns that lower division students have.



**Marbella Lupercio** - Integrity & Innovation



**Daniel McGregor**



**Sasha Struthers**  
I am a Business Law major. I wish to pursue the field of Intellectual Property Law to protect individuals' creativity. I have always had an innate longing to protect people and there is no better way to inspire people than giving them comfort in knowing their ideas will be safe.

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# SPRING BREAK

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**JOE TOMASZEWSKI**  
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If you're into hiking, camping, the outdoors, or just need some peace and quiet, consider a road trip to one of Southern California's deserts. Yes, gas prices are up, but a road trip is still more affordable than flying to most places and the drive is an experience in itself. Spring is a perfect time to visit, with blooming wildflowers and moderate temperatures. Load your iPod with your favorite playlists. Getting there is half the fun.

Joshua Tree National Park, Death Valley National Park, and the Mojave National Preserve provide three options within a half-day's drive from L.A. Each one has a unique, exotically beautiful landscape that makes you feel like you're on another planet. Sunsets reveal a colorful palette of desert flora. Night skies awe, far away from urban light pollution.

At only a few hours drive from L.A., Joshua Tree is doable

as a day-trip. The numerous granite outcroppings provide a perfect playground for rock climbing or bouldering. Some campsites are reservable, but most are first come first serve. It's usually crowded on weekends, so most campsites are full by Friday afternoon.

For non-campers, I recommend the Joshua Tree Inn. It's a short drive from the park. The rustic Joshua Tree Saloon Bar and Grill is a fun place to get some food or quench your thirst.

If you want to get farther away from civilization, the four-and-a-half-hour drive to the Mojave National Preserve is worth it. There aren't lodgings nearby, so you'll have to camp. But unlike Joshua Tree, you'll have no trouble finding a site in either of the preserve's two campgrounds.

The three-mile round trip Teutonia Peak trail winds through the densest Joshua tree forest on the planet and ends with an expansive view at the top. The Kelso sand dunes are a great place for a sunset hike. The Kelso Depot diner and museum is open from 9 to 5 daily, but otherwise there are no services in the park. Make sure you gas up in Ludlow on I-40 before entering the park. Services are sparse in this area of the desert.

You have to see Death Valley to understand the appeal of being in the lowest, driest and hottest place in North America. The canyon walls come alive with color in the morning and evening. The vast emptiness is mesmerizing.

Lodging, stores and campsites are available near the Stovepipe Wells and Furnace Creek Oases. But I prefer the quieter Mesquite Springs campsite at the north end of the park. I recommend hiking down into the 800-foot deep Ubehebe volcanic crater nearby.

Climb to the top of a sand dune near Stovepipe Wells and run down. You'll feel like a superhero. Watch a sunset from Dante's view. Stand 282 feet below sea level in Badwater Basin. It's even better at night.

When visiting any of these places, whether camping, or just day hiking, make sure to bring a hat and plenty of sunscreen and water. Plan carefully, especially if you're unfamiliar with the desert. There's pointy and poisonous things out there you'll want to avoid. You can rent camping gear at the Northridge REI or the A.S. Outdoor Adventures office in the SRC.





## FOOD REVIEWS

# Fusion fare flows at the White Rabbit

JOE TOMASZEWSKI  
DAILY SUNDIAL

Taco Tuesday, with \$1 tacos, was a great opportunity to sample the Filipino/ Mexican fare of The White Rabbit Fusion Cafe.

Since November 2010 the White Rabbit food tuck has roamed the LA area, Ventura, and Orange County. Not a food truck chaser?

Last November, the owners opened a restaurant in Canoga Park near the corner of Winnetka Avenue and Roscoe Boulevard.

Filipino food is known for it's blending of sweet and spicy flavors, and each taco choice is a variation on that theme. Vegetarians beware, all entrees, including the tacos, come with a choice of meat cooked Filipino style. The unique combinations of sweet, sour, and salty flavors evolved from indigenous dishes combined with Spanish, American, Chinese, and other Asian influences.

The White Rabbit bustled with activity on the cold Tuesday evening I visited. A constant stream of patrons came and went, as people laughed and talked over festive music.

Each of the four tacos I sampled were wrapped in soft corn tortillas and topped with a vinaigrette of sweetened, shredded cabbage. The Adobo taco was filled with tender and juicy, sweet and spicy braised chicken chunks.

The Longanisa, was filled with sweet and spicy diced and sautéed sausage.

My favorite was the Tocino, filled with braised, finely chopped, sweetened and cured pork.

If you want more in-your-face spiciness, go for the Sisig. It has sautéed and fried pork mixed with jalapeños and onions. You can add more heat to any selection with the Tapatio or Asian hot chili sauce provided.

The ingredients seemed fresh and had a hand-made feel. However, the corn tortillas were just okay and didn't add anything to the experience.

For sides, I tried the traditional garlic rice, and an order of Lumpia Filipino egg rolls. I enjoyed the moist, roasted garlic flavor of the rice, but didn't care for the fine texture of the ground pork in the Lumpia rolls.

The White Rabbit offers intriguing deserts, such as White Chocolate Champorado or Red Velvet Flan, but I was too stuffed after the tacos to try anything.

They also offer a large menu of boba teas, soda, and a fresh blended watermelon drink, which my dining partner enjoyed.

The White Rabbit is self-service, and keeps the low prices and fun, casual atmosphere of a food truck. The friendly staff and Spanish-style decor makes for a cozy and relaxed dining experience.

Indoor seating is limited but there is more seating in an outdoor covered patio. White Rabbit also offers party packs, catering services, parking and free WiFi.

I recommend the White Rabbit Fusion Cafe for its fun atmosphere and great food at college student prices. I look forward to going back to try the Filipino Spaghetti.



MICHAEL CHENG / DAILY SUNDIAL

The White Rabbit offers a combination of Mexican and Filipino cuisine at an affordable price.

## White Rabbit Fusion Cafe

www.whiterabbitcafeLA.com

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11 a.m. - 6 p.m.

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★★★★☆



## FOOD REVIEWS

# Local coffehouse offers quality and comfort

JESSICA JEWELL  
DAILY SUNDIAL

As a foodie and admitted food snob, I'm a hard egg to crack.

Gayle's Perks coffee shop is tucked away next door to a CVS; located just blocks away from CSUN, near Balboa and Nordhoff.

At first glance, the location can be a bit off-putting, as it is a challenge to find it in the endless strip-mall schlep. However, the charm of Gayle's Perks won me over. A bumper sticker greets you at the cash register: "May all beings be filled with kind-

ness and compassion for one another." Bookshelves line the walls, and there are comfortable armchairs to lounge in. Toward the back, there's a patio complete with a fire pit and flowers decorating the fence.

Marci Parsons, a regular, explained that she frequents Gayle's Perks because it's not "institutional," and the staff pays attention to "personal touches."

Gayle's Perks serves paninis, crepes, pastries, an extensive selection of teas and standard coffee menu items. The menu wasn't overwhelming, but it still offers a decent selection whether you're in the mood for a salad or

a quick sandwich. There are a few vegetarian options, always a plus in my book. I took note that there weren't too many vegan menu options.

I went all out; chai tea latte, panini and crepe.

As a chai connoisseur, I appreciate that they use Oregon Chai, a liquid-based mix, instead of the typical powdery blasphemy found at most coffee shops. But it wasn't an original, fresh blend as I've found at a handful of other places, which I vastly prefer, but it was decent nonetheless. I liked that they served it in glass rather than waste a paper cup. Points for eco-friendliness. Four stars for

the chai – I would rate it at 3.5, but the attention to a reusable mug won me over.

The ratatouille panini (daily special) was lovely. I've never seen ratatouille as an ingredient used for paninis, and with the addition of the feta cheese, the result was a savory, flavorful twist on a coffee-shop staple. Five stars for tastiness and creativity.

Now for the blueberry crepe, which was filled with cream cheese and sprinkled with blueberries and whipped cream. The critic in me says 2 stars. It definitely satisfied my sweet tooth, but the crepe was a bit soggy, and Gayle's was conservative

with both the cream cheese filling and the blueberries. My standards are high when it comes to crepes. They should be stuffed full of yummy decadence, and honestly, it didn't deliver. Good, but not great.

All in all, I give Gayle's Perks 3 stars. The atmosphere is delightful, the staff is friendly, there's free Wi-Fi and the food is decent. A big drawback is their limited hours. I'm a writer; sleep eludes me, so it's always nice to find a comfortable joint to settle into to hammer out projects. Gayle's Perks closes at 6 p.m. weekdays, 4 p.m. Saturdays and is closed Sundays.

## Gayle's Perks

9028 Balboa Blvd.  
Northridge, CA

**Hours:**  
Monday - Friday:  
8 a.m. - 6p.m.  
Saturday:  
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Sunday:  
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RATING  
★★★★☆



JESSICA JEWELL / DAILY SUNDIAL

Vegetarian chili, with a can of Budweiser thrown in the recipe for good measure.

## Vegetarian Chili

JESSICA JEWELL / DAILY SUNDIAL

I'm a big fan of chili, a BIG one. There are so many different fun ways to customize each batch, the options are endless. In the fall, I love making Drunken Pumpkin Chili from the Veggie Belly blog.

This recipe is a result of lots of trial and error, and trying new things. Feel free to change it up to your liking.

### Chili Ingredients

- 1 onion, diced
- 1 red or green pepper, chopped
- 3 stalks of celery, chopped
- 1 can of black beans, drained
- 1 can of kidney beans, drained
- 3 cans diced tomatoes with liquid
- 1 T olive oil
- 3 cloves garlic
- 1/3c chili powder
- 1 t cumin
- 1 t oregano

- 2 green chilies seeded and chopped
- 1 package veggie ground beef (ground turkey or chicken is good if you'd like a lean meat option)
- ½ bunch of kale, chopped
- dash of cayenne pepper
- 1 ½ c veggie broth
- smoked salt (if you have it) and pepper to taste

### Directions

Heat oil in a pan and saute onions and garlic until translucent. Throw in spices and stir for a minute or less, be careful not to burn them. Add celery and peppers (hot and bell peppers) and cook for three to five minutes. Add beans, tomatoes, ground protein of your choice (if it's meat, you may want to cook separately till browned, then add to the pot) and veggie broth. Cover and turn heat to medium low and simmer for 30-40 minutes. Ten minutes prior to finishing, add chopped kale to pot and make any adjustments.

Garnish with your favorite crackers and enjoy!



FILM REVIEW

# Hunger Games lives up to the hype

NATALIE RIVERA  
DAILY SUNDIAL

Children killing children. This is the heart of the Hunger Games, the televised event that is punishment and reminder to the people of the fictional dictatorial country Panem, for their rebellion 74 years ago.

This is also the plot of Suzanne Collins' international bestselling book which the film is based on. Both the film and the entire trilogy capture the message Collins is sending to millions of readers, and though the film makes a few understandable changes, it should leave both old fans and new fans satisfied.

Katniss Everdeen, played by Jennifer Lawrence, is a 17-year-old-girl who volunteers to take the place of her 12-year-old sister, Prim, after Prim is selected as the female tribute from their home, District 12.

The tension and anxiety is felt even before the game begins. The reaping, where two tributes, one boy and one girl between the ages of 12 to18 are selected, is quiet and intense; you can feel every child hold their breath every time a name is pulled out of a bowl.

The film continues as Katniss and Peeta, the selected male tribute of District 12 and a boy who has loved Katniss from afar, are thrown into the wild world of not only the game but the Capitol itself.

Just from the look of the Capitol and its people you can tell that director Gary Ross made sure to create the Capitol as extravagant and alluring as readers may have imagined. Every costume appears to have been thought out carefully and the Capitol's gadgets and futuristic aura is faithful to the image Collins wrote of.

The game itself is eye candy; the viewer gets to have a full experience as they see how the game makers make the games and how they virtually throw

in fire, mutant creatures and other twists to keep the audience entertained and the tributes dead.

The cast of the Hunger Games was well put together. Lawrence is spectacular as Katniss, she embodies the stubborn but strong women whose fiery outfits and attitude got her the nickname "girl on fire." James Hutcherson brilliantly portrays Peeta. He is as lovable and charming as the novel's character. Liam Hemsworth captures the rebelliousness of Gale, Katniss' longtime friend and another admirer of hers. And Lenny Kravitz surprisingly makes Cinna, Katniss' stylist, a memorable character.

What makes this film great is that it does not exaggerate the romance or the love triangle of Katniss, Peeta and Gale; it stays true to the action and the wrong of this post-apocalyptic world.

It also does not glorify gore. There are children killing each other with weapons and sometimes their bare hands but the violence is surprisingly minimal in order to keep its PG-13 rating. This lack of visual bloodshed does not take away the disgust that the viewer feels though as they watch a world where murder is considered entertainment.

There were things cut out from the book but it is nothing that will have fans too upset. The only flaw that can be pointed out is the lack of screen time for the other tributes, particularly Rue, Katniss' ally and a 12-year-old tribute from District 11. Their friendship is genuine on screen but is cut short and will have viewers begging for more.

The Hunger Games will not only be loved by fans of the trilogy but by those who may have never heard of the Hunger Games before it exploded into the media. The film does a fantastic job making every scene stand out with its colors and costumes and making the poor and wealth of this country seem real.

Unlike Panem, this film was not made to entertain but to be as epic and noble as the characters on screen. And with a great start in the box office, the odds were definitely in their favor.



COURTESY OF MCT  
Caesar Flickerman (Stanley Tucci, left) and Katniss Everdeen (Jennifer Lawrence) star. "The Hunger Games" was the third highest film debut in North American history.



COURTESY OF MCT  
(RIGHT) Katniss Everdeen (Jennifer Lawrence, left) and Gale Hawthorne (Liam Hemsworth) star in "The Hunger Games."

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APRIL

VPAC Calendar of Events

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For the first issue of the month, here are the events happening in April at CSUN's very own performance halls!

12 THURSDAY

**WHAT:** Strong Chamber Music, Michael Ferril, director  
**WHERE:** Cypress Recital Hall  
**TIME:** 7:30 p.m.  
**PRICE:** \$10 / \$7 / \$5

15 SUNDAY

**WHAT:** Faculty Artist Recital: Andrew Malloy, trombone  
**WHERE:** Cypress Recital Hall  
**TIME:** 7:30 p.m.  
**PRICE:** \$10 / \$7 / \$5

10 TUESDAY

**WHAT:** Guest Artist Recital: Mykola Suk, piano  
**WHERE:** Cypress Recital Hall  
**TIME:** 7:30 p.m.  
**PRICE:** \$10 / \$7 / \$5

11 WEDNESDAY

**WHAT:** CSUN Wind Symphony, Lawrence Stoffel conductor  
**WHERE:** Cypress Recital Hall  
**TIME:** 7:30 p.m.  
**PRICE:** \$10 / \$7 / \$5

16 MONDAY

**WHAT:** Clarinet Studio Recital, Julia Heinen, director  
**WHERE:** Cypress Recital Hall  
**TIME:** 7:30 p.m.  
**PRICE:** \$10 / \$7 / \$5

17 TUESDAY

**WHAT:** CSUN Women's Chorale, Katherine Baker, conductor  
**WHERE:** Cypress Recital Hall  
**TIME:** 7:30 p.m.  
**PRICE:** \$10 / \$7 / \$5

18 WEDNESDAY

**WHAT:** Emerson String Quartet with Wu Han, piano  
**WHERE:** VPAC (Great Hall)  
**TIME:** 8 p.m.  
**PRICE:** \$70 / \$55 / \$40 / \$25

19 THURSDAY


**WHAT:** Geena Davis  
**WHERE:** VPAC (Great Hall)  
**TIME:** 8 p.m.  
**PRICE:** \$70 / \$55 / \$40 / \$25

22 SUNDAY

**WHAT:** New Directions Composers' Group Liviu Marinescu, director  
**WHERE:** Cypress Recital Hall  
**TIME:** 7:30 p.m.  
**PRICE:** \$10 / \$7 / \$5

23 MONDAY

**WHAT:** Discovery Players, John Roscigno, director  
**WHERE:** Cypress Recital Hall  
**TIME:** 7:30 p.m.  
**PRICE:** \$10 / \$7 / \$5



**VPAC SPOTLIGHT:** **SFJAZZ Collective**  
Plays The Music of Stevie Wonder

**Tuesday, March 27, 8:00 PM**  
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# Senate Candidates

## College of Education Candidates



**Cinzia Lettieri** - Integrity & Innovation  
Cinzia Lettieri is currently a teaching credential candidate at the Michael D. Eisner College of Education. For the past academic year, Cinzia has held the College of Education I Senate seat, and since spring has chaired the A.S. Academic Affairs Committee. Cinzia hopes to continue as Senator of Education in order to vigorously advocate for her college and constituents.



**Martin Watkins** - Integrity & Innovation



**Sarah Garcia** - Progress Through Solidarity  
Sarah Garcia is a Deaf Studies major, Anthropology minor, and a queer studies minor. She is also active in various organizations, such as Students for Quality Education and Matadors for Equality. Sarah Garcia believes in active representation and the voice of the students, if elected she will ensure that those voices are not only heard, but listened to.

## Engineering and Computer Science Candidates



**Kevin Phan**

## College of Health and Human Development Candidates



**Jessica Thorton** - Integrity & Innovation  
Hello fellow CSUN students, My name is Chloe Thornton and I hold the current seat as Senator for health and human development in Associated Students. I would appreciate the chance to continue my work in Associated Students and be able to represent the students of my college! I can't wait to meet all of you and listen to your requests and concerns on how to better this school!



**Jonathan Hollingsworth**



**Kristi Karou**



**Sasha Barahona** - Progress Through Solidarity



**Susie Bautista**  
I am in my third year majoring in Child and Adolescent Development. I have experience with numerous student organizations on campus and I am interested in serving as an advocate for CSUN students particularly given the increase in fees and difficulty getting classes we are facing. If elected, I pledge to ensure that students in the College of Health & Human Development are well-represented in university programs and activities.

## College of Humanities Candidates



**Bryan Lee** - Integrity & Innovation



**Jennifer Perdomo**  
Jennifer Perdomo has attended CSUN since her freshmen year and is double majoring in Central American Studies and Political Science. Jennifer is running for the Senator of the College Of Humanities because she would like to give the students, organizations and clubs that are part of this college as much representation and support as possible. Jennifer strongly believes that the student's voice should always be heard, so she plans to be the liaison, the advocate, the voice for all students, organizations and clubs that are a part of the College of Humanities.



**Michaela Connor** - Integrity & Innovation  
I am originally from Palmdale, CA where I was very involved in leadership positions throughout high school and continue to participate in leadership roles at CSUN as both a Resident Advisor and in Alpha Xi Delta sorority. I am a third year CSUN student pursuing a B.A in English with plans to work in higher education. I want to be apart of A.S to do what I can to support this important organization and represent the student body with integrity and passion.

## College of Science and Mathematics Candidates



**Edward Rosenblatt II** - Integrity & Innovation

## College of Social and Behavioral Sciences Candidates



**Christian Cruz**



**Jesus Jesus**



**Tanya Martin** - Integrity & Innovation



**Victoria Rodriguez** - Progress Through Solidarity  
Victoria Rodriguez is a Junior with a major in Psychology and a minor in Family Studies. Working in the Matador Involvement Center as the Clubs and Organizations Marketing Assistant has given Victoria the resources and knowledge about student leadership and the campus as a whole. Victoria aspires to get the student's voices heard and act as an advocate to achieve students' goals and collaboration.

VOTE March 28-29  
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# Associated Students Spring 2012 Elections Ballot Language

## Vote March 28-29 [csunas.org/elections](http://csunas.org/elections)

Amendment #1

Should the student body amend Article V, Section 4(F)(3) of the Associated Students Constitution public notice for special meetings would change from two business days to twenty-four (24) hours. The change would allow the Associated Students Constitution to conduct business in a ~~timelier~~ *more timely* manner while remaining compliant with the Gloria Romero Open Meeting Act of 2000 as required.

The current language is:

“Special meetings shall be called by the President upon the written request of twenty-five (25) percent of the members of the Senate, and may be called at any time by the President upon two (2) working days written notice to each Senator.”

The amended language would be:

“Special meetings shall be called by the President upon the written request of twenty-five (25) percent of the members of the Senate, and may be called at any time by the President upon twenty-four (24) hours written notice to each Senator.”

\_\_\_ Yes, the constitution should be amended as proposed.

\_\_\_ No, the constitution should remain as it currently reads.

ANALYSIS

The Associated Students Senate has analyzed the constitution as it exists and as it is proposed on the ballot measure. Amendments to the constitution require the student body’s consideration and vote.

The Associated Students Constitution is a document that dictates how the student body government operates as a 501(c)(3) not for profit organization. The Gloria Romero Open Meeting Act of 2000 is legislation that provides guidelines and limitations to student governments and university organizations that hold public meetings. The Associated Students’ open meetings are required to be in compliance with the Gloria Romero Act.

Section 89306.5(a) of the Gloria Romero Open Meeting Act of 2000 requires 24 hours advance notice to the public for special meetings. Article V, Section 4(F)(3) of the current Associated Students Constitution calls for two working days advance notice to the public for special meetings. The amendment would provide no less than 24 hour advance notice to the public regarding special meetings. The change would allow the Associated Students Constitution to conduct business in a timelier manner while remaining compliant with the Gloria Romero Open Meeting Act of 2000 as required.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT #2

Should the Associated Students Constitution be amended as proposed below?

\_\_\_ Yes, the constitution should be amended as proposed.

\_\_\_ No, the constitution should not be amended.

TEXT: The proposed amendments to the A.S. Constitution will put Associated Students in compliance with a new state law, Assembly Bill 1233. This bill states that a corporation may not have non-voting Directors or non-voting “members” on the Board. This law also requires that the Board must have greater authority than the A.S. President.

Currently, the A.S. Constitution lists the Associated Students Cabinet as non-voting Directors. It, also, currently lists the Associated Students General Manager, the Associated Students Secretary, and the Associated Students Attorney General as non-voting members. Additionally, the A.S. President has greater authority over Senate. Therefore, these things need to be changed in order to bring us into compliance with the law.

The proposed amendments will change the name of the so-called director or non-voting member to appropriate titles. The amendments will also give the Senate greater authority in the decision-making process for Associated Students.

\*Please note that these changes are required by the State of California in order to be in compliance with AB 1233. To operate legally, A.S. is required to follow state laws.

Original

ARTICLE IV – OFFICERS

**Section 2.** The legislative body governing this Corporation shall be the Board of Directors of the Associated Students, HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS THE SENATE. It shall consist of the following members:

- A. The voting officers shall be the Vice President, two (2) representatives from each academic college of the University, two (2) Upper Division Senators, two (2) Lower Division Senators, and two (2) Graduate Division Senators.
- B. The presiding officer of this body shall be the President of the Associated Students, who shall be the Chair. The Chair shall vote only when it affects the result of the vote.
- C. The non-voting ~~members~~ shall be: the Associated Students General Manager; the Associated Students Secretary; and Associated Students Attorney General, who shall be appointed by the President with majority approval of the Senate

Amended

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- C. The non-voting ***staff*** shall be: the Associated Students General Manager; the Associated Students Secretary; and Associated Students Attorney General, who shall be appointed by the President with majority approval of the Senate

Explanation: The title “non-voting member” would imply that these advisors would have the same responsibilities and rights of the board of directors, with the exception of the right to vote. According to AB 1233, corporations may include these members in board meetings but they must be treated as guests or be appointed to an advisory committee.

Original

ARTICLE XIII – FINANCE COMMITTEE

**Section 1.** The Finance Committee shall consist of

- B. Non-voting ~~members~~
  - 1. The Associated Students General Manager.
  - 2. Dean of Students or his/her representative.
  - 3. One Faculty Member appointed by the Faculty President upon request of the Associated Students President to serve concurrently with that President

Amended

ARTICLE XIII – FINANCE COMMITTEE

**Section 1.** The Finance Committee shall consist of

- B. Non-voting ***staff and advisors***
  - 1. The Associated Students General Manager (***staff***).
  - 2. Dean of Students or his/her representative.
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Original

ARTICLE XIV – ASSOCIATED STUDENTS EMPLOYEE

**Section 4.** Duties of the General Manager shall include the following:

- A. Being accountable to the Senate, the A.S. President, and President of the University, for the establishment of sound fiscal and operational policies and procedures designed to fit the best interest of the Associated Students Corporation;
- B. Being in charge of the collection and disbursement of the funds of the Associated Students in keeping with such policies and procedures;
- C. Attending all meetings of the Senate as a non-voting ~~member~~;
- D. Acting as trustee for the Associated Students, maintaining accounts for the various student chartered organizations.

Amended

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SPECIAL ADVERTISING SECTION

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[Original](#)

ARTICLE VIII – STUDENT DIRECTORS

- Section 1.** The President shall have the authority to create positions as he/she deems necessary with the approval of the Senate.
- Section 2.** In order to become a ~~director~~ of the Associated Students, a candidate must be in good standing as certified by the Office of the Registrar and must remain in good standing during their tenure in office.
- Section 3.** The President shall have the power to appoint ~~directors~~ with Senate approval. **Section 4.** No senator may serve simultaneously as a ~~director~~.
- Section 5.** A code shall be created for each ~~directorship~~ as prescribed by Article XV of these Bylaws.
- Section 6.** The student ~~directors~~ shall be responsible for the actions of their assistants.
- Section 7.** The President shall have the power to dissolve student ~~director~~ positions and remove ~~directors~~ at his/her discretion. ~~The President shall report such actions to the Senate.~~

[Amended](#)

ARTICLE VIII – STUDENT **LEADERSHIP STAFF**

- Section 1.** The President shall have the authority to create positions as he/she deems necessary with the approval of the Senate.
- Section 2.** In order to become a **student leadership staff member** of the Associated Students, a candidate must be in good standing as certified by the Office of the Registrar and must remain in good standing during their tenure in office.
- Section 3.** The President shall have the power to appoint **student leadership staff member** with Senate approval.
- Section 4.** No senator may serve simultaneously as a **student leadership staff member**.
- Section 5.** A code shall be created for each **student leadership staff position** as prescribed by Article XV of these Bylaws.
- Section 6.** The student **leadership staff** shall be responsible for the actions of their assistants.
- Section 7.** The President shall have the power to dissolve student **leadership staff** positions and remove **leadership staff** at his/her discretion **with the approval of the Senate.**

Explanation: People who hold positions titled Director are given the rights and responsibilities as the board of directors, including the right to vote. Currently, those who we call Directors are not given the right to vote. In order to be in compliance with AB 1233, corporations must either 1) remove the so-called director positions, or 2) give the directors the right to vote at board meetings. However, a non-director (i.e. staff or advisor) could still attend board meetings, offer opinions, and give reports.

[Original](#)

ARTICLE V- QUALIFICATIONS AND POWERS OF THE SENATE

- Section 2.** President
- G. Powers:
1. The President shall be the Chief Executive of the Corporation and ~~shall have general supervision, direction, and control of the business of the officers of the Corporation. He/she shall have the general powers and duties of management usually vested in the office of the president of the corporation and~~ shall have such other powers and duties that may be from time to time prescribed by the Senate.

[Amended](#)

ARTICLE V- QUALIFICATIONS AND POWERS OF THE SENATE

- Section 2.** President
- G. Powers:
1. The President shall be the Chief Executive of the Corporation and shall have such other powers and duties that may be from time to time prescribed by the Senate.

Explanation: This section gives the Associated Students President the power to make decisions, without Senate approval. It is also not specific enough as to what "general powers and duties or management" are.

[Original](#)

ARTICLE V- QUALIFICATIONS AND POWERS OF THE SENATE

- Section 2.** President
- G. Powers:
4. ~~The President shall have the power to veto any action of the Senate, which shall be accompanied by an explanation. If such veto is not exercised within a period of one week, action of the Senate shall become automatically approved. The President has the power of item veto of the Associated Students Budget.~~

Explanation: This section gives the Associated Students President the power to make decisions, regardless of the vote of the Senate. This amendment would delete "G. Powers" from the Associated Students Constitution, as required by AB 1233.

[Original](#)

ARTICLE X – ELECTIONS

- Section 1.** All Associated Students elections shall be administered by an Elections Committee, and a ~~Director of Elections~~, who shall be appointed by the President with the approval of the Senate.

[Amended](#)

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ARTICLE V- QUALIFICATIONS AND POWERS OF THE SENATE

- Section 2.** President
- G. Powers:
6. ~~The President shall have full administrative powers needed to implement the functioning of the Associated Students.~~

Explanation: This section gives the Associated Students President the power to make decisions, without Senate approval, which is not in compliance with AB 1233.

[Original](#)

ARTICLE V- QUALIFICATIONS AND POWERS OF THE SENATE

- Section 3.** Vice President
- E. The Vice President shall have such other powers and duties as may be prescribed by the ~~President~~ or these Bylaws.

[Amended](#)

ARTICLE V- QUALIFICATIONS AND POWERS OF THE SENATE

- Section 3.** Vice President
- E. The Vice President shall have such other powers and duties as may be prescribed by the **Senate** or these Bylaws.

Explanation: This section could imply that the Senate does not have a voice in deciding what the Vice President's duties are. Replacing the word "President" with "the Senate" would ensure that the Senate can exercise their vote, a requirement of AB 1233.

[Original](#)

ARTICLE XIII – FINANCE COMMITTEE

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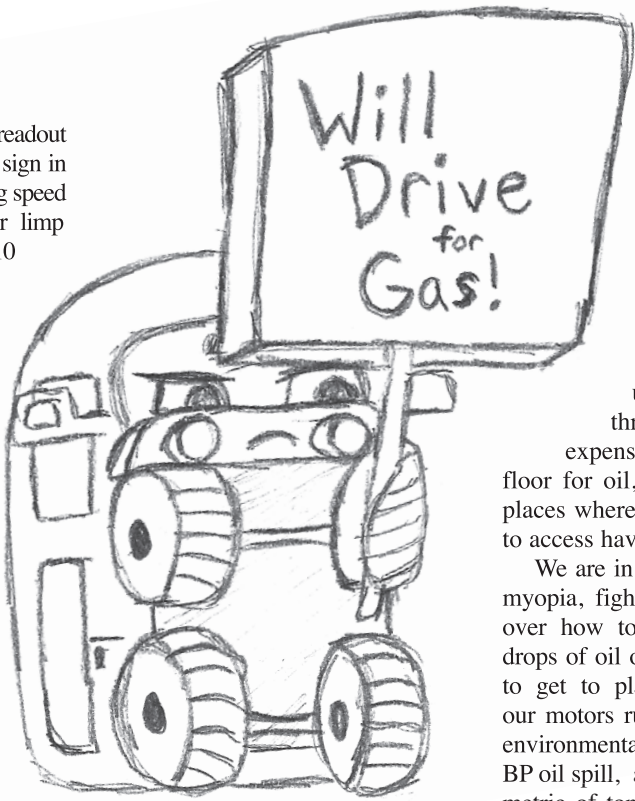
# Opinions

## Get used to high gas prices, it's a good thing

JOE TOMASZEWSKI  
DAILY SUNDIAL

That number on the digital readout of the gas pump with the dollar sign in front of it increases with dizzying speed as we see the gallons number limp along depressingly slowly – \$10 before we’ve even pumped 2.5 gallons into the tank. But we’re thinking about it the wrong way. Enjoy how affordable gas is now, because sooner rather than later, we’ll look back and long for the days when gas was this cheap.

There has been much debate and speculation in the media recently about why gas prices are so high and what can and should be done about it. This is short-sighted thinking that misses the big picture. Gas prices might come down a little in the short term, but I assume that gas prices will continue to rise because I believe the Earth is running out of oil, and that’s not necessarily a bad thing.



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Left?” Time Magazine refers to 2007 cables, released on WikiLeaks, between a U.S. diplomat and Sadad Al Hussein, a geologist who, until 2004, headed the exploration department for Aramco, the state Saudi Arabian oil company. In the cables, Al Hussein suggests that Saudi Arabian

close to reaching its peak oil production capacity by 2012, and that oil supplies will begin to decline throughout the rest of the century.

Although no one really knows how much oil is left, it can’t replenish faster than we use it. If we’re going through the trouble and expense to drill into the ocean floor for oil, it means most of the places where it was cheap and easy to access have been.

We are in the grip of a collective myopia, fighting wars, and fretting over how to squeeze a few more drops of oil out of increasingly hard to get to places in order to keep our motors running. We’re causing environmental catastrophes like the BP oil spill, and pumping billions of metric tons of hydrocarbons into the atmosphere every year.

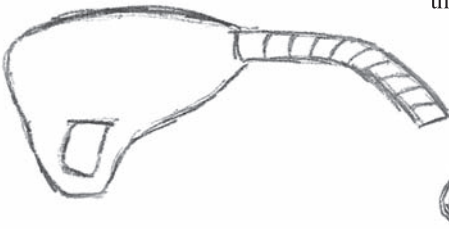
Burnt fossil fuels are taking a terrible toll on our health and the environment. And almost half of our tax dollars are spent on our massive military, and to prop up dictatorships in the Middle East, to make sure our thirst for oil remains quenched.

It will be better for us and for the planet if we all try to rely less on conveniences that burn gas. Only higher gas prices will force us to do so.

Sadly, instead of demanding better national energy policies, this fall many voters will look no farther into the future than their own immediate self-interests. They will ignorantly blame President Obama for high gas prices and vote for whatever Republican lies to them, telling them that we can drill our way to cheaper gas prices.

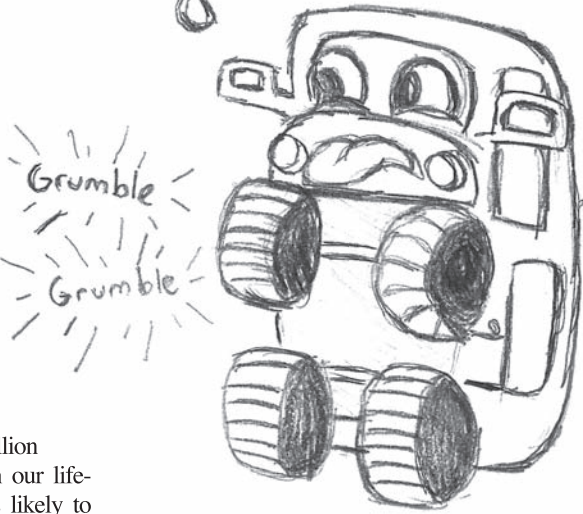
I don’t like paying more for gas anymore than anyone else. But I do expect gas to continue to get more expensive, and I can’t think of any good moral or practical reasons why it should not. Expect and accept that the price of gas will climb painfully high. Plan for it. The only affordable option you have is to adjust your lifestyle to use less of it.

officials overestimate the country’s oil reserves by as much as 40 percent. Saudi Arabia is the world’s second biggest oil producer, with one-fifth of the world’s proven oil reserves. Al Hussein suggests the world will be



It’s a simple case of supply and demand. Oil takes millions of years to form from dead plankton that was compressed by heat and pressure under the ocean floor. It took 50,000 years for the human population to reach 1 billion. That was in 1804. There are now 7 billion people sharing the planet. In our lifetime the world population is likely to hit 10 billion. By simple math, humans will inevitably use up, along with many other non-renewable resources, the finite supply of the Earth’s oil. It may happen sooner than we expect, and gas prices will go up as it does.

In a February 2011 article, “Have Saudis Overstated How Much Oil Is



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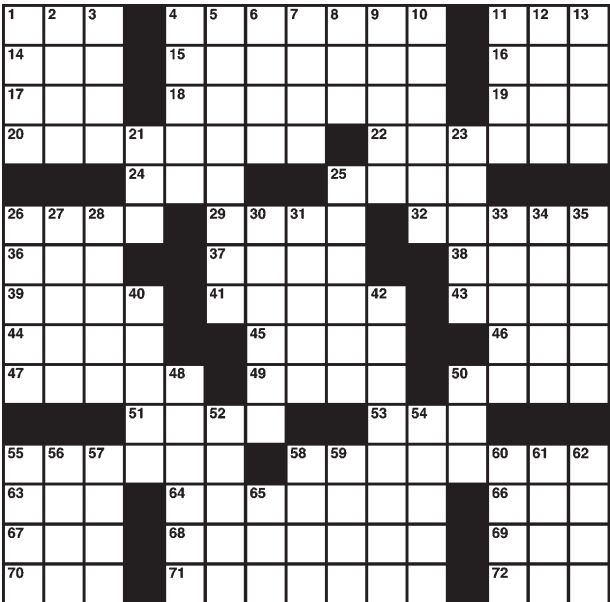
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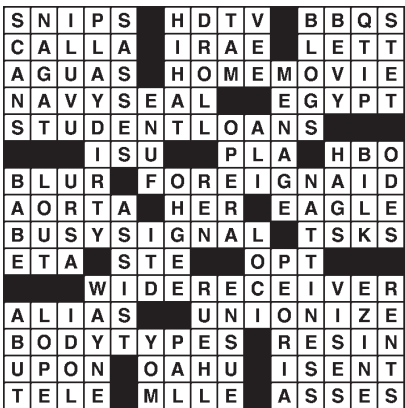
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SOFTBALL

# Leave it to the Beavers

OSU makes sure Matadors head into Big West season on losing note

**JONATHAN ANDRADE**  
DAILY SUNDIAL

The CSUN pitchers couldn't stop the potent Oregon State offense during Wednesday's home doubleheader at Matador Diamond.

The Matador pitchers were rocked for a combined 18 runs on the day while the bats of CSUN (5-23) only managed to muster a combined two runs in both games. The Matadors lost the first game 13-1 and the second 5-1.

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"We saw some good hitters and a lot of power in their lineup," CSUN head coach Tairia Flowers said. "Offensively, we put up some runs and put ourselves in position to score more runs and we just need to clutch up in the end."

Northridge's Leann Lopez had an offensive outburst. She singled three times on the day for two RBI while the rest of the lineup combined to add three hits.

Flowers took notice to Lopez's efforts.

"She's a little baller," Flowers said. "If you were to see her day in and day out, you'd see that she just gives it her all and I'm glad the game is finally paying her back."

"I was just looking to make something happen and get something going offensively," Lopez said.

Although the offense managed to gather some hits, the CSUN pitchers were taken for 22 combined hits on the day.

The Matadors didn't stand much of a chance in the first game of the doubleheader. After only giving up one run in the first inning, CSUN allowed the Beavers to score seven more in the second.

Starting pitcher Brianna Elder only lasted 1.2 innings in the circle for Northridge and gave up eight runs, one earned, on eight hits.

The Matadors went to junior Alexa Limon for two innings of work after. Limon allowed four earned runs on three hits and walked three of the 11 batters she faced.

The Beaver offense was powered by Paige Hall, Desiree Beltran, Ally Kuts, who each had two RBI and combined to put up 13 hits on the day while leaving nine runners stranded on the base paths.

CSUN scored its lone run in the second inning off a Lopez single to score Jaci Carlsen.

In game 2, CSUN put itself in a 2-0 hole in the first inning with junior Mia Pagano starting in the circle for the Matadors.

Northridge answered back



YOKO MAEGAWA / CONTRIBUTOR

**Pitcher Alexa Limon and catcher Mikayla Thielges try to strike out Mary Brenner (16) of Oregon State Wednesday. CSUN lost twice to the Beavers and heads into Big West play on a seven-game losing streak.**

in the second with a run of its own after a Lopez two-out single found its way through the left side of the infield to score senior Samantha Sloniker.

The Matadors loaded the bases with two outs, but Tanna Bindi went down swinging for the Matadors to end the threat and keep the deficit at 2-1.

Pagano settled down in the following innings, holding the Beavers scoreless into the sixth, but the Matador bats were also quiet during the span.

"I mixed it up and my catcher did a good job calling

the game," Pagano said. "We made some pretty key plays out there to keep them off balance."

The Beavers opened the sixth with a single. Then Hall singled to make it two on with one out. CSUN ended the threat by turning a line drive to the pitcher into a double play after Pagano snagged the shot up the middle and threw to first to catch the base runner leaning towards second.

The shining defensive play sparked the CSUN offense in the bottom half. The Matadors

got two runners on at first and third but two first-pitch grounders to third base kept the teams scoreless.

Pagano hit the Beavers' Mary Brenner to start the seventh and she eventually came around to push Oregon State's lead to 3-1 off a Lea Cavestany double down the left-field line.

OSU's Elizabeth Santana tripled with two outs, scoring two more runs for the Beavers and extending their lead to 5-1 before a grounder to third ended the top inning.

"Our pitchers saw what we

need to work on," Flowers said. "We saw some good things ... The numbers show that they jumped on us a little bit, but our pitchers did a good job of keeping us in the game."

Although the Matadors were bullied in both outings, the players are feeling positive heading into Big West Conference play. CSUN will debut at Pacific this weekend.

"We can hang with anybody," Pagano said. "The Big West is a tough conference, but (Oregon State) is in the Pac 12, so hopefully we'll do better."

MEN'S VOLLEYBALL

# BYU challenge: Matadors to face Cougars twice



TESSIE NAVARRO / MULTIMEDIA EDITOR

**Matador Drew Staker goes for a kill against Hawai'i Friday. CSUN will head to Utah to face No. 4 BYU twice.**

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The Matadors hadn't won back-to-back Mountain Pacific Sports Federation matches since late February before consecutive conference wins against Hawai'i last weekend put them in perfect position to earn a higher seed in the upcoming playoffs.

Northridge (10-13, 6-10 MPSF) only has six games remaining in the regular season. Four of them are on the road, beginning two at Brigham Young (18-5, 14-4). The first game will be played tonight. The rematch will be Friday night.

The No. 12 Matadors have built some momentum after its two wins over the now No. 14 Hawai'i. Led by sophomore outside hitter Brandon Lebrock and freshman Julius Hoefer, CSUN's

offense performed exceptionally well in both matches.

Hoefer was named MPSF player of the week on Monday for his 46 combined kills against Hawai'i in which he hit more than .300.

Lebrock, who was already carrying a heavy part of the offensive load when Hoefer fell suspect to an injury of his own earlier this season, has stepped up even more since an injury to senior outside hitter Matt Stork.

The dynamic duo of Lebrock and Hoefer combined for 76 kills in the two matches against the Warriors while the rest of the Matadors' offense picked up at all the right moments.

In Friday's matchup, junior middle blocker Drew Staker had seven kills and four block assists while CSUN hit .390 on the night. What was most impressive about the win was a first set in which the usually inconsistent

Northridge offense hit an outlandish .571 to set the pace for the rest of the match.

The contributions of junior Jared Moore and redshirt freshman Kyle Stevenson also carried over into Saturday's 3-1 win.

The defensive presence of Moore helped slow the Hawai'i hitters while the usually timid Stevenson went off for five crucial kills in the closing frame. Stevenson had a combined 15 kills in the two matches and could provide an extra spark for the Matadors at BYU and in the playoffs.

The Cougars, ranked No. 4 in the country, have already secured a spot in this year's playoffs. BYU was on a seven-game win streak before dropping its last match against Long Beach State, 3-2, Saturday.

Brigham Young is currently third in conference behind only UCLA and UC Irvine. The Cou-

gars are led by seniors Robb Stowell and Futi Tavana and sophomore outside hitter Taylor Sander.

The three Cougars have each eclipsed the 200-kill mark this season with Stowell nearing kill No. 300 for the year.

For the Matadors, the offense has shown it can spread the ball and dominate its opponents, but all eyes will be on the CSUN defense for the remainder of the season.

Sophomore Charlie Condron has done well at libero gathering a team-leading 124 digs while senior Danny Rodrick has proven his worth since taking over as the starting setter and leads the Matadors with 412 assists.

**Matadors @ BYU**

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